



# MINUTES

## KCAG TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, October 12, 2022

### CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the KCAG Technical Advisory Committee was called to order by Terri King, at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 12, 2022, in the Conference Room, 339 West “D” Street, Suite B, Lemoore, California, and via Zoom Meeting.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Kristie Bailey, City of Lemoore  
Heather Corder, Kings County Area Public Transit Agency  
Lisa Dock, City of Hanford Public Works  
Chuck Kinney, Kings County Community Development  
David Padilla, Caltrans District 6  
Kevin Tromborg, City of Corcoran  
Dominic Tyburski, Kings County Public Works

**STAFF PRESENT:** Terri King, Joel Gandarilla, Luis Ledezma, Kayley Clay, Teresa Nickell

**VISITORS PRESENT:** John Douglas, Consultant.

**A. UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES**

None.

**B. MINUTES**

It was moved and seconded (Tromborg / Tyburski) to approve the Minutes of September 14, 2022. The motion carried unanimously.

### TRANSPORTATION

**A. Final 2022 KCAG Title VI Program**

Teresa Nickell stated that KCAG staff prepared the Draft 2022 Title VI Program in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. The 2022 Title VI Program amends the adopted 2018 KCAG Title VI Program with updated public outreach efforts, federal, state and local funds programming information, Census-based data, and analyses regarding the region’s minority populations and demonstration of environmental justice. KCAG’s Title VI Program includes a Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan to provide language assistance to limited English-speaking persons and low literacy persons.

It was moved and seconded (Tyburski/Kinney) to recommend that the KCAG Transportation Policy Committee adopt Resolution No. 22-13 to approve the 2022 KCAG Title VI Program with Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan. The motion carried unanimously.

## REGIONAL PLANNING

### **A. Regional Early Action Planning Grants of 2021 (REAP) 2.0 Funding Opportunities**

Luis Ledezma stated that the Regional Early Action Plan (REAP) 2.0 grant program allocates \$600 million from state and federal investment, with 85% allocated directly to Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), like KCAG. REAP 2.0 is specifically designed to provide MPOs and other eligible entities with tools and resources to help implement and advance plans, primarily by furthering the Sustainable Communities Strategies (SCS) adopted as part of Regional Transportation Plans to pursue greenhouse gas emission reduction targets through land use and transportation strategies. KCAG's region maximum award is \$2,060,590 of which an initial allocation of 10% of funds are available for outreach to support program development and preparation of the full program funding application, which is due by December 31, 2022.

Terri King said that agencies may determine the blend of planning and implementation activities. However, State agencies would like the focus to be on implementation, such vehicle miles traveled (VMT) reduction and housing implementation planning. David Padilla stated that Caltrans would support VMT reduction initiatives. There was further discussion regarding possible VMT reduction initiatives and EV Buses, charging stations, and housing projects. Funding must be obligated by 2024.

### **B. Proposed Final 6th Cycle Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) Methodology**

Luis Ledezma reported that KCAG is preparing the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) Plan for the 6th planning cycle. In January, the State Housing and Community Development (HCD) Department assigned KCAG a RHNA total housing need of 9,429 units for the 6th planning cycle. In collaboration with Kings County jurisdictions, KCAG staff prepared a preliminary methodology for allocating a portion of the regional housing needs to each jurisdiction. The factors utilized in the methodology included projected housing and employment growth, housing vacancy rates, housing opportunity areas as determined by HCD, and household income data.

Terri King stated that in July KCAG conducted a public hearing on the draft RHNA methodology and submitted it to HCD for review, which in September submitted a determination letter regarding its consistency with furthering State statutory housing objectives. A public hearing on the Proposed Final RHNA Methodology will be held at the October 26, 2022 KCAG Commission meeting and approved, which will start the clock for any appeals.

John Douglas provided a summary of the approval process which will then allow the jurisdictions to update the housing element of their general plan.

### **C. Regional Early Action Planning – Implementing ADU's Workshop**

Terri King noted the Valleywide Regional Early Action Planning workshop on October 18, 2022, regarding Implementing accessory dwelling units (ADU) in the San Joaquin Valley and reminded local agencies that there are free technical assistance resources available on the San Joaquin Valley REAP website.

## MISCELLANEOUS

Terri King stated that there will be a California High Speed Rail Authority meeting on October 20, 2022, with an item to award a station design services contract and that the meeting agenda will be sent to interested jurisdictions.

Kayley Clay reported that proposals from six consulting firms have been received for the Zero Emissions Bus implementation plan.

Luis Ledezma said that the final report for the Regional Corridor Needs Study should be available in the next few weeks and that ten major regional projects are listed on the report.

Teresa Nickell stated that the consultant for the Hanford Fixed Route Study is conducting surveys and that there is a link to the study on the KCAG website. KCAG staff is in the process of selecting a consultant for the Transit Needs Assessment Study.

Heather Corder reported that work on the new transit center is ongoing.

David Padilla reminded the TAC that Caltrans' draft Planning Grant Application guidelines are out for public review, with comment due by November 4, 2022, and that there will be related virtual workshops on November 9 and 10, 2022; Cycle 2 of the Reconnecting Communities grants program and the Highways to Boulevards grant program will be out soon. He reported that Caltrans participated in the Kettleman City Safety Event last week.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the KCAG Technical Advisory Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:17 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for November 9, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri King, Executive Director