

# SAN JOAQUIN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

## Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting

SJCOG Regional Center  
555 East Weber Avenue  
Stockton, California

Wednesday, February 20, 2008

### ACTION MINUTES

**1. Call to Order**

Vice Chair Jim Hilson called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

Members present:

**Bobby Bivens**, San Joaquin County; **Glenn Page**, City of Manteca; **Esther Vasquez**, League of Women Voters; **Jim Hilson**, City of Lathrop; **Nate Knodt**, City of Stockton; **Marcus Perrot**, University of the Pacific; and **Michael Ballot**, Sierra Club.

SJCOG Staff present:

Steve Dial, *Deputy Executive Director*; Dana Cowell, *Deputy Director – Programming & Planning*; Dianne Barth, *Public Communications Manager*; Laura Brunn, *Regional Planner*; Nicole Gorham, *Public Communications Specialist*.

**2. Minutes: Approve Minutes of January 16, 2008**

It was moved/seconded (Bivens/Ballot) to approve the minutes of January 16, 2008. The motion passed unanimously.

**3. Public Comments:** None.

**4. Bus Rapid Transit Presentation**

Nate Knodt, San Joaquin RTD staff, gave a overview of the Metro Express, RTD's premier transit bus system. He stated that the ridership has continued to be high and there have been few to no problems with the service.

This was an information only item and no action was taken.

**5. FY 2008/09 Revenue Estimate of the Local Transportation Fund & Apportionment Schedule**

Steve Dial, SJCOG staff, provided a brief background on the LTF, which is an important source of transit, roads, and street funding in San Joaquin County. He

indicated that due to the economic decline, sales tax revenue is has declined. The new revenue estimate will provide local agencies with a prudent number from which to budget the coming fiscal year's programs.

It was moved/seconded (Vasquez/Page) to adopt the FY 2008/09 revenue estimate of \$24,200,000 and FY 2008/09 apportionment schedule.

Motion carried with Nate Knodt and Michael Ballot abstaining.

**6. Regional Congestion Management Plan Implementation Update**

Laura Brunn, SJCOG staff, gave a brief update on the newly implemented RCMP. She stated that the first phase of implementation has been completed and COG is in the process of completing the final Level of Service determinations for each segment on the network. An implementation workshop will be held in March to fully discuss the program as a whole and review each part of the Handbook.

This item was for discussion only and no action was taken.

**7. California Transportation Commission Update**

Dana Cowell, SJCOG staff, detailed the transportation issues before the CTC in February, including Trade Corridor Fund applications and Proposition 1B programs. He stated that the CTC is taking formal action to modify general plan guidelines as part of the Green House Gas Initiative.

This was an information only item and no action was taken.

**8. One Voice Legislative Priorities**

Dianne Barth, SJCOG staff, presented the list of projects that will be presented in Washington DC during the ninth annual San Joaquin One Voice legislative trip, April 6-11, 2008.

Motion was made and seconded (Bivens/Ballot) to recommend approval on the regional legislative priorities for Federal Appropriations Cycle FY 2009 with the exclusion of the City of Stockton's Airport Way Beautification project due to concerns with the designated contractor's DBE compliance issues on the existing project.

Motion carried with Nate Knodt abstaining.

**9. Goal Setting Session**

Nicole Gorham, SJCOG Staff, presented a list of various programs and projects SJCOG will be involved with throughout the year and asked for feedback and discussion on what issues the CAC would like to focus on over the next year.

Items highlighted for focus and development include the following:

- Goods movement
- Air Quality
- Ethnic Chamber Outreach/SJCOG training
- More public outreach regarding projects in San Joaquin County
- Status Reports on Measure K projects
- San Joaquin Blueprint Program – with focus on public outreach
- Public education on COG activities and work programs
- RTIF update and the effects from the housing market downturn
- Youth mentor program
- HOV Lane / Ramp Metering Program

This item was for discussion only and no action was taken.

**10. Information Only Item: Measure K Ordinance & Expenditure Plan Call for Amendments**

There was no discussion on this item.

**11. Member's Report/Future Agenda Items**

Michael Ballot informed the members that the Sierra Club is pushing to have the developers fund the HOV lane development.

**12. Other Matters of Business**

None.

**13. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m. to Wednesday, March 19th at 6:00 p.m.**