



Sonoma County Transportation Authority
Regional Climate Protection Authority

Transit Paratransit Coordinating Committee

MEETING AGENDA

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September 20, 2022 – 1:30 p.m.

Sonoma County Transportation Authority
Meeting to be held remotely via Zoom. Information provided above.

ITEM

1. Introductions
2. Public Comment
3. Approval of Meeting Notes: July 19, 2022 – **DISCUSSION / ACTION***
4. SCTA Citizens Advisory Committee appointment of alternate representative from TPCC – **DISCUSSION / ACTION***
5. Roundtable Updates – Discussion
 - a. Transit / Paratransit Operators
 - b. Mobility Partner Reports
6. Future Agenda Topics
 - Model TNC-Paratransit Partnership Programs
 - Transportation Funding Primer
 - State Master Plan for Aging
7. Other Business / Comments / Announcements
8. Adjourn

*Materials attached.

The next **SCTA/RCPA** meeting will be held **October 10, 2022**
The next **TPCC** meeting will be held **November 15, 2022**

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TRANSIT PARATRANSIT COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES

Meeting Notes of July 19, 2022

[You can view the entire video recording the committee by clicking this link.](#)

ITEM

1. Introductions

Meeting called to order at 1:33 p.m. by Dana Turrey.

Committee Members: Dennis Battenberg, Chair, via phone; Jeana Eriksen, Vice Chair, State Council on Developmental Disabilities; Kathleen Cortez, Area Agency on Aging; Mohamed Ali, MV Transportation/Santa Rosa CityBus; Brian Albee, Sonoma County Transit; Yuri Koslen, Santa Rosa CityBus; Silvia Martinez-Palacios, Petaluma Transit; Emily Heinzelman, West County Community Services; Collin Thoma, DSLC; Scotty Millay King, Sebastopol Senior Center.

Guests: Trayce Beards; Linda Chaffin; Cloverdale Senior Center; Don Carlisle, City of Santa Rosa; Arturo Gonzaga, Becoming Independent; Carol Taylor, Genesis Disability Justice Task Force.

Staff: Dana Turrey; Ross Clendenen.

2. Public Comment

N/A

3. Approval of Meeting Notes: May 17, 2022 - DISCUSSION / ACTION*

This item begins at [4:10](#) on the video recording

Emily Heinzelman moved to approve the March 15, 2022 meeting minutes, Kathleen Cortez seconded.

The committee unanimously approved the minutes via acclamation.

Jeana Eriksen abstained.

4. Regional Paratransit Coordinating Council Conference debrief – Discussion

This item begins at [5:02](#) on the video recording.

Dana Turrey spoke on the recent conference led by MTC on regional paratransit coordinating councils. The conference reviewing the origins of PCCs, changes made.

Counties must have a PCC and is tied to TDA funding. The purpose is to coordinate paratransit services with fixed route services.

The Blue Ribbon Action Plan was also discussed at this conference and Ms. Turrey reported on the discussions around access and mobility.

Kathleen Cortez commented that MTC has a recommendation that each county would have mobility manager and that position would help ppl who are needing to locate transportation and asked about the timeframe for having that position added to the county.

Ms. Turrey responded that the timeline was not directly discussed at the conference and is something of interest to hear further from MTC.

The motion was approved via acclamation.

5. Update on Cloverdale/North County transportation needs and research – Discussion

This item begins at [12:02](#) on the video recording.

Dana Turrey recalled the request to discuss the needs of transportation in the northern area of Sonoma County.

A meeting was held with the Cloverdale Senior Mobility Center, as well as with the Area Agency on Aging, to discuss the challenges in Cloverdale

regarding transportation access and funding availability.

The next steps include collecting additional information from various agencies who operate similar programs to understand how a program who work best in Cloverdale.

Kathleen Cortez commented on the 5310 funding, nothing the Golden Gate Bridge tolls have been used as matching funds.

Trayce Beards asked if there will be an item presented to the SCTA Board of Directors on this topic.

Ms. Turrey responded staff are planning on bringing an item to the Board in September but will not ask for action.

6. Round Table Updates

6.1. Transit / Paratransit Operators

This item begins at [23:00](#) on the video recording.

Bryan Albee (Sonoma County Transit), Silvia Martinez-Palacios (Petaluma Transit), and Yuri Koslen (Santa Rosa CityBus) each provided an update on their respective agencies to the committee.

The committee also continued to discuss Measure M funding to provide transportation access to seniors and people with disabilities.

6.2. Mobility Partner Reports

This item begins at [53:56](#) on the video recording.

Kathleen Cortez reported to the committee on announced the passing of Michael Humphrey, who was a fierce advocate for those with disabilities.

Ms. Cortez further reported on the Communitywide Needs Assessment that will cover 2024-2028. Focus groups will begin in January 2023 and welcome support from partners in promoting the focus groups to the community.

Ms. Cortez asked if the paratransit vehicles are still carrying fewer passengers in response to COVID-

19, i.e., if a group of seniors from Burbank Housing wish to go together somewhere in one vehicle.

Bryan Albee responded that Sonoma County Transit is not reducing the passenger limit anymore.

Emily Heinzelman reported briefly that staff are working with Sebastopol Senior Center on the volunteer ride program for the west county.

Collin Thoma updated the committee on the Highway 101 Multimodal corridor plan survey and provided the committee with a link that provides discounted rides.

Anna, Healdsburg DASH, spoke on Healdsburg's volunteer drive program. The city council has provided funding to continue supporting the program and are looking into purchasing a new vehicle to expand the program.

7. Future Agenda Topics

This item begins at [1:00:05](#) on the video recording.

Dana Turrey announced the upcoming topics that will be brought before the TPCC. These include a Transportation Funding Primer, Model TNC-Paratr4ansit Partnership Programs, and Sate Master Plan for Aging.

8. Other Business / Comments / Announcements

This item begins at [1:01:45](#) on the video recording.

Dana Turrey announced the August SCTA/RCPA Board of Directors meeting is cancelled and will be held next in September; the next TPCC meeting will be held on September 20.

9. Adjourn – ACTION

The committee adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Staff Report

To: Transit Paratransit Coordinating Committee **Meeting Date:** 9/20/22
From: Dana Turrey, Senior Transportation Planner **Item Number:** 4
Subject: Recommendation for SCTA Citizens Advisory Committee Alternate Representative
from Transit Paratransit Coordinating Committee
Consent Item: **Regular Item:** **Action Item:** **Report:**

Issue

Whom shall the TPCC recommend as an alternate representative of the TPCC on the SCTA Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)?

Recommendation

Staff requests that the Committee make a recommendation for a TPCC member to be an alternate representative of the TPCC on the CAC.

Background

On May 17, 2022, the TPCC nominated Jeana Eriksen to represent the TPCC on the CAC. Jeana Eriksen will likely need to miss some CAC meetings over the next several months. An alternate representative on the CAC would help the committee meet its quorum requirements and act on agenda items. Jeana Eriksen would remain the primary representative and an alternate would be able to vote on action items in her absence.

The CAC is composed of 15 members from community groups and 5 members from the public at large. TPCC representation is one of the member seats on the CAC. The primary function of the CAC is to review projects, policy statements, funding programs, and any other items that may be acted on by the SCTA and to provide input and recommendations for the SCTA’s decision-making process. The CAC also serves as the independent oversight committee for Measure M. The CAC is regularly held on the last Monday of the month at 4:00 p.m.

Financial Implications

Is there a fiscal impact? Yes No
Is there funding in the current budget? Yes No