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# TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT FY 2023-24 UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS PUBLIC HEARING

## IMPERIAL COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (ICTC) 1503 N. IMPERIAL AVE., SUITE 104 EL CENTRO, CA 92243 APRIL 6, 2023 3:00 PM

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Meeting ID: 873 9468 4668 Passcode: 739278

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## <u>AGENDA</u>

(SELECT PANEL CHAIRPERSON PRIOR TO MEETING)

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. FLAG SALUTE
- III. INTRODUCE MEMBERS OF THE PANEL: (if present)

MIKE GOODSELL, CITY OF HOLTVILLE

MARTHA CARDENAS-SINGH, CITY OF EL CENTRO

IV. INTRODUCE STAFF: (if present)

#### IMPERIAL COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION -

DAVID AGUIRRE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

CRISTI LERMA, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT/SECRETARY TO THE COMMISSION MICHELLE BASTIDAS, ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST II VIRGINIA MENDOZA, REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM MANAGER MARLENE FLORES, TRANSPORTATION PLANNER GUSTAVO GOMEZ, TRANSPORTATION PLANNER MARIA GAMEZ, OFFICE TECHNICIAN ANGELA DELGADILLO, OFFICE TECHNICIAN ESPERANZA AVILA, OFFICE TECHNICIAN

#### V. READ HEARING GUIDELINES:

THE CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1971, SENATE BILL 325, PROVIDES A MAJOR SOURCE OF FUNDS TO SUPPORT PUBLIC TRANSIT.

<sup>1</sup>⁄<sub>4</sub> OF EACH CENT OF RETAIL SALES TAX COLLECTED IN THIS COUNTY IS PLACED IN A TRANSPORTATION FUND WHICH IS THEN USED TO SUPPORT PUBLIC TRANSIT WITHIN IMPERIAL COUNTY.

THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THESE FUNDS IS TO SUPPORT PUBLIC TRANSIT. SOME OF THE FUNDS CAN BE USED TO SUPPORT FACILITIES FOR PEDESTRIANS AND BICYCLES AND STREETS AND ROADS, BUT ONLY AFTER ALL REASONABLE TRANSIT NEEDS HAVE BEEN TAKEN CARE OF.

THE HEARING PANEL HAS BEEN CONVENED TO RECEIVE TESTIMONY FROM THE PUBLIC TO DETERMINE IF THERE ARE ANY UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS WITHIN IMPERIAL COUNTY THAT ARE REASONABLE TO MEET.

NO TESTIMONY WILL BE TAKEN ON THE NEED FOR STREETS AND ROADS.

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THIS IS A TRANSIT HEARING ONLY.

THE HEARING PANEL WILL RECEIVE TESTIMONY, AND LATER RECONVENE TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS TO THE IMPERIAL COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (ICTC).

PRIOR TO SUBMITTING RECOMMENDATIONS TO ICTC, THE IMPERIAL COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL (SSTAC) WILL REVIEW THE PROPOSED UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS PUBLIC HEARING FINDINGS.

ICTC, UPON RECEIVING THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HEARING PANEL AND COMMENTS FROM SSTAC, WILL MAKE THE FINAL DETERMINATION OF WHETHER THERE ARE:

- A) NO UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS
- B) THERE ARE UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS, BUT THEY CAN NOT BE REASONABLY MET.
- C) THERE ARE UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS THAT CAN BE REASONABLY MET.

BEFORE THE ICTC MAY APPROVE ANY TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA) MONEY IN THE TRANSIT FINANCING PLAN, THEY MUST REVIEW THE TESTIMONY FROM THIS HEARING, REVIEW THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN, AND MAKE A FINDING IN THE ICTC'S PUBLIC RECORD THAT THERE ARE NO UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS IN IMPERIAL COUNTY WHICH ARE REASONABLE TO MEET, THAT HAVE NOT BEEN ANY APPEAL OF THE ICTC'S DECISION MUST BE FILED WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DETERMINATION BEING MADE.

THE FOLLOWING ARE THE GUIDELINES, THE GROUND RULES,

THAT WE WILL FOLLOW TODAY:

- 1. WE WILL FIRST RECOGNIZE THE PEOPLE (PUBLIC) WHO HAVE JOINED THE MEETING AND WISH TO SPEAK.
- 2. THE PUBLIC THAT WISH TO SPEAK WILL TYPE IN THEIR NAME, ADDRESS, AND THE NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION THAT THEY REPRESENT, IF ANY. THIS INPUT WILL RESULT IN A LIST THAT WILL DETERMINE THE ORDER OF THE SPEAKER.
- 3. EACH INDIVIDUAL SPEAKER WILL BE PERMITTED FIVE MINUTES.
- 4. WHEN RECOGNIZED, INTRODUCE YOURSELF AND PROVIDE FEEDBACK.

THE HEARING IS BEING RECORDED AND STAFF ARE TAKING NOTES. IF YOU WILL BE READING FROM A PREPARED STATEMENT OR HAVE A WRITTEN STATEMENT, PLEASE PROVIDE STAFF WITH A COPY.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON REGULATIONS OR HEARING PROCEDURES, PLEASE SEE THE STAFF WHO WERE INTRODUCED EARLIER AND WHO WILL BE AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE HEARING.

#### VI. HEARING TESTIMONY:

INTRODUCE SPEAKERS PER CHAT RESPONSES PROVIDED BY STAFF

# VII. ENTER INTO RECORD WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED TO DATE, IF ANY

ICTC STAFF WILL READ/SUMMARIZE LETTERS AND EMAILS FOR THE PUBLIC RECORD

#### VIII. CLOSE HEARING: CLOSING STATEMENT

I RECOMMEND THAT THIS PANEL RECONVENE TO DEVELOP THEIR FINDINGS FOR PRESENTATION TO THE ICTC ON:

- A) <u>APRIL 24, 2023</u>
- B) <u>TO BE DETERMINED</u>

WE APPRECIATE THE INFORMATION THAT WE HAVE RECEIVED THIS EVENING. THERE BEING NO FURTHER TESTIMONY, I DECLARE THIS HEARING ADJOURNED. THANK YOU.

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