



MINUTES

KCAG TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, April 13, 2022

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the KCAG Technical Advisory Committee was called to order by Terri King, at 1:36 p.m. on Wednesday, April 13, 2022, in the Conference Room, 339 West "D" Street, Suite B, Lemoore, California, and via Zoom Meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kristie Baley, City of Lemoore
Lisa Dock, City of Hanford
Angie Dow, Kings County Area Public Transit Agency
Chuck Kinney, County of Kings, Community Development
David Padilla, Caltrans District 6
Randon Reeder, City of Lemoore
Kevin Tromborg, City of Corcoran, Community Development

STAFF PRESENT: Joel Gandarilla, Terri King, Jennifer Morales, Teresa Nickell

VISITORS PRESENT: Valarie Bega, City of Corcoran; John Douglas, Consultant

A. UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES

None.

B. MINUTES

It was moved and seconded (Tromborg / Baley) to approve the Minutes of March 9, 2022. The motion carried with Dock abstaining.

TRANSPORTATION

A. FY 2022 and FY 2023 FTA Section 5311 Regional Program of Projects

Teresa Nickell stated that KCAG is required to compile a "Regional Program of Projects" to show how Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311 funds will be distributed among the applications received. Caltrans announced that a combined apportionment of \$1,073,566 in Federal Fiscal Years (FFY) 2022 and 2023 FTA Section 5311 funds would be available to Kings County. The Kings County Area Public Transit Agency (KCAPTA) has submitted an application for its share in capital FTA 5311 funds to purchase a 35-39' CNG bus for expansion for \$365,969 for FY 2022 and a 35-39' replacement bus for \$373,289 for FY 2023 and will provide a local share overmatch. The City of Corcoran submitted an application for operating assistance to help fund their demand response transit services provided by Corcoran Area Transit (CAT) in the amount of \$165,499 for FY 2022 and for \$168,809 for FY 2023.

It was moved and seconded (Dow / Tromborg) to recommend that the KCAG Transportation Policy Committee conduct the public hearing to consider any testimony and to approve the FFY 2022 and 2023 FTA Section 5311 Regional Program of Projects, which includes for KCAPTA \$739,258 for capital purchases and for the City of Corcoran \$334,308 for operating assistance, with the adoption of Resolution No. 22-03. The motion carried unanimously.

B. FY 2020-21 TDA Financial and Compliance Audits

Jennifer Morales stated that the KCAG Transportation Policy Committee approved an extension for the submittal of the FY 2020-21 Transportation Development At (TDA) financial and compliance audit reports, which are now due to be submitted to the State Controller's Office. Audit reports were prepared for the Kings County Association of Governments, County of Kings, and the cities of Avenal, Corcoran, Hanford, and Lemoore. The Kings County Area Public Transit Agency had their audit conducted and completed under a separate contract. No problems or unauthorized use of TDA funds were identified and the audit reports found that these agencies are in compliance with all applicable TDA laws. KCAG was required to complete a Single Audit for FY 2020-2021, as our federal awards expenditures exceeded the \$750,000 threshold.

It was moved and seconded (Dock / Dow) to recommend that the KCAG Transportation Policy Committee accept the final FY 2020-2021 TDA Financial and Compliance Audits for submittal to Caltrans, the State Controller's Office for Kings County Association of Governments, County of Kings, Kings County Area Public Transit Agency, the City of Avenal, the City of Corcoran, the City of Hanford, and the City of Lemoore. The motion carried unanimously.

C. FY 2020-22 FTA Section 5310 Regional Priority List of Projects

Teresa Nickell reported that approximately \$20 million for Large Urbanized Areas and \$15 million for Small Urban and Rural areas are available for this FFY 2020 and 2021 Federal Transit Act Section 5310 grant cycle for elderly and disabled program. KCAG received two applications, one for Traditional Program capital purchases from the Kings Rehabilitation Center (KRC), and one application for the Expanded Program operating activities from the Kings County Area Public Transit Agency (KCAPTA). KCAG staff has scored KRC's "Traditional" application on Caltrans' electronic grant management (EGM) system and the Statewide Review Committee (SRC) will score KCAPTA's "Expanded Projects" application. The SRC will submit a Final Statewide Prioritized List to the California Transportation Commission's (CTC), and the CTC will hold a public hearing to discuss the prioritized list and overall program policies, prior to adopting the prioritized list.

Angie Dow asked why KCAG did not score the KCAPTA application. The reply was that only the State scores the type of application KCAPTA submitted.

It was moved and seconded (Dow / Tromborg) to recommend that the KCAG Transportation Policy Committee adopt Resolution No. 22-06 to approve the FY 2020-2022 FTA Section 5310 Regional Prioritized Project List, which includes projects for the Kings Rehabilitation Center and the Kings County Area Public Transit Agency for submittal to the State Review Committee to be considered for funding. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Final FY 2022-23 Overall Work Program and Budget

Terri King stated that final FY 2022-23 Overall Work Program (OWP) is included in the agenda packet, as an attachment. KCAG staff has responded to comments received by Caltrans and incorporated those comment in the final document. The total cost is

\$2,325,587 for salary and benefits, services, supplies and consulting costs. A summary of the OWP activities, revenues and expenditures was provided.

It was moved and seconded (Dock / Dow) to recommend that the KCAG Transportation Policy Committee approve the Final FY 2022-2023 Overall Work Program and Budget with the adoption of Resolution No. 22-05. The motion carried unanimously.

E. FY 2022-23 Transportation Development Act Fund Claims Review

Teresa Nickell reported that KCAG monitors the Local Transportation Fund (LTF), determines the annual apportionments, notifies the claimants, approves the apportionments, and allocates the funds. Allocation amounts will be revised following the release of the 2022 population estimates by the California State Department of Finance on May 1st and any changes from previously proposed budgets. Revised claim forms will be sent to claimants after that time. Each claimant is required to hold a public hearing and present an adopted resolution, stating their findings on unmet transit needs, and required environmental documents within their jurisdiction before funds can be allocated for road purposes. The Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) will hold a meeting in May to review unmet transit needs testimony and finalize their recommended determination on unmet transit needs in accordance with the Transportation Development Act (TDA).

The KCAG Transportation Policy Committee will conduct a public hearing to review any unmet transit needs in May and recommend action for any unmet transit needs as required by TDA regulations. Staff will provide the SSTAC's letter of recommendation in regard to unmet transit needs to the KCAG Transportation Policy Committee at the June meeting. Approval of the TDA apportionments and allocation instructions to the County Auditor will be made by Resolution also during the June Transportation Policy Committee meeting.

REGIONAL PLANNING

A. Regional Early Action Planning – Housing Elements 101 Workshop Notice

Terri King presented that Regional Early Action Planning Housing Elements 101 Workshop to be held April 26, 2022.

MISCELLANEOUS

Terri King stated that KCAG staff is preparing the Regional Transportation Plan update, Sustainable Communities Strategy, Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP), and Environmental Impact Report. A call for projects was sent to member agencies regarding the available apportionments of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds for programming in the FTIP. Unobligated projects should be submitted to KCAG staff for the Obligation Plan that was due April 1.

Angie Dow stated that KCAPTA is working on obtaining funding for the construction of the new Hanford transit center and finalizing their budget.

Kristie Baley reported that the City of Lemoore just conducted their Municipal Services Review.

Chuck Kinney stated that there was a groundbreaking ceremony for the renovation of the Old Hospital building to be used as County of Kings office space.

Lisa Dock said the City of Hanford will contact KCAG regarding work status on some federal projects.

Kevin Tromborg reported on the Gateway Park project and reviewed the new Veteran's Memorial.

David Padilla stated that of the eight planning grants awarded in this District, two were in Kings County: one for Hanford and the other for Avenal. Caltrans is establishing a permanent hybrid work schedule. It was asked why the Hanford application for State High Speed Rail Station Area Planning was not approved. The reply was Caltrans is working with their Headquarters for later meetings regarding the debriefing of unawarded applications.

John Douglas reminded those present that the upcoming Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) Advisory Committee meeting will immediately follow this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the KCAG Technical Advisory Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:16 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for May 11, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri King, Executive Director