

# CITIZEN'S TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE/ SOCIAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL (CTAC/SSTAC)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2017 -- 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

County Government Center – Hall of Justice Pacific Meeting Room 800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA 93009

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. SELF INTRODUCTIONS
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA
- 4. APPROVAL OF 5/9/17 MEETING SUMMARY PG. 3
- 5. FY 2017/18 CTAC/SSTAC MEETING SCHEDULE- PG.5 Recommended Action:

Review, Discuss and Approve the 2017/18 CTAC/SSTAC Meeting Schedule

- 6. APPROVE PRIORITY RANKING FOR COMBINED CALL-FOR-PROJECTS FOR CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY (CMAQ) FUNDS AND TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA) ARTICLE 3 BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN FUNDS PG. 7

  Recommended Action:
- Recommend the Commission program \$6,760,318 CMAQ funds and \$1,228,399 in TDA Article 3 Bicycle & Pedestrian funds (for a total of \$7,988,717) to the non-transit projects prioritized "above the line" in Attachment B.
- Recommend the Commission approve the Rice Road project requested CMAQ funds of \$1,156,202 for the shelf list, should the funds become available in FY 2018/19 or before, with the stipulation that TTAC and CTAC need not be consulted again for this project to be approved from the shelf list.
- Recommend the Commission approve the FY 2017/18 TDA Article 3 allocations of \$697,219 as shown in Attachment C.
- 7. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
- 8. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS
- 9. ADJOURN TO OCTOBER 10, 2017

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Item #4

### **MEETING SUMMARY**

# CITIZEN'S TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE/ SOCIAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL (CTAC/SSTAC)

#### TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2017 -- 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

County Government Center – Hall of Justice Pacific Meeting Room 800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA 93009

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Miranda Patton.

#### 2. SELF INTRODUCTIONS

#### 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Dr. Sandra Aldana introduced herself to the group. She is a governor's appointee to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities as an At Large Councilmember. She thanked VCTC for their efforts to be responsive to the needs of people with Developmental and acquired disabilities in Ventura County and she looks forward to continued collaboration to address ongoing concerns such as ADA Compliance; Removal of Routes; Stops far from Home and Destinations; Dynamic Fare Pricing; Service Quality and non-negotiable ride times; and, other concerns which can impact basic activities such as access to healthcare and employment.

#### 4. APPROVAL OF 4/11/17 MEETING SUMMARY

Bruce Rokos made a motion to approve the summary. The motion was seconded by Joseph Alexander and passed unanimously.

#### 5. ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2017 - SB 1 (BEALL)

Peter De Haan presented staff's analysis of the law, which will provide \$5.2 in new revenues for transportation projects, primarily for rehabilitation and maintenance.

# 6. APPROVE COMBINED CALL-FOR-PROJECTS FOR CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY (CMAQ) FUNDS AND TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA) ARTICLE 3 BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN FUNDS

Chaise Rasheed made a motion to:

- Approve guidelines in Attachment A and application in Attachment C for a new call for projects to program CMAQ and TDA Article 3 Bicycle & Pedestrian funds, for two years' worth of funds.
- Approve Call for Projects Schedule contained in the agenda item.
- Approve "off-the-top" funding of \$443,000 for Regional Ridesharing (to come from the Non-Transit share) for each of the two years, and \$600,000 for Transit Outreach (to come from the Transit share) for the second year.
- Approve policy for Shelf List (Attachment B).

The motion was seconded by Deuk Perrin and passed, with Joseph Alexander in opposition of the motion.

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#### 7. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT - No report

#### 8. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

Joseph Alexander reported that work on a railroad crossing project in Santa Paula that was funded ten years ago has finally begun.

Chaise Rasheed reported that the City of Thousand Oaks Transit Master Plan will go to the City Council on August 29<sup>th</sup>. The plan is quite extensive and includes adding 3 new lines over the next 5 years and extending service to Simi Valley and Agoura Hills.

#### 9. ADJOURN TO SEPTEMBER 12, 2017

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Item #5

MEMO TO: CTAC/SSTAC

FROM: DONNA COLE, VCTC STAFF

SUBJECT: 2017/18 CTAC/SSTAC MEETING SCHEDULE

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

• Review, Discuss and Approve the 2017/18 CTAC/SSTAC Meeting Schedule

**SEPTEMBER 12** - 2017 CMAQ/Article 3 Project Applications

OCTOBER 10 - Approve FY 17/18 Unmet Transit Needs Public Hearing Schedule,

Procedures and Definitions of "Unmet Transit Needs" and "Reasonable to

Meet"

CMAQ Update

NOVEMBER 14 - No Meeting (Room not available)

**DECEMBER 12** - SCAG presentation 2017 Local Profile for Ventura County

JANUARY 9 - No Meeting

FEBRUARY 13 - Unmet Transit Needs Update

Transit Funding Update

MARCH 13 - Update on other county bus systems

**APRIL 10** - Approve Unmet Transit Needs Findings and Staff Recommendation

MAY 8 - VCTC Transit Ridership Update

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Item #6

**September 12, 2017** 

MEMO TO: CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE / SOCIAL SERVICE TRANSPORTATION

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE** 

TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

FROM: PETER DE HAAN, PROGRAMMING DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: APPROVE PRIORITY RANKING FOR COMBINED CALL-FOR-PROJECTS FOR

CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY (CMAQ) FUNDS AND

TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA) ARTICLE 3 BICYCLE AND

**PEDESTRIAN FUNDS** 

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

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#### **BACKGROUND:**

TTAC at its April 20, 2017 meeting and CTAC at its May 9, 2017 meeting approved the guidelines for the combined CMAQ/TDA Article 3 Bicycle & Pedestrian Call-for-Projects, and VCTC approved the guidelines on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. The guidelines provide for separate scoring of transit and non-transit (primarily bicycle and pedestrian) projects, with TRANSCOM to review the transit projects and TTAC the non-transit projects, based on the policy that each of two categories receive half of the CMAQ funds.

When the guidelines were adopted, staff provided estimated funding amounts for each category, which took into account some projects that had been committed for "off-the-top" funding. The result was that there was estimated to be \$5,847,000 available in the Call for the non-transit category, and \$3,390,000 for the transit category. Staff has recently updated the funding amounts based on prior-year carryover and updated revenue estimates, with the result that the available amounts are significantly increased, to \$8,862,000 for non-transit and \$6,150,000 for transit, for a total of \$15,012,000.

As specified in the guidelines, project applications were due to VCTC on August 21<sup>st</sup>. VCTC received a total of 20 non-transit projects with a total funding request of \$33,186,974. These projects included 16 bicycle/pedestrian projects, three projects in the signal and traffic flow improvement category, and one clean transportation infrastructure project.

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The initial scoring of projects was done by VCTC staff, with the exception of the Air Quality criterion which was scored by APCD staff. Since TTAC selected a subcommittee to review scores, that review took place on August 29<sup>th</sup> and the recommendations were incorporated. The resulting scores are provided in Attachment A, and the list of projects sorted by score, with the funding cut off based on the currently available funds, is provided in Attachment B. All of the projects that were above the funding line were in the bicycle/pedestrian category.

As specified in the criteria, the first step in the project evaluation was elimination of projects based on the eligibility as defined in the Guidelines and in the funding programs' requirements. Based on this review, two projects, both in Camarillo, were considered to be ineligible and therefore not scored.

Based on a review of the projects submitted for the state's Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 3 Augmentation, it appears that there will be a minimum of \$678,000 in ATP funds made available due to SB 1, that will be applied to reduce the amount of CMAQ requested by projects in this call for projects. The recommended CMAQ cutoff assumes that this \$678,000 will become available to reduce the required amount of CMAQ for the recommended projects.

The project ranking also includes a shelf list cutoff which is a number slightly larger than the amount of anticipated funds. As in prior CMAQ programming actions, it is recommended that TTAC and CTAC stipulate that shelf list projects can be approve in the approved sequence as funds become available, without returning to their respective committees for additional action. Commission approval to move a project up from the shelf list would still be required but could be on the Consent Calendar of the agenda.

The project funding table shows the breakdown of requests for the two types of available funds, CMAQ and Article 3. One project, the West Los Angeles Bike Lanes in Simi Valley, proposed to use TDA Article 3 to match the CMAQ funds, with no local match. Since the projects falling above the funding line totaled slightly more than the amount of available Article 3, and slightly less than the available CMAQ, staff has used Toll Credits to adjust the funding shares proposed by Simi Valley, to make the totals match the available funds for each "color" of money. Shifting the relative shares for this project will not affect the overall deliverability of the project as the entire project is federally-participating. The other projects recommended to receive TDA will all be able to use the TDA for either a non-federal project or a non-federal phase of a project.

Attachment C provides the breakdown of proposed allocations for the TDA Article 3 Bicycle and Pedestrian program. As the Committees are aware, one change made in this new Call-for-Projects was to commit two-years' worth of TDA Article 3 funds through one Call, rather than have a Call-for-Projects each year. As a result, VCTC must decide which projects will go in the first year and which in the second, and then allocate the first year of the program with the second year fund being a VCTC commitment subject to funding availability. Based on the submitted schedules, all the Article 3 projects recommended for funding can start in the first program year. Staff therefore recommends that all of the projects be programmed in the first year, FY 17/18, with the exception of the Moorpark project, since that project is design only and requested more than one year's worth of TDA Article 3 funds. By allocating all of the other Article 3 projects for this year, VCTC can ensure that these ready-to-go projects proceed to construction as fast as possible.

The on-line agenda folder includes for the Committees' review copies of all of the submitted applications.