



**POLICY BOARD MEETING
VIA WEBINAR AND IN-PERSON
1111 I STREET, SUITE 308
MODESTO, CA 95354**

**Minutes of April 20, 2022 (Wednesday)
6:00 pm**

In accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act (Cal. Gov. Code § 54950 et seq.) as amended by Assembly Bill 361 (AB 361), members of the Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG) Policy Board and staff participated in this meeting via teleconference or at 1111 I Street, Suite 308. Members of the public were able to attend in-person or participate in the meeting electronically and had the right to observe and offer public comment in real time during the meeting

PRESENT: Vice-Chair Richard O’Brien (City of Riverbank); Javier Lopez (City of Ceres); George Carr (City of Hughson); Rosa Escutia-Braaton, Sue Zwahlen (City of Modesto); Casey Graham (City of Newman); Fred Smith (City of Oakdale); Dennis McCord (City of Patterson); Pam Franco (City of Turlock); Vito Chiesa (departed at Item 12), Buck Condit, Mani Grewal (Stanislaus County)

ALSO PRESENT: Melany Arriola, Hazel Choi, Karen Dunger, Isabel Garcia, Emma Goldsmith, Elisabeth Hahn, Cindy Malekos, Stephanie Mora, Josey Oshana, Rosa Park, Edith Robles, Monica Streeter (StanCOG); Mohammad Ahmed, Tanner Anderson-Smith (Infinity Technologies); Dennis Agar, Marlon Regisford (Caltrans District 10); Roberto Radrigan (Spanish Language Translator); Councilmember Jenny Kenoyer (StanRTA Chair); Virginia Hammond (Member of the Public)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Richard O’Brien called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jenny Kenoyer reiterated her request to improve the 7th Street Bridge. Virginia Hammond provided comments in support of a sound wall for the Woodland West Community.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Motion to Approve the Policy Board Minutes of March 16, 2022

- B. Motion to Accept the Measure L Funds Received and Investment Recap Report**
- C. Motion to Approve by Resolution 21-53 the FY 2021/22 Local Transportation Fund Allocations for Other Purposes: City of Modesto**
- D. Motion to Approve by Resolution 21-54 Cooperative Agreement #10-0548 with Caltrans for the Preparation of Plans, Specifications and Estimates for the State Route (SR) 132 West Phase 2 Project**
- E. Motion to Adopt by Resolution 21-55 the Measure L Regional Control Project Cooperative Agreement with County of Stanislaus for Right of Way Capital and Support of the North County Corridor Phase 1 Project**
- F. Motion to Approve by Resolution 21-56 the FY 2021/22 Budget and Overall Work Program (OWP) Amendment 2**
- G. Motion to Approve by Resolution 21-57 Amendment 1 to the Memorandum of Understanding with San Joaquin Regional Transit District to Extend the Ecosystem of Shared Mobility Project for an Additional 12 Months**
- H. Motion to Accept the Triennial Performance Audits of StanCOG and Each Transit Operator**
- I. Motion to Approve by Resolution 21-58 the Distribution Methodology for Upcoming Call for Projects for Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Funds for Federal Fiscal Years (FFYs) 2022/23 – 2023/24**
- J. Motion to Approve by Resolution 21-59 the Distribution Methodology for the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program Funds for FFYs 2022/23 and 2023/24**

***By Motion (Member Pam Franco/Member Buck Condit), and a unanimous roll call vote, the Policy Board approved the Consent Calendar.**

6. PUBLIC HEARING

A. FY 2022/23 Unmet Transit Needs Analysis

Edith Robles reviewed the Unmet Transit Needs Analysis process that had been conducted. Roberto Radrigan provided the same information in Spanish. The public hearing was opened at 6:11 pm. Nick Jensen provided comments indicating that rural areas were in need of on-time and affordable transit. The public hearing was closed at 6:15 pm.

7. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Motion to Approve by Resolution 21-60 the Fiscal Year 2021/22 Supplemental Measure L Community Connections and Rail Services Project List

Edith Robles stated that a supplemental call for projects for the Community Connections and Rail Services was released on March 10, 2022. She said a total of three applications were received for the Community Connections and no applications were received for the Rail Services. She said that staff was recommending that the City of Waterford's F Street Overlay Project be funded for the full amount and the VOGO pilot project be

partially funded. Member Pam Franco inquired about the remaining Rail Services funds. Edith Robles indicated they would be held until another call for projects was released.

***By Motion (Member Pam Franco/Member Vito Chiesa), and a unanimous roll call vote**, the Policy Board adopted by Resolution 21-60 the Fiscal Year 2021/22 Supplemental Measure L Community Connections and Rail Services Project List.

B. Motion to Adopt by Resolution 21-61 the FY 2022/23 Draft Budget and Overall Work Program (OWP)

Karen Dunger provided a summary of the FY 2022/23 Draft Budget and Overall Work Program. She reviewed the revenues and expenses expected to complete the required work to comply with state and federal mandates. She indicated that the OWP was due to Caltrans by May 15th in order to receive funding for FY 2022/23 beginning July 1, 2022.

***By Motion (Member Pam Franco/Member George Carr), and a unanimous roll call vote**, the Policy Board adopted by Resolution 21-61 the FY 2022/23 Draft Budget and Overall Work Program (OWP).

C. Upcoming Public Review and Comment Period Schedule for the StanCOG Draft 2023 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP)

Melany Arriola explained that the Draft 2023 FTIP was being developed. She said that a public review and comment period was scheduled and the Draft 2023 FTIP would be presented to the Policy Board at its August meeting.

D. Motion to Approve New Meeting Dates of the Policy Board in May and June 2022

Cindy Malekos explained that there were conflicts with the May 18 and June 15 Policy Board meeting dates. She suggested that the meetings be held instead on May 19 and June 16 based upon the availability of the board members.

***By Motion (Member Pam Franco/Member Javier Lopez), and a unanimous roll call vote**, the Policy Board approved new meeting dates of the Policy Board on May 19 at 12:00 pm, and on June 16 at 6:00 pm.

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

The following items were provided for information only.

- A. 2021 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Monthly Project Status Report FFY 2021/22**
- B. Caltrans Road Safety Policy – Director’s Policy 36**
- C. Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 Program Regional Project Priority List for Federal Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021 Funds**
- D. Executive Committee Minutes of April 11, 2022**
- E. Citizens Advisory Committee Minutes of April 6, 2022**
- F. Management and Finance Committee Minutes of April 6, 2022**
- G. Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee Minutes of April 6, 2022**

H. Valley Vision Stanislaus (VVS) Committee Minutes of February 7, 2022 and March 14, 2022

9. CALTRANS REPORT

Dennis Agar provided an update from Caltrans District 10. Member Sue Zwahlen asked about Director's Policy 36. Mr. Agar said the road safety policy applied to all drivers on California's roads. Marlon Regisford announced that the FY 2022/23 Caltrans Planning grants had been awarded and that the City of Newman, Stanislaus County and StanRTA were awardees.

10. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Rosa Park reported that at the California Association for Coordinated Transportation (CalACT) Conference in southern California, Jenny Kenoyer, City of Modesto Councilmember, received a distinguished leadership award, and Stacie Morales, CEO of MOVE, received a rising star award.

11. MEMBER REPORTS

Vice-Chair Richard O'Brien mentioned the need to discuss replacing Policy Board members on several boards/committees.

12. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

The Policy Board adjourned to Closed Session at 6:52 pm.

A. Public Employee Performance Evaluation: Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 Title: General Counsel

B. Conference with Labor Negotiators: Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 Agency Designated Representative: Policy Board Vice-Chair Richard O'Brien Unrepresented Employee: General Counsel

13. RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION

The Policy Board reconvened from Closed Session at 7:15 pm. There was no reportable action.

14. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding General Counsel Employment Contract

An amendment to the General Counsel's contract was discussed which included an increase to the base salary of seven percent.

***By Motion (Member Pam Franco/Member Mani Grewal), and a unanimous roll call vote,** the Policy Board approved the amendment to the General Counsel's contract.

15. ADJOURNMENT

Vice-Chair Richard O'Brien adjourned the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

Next Regularly-Scheduled Policy Board Meeting:
May 19, 2022 (Wednesday) @ 12:00 pm

Minutes Prepared By:

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