

MOBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC)
55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas, CA 93901

MINUTES
Wednesday, January 31, 2018

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Roll Call.

Chair Ronn Rygg called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. in the conference room of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC).

Present:

Ronn Rygg	United Way Monterey County
Maureen McEachen	Visiting Nurse Association
Kathleen Murray-Phillips	Monterey County Department of Social & Employment Services
Kurt Schake	Veterans Transition Center
Aimee Cuda	ITN Monterey
Alejandro Fernandez	DaVita Dialysis
Reyna Gross	Alliance on Aging
Melissa McKenzie	Carmel Foundation
Diana Trapani	The Blind and Visually Impaired Center
Olivia Quezada	Central Coast Center for Independent Living

Absent:

Laurie Crosby	Consumer
Kazuko Wessendorf	Interim, Inc.
Virginia Murillo	Transportation Agency for Monterey County

Staff:

Robert Weber	Chief Operating Officer
Cristy Sugabo	Mobility Services Manager
Edwin Marticorena	Mobility Programs Coordinator
Claudia Valencia	Mobility Specialist
Erin Heatley	Mobility Specialist
Alvin Johnson	Contract Transportation Supervisor

Public:

Don Parslow	MV General Manager
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Member McKenzie arrived at 1:10 p.m.

Member Trapani arrived at 1:35 p.m.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

2.1 Minutes of the regular meeting of November 29, 2017.

Member Schake made a motion to approve the Minutes and Member Cuda seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.1 Committee Bylaws review and approval

Chair Rygg stated that there was a collaboration with MST staff to edit the Bylaws, which were last revised in December, 2015.

Member Murray-Phillips made a motion to approve the amended changes of the MAC Advisory Committee Bylaws, and Member Schake seconded the motion. The edits were unanimously approved.

4.2 Receive information on ethics training

Mobility Specialist Claudia Valencia, reminded the MAC members about the requirement to take the Ethics Training course every two years, and invited them to participate in a in-person training in February.

4.3 Receive proposal of meeting locations

Members discussed and agreed to have one consistent location for the MAC meetings. MST staff offered to have all MAC meetings held at the Monterey-Salinas Transit Board of Directors Chamber room. Motion for meeting location change was carried unanimously.

5. MEMBERSHIPS

5.1 Recommend membership renewal for Diana Trapani

Member Cuda made a motion to recommend Diana Trapani to the MST Board of Directors for Mobility Advisory Committee for renewal of membership, and the motion was seconded by Member Schake.

5.2 Recommend Reyna Gross and Virginia Murillo to the MST Board of Directors for membership.

Member McEachen made a motion to recommend Reyna Gross and Virginia Murillo for membership, and the motion was seconded by Member Schake.

5.3 Election of new officers

The committee discussed the 2018 election of MAC Chair and Vice Chair positions. Subsequently, the committee agreed to appoint the following members in office.

Kurt Schake	Chair
Maureen McEachen	Vice-Chair

Member Murray-Phillips nominated Member Schake as Chair, and nominated Member McEachen to continue as Vice-Chair. Since only one person accepted nomination for the Chair position, Member Schake became Chair for the Mobility Advisory Committee.

New Chair Schake proceeded with the meeting.

6. REPORTS

6.1 MV Transit Report

MV General Manager Don Parslow provided statistical report on RIDES paratransit service delivery. RIDES trips have stabilized this month in comparison to the previous months. MV has hired more drivers, increased the driver pay rate, and will schedule a job fair for February.

6.2 Update on MST Mobility Programs

Mobility Program Coordinator Edwin Marticorena, distributed flyers for MST's newest program, TRIPs-Transportation Reimbursement Incentive Program. He explained that this program is meant to serve seniors, veterans, and persons with disabilities living in areas of Monterey County outside MST's service area. The program will reimburse the participants forty cents (40¢) per mile up to 250 miles per month. The

program just rolled out this month, and the outreach efforts have started. If an applicant wishes to apply, they should contact MST to get an application mailed.

In addition, Chief Operating Officer Robert Weber, followed up with a report to the Mobility Advisory Committee and provided clarification as to why MST has established the eligibility criteria for seniors to be 65 years or older to participate in MST mobility programs.

7. SUBJECT ITEM REQUEST

Member McEachen requested an update on Measure X.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND APPRECIATIONS

Member Trapani, Member Cuda, Member Schake, and Member Gross all expressed their appreciation on behalf of their organizations for the grant they received, and briefly explained how the money will be allocated.

Member McEachen expressed her appreciation and thanked Member Ronn Rygg for all his years of service as the Mobility Advisory Committee Chair.

Member Gross handed out flyers for the free Income tax preparation service for seniors offered by Alliance on Aging.

9. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Chair Schake adjourned the meeting at 1:58 p.m.

Prepared by: *Claudia L. Valencia*
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Mobility Specialist

Reviewed by: *Cristy Sugabo*
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Mobility Services Manager