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NEXT MEETING OF THE:

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES STRATEGY STEERING COMMITTEE

APRIL 5, 2011•TUESDAY•10:00 AM

STANCOG BOARD ROOM

1111 I STREET, SUITE 308

MODESTO, CA

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AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

These matters may be presented only by interested persons in the audience. Discussion is limited to five minutes or at the discretion of the Chair.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Motion to Approve Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) Steering Committee Minutes of 3/1/2011

5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- A. Motion to Approve Inclusion of the Stanislaus County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) to the SCS Steering Committee
- B. Discussion Regarding Comments Received from March Steering Committee Meeting
- C. Continue Discussion on Setting Goals for the SCS and Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)
- D. Continue Discussion Regarding Committee Second Tier of SCS Steering Committee
- E. Discussion Regarding Discussion about Performance Targets for the SCS
- F. Discussion Regarding Next Steps in SCS Development Process

6. ADJOURNMENT

Next Regularly Scheduled Sustainable Communities Committee Meeting:

May 3, 2011 (Tuesday) @ 10:00 am
StanCOG Board Room
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SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES STRATEGY (SCS) MEETING

StanCOG Board Room

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Minutes of March 1, 2011 (Tuesday)

10:00 am

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dave Leamon (Stanislaus County); Tom Westbrook (City of Ceres); Thom Clark (City of Hughson); Patrick Kelly (City of Modesto); Garner Reynolds (City of Newman); Danelle Stylos (City of Oakdale); Mike Willett (City of Patterson); Kathleen Cleek (City of Riverbank); Debbie Whitmore (City of Turlock); Matt Erickson (City of Waterford); Mayor Virginia Madueno (Policy Board); Chuck Shoup (BPAC); Jean Foletta (SSTAC)

ALSO PRESENT:

Vince Harris, Jaylen French, Cindy Malekos, Rosa Park, Mike Costa, Robin Whitehead, Jeanette Fabela (StanCOG); Marjorie Blom (LAFCo); Terry Easley (City of Modesto – Transit); Barbara Hempstead, Janet Jaramillo (Caltrans)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Executive Director Vince Harris called the Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) Steering Committee meeting to order at 10:02 am.

2. ROLL CALL

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

4. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Discussion Regarding Renaming Task 1 of the SCS Work Plan from ‘Scenarios Development’ to ‘Regional Strategies Development’

Prior to the first item, StanCOG Staff recognized the Stanislaus Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) as a necessary member of the SCS Steering Committee. LAFCO will be included for the April meeting.

There was discussion regarding the title of the first task of the SCS Work Plan, ‘Scenario Development’ and potentially referring to this task instead as ‘Regional Strategies Development’. Staff explained that the development of Scenarios or Strategies should not be confused with the process of adopting an Alternative Planning Strategy (APS) as opposed to an

SCS. Staff further explained that the COG was not granted land use authority under Senate Bill 375; this authority still lies with the local agencies. Staff also explained why an APS would be required as opposed to a SCS under the SB 375 legislation.

B. Discussion Regarding Potential 'Regional Strategies' for Task 1 of the SCS Work Plan

There was discussion regarding the potential Regional Strategies for the SCS process. The committee generally agreed that the 'infill' and 'transit' strategies should be explored further and that 'increased density', 'infill with transit' and 'mixed-use' strategies should be considered. It was generally agreed a 'jobs/housing balance' strategy would be the least effective strategy proposed.

C. Discussion on Setting Goals for Sustainable Communities Strategy and Holding Public Workshop to Collect Public Input into Goals

StanCOG Staff introduced the topic of creating goals for the SCS process. It was suggested that Staff would review the Stanislaus County Blueprint goals and the 2011 RTP goals and propose a set of draft goals for the committee to react to. In addition, StanCOG will collect public input when developing the draft goals for the SCS by holding public workshop(s).

D. Discussion of Committee make-up and the potential to add additional members from the public or interest groups to the SCS Steering Committee

There was discussion regarding expanding the scope of the committee to include further public participation and knowledge base/interests into the SCS process. It was generally agreed that the land use agencies, i.e. the local jurisdictions, should continue as the core of the steering committee. This would keep the core committee largely the same size as it is now. It was then suggested that a 'secondary tier' of participants should be included into the process through coordination with StanCOG staff and the Committee, including, but not limited to, the Alliance, Utility and Service Districts within the County, DRAIL, the County Public Health Department, the building industry, California Rural Legal Assistance, the agricultural industry and the local school districts. It was also agreed that public workshops should be held to incorporate public comments/input.

5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT - None

6. ADJOURNMENT

Executive Director Vince Harris adjourned the Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) Steering Committee meeting at 10:58 am.

Next Regularly Scheduled Sustainable Communities Strategy Steering Committee Meeting:

April 5, 2011 (Tuesday) @ 10:00 am

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