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March 13, 2015

SOCIAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL AGENDA

DATE: Thursday, March 19, 2015
TIME: 10:00 a.m.
LOCATION: ICTC Offices
1405 N. Imperial Ave., Suite 1
El Centro, CA 92243

Chairperson: Leticia Zuno

Vice-Chair: Mike Hack

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

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DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. Introductions
2. Approval of Minutes of February 4, 2015 *ACTION*
3. FY 2013-14 UTN "Findings" Letter of Response *ACTION*
 - a. Draft SSTAC response letter (UTN FY 2015-16)
 - b. Last year's SSTAC response letter (UTN FY 2014-15)
 - c. UTN Findings FY 2015-16
 - d. UTN List FY 2015-16
4. CTSA Reports DISCUSSION
5. Transit Operator Reports DISCUSSION
 - a. El Centro Dial-a-Ride
 - b. Med-Express
 - c. Imperial Valley Transit (IVT)
 - d. IVT Access
 - e. IVT Ride

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- i. Brawley
- ii. Calexico
- iii. Imperial
- iv. West Shores

6. General Discussion

DISCUSSION

7. 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.

The next meeting of the SSTAC is scheduled for April 1, 2015.



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SOCIAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

MINUTES

February 4, 2015

Present

Voting Attendees:

Michael L. Hack (Vice-Chair)	Consumer
Ted Ceasar	Imperial Valley College
Mitzi Perez	ARC – Imperial Valley
Rosyo Ramirez	Imperial County Public Authority/IHSS
Freddy Nunez	Imperial County Behavioral Health
Michelle Soto	Imperial County CCS
Kathi Williams	CTSA – ICTC
David Salgado	CTSA – ICTC

Non-Voting Attendees:

Cristi Lerma	ICTC
Charles Brockwell	IVT/IVT Access/IVT Ride
Cesar Sanchez	IVT/IVT Access/IVT Ride
Narcisa Montemayor	IVT/IVT Access/IVT Ride
Karla Pacheco	IVT/IVT Access/IVT Ride
AT Stoddard	LSC (consultant)
Will Calves (on the telephone)	AECOM (sub-consultant)

1. Vice-Chair Hack called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. A quorum was present. Introductions were made.
2. Minutes adopted for December 3, 2014. **(Ceasar/Williams) Motion Carried.**
3. ADA Paratransit Service Certification and Eligibility Process, Demand Management Review and Growth Assessment

Ms. Williams stated that in FY 2011-12 there were a huge amount of applications that were submitted for IVT Access, which prompted the discussion to hire a consultant to review ICTC's ADA Certification process.

The consultants, AT Stoddard and Will Calves provided a thorough presentation, with the assistance of a PowerPoint presentation. They reviewed the study process and ICTC's current process. The recommendations after community input and review of the case studies were as follows:

- Update the IVT website
- Require an initial phone call
- Update the applications and brochure

- Require an in-person interview for each applicant, which will include an assessment of the client's needs and will be a way to promote travel training. This will require an annual cost of about \$17,700. However the potential for savings in the long run will be about \$81,000 annual savings.
- Require recertification every 5 years

Changes are expected to occur in steps within 6-12 months. A mobility manager position will be used to administer this program, if the grant is approved. There was a consensus from SSTAC that the recommendations were reasonable.

4. CTSA Reports

Mr. Salgado and Ms. Williams had the following announcements:

- Ms. Williams stated that the Coordinated Plan was approved by the Commission. Some of the items that were a part of the recommendations that ICTC is pursuing are the development of a Mobility Manager, expansion of the Med-Express and a Mobility Summit.
- Mr. Salgado stated that the outreach for IVT Ride is continuing in the City of Brawley on February 5th, City of Imperial on February 13th and in the City Calexico on February 27th.
- The FTA 5310 grants were submitted to the State. An update will be forthcoming.

5. FY 2015-16 Master Needs List

- Ms. Williams reviewed the Master Needs List.
- After some discussion, a **motion** was made to add #14 "*Review of capacity constraints on Med-Express*" (Soto/Nunez), **Motion Carried**.

6. FY 2015-16 UTN Letter to the Hearing Panel

- The Letter to the hearing panel is a letter written by the SSTAC committee and presented to the UTN panel that contains general comments and identifies issues or concerns that require consideration by the panel if and when funds are identified.
- A **motion** was made to revise #1 from the letter in FY 2014-15 "*remove transfer terminals in El Centro and Brawley*" since they have been completed (Ceasar/Nunez), **Motion Carried**.
- A **motion** was made to add #13 and #14 from the "FY 2015-16 Master Needs List" as #5 and #6 of the "Letter" which are: *Review of Express Routes from El Centro to IVC* **and** *Review of capacity constraints on Med-Express* (Ceasar/Nunez), **Motion Carried**.
- If there is not a volunteer from SSTAC, staff will read the letter into the record at the UTN Hearing on February 12th.

7. Transit Operator Reports

- El Centro Dial-a-Ride: Nothing to report.
- Med-Express: Nothing to report.
- Imperial Valley Transit: Mr. Sanchez had the following update for January
 - Sundays were implemented on January 5, 2014
 - There was an average of 413 passengers per Sunday.
 - IVT Gold Line:
 - Implemented on December 18, 2013
 - The average passengers were 51 per day.
 - Saturdays: 1200 average passengers per Saturday
 - IVC Express: 23 average passengers per trip
- IVT Access: Updates were given by Ms. Montemayor
 - For the month of January on time performance was 96%
 - Passenger per revenue hour: 2.3
 - No Shows: 59
 - Late Cancellations: 0
 - Wheelchairs: 633
 - Passenger Count: 2,130
- IVT Ride – Month of January
 - City of Brawley

- 60 or older or disabled can use this service with an ID card
- Passenger per revenue hour: 3.1
- For the month of January on time performance was 97%
- No Shows: 117
- Late Cancellations: 0
- Wheelchairs: 137
- Passenger Count: 827

- ii. City of Calexico
 - 60 or older or disabled can use this service with an ID card
 - For the month of January on time performance was 98%
 - Passenger per revenue hour: 3.59
 - No Shows: 258
 - Wheelchairs: 458
 - Passenger Count: 1,965

- iii. City of Imperial
 - 60 or older or disabled can use this service with an ID card
 - For the month of January on time performance was 99%
 - Passenger per revenue hour: 1.8
 - Wheelchairs: 35
 - Passenger Count: 283

- vi. West Shores
 - 60 or older or disabled can use this service with an ID card
 - For the month of January on time performance was 98%
 - Passenger per revenue hour: 1
 - No Shows: 1
 - Wheelchairs: 0
 - Passenger Count: 106

8. General Discussion

- Mr. Hack stated that the Peoples First annual conference will be on March 28, 2015 at the Barbara Worth Country Club.
- The Unmet Transit Needs Hearing is scheduled for February 12th.

9. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

SOCIAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

Leticia Vizcarra, Chairperson
Griselda Martinez, Vice Chair
Kathi Williams, Secretary

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March 5, 2014

Lawrence D. Ritchie, Chairperson
Imperial County Transportation Commission
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Dear Commission Members:

One of the responsibilities of the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) is to advise ICTC on existing public transportation needs. In addition, the SSTAC must review the "Findings" as developed by the Public Hearing Panel. SSTAC met on March 5, 2014 and reviewed the Findings as developed by the Panel on February 20, 2014.


SSTAC appreciates and endorses the proactive consideration given by the Transit Hearing Panel for the acknowledgement of addressing the "finding" in the past year.

In response to the "Findings" for FY 2014-15 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. In addition, SSTAC would also continue to express support for the IVT Gold Line in Brawley and proposed circulator routes in the City of Calexico, IVT Orange Line, and the City of Imperial, IVT Red Line.
2. SSTAC would like to express continued support for the Four (4) Phase Bus Stop Improvement Program currently under development by ICTC Staff.
3. SSTAC would like ICTC to pursue all potential options to maintain transit services in the West Shores communities.

We appreciate the opportunity to participate in the evaluation and delivery of transit services.

Sincerely yours,



Leticia Vizcarra
Chairperson



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March 12, 2015

**UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS FINDINGS
FISCAL YEAR 2015-16**

The Imperial County Unmet Transit Needs Public Hearing was conducted at 3:30 p.m., on February 12th, 2015 at the William R. Condit Auditorium, Imperial Irrigation District facilities, in El Centro, Ca. After review and consideration of the testimony received at the hearing, this Panel reconvened on March 12th, 2015 to make the following “Findings”:

The following findings are unmet transit needs which are reasonable to meet. The ICTC Transit Financing Plan and TDA claims for Fiscal Year 2015-16 shall be approved consistent with these stated “Findings”.

- I. Existing transit services should be continued:
 - A. IVT RIDE – Brawley, Calexico, Imperial and West Shores
 - B. El Centro Dial-A-Ride
 - C. County-Wide Transit System
 - D. ADA Paratransit Services
 - E. Med-Express

- II. Continue coordination between existing transit services, including paratransit services provided by both public and social service agencies. ICTC staff shall provide recommendations and technical assistance when requested by social service and public agencies.

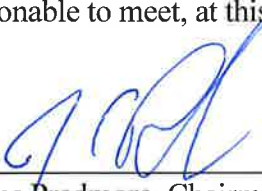
- III. All transit services shall comply with the American's with Disabilities Act of 1990; provisions specific to respective services offered.

- IV. All transit services shall comply with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and/or Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Drug and Alcohol Testing rules; provisions specific to respective services offered.

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- V. Staff will continue to coordinate the demonstration phases for the Imperial Valley Transit – Gold Line
- VI. Staff will provide assistance to the Cities of Calexico and Imperial for the development of the transfer terminal projects.

All other services and issues as presented by written or verbal testimony are hereby declared as not reasonable to meet, at this time.




James Predmore, Chairman
Councilmember, City of Holtville



Sedalia Sanders, Councilwoman,
City of El Centro



Larry Ritchie, Councilmember
City of Westmorland

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**UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS LIST
FISCAL YEAR 2015-16**

Priority order

There are no Unmet Transit Needs Pending at this time