MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, July 16, 2015, 9:30 a.m.  NEW DATE

Sonoma County Transportation Authority
SCTA Large Conference Room
Phone participation: (707) 565-3433

ITEM

1. Introductions
2. Public Comment
3. Administrative
   3.1. Approval of the agenda – changes, additional discussion items- ACTION
   3.2. Review Meeting Notes from June 18, 2015 – ACTION*
4. Round table members discussion
5. Climate Action 2020 - DISCUSSION
6. Moving Forward 2040 – CTP 2015 - INFORMATION
7. Plan Bay Area Update - INFORMATION
   7.2. ABAG Scenarios Timeline and request for feedback*
   7.3. One Bay Area Grant Cycle 2* - https://mtc.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx
8. SB743 Update
9. Other Business /Next agenda
10. Adjourn
   *Attachment

The next SCTA meeting will be held September 14, 2015

The next Planning Directors/PAC meeting will be held August 20, 2015

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1. Introductions
   Meeting called to order at 9:38 a.m. by Janet Spilman.
   
   Committee Members: Nancy Adams, City of Santa Rosa; Mark Bramfitt, LAFCo; Olivia Ius, SMART; Kim Jordan, Town of Windsor; Amy Lyle, Sonoma County PRMD; Vicki Parker, City of Cotati; Kenyon Webster, City of Sebastopol.

   Guests: Stefanie Hom, MTC; Pamela Swan, Sonoma County Department of Health Services.

   Staff: Brant Arthur, Chris Barney, Lauren Casey, Nina Donofrio, Janet Spilman, Dana Turréy.

2. Public Comment
   None.

3. Administrative
3.1. Approval of the agenda – changes, additional discussion items- ACTION
Approved as submitted.

3.2. Review Meeting Notes from April 16, 2015 – ACTION*
Approved as submitted.

4. Round table members discussion
SMART: Olivia Ius reported that staff has submitted grant applications to purchase a third car set and for the bicycle/pedestrian path.

City of Cotati: Vicki Parker reported that staff has nearly completed their General Plan update and that several interesting projects are scheduled, including road improvements on Old Redwood Highway and a trail and farming project that is planned in conjunction with the Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District.

Sonoma County PRMD: Amy Lyle announced that they are hiring for a Planner. Staff is working on the Vacation Rental Ordinance, which is expected to be completed this year and come before the Planning Commission in late summer, as well as an ordinance for special events for wineries.

Current projects under way include various wineries. An RFP has been released for the Airport Specific Plan/SMART Station Plan which is expected to be completed this month and come before the Planning Commission in late summer, as well as an ordinance for special events for wineries.

Town of Windsor: Kim Jordan reported that work is continuing on the General Plan update. The Town Council requested that a community survey be conducted. A consultant was hired for the survey; results have been positive but have not yet been released. There has been an increase in development projects and larger in-fill projects. Ms. Jordan polled the Committee as to whether other jurisdictions have received a request to provide a letter of support for SB 32.

City of Sebastopol: Kenyon Webster reported that Caltrans has started construction on the Highway 12 bridge replacement. He also reported that most City staff had agreed to reduced work hours during the recession and that this is now being restored to a 40-hour work week in July.

Work is continuing on the General Plan; land use discussion is next.

MTC: Stephanie Hom announced the release of a call for projects for parking strategy and TDM management. She referred to the MTC website for more information.

Ms. Hom reported success in conducting the Plan Bay Area workshops, and noted that the open house format is very constructive. She referred to summary sheets of all comments from each of the counties, comparing each county’s priorities.

Ms. Hom next announced that a discussion regarding OBAG will be coming before the Commission next month.

City of Santa Rosa: Nancy Adams reported that meetings on the Roseland Specific Plan are ongoing. The first community workshop was held Wednesday, June 10.

LAFCo: Mark Bramfitt had nothing new to report.

RCPA: Lauren Casey reported on Climate Action 2020. A schedule was sent out regarding the administrative draft approximately two weeks ago; this has been reviewed by Ms. Casey and Misty Mersich. Strategy will follow as to how to address it. The goal is to have a draft in early July.

Discussion followed regarding SB 32. On May 21 a Climate Ready Road Map Workshop was held, with discussion around GHG emission reduction strategies. Ms. Casey reminded Committee members to bill to the grant.

5. Shift Sonoma County and Santa Rosa Car Share Update – Staff Report – INFORMATION*
Dana Turréy reported on two different but related plans that have recently begun; a fuel shift plan and a mode shift plan. The mode shift plan would involve a plan to implement electric vehicle charging stations, including a municipal action plan and private electric vehicle action plan.

The mode shift plan involves a transportation demand management (TDM) needs assessment and program plan, including a bicycle sharing feasibility study and car sharing feasibility study.

Staff will be bringing updates to the Committee.

Ms. Spilman announced that she and Chris Barney would be presenting the initial project list to the Board with an overview of activities and accomplishments and projects that have been completed, and that Mr. Barney will address performance measurements.

6.2. Performance Review*- Evaluation of 2009 CTP and Moving Forward
Mr. Barney presented a detailed slideshow summarizing the five goals of the CTP, explaining that performance targets have been identified for each of the goals and the metrics used in quantifying performance in reaching the goals and projecting performance to 2040. He responded to Committee questions regarding average trip length, noting that this is expected to reach 18 minutes by 2040. He also noted additional project benefits not included in the performance assessment.

Mr. Barney explained that the first phase is to examine project impacts on performance measures and that the next phase is to examine policies and how to meet the performance targets that have been set for each of the plan goals.

Ms. Spilman added that this will also involve land use and non-motorized mode share.

Mr. Barney explained that pricing and behavioral change are expected to make the biggest impact, in response to Committee comments that the data does not show more significant projected changes. He added that employment growth rate is expected to exceed the population and housing growth rate and this will result in importing more workers from outside the County.

7. Plan Bay Area Update - INFORMATION

Ms. Spilman referred the Committee to this link for agenda packets for both working group meetings.

7.2. ABAG Regional Housing & Employment forecast* - presentation to SCTA June 8
Ms. Spilman encouraged the Committee to review this presentation; main points of interest are that Sonoma County has the lowest median income in the Bay Area; it is the second oldest population in the Bay Area after Marin County; is growing slowly; and Sonoma County residents do not tend to relocate as much as other County populations. It was observed that the low median income may be offset, in part, by a higher population that has paid off their housing.

7.3. One Bay Area Grant Cycle 2* - https://mtc.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx
Ms. Spilman announced that Sonoma County has no eligibility issues for this grant cycle; all jurisdictions qualify for OBAG funding. She did note that the formula has changed and that overall funding is reduced. The Safe Routes to School funding formula was reversed so that it will not be reduced. The adoption date has been changed from June to July.

Ms. Hom offered to follow up on any questions regarding the memo; particularly in regard to PDAs being extended to other place types, and offered to look into this. These are recognized in the program for funding.

8. Items of interest - INFORMATION

In response to Ms. Spilman’s polling of the Committee for potential grant applicants, Nancy Adams noted that the City of Santa Rosa is looking into this and attended an MTC workshop for a potential project in Railroad Square.

In response to Ms. Spilman’s question, Ms. Hom confirmed that this grant would come from CMAQ funds.

8.2. Draft California Transportation Plan 2040- available for review – Caltrans still taking comments

8.2.1. CALCOG comments on CA2040
Ms. Spilman noted that CALCOG’s comments sum up staff’s concerns very well.

8.3. Caltrans District 4 Bicycle Plan* - Caltrans kicks of bike plan for state highway system

8.4. Vital Signs phase 2 – See MTC website http://www.vitalsigns.mtc.ca.gov/ for phase 1

Ms. Hom agreed to demonstrate Phase 2 at the next Committee meeting.

9. Other Business /Next agenda
Ms. Spilman announced that she would not be present at the next Committee meeting and that it will be chaired by Mr. Barney.

10. Adjourn
10:55 a.m.
Plan Bay Area 2040: Scenarios Development Timeline
Coordination among ABAG, MTC, CMAs and City/County staff

Regional coordination
ABAG/MTC Planning

Local input
Cities/Counties, CMAs

Public release

- Verify Existing Conditions
- Define Scenario Concepts
- Develop Draft Scenarios
- Develop Final Scenarios
- Alignment with scenarios
- Plan Bay Area 2013, local plans/projects
- Input from local visions and plans
- Input from local councils, strategies
- Adoption Preferred Scenario