



# MINUTES

## KCAG TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, April 12, 2023

### 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, April 12, 2023, in the Conference Room, 339 West “D” Street, Suite B, Lemoore, California, and via Zoom Meeting.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Kristie Baley, City of Lemoore, Community Development  
Cynthia Baruch, Lemoore Naval Air Station  
Taylor Dihel, City of Hanford Public Works  
Angie Dow, Kings County Area Public Transit Agency  
Alex Hernandez, County of Kings, Community Development  
Samantha McCarty, CMS, Santa Rosa Rancheria  
Orfil Muniz, City of Corcoran, City Engineer  
David Padilla, Caltrans District 6  
Randon Reeder, City of Lemoore, Public Works

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

**VISITORS PRESENT:** Heather Corder, Kings County Area Public Transit Agency

**A. UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES**

None.

**B. MINUTES**

It was moved and seconded (Dow / Dihel) to approve the Minutes of February 8, 2023. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded (Dow / Dihel) to approve the Minutes of March 8, 2023. The motion carried unanimously

### TRANSPORTATION

**A. Final FY 2023-24 Overall Work Program and Budget**

Terri King stated that the FY 2023-24 Overall Work Program (OWP) identifies work efforts, funding sources and a work schedule of the activities to be accomplished during the coming year. Comments on the draft OWP were solicited from Caltrans District 6 as well as other federal, state, and local agencies. Comments were received from Caltrans and FHWA and appropriately incorporated into the final OWP. There were no significant changes in the

work element tasks from the draft document except for minor corrections and additional details requested in Caltrans' comment letter. The FY 2023-24 proposed final budget increased by \$13,200 from the draft budget. The total cost for next year's activities will be approximately \$2,114,440 and includes salaries and benefits, services and supplies, and consulting services.

It was moved and seconded (Dow / Dihel) to recommend that the KCAG Transportation Policy Committee approve the final FY 2023-24 Overall Work Program and Budget with the adoption of Resolution No. 23-01. The motion carried unanimously.

**B. FY 2022-23 Low Carbon Transit Operations Program**

Teresa Nickell stated that the Kings County Area Public Transit Agency (KCAPTA) will use their FY 22-23 Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) apportionment of \$331,923 for offering free rides in December and the Quarterly Bus Pass program. The City of Corcoran's FY 22-23 LCTOP apportionment is \$56,187 and proposes the same project extending from the last cycle, to install a solar panel structure for the Depot parking lot with electric charging stations. The current requested allocation of \$56,187 will be used to supplement the FY 2021-22 LCTOP funds of \$51,937 for a total project cost of \$108,124. These projects are eligible expenses under LCTOP guidelines and are also consistent with the adopted Sustainable Communities Strategies.

It was moved and seconded (Dow / Dihel) to recommend that the KCAG Transportation Policy Committee adopt Resolution No. 23-02 approving the distribution of the FY 22-23 Low Carbon Transit Operations Program allocations for the projects included in the LCTOP Project List and designating the KCAG Executive Director as an authorized agent for the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program. The motion carried unanimously.

**C. FY 2022-23 Regional Surface Transportation Program Exchange Funds**

Terri King reported that KCAG will receive the FY 2022-23 Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Exchange funds in the amount of \$2,284,746 to be distributed to the local jurisdictions prior to the end of this fiscal year. Include in the agenda is the apportionment chart for the distribution of RSTP funds. This year \$125,000 will be transferred from the County of Kings to the City of Hanford per an agreement of the first of two payments to compensate for the annexation of county islands and the roads included. Prior to the release of the FY 2022-23 RSTP Exchange funds, KCAG must receive the "Regional Surface Transportation Program Exchange Monitoring Report" for prior year RSTP Exchange expenditures from each jurisdiction.

**D. FY 2023-24 Transportation Development Act Claims Review**

Teresa Nickell stated that KCAG is responsible for administration Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds available to Kings County, composed of Local Transportation Funds (LTF) and State Transit Assistance (STA) funds. KCAG has received claims and other required documentation from member agencies, except the Cities of Hanford and Avenal. Allocation amounts will be revised following the release of the 2023 population estimates by the California State Department of Finance (DOF) on May 1, 2023. The Kings County Area Public Transit Agency (KCAPTA) held public hearings in February and March 2023. The City of Corcoran held a public hearing in March. KCAG will hold public hearings for unmet transit needs testimony during the April and May KCAG Transportation Policy Committee (TPC) meetings. The Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) will meet in May 2023, to review unmet transit needs testimony and finalize their recommended determination on unmet transit needs.

## REGIONAL PLANNING

### A. Regional Early Action Planning Activities

Terri King provided a summary of the available Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) activities. Additional information is available at <http://sjvcogs.org/reap>. She noted that the remaining REAP 1.0 funding for the Housing Element update has not been received yet. KCAG received an allocation of REAP 2.0 funds in the amount of \$206,059. KCAG staff is working with a consultant to conduct the public outreach for REAP 2.0 to receive feedback on how stakeholders want to use the \$1.8 million in funds. There will be one in-person workshop and two virtual workshops over Zoom to be conducted in May. The methodology for selecting projects has been submitted to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).

## MISCELLANEOUS

Terri King said that staff received notification that COVID State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) funds need to be programmed. Thus, CMAQ funds for the county's Kettleman City roundabout and Dana Circle project were exchanged for the COVID STIP funds of approximately \$918,000. A call for projects for the exchanged amount and new CMAQ apportionment will be going out, with approximately \$3,000,000 available for programming. Kayley Clay stated that staff is working with Caltrans to help further project in the programming process.

Teresa Nickell said that regarding the Regional Active Transportation Plan project lists, KCAG staff emailed the cities of Hanford and Corcoran the lists for the Complete Streets program and the city of Lemoore and the County of Kings will receive their lists later this month. April 29, 2023, is the target date for a response with proposed projects.

Jennifer Morales reported that Corcoran and Avenal are working on submitting their financial report for the FY 2021-22 TDA Audit. Streets and Roads allocation funds are released in June, but funds can not be released until the jurisdiction's Audit Report is received.

David Padilla stated that the Clean California program cycle two is nearing its end. The jurisdiction can contact Caltrans regarding the federal Safe Route for All program. Caltrans received two Sustainable Planning Grants applications, one from Hanford and one from Corcoran, and noted that they have been scored and submitted to Headquarters. Caltrans is in the process of creating a Strategic Investment Plan to package Caltrans projects with off-system projects.

Taylor Dihel said that the traffic signal project at 12th Avenue and Hume is nearing the right-of-way phase, with construction starting by next spring. The local road safety plan is nearly complete. The traffic signal project at 9th Avenue and Lacey Blvd. and east Lacey Blvd. widening projects is in the design phase.

Heather Corder reported that KCAPTA is working on next year's budget and just closed their RFP for operational services.

Randon Reeder stated that the city of Lemoore is working on their budget.

Cynthia Baruch announced that the Lemoore Naval Air Station and Kings EDC will be hosting a DOD partnership and grant workshop on May 17, 2023, at West Hills College with DOD speakers that offer partnerships and grants to communities surrounding military installations.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the KCAG Technical Advisory Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:09 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for May 10, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri King, Executive Director