

MOBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MAC)

The Lichtanski Administrative Building (LAB)
First Floor Board Room, 19 Upper Ragsdale Dr., Monterey, CA 93940

MINUTES

Wednesday, September 26, 2018

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Roll Call

Chairperson Kurt Schake called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. in the Monterey-Salinas Transit Board of Directors Chamber room (MST).

Present:

Kurt Schake	Veterans Transition Center
Kazuko Wessendorf	Interim, Inc.
Jessica McKillip	ITN Monterey
Aimee Cuda	Central Coast Senior Services
Jenny Swad	The Blind and Visually Impaired Center
Kathleen Murray-Phillips	Monterey County Dept. of Social Services
Alejandro Fernandez	DaVita Dialysis
Maureen McEachen	Visiting Nurse Association

Absent:

Melissa McKenzie	Carmel Foundation
Maria Magaña	Central Coast Center for Independent Living (CCCIL)
Stefania Castillo	Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC)
Reyna Gross	Alliance on Aging

Staff:

Cristy Sugabo	Mobility Services Manager
Alvin Johnson	Contract Transportation Supervisor

Public:

Sean Vienna	Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG)
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2. CONSENT AGENDA

2.1. Approve minutes of the regular meeting of July 25, 2018

Member Cuda made a motion to approve the Minutes and Member Murray-Phillips seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.1. Staff from the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) will provide an update on the Draft Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan

Sean Vienna with the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments(AMBAG) presented the Draft Coordinated Public Transit- Human Services Transportation Plan. AMBAG is the metropolitan planning organization for Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz County. Mr. Vienna stated that the draft plan is the mandated update to the 2013 Plan and AMBAG is asking for public comments. Also, the draft is available online and AMBAG will continue to accept comments until the end of October. The final plan will be presented to the AMBAG Board of Directors in November.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.1 Receive report on the proposed expansion of the MST RIDES Special Transportation (ST) zones and recommend to the MST Board of Directors to approve.

Chair Shacke asked Ms. Sugabo if a presentation is available. Ms. Sugabo stated that the committee requested a copy of the proposal at the last MAC meeting to review in advance and that Alvin Johnson, MST's Contract Supervisor is present to answer questions.

Member McEachen asked how many of the current RIDES clients would benefit from the expansion. In response, Contract Supervisor Alvin Johnson stated that at present MST identified seven (7) RIDES clients that are currently outside the RIDES service area.

Member McKillip made a motion to recommend the proposed expansion of the MST RIDES Special Transportation (ST) zone to the MST Board of Directors to approve and Member Mceachen seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

6. MEMBERSHIP

6.1. Recommend and approve Cheryl Tsuchiura for MAC membership as ITN Monterey County alternate representative.

Member McEachen made a motion to accept membership for Cheryl Tsuchiura as ITN Monterey County alternate representative and Member Cuda seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

7. REPORTS

The Committee will receive these report(s), which do not require action by the Committee.

7.1. MV Transit Report

MV General Manager Don Parslow provided statistical report on the RIDES paratransit service delivery. He also mentioned that MV hired one(1) dispatcher and is currently in training.

7.2. MST Mobility Updates

Ms. Sugabo informed the committee that MST is conducting four(4) public hearings to solicit community input from the public on a Draft Emergency Service Reduction Plan that some or all of the proposed cuts would be necessary if the State operating SB 1 transportation funds discontinue as a result of Proposition 6 on November 6, 2018.

Ms. Sugabo provided information on the Transportation Reimbursement Incentive Program (TRIPs). She stated that the program has been modified to include reimbursement for trips taken outside the County, and that service area is now based on the walking distance of more than $\frac{3}{4}$ mile from participant's home address to MST's nearest bus stop location.

8. SUBJECT ITEM REQUEST

This item(s) will be included on a future agenda for follow-up

None.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND APPRECIATIONS

Member McEachen mentioned that the Visting Nurse Assocation (VNA) is offering free flue shots.


Member Cuda announced that the Generation By the Bay Adult Day Center in Seaside opened its doors last week, and that the Center has about 25 participants, but is seeking 75 to have full census. Ms. Cuda also shared and passed out program flyers.

Member McKillip announced that Independent Transportation Network(ITN) increased its membership and had a total of 845 provided rides last month 100 more than the average monthly trips. Ms. McKillip also shared and passed out ITN's new bilingual marketing service flyers.

Chair Schake announced that the Veterans Transition Center (VTC) is the lead organization for the 2018 Monterey County Veterans Stand Down Event where any homeless veterans are provided with support and services from service organizations. Mr. Schake extended his appreciation to Don with MV and Alvin Johnson, MST's Contract Supervisor for coordinating transportation with San Jose VTA and MV Transportation.

10. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Chair Schake adjourned the meeting at 1:50p.m.

PREPARED BY: 

Cristy Sugabo