BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
StanCOG Board Room
1111 I Street, Suite 308
Modesto, CA

Minutes of August 7, 2019 (Wednesday)
10:00 am

MEMBERS PRESENT: Shivaugn Alves (arrived during Item 6A), Jim Dosenbach, Kyle Fliflet, John Gerling, Minn Thein, Larry White

ALSO PRESENT: Carla Alviso, Chris Jasper, Karen Kincy, Isael Ojeda (StanCOG); Yvette Davis (Dibs)

1. CALL TO ORDER
Vice-Chair John Gerling called the meeting to order at 10:08 am.

2. ROLL CALL

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

4. CONSENT CALENDAR
   A. Motion to Approve Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee Minutes of 6/5/19
      *By Motion (Member Kyle Fliflet/Larry White) and a unanimous vote, the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee approved the Consent Calendar.

5. PRESENTATION
   A. Bike to Work Month 2019 Update
      Yvette Davis provided results for 2019 Bike to Work Month. She reported on the biking events that had taken place in the cities of Modesto, Newman, Oakdale and Hughson and stated that Stanislaus County had the largest Bike Month event across all three counties with 481 trips logged, 1400 + miles, with an average daily trip of 3.9 miles. She also stated that with all the trips that were logged, there was a total of 5,070,511 pounds of CO2 saved. A discussion followed and members’ questions were answered.

6. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS
   A. StanCOG Non-Motorized Transportation Plan
Chris Jasper provided background on the Non-Motorized Transportation Plan and stated that it was last updated in 2013. He said that the plan was funded by a Caltrans’ SB1 Sustainable Communities formula grant and has a maximum budget of $300,000. He stated that a Request for Proposal had been released on June 13th with a due date of July 15th. He also stated that Toole Design Group received the highest average overall score and upon the Policy Board’s authorization, StanCOG staff would finalize a contract. He also mentioned that the anticipated completion date of the Non-Motorized Transportation plan was early 2021. A brief discussion followed and members’ questions were answered.

B. FY 2017/18 Measure L Oversight Committee Annual Report and Measure L Independent Audit
Karen Kincy provided background on the Measure L Expenditure Plan and stated that the Certified Public Accounting firm of Hudson Henderson & Company Inc. had completed their auditor’s reports for the year ended June 30, 2018. She reported that all agencies received an unqualified or “clean” opinion on their financial statements. She also reported that the Measure L Oversight Committee had reviewed the annual audits and issued their findings, that all agencies were in compliance. She also pointed out that at the end of FY 2018/19, StanCOG had received over seven million dollars above what was estimated and that the Grand Jury had conducted their own investigation of Measure L and that they gave StanCOG three commendations. There was a discussion and members had their questions answered.

C. Safer Affordable Fuel-Efficient Vehicle Rule Update
*(This item was presented before Item 6A)*
Isael Ojeda stated that on August 1, 2018 the Environmental Protection Agency released a note of proposed rulemaking for the Safer Affordable Fuel-Efficient Vehicles Rule for Model Years 2021-2016 for Passenger Cars and Light Trucks. He detailed the potential impacts of the rule and how it would negatively affect the Stanislaus Region. He reported that a Type 5 formal amendment had been prepared to mitigate the impacts of the SAFE Rule on project delivery. He stated the amendment was released for public review and that a public hearing would be held at the August 21st Policy Board meeting. A discussion followed and members’ questions were answered.

7. MANAGEMENT REPORT - None

8. MEMBER REPORTS
Vice-Chair John Gerling reported on the ACE train extension that would happen in two phases, Lathrop to Ceres and Ceres to Merced and the Modesto Downtown Master Plan. He expressed concern regarding bike and pedestrian facilities at the Modesto ACE train station. He informed the members that the next opportunity for public input about the Modesto Plan was tentatively planned for the first week in October.

Member Kyle Fliflet provided more details on what could be included in the Modesto Downtown Master Plan.

Member Shivaugn Alves stated she was interested in having a Bike to Work event next year in Patterson. She also shared her concerns regarding the dam to be put into Del Puerto Canyon and informed the members that she had created a petition and wants to make sure that some component of recreation would be incorporated into the plan.
9. ADJOURMENT

Vice-Chair John Gerling adjourned the meeting at 11:16 am.

Next Regularly Scheduled BPAC Meeting:
October 2, 2019 (Wednesday) @ 10:00 am
StanCOG Board Room
1111 I Street, Suite 308
Modesto, CA 95354

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