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March 30, 2012

SOCIAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL AGENDA

DATE: Wednesday, April 4, 2012
TIME: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
LOCATION: ICTC Offices
1405 N. Imperial Ave., Suite 1
El Centro, CA 92243

Chairperson: Mike Hack

Vice-Chair: Rebecca Sanchez

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DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. Introductions
2. Approval of Minutes of March 7, 2012 *ACTION*
3. CTSA Reports *DISCUSSION*
4. Operator Reports *DISCUSSION*
5. General Discussion *DISCUSSION*
6. Adjournment

For questions or comments, please call Cristi Lerma or David Salgado at 760-592-4494, or email at cristilerma@imperialctc.org and davidsalgado@imperialctc.org.

**CITIES OF BRAWLEY, CALEXICO, CALIPATRIA, EL CENTRO, HOLTVILLE, IMPERIAL, WESTMORLAND,
IMPERIAL IRRIGATION DISTRICT AND COUNTY OF IMPERIAL**



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DRAFT MINUTES

March 7, 2012

Present

Voting Attendees:

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| Michael L. Hack | Consumer Chair (Chair) |
| Rebecca Sanchez | Area Agency on Aging (Vice Chair) |
| Heddy McNeer | Consumer |
| Kathi Williams | CTSA – ICTC |
| David Salgado | CTSA – ICTC |
| Erica Martinez | ARC – Imperial Valley |
| Norma Nava | IVC |
| Michelle Schenck-Soto | Imperial County CCS |
| Pablo Cerda | Imperial County DSS |

Non-Voting Attendees:

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| Cristi Lerma | ICTC |
| Marv Balin | IVT/IVT Access/Calexico Dial-A-Ride |
| Isabel Pacheco | Brawley Dial-A-Ride |
| Adriana Pacheco | Brawley Dial-A-Ride |
| Jerry Arguelles | City of Calexico |
| Anicia M. Gottwig | Caltrans |
| John Andoh | Yuma Co. Intergovernmental Public Trans. Authority |
| Tomas Oliva | SCAG |

1. Chair Hack called the meeting to order at 10:05 am. A quorum was present. Introductions were made.
2. Minutes adopted for January 4, 2012. **(McNeer/Sanchez) Motion Carried.**
3. CTSA Reports
Mr. Salgado and Ms. Williams had the following updates:
 - Mr. Salgado stated that the detour on Correll and Dogwood Rds. in Heber, down by the IV mall will have a negative impact on the schedule for the IVT route. As a service ICTC/IVT will accommodate individuals by giving them temporary certification for IVT Access if requested. Rider alerts have been posted on all buses. Mr. Balin stated that he has not received any negative feedback or complaints yet. Ms. Williams stated that the road closure will cease around middle of May. A memo would be beneficial for faculty at IVC indicating that there will be a delay for those students utilizing IVT.

- Mr. Salgado stated that he rode the route #200 to Niland, and the Calexico express the week of February 27th. He stated the 40 foot bus used for the Calexico Express route was at capacity.
- The County of Imperial has installed new bus stops and shelters in Seeley (Drew Rd and Evan Hewes Hwy). Photographs were provided. Staff also took a recent trip to IVC to see the progress on Phase II of the transfer terminal. The smaller terminal being finalized is for phase II and for IVT Access only. Students with disabilities will have access to both the east and west transfer terminals.
- IVT Access applications are starting to dwindle. Currently, the database shows approximately 1300 certified users. ICTC has received and approved 500 applications since last July. IVT Access is beginning to experience denials. Access has 8 new buses, of which 6 are in service and all have 4 wheelchair tie downs. Ms. Nava inquired about subscriptions and the need to reschedule them. All reservations can be made 14 days or two weeks in advance including subscriptions. Ms. Nava stated that she would be making a presentation to high school students attending IVC in the fall and this is all good information to give them and their parents.
- Mr. John Andoh, Transit Director at Yuma County Intergovernmental Public Transportation Authority was present to talk about ICTC's counterpart in Yuma, the YCAT. A route change to their YCAT red route bus schedule includes a stop in Winterhaven at the Hub Liquor. Stops will be made by IVT if a person contacts the dispatch center to coordinate the stop beforehand. IVT will then notify the YCAT dispatcher. YCAT will make this stop Monday through Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. However, IVT only travels to Winterhaven on Wednesdays at 6:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

4. Response to the FY 2011-12 UTN Findings Letter

- After reviewing the UTN package provided by staff, SSTAC recommended that the SSTAC UTN Finding Letter state the following:

"In response to the "Findings" for FY 2012-13 the following additional comments are provided:

1. SSTAC would like to continue to express support for the El Centro Circulator concept which includes the Blue Line, Green Line and Transfer Terminal. This project developed as a result of direction from ICTC to increase access within the City of El Centro and the City of Imperial.
2. SSTAC concurs with the "Finding IX" to continue the options of providing schedule information, including adding schedules to bus shelters, as a way to disseminate information to the passengers, as documented as Finding #8 on the FY 2010-11 UTN Findings.
3. SSTAC would like ICTC to pursue all potential options to maintain transit services in the West Shores communities".

- A **motion** was made to approve the UTN FY 2012-13 letter as stated. **(Sanchez/Cerda) Motion Carried.**

5. Operator Reports

- Ms. Pacheco stated that the Brawley Dial-A-Ride continues to be busy and continue to have increases in wheelchair requests. They had 1816 riders in February. A petition is underway by the public to request more funds for another driver.
- Mr. Balin stated that the Calexico Dial-A-Ride continues to operate at capacity.
- Ms. Martinez stated that El Centro Dial-A-Ride continues to issue denials due to capacity issues in

- honoring their contract with Day Out Adult Health Care. Imperial Dial-A-Ride is operating normally.

6. General Discussion

- Mr. Hack wanted to make a correction to the January minutes regarding the People's First Conference date. He stated that it will be March 17, 2012.

7. Adjournment

- Next meeting of the SSTAC will be on April 4, 2012.
- Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.