

RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory Council

TIME: **11:00 a.m.**

DATE: **Monday, April 12, 2021**

LOCATION: **Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20, (March 18, 2020), the meeting will only be conducted via video conferencing and by telephone.**

🌀 COUNCIL MEMBERS 🌀

Gloria J. Sanchez, **Chair**, Meniffee Senior Advisory, Southwest Riverside County

Lisa Castilone, **Vice Chair**, GRID Alternatives, Western and Southwest Riverside County

Kenneth Woytek, **Second Vice Chair**, Meniffee Senior Advisory Committee, Southwest Riverside County

John Chavez, Retired Citizen, San Gorgonio Pass

George Colangeli, Palo Verde Valley Transit Agency, Palo Verde Valley

Betty Day, Hemet Public Library Trustee, Hemet-San Jacinto

Alejandra Gonzalez, Norco Seniors on the Move, Northwest Riverside County

John Krick, T-Now Member, Northwest Riverside County

Jack Marty, Retired Citizen, San Gorgonio Pass

Priscilla Ochoa, Blindness Support Services, Northwest Riverside County

Mary Jo Ramirez, Workforce Development Member, Southwest Riverside County

Catherine Rips, Angel View, Coachella Valley

Ivet Woolridge, Independent Living Partnership, Riverside County

Riverside Transit Agency, Western Riverside County

SunLine Transit Agency, Coachella Valley

**RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
CITIZENS AND SPECIALIZED TRANSIT ADVISORY COUNCIL**

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AGENDA*

**Actions may be taken on any item listed on the agenda*

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Monday, April 12, 2021

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

4. **ADDITIONS/REVISIONS** *(The Council may add an item to the agenda after making a finding that there is a need to take immediate action on the item and that the item came to the attention of the Council subsequent to the posting of the agenda. An action adding an item to the agenda requires 2/3 vote of the Council. If there are less than 2/3 of the Council members present, adding an item to the agenda requires a unanimous vote. Added items will be placed for discussion at the end of the agenda.)*

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – DECEMBER 7, 2020**

6. **BYLAWS OF THE CITIZENS AND SPECIALIZED TRANSIT ADVISORY COUNCIL**

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Overview

This item is for the Council to approve the revised bylaws of the Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory Council (CSTAC).

7. **FISCAL YEAR 2021/22 – 2023/24 DRAFT SHORT RANGE TRANSIT PLAN UPDATES**

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Overview

This item is for the Council to receive and file Draft Fiscal Year (FY) 2021/22 – 2023/24 Short Range Transit Plans (SRTPs) updates from the cities of Banning, Beaumont, Corona, and Riverside; Palo Verde Valley Transit Agency (PVVTA); Riverside Transit Agency (RTA); SunLine Transit Agency (SunLine); and the Commission's Rail and Vanpool Programs.

8. **COMMITTEE MEMBER / STAFF REPORT**

Overview

This item provides the opportunity for the Council members, transit operators, and staff to report on attended and upcoming meetings/conferences and issues related to Council activities.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

The next Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory Council meeting is scheduled for August 9, 2021.

AGENDA ITEM 5

MINUTES

RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CITIZENS AND SPECIALIZED TRANSIT ADVISORY COUNCIL

December 7, 2020

Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Citizens and Specialized Transit Council was called to order by Chair Gloria Sanchez at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom ID 857 5212 7807. Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20, (March 18, 2020), the Citizens and Specialized Transit Council was only be conducted via video conferencing and by telephone.

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present

Lisa Castilone
John Chavez
Alejandra Gonzalez
John Krick
Karen Long
Jack Marty
Priscilla Ochoa
Mary Jo Ramirez
Catherine Rips
Gloria J Sanchez
Riverside Transit Agency

Members Absent

George Colangeli
Betty Day
Kenneth Woytek
Sunline Transit Agency

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

4. ADDITIONS/REVISIONS

None

5. **CONSENT CALENDAR** - *All matters on the Consent Calendar will be approved in a single motion unless a Commissioner(s) requests separate action on specific item(s). Items pulled from the Consent Calendar will be placed for discussion at the end of the agenda.*

M/S/C (Ramirez/Chavez) to approve the following Consent Calendar item(s):

5A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 24, 2020

5B. PROPOSED 2021 MEETING SCHEDULE

This item is for the Council to adopt its 2021 Meeting Schedule.

6. PUBLIC HEARING – TRANSIT NEEDS IN RIVERSIDE COUNTY

This item is for the Council to conduct a public hearing to receive comments on transit needs in Riverside County (County).

Ariel Alcon Tapia, Management Analyst, presented the transit needs in Riverside County.

At this time, Chair Sanchez opened the public hearing and asked if there were any public comments. No comments were received.

Chair Sanchez closed the public hearing.

7. 2021 PUBLIC TRANSIT – HUMAN SERVICES TRANSPORTATION COORDINATED PLAN

This item is for the Council to receive and file the 2021 Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan (2021 Coordinated Plan).

Eric DeHate, Transit Manager, presented a brief overview of the 2021 Coordinated Plan and introduced Heather Menninger and Valerie MacKintosh from AMMA to present the details of the 2021 Coordinated Plan.

In response to Mary Jo Ramirez's question from Care-A-Van regarding partnership and collaboration of funding, Ms. Menninger stated RCTC has an enhanced email list, expand the current membership of this council.

Chair Sanchez discussed the importance of the participation of the cities and local partners to seek out and share information regarding available funding.

8. FISCAL YEARS 2021/22 – 2023/24 WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY MEASURE A SPECIALIZED TRANSIT CALL FOR PROJECTS

This item is for the Council to receive and file an update on the 2021 Measure A Specialized Transit Call for Projects (2021 Call for Projects) for approximately \$6.8 million covering Fiscal Years (FY) 2021/22 – 2023/24 for Western Riverside County (Western County).

Monica Morales, Senior Management Analyst, presented the details of the FY 2021/22 – 2023/24 Western Riverside County Measure A Specialized Transit Call for Projects.

9. TOGETHER 2020: RCTC YEAR-IN-REVIEW

This item is for the Council to receive and file a presentation providing a review of RCTC 2020.

Marla Dye, Senior Management Analyst, presented the RCTC year in review.

In response to Mary Jo Ramirez's questions regarding ridership numbers, COVID-19 concerns, and the precautions transit agencies are taking, Lorelle Moe-Luna, Multimodal Services Director, discussed the COVID-19 effects on ridership and the extensive measures the transit agencies are taking to ensure riders and staff are safe.

Kristen Warsinski, Riverside Transit Agency, commented on bus ridership, the COVID-19 precautions they are implementing, and the change in routes and schedules.

10. COMMITTEE MEMBER/STAFF REPORT

John Standiford, RCTC Deputy Executive Director, thanked the Committee members for their time and participation in the meeting, expressing his appreciation for their involvement in the Committee. He also wished everyone a happy holiday season.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for consideration by the Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory Council, the meeting adjourned at 11:01 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Lorelle Moe-Luna', is written over a faint horizontal line.

Lorelle Moe-Luna, Multimodal Services Director

AGENDA ITEM 6

<i>RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION</i>	
DATE:	April 12, 2021
TO:	Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory Council
FROM:	Lorelle Moe-Luna, Multimodal Services Director
SUBJECT:	Bylaws of the Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory Council

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

This item is for the Council to approve the revised bylaws of the Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory Council (CSTAC).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Transportation Development Act (TDA) provides direction for administering both Local Transportation Fund and State Transit Assistance funds, which are used to support operational and capital expenditures for public transit. Sections 99238 and 130105 (d) of the TDA regulations requires the Commission to have citizens, social services transportation providers, and transit agencies provide input on transit needs and reflect a broad spectrum of interest among geographic areas of the county. The CSTAC fulfills these requirements and serves the Commission by participating in the transit needs hearing and reviewing the Short-Range Transit Plans developed by public transit operators as part of the Commission's annual budget development process. The TDA regulations require that the membership consist of the following categorical areas:

- 1) One representative of a potential transit user 60 years of age and older;
- 2) One representative of a potential transit user who is disabled;
- 3) Two representatives of the social service providers for seniors;
- 4) Two representatives of the social service providers for the disabled, including one representative of a social service transportation provider, if one exists;
- 5) One representative of a social service provider for persons of limited means; and
- 6) Two representatives from the Consolidated Transportation Service Agency(s) (CSTA) designated as such pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 15975 of the Government Code, including one representative from an operator, if one exists.

In December 2019, the CSTAC bylaws were revised with changes to membership terms and recruitment to garner more active participation and reduce membership relapse, and in May 2021, the current 15 members were approved by the Commission.

DISCUSSION:

The terms of membership in Section 4.3 of the bylaws require that:

- (a) *In order to begin a staggered membership, one third of appointees shall serve a one-year term, another third shall serve a two-year term, and the last third shall serve a three-year term.*
- (b) *The initial terms will be chosen randomly by means of an internal lottery conducted by Commission staff.*
- (c) *If the number of appointees does not perfectly divide into thirds, the remaining members shall be placed into any category at Commission staff discretion.*
- (d) *Members shall serve up to two, three-year terms.*

Staff conducted the random lottery as required and is shown in the table below.

Random Lottery Term Limit Results

First	Last	Organization	Term Lottery*
Kenneth	Woytek	Meniffee Senior Advisory Committee, Lake Elsinore Legion, VFW	1-year
Jack	Marty	T-NOW	1-year
Priscilla	Ochoa	Blindness Support	1-year
John	Krick	T-NOW	1-Year
Mary Jo	Ramirez	California Family Life Center, Riverside County Workforce Development Board	2-year
Gloria J.	Sanchez	Meniffee Senior Advisory Committee	2-year
George	Colangeli	Palo Verde Valley Transit Authority	2-year
Alejandra	Gonzalez	City of Norco	2-year
Ivet	Woolridge	Independent Living Partnership	3-year
Catherine	Rips	Angel View, Inc.	3-year
Betty	Day	Hemet Public Library	3-year
John	Chavez	Former BNSF Employee	3-year
Lisa	Castilone	Grid Alternatives IE	3-year
*Both CTSAs, Riverside Transit Agency and SunLine, are excluded from term limits.			

After receiving feedback from various members and continued interest in serving on the Council, staff recommends amending the bylaws (Attachment 1) to allow for all new members to serve for three year terms. Since the CSTAC is only required to meet a minimum of twice a year, this revision to the membership terms will allow new members the opportunity to become better acquainted with the planning process and build relationships within the transportation network to better understand the transit needs in their respective communities. Additionally, staff recommends amending the title from “Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory Council” to “Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory Committee” for consistency with other Commission-appointed committees.

There is no financial impact for this item.

Attachment: Amended Bylaws of the Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory Committee

Riverside County Transportation Commission
Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory ~~Council~~Committee
Bylaws

Adopted ~~April 12, 2021~~December 11, 2019

SECTION 1.0: TITLE

A Social Services Transportation Advisory Council shall be appointed by the Riverside County Transportation Commission ("Commission") to advise the Commission on the subject of special transportation needs of older adults, persons with disabilities and / or limited means. This council shall be known as the Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory ~~Council~~Committee ("CSTAC") and will be referred hereinafter as the "~~Council~~Committee."

SECTION 2.0: AUTHORITY

The establishment of the ~~Council~~Committee derives from California PUC Sections 99238 and 130105(d) and the Administrative Code of the Riverside County Transportation Commission. PUC Section 99238 requires designated regional transportation planning agencies have citizens, social services transportation providers, and transit agencies provide input into the jurisdictions' transit needs in compliance with the Mills-Alquist-Deddeh Act of 1971 ("Transportation Development Act"). PUC Section 130105(d) requires that the Commission appoint a Citizen's Advisory Committee, which shall reflect a broad spectrum of interest among geographic areas of the county and minority representation.

SECTION 3.0: PURPOSE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

PUC Section 99238 identifies the ~~Council~~Committee's responsibilities as follows:

1. Annually participate in the identification of transit needs in the jurisdiction, including unmet transit needs that may exist within the jurisdiction of the ~~council~~Committee and that may be reasonable to meet by establishing or contracting for new public transportation or specialized transportation services or by expanding existing service.
2. Annually review and recommend action by the transportation planning agency for the area within the jurisdiction of the ~~Council~~Committee which finds, by resolution, that
 - a. There are no unmet transit needs (if applicable) or
 - b. There are no unmet transit needs that are reasonable to meet (if applicable)
 - c. There are unmet transit needs, including needs that are reasonable to meet (if applicable).
3. Advise the transportation planning agency on any other major transit issues, including the coordination and consolidation of specialized transportation services.

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According to the Commission's Administrative Code, the ~~Council~~Committee shall also consult on, obtain, and collect public input on matters of interest and concern to the Commission, as may be assigned to the ~~Council~~Committee by the ~~Committee~~Commission for its review, comments, and recommendation.

SECTION 4.0: MEMBERSHIP

Section 4.1: Membership Guidelines

The membership in the Committee shall be determined by the Commission and in accordance to PUC Section 99238. Committee members shall serve at the will and pleasure of the Commission and without compensation. The Commission shall appoint no less than nine (9) and no more than fifteen (15) individuals to the ~~Council~~Committee. Members are to represent the broad spectrum of social service providers representing the elderly, disabled, and persons of limited means. The ~~Council~~Committee must comply with the membership requirements outlined in PUC Section 99238(a) below and include the following members:

Membership Criteria under PUC Section 99238(a):

1. One representative of potential transit users who is 60 years of age or older.
2. One representative of potential transit users who is disabled.
3. Two representatives of the local social service providers for seniors, including one representative of a social service transportation provider, if one exists.
4. Two representatives of local social service providers for the disabled, including one representative of a social service transportation provider, if one exists.
5. One representative of a local social service provider for persons of limited means.
6. Two representatives from the local consolidated transportation service agency, designated pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 15975 of the Government Code, if one exists, including one representative from an operator, if one exists.

Section 4.2: Quorum and Majorities

A quorum shall consist of a majority of the ~~Council~~Committee members. A majority shall be considered as at least half plus one (1) of the number of total ~~Council~~Committee members.

All official and business acts of the ~~Council~~Committee shall require a quorum. Presentation of information and discussion may take place if a quorum is not present at the meeting.

Section 4.3: Term of Membership

The Commission shall appoint and renew individuals to the ~~Council~~Committee for three (3) year terms. ~~Terms shall be staggered to reduce the likeliness of membership relapse. One-third (1/3) of appointments shall expire each year.~~

~~(b) — In order to begin a staggered membership, one third of appointees shall serve a one (1)-year term, another third shall serve a two (2)-year term, and the last third shall serve a three (3)-year term.~~

~~(c) — The initial terms will be chosen randomly by means of an internal lottery conducted by Commission staff.~~

~~(d) — If the number of appointees does not perfectly divide into thirds, the remaining members shall be placed into any category at Commission staff discretion.~~

~~(e) Members shall serve up to two (2) three (3)-year terms.~~

Section 4.4: Membership Recruitment

Members of the ~~Council~~Committee shall be appointed by the Commission. The Commission will recruit candidates for appointment from a broad representation of social service and transit providers representing the elderly, the disabled, and persons of limited means. In appointing ~~Council~~Committee members, the Commission shall reflect a broad geographic and minority representation as well as a broad spectrum of interests among ~~council~~Committee members per PUC Section 130105(d). This will include active solicitation of applications from the three subregions of the county: western Riverside, the Coachella Valley, and the Palo Verde Valley.

Individuals with an interest in serving on the ~~Council~~Committee in one of its capacities shall request a recommendation from Commission staff to be forwarded to the Commission, for formal appointment action. Commissioners may assist in the outreach process by circulating recruitment information within their respective jurisdictions. Commissioners may also nominate potential ~~Council~~Committee members if they desire.

Section 4.5: Membership Rules & Requirements

In the interest of maintaining an active ~~council~~Committee, membership requirements shall be used to keep appointees accountable for ~~Council~~Committee participation.

- (a) Members may not use their ~~Council~~Committee affiliation to represent personal or constituency opinions. Members may not represent themselves as representatives of the ~~Council~~Committee unless given direction to do so by a majority vote of the ~~Council~~Committee.
- (b) Regular membership shall be defined as the attendance or participation of at least three (3) meetings, either in person or by conference call for long-distance members, within one (1) calendar year.

Section 4.6: Membership Termination

CouncilCommittee members may terminate their membership by notifying Commission staff in writing.

The Commission has the discretion to dismiss any CouncilCommittee members for any reason, including if the individual fails to participate in two (2) consecutive CouncilCommittee meetings.

Section 4.7: Conflicts of Interest

When any member of the CouncilCommittee has a financial interest or is a member of a governing body (i.e., Board of Directors) of any organization which is involved in an issue on the agenda, such member shall immediately disclose his/her interest and shall abstain from voting on the issue.

Section 4.8: Ethics Training

In compliance with California Government Code Sections 53234(c)(1) and Section 54952, CouncilCommittee appointed members must undergo ethics training directed by Commission staff. An appointed member's failure to comply with the ethics training requirement within the prescribed deadlines shall result in dismissal from the CouncilCommittee.

California Government Code Sections 53234(c)(1) defines "local agency official" as "[a]ny member of a local agency, legislative body or any elected local agency official who receives any type of compensation, salary, or stipend or reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of official duties" or "[a]ny employee designated by a local agency governing body to receive [ethics] training specified under this article." California Government Code Section 54952 defines a "legislative body" as "[t]he governing body of a local agency or any other local body created by state or federal statute."

Section 4.9: Compensation and Reimbursement

Individuals appointed to the CouncilCommittee shall not receive any compensation for their services regarding the conduct of CouncilCommittee business. Appointed CouncilCommittee members may be reimbursed mileage for use of private automobiles or public transportation costs required for their attendance at CouncilCommittee meetings.

SECTION 5.0: ADMINISTRATION

Section 5.1: Officer Duties

(a) The Chair shall, if present, preside at all meetings of the CouncilCommittee and shall exercise and perform such other powers and duties as may be from time to time assigned to him or her by the Commission.

(b) The Vice Chair shall perform the duties of the Chair in his or her absence.

(c) The Second (2nd) Vice Chair shall perform the duties of the Chair and First (1st) Vice Chair in their absence.

(d) In the event that the Chair and both Vice Chairs are absent or unable to act, members present at any meeting of the ~~Council~~Committee, by an order entered in the minutes, shall select one of their members to act as Chair Pro Tempore, who during such time shall act as Chair.

Section 5.2: Election of Officers

The Commission shall elect, by a majority vote, the Chair, Vice Chair and Second (2nd) Vice Chair from members of the ~~Council~~Committee, provided that he or she is first nominated by either the Commission or the ~~Council~~Committee. Nominees for the positions of Chair, Vice Chair, and Second (2nd) Vice Chair shall be submitted and voted on by the ~~Council~~Committee during the first (1st) meeting of the calendar year. All nominees shall be members of the ~~Council~~Committee.

Section 5.3: Officer Terms

The term of all officers shall be for one (1) year or up to two (2) years, upon approval of the ~~Council~~Committee.

Section 5.4: Removal of Officers

The Chair, the Vice Chair, and the Second (2nd) Vice Chair may be removed by the affirmative vote of a majority of the ~~Council~~Committee. Voting on removal shall take place no sooner than at the next regular meeting following the meeting at which the motion to remove officers was introduced.

Section 5.5: Subcommittees

The ~~Council~~Committee may appoint subcommittees as it deems necessary. Unless subcommittee membership, functions, duties, responsibilities, or terms of service are specified by law or the Commission, the ~~Council~~Committee may determine the membership of such subcommittees, and specify the functions, duties, responsibilities, and terms of service. The ~~Council~~Committee shall give due consideration to any recommendations, advice, or proposals received from subcommittees.

SECTION 6.0: MEETINGS

Section 6.1: Call for Meetings

Commission shall call the first (1st) meeting of the ~~Council~~Committee and may call subsequent meetings. The Commission may set the time and place of said meeting(s) and designate the agenda for any meetings so called. The Chair reserves the right to call for meetings at his or her discretion.

(a) All meetings of the ~~Council~~Committee, including without limitation, regular and special meetings, shall be called, noticed, held and conducted in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act, commencing with Section 54950 of the Government Code.

Section 6.2. Regular Meetings

Regular meetings of the ~~Council~~Committee shall be held at the time and place established of record in the minutes of the ~~Council~~Committee at its first (1st) meeting and throughout the course of the calendar year.

(a) Meetings shall be held biannually, or as needed, every calendar year.

(b) The ~~Council~~Committee shall post agendas of all regular meetings. The agenda shall contain a general description of each item of business to be transacted or discussed at the meeting, at least seventy-two (72) hours before such regular meeting. No action shall be taken on any item not appearing on such posted agendas, except as permitted by state law.

(c) If needed, telephone or electronic polling of the voting membership is allowed, subject to the discretion of the Chair.

Section 6.3 Special Meetings

The Chair, the Commission, or a quorum of ~~Council~~Committee membership may call for a special meeting by issuing a written statement (mail or electronic mail) to the Executive Director of the Commission. Such notice shall be so delivered at least twenty-four (24) hours before the time of such meeting. The notification must indicate the time and place of the special meeting and the business to be transacted. No other business shall be transacted outside of what was delineated in the notice.

SECTION 7.0: ADDITIONS, AMENDMENTS, AND CHANGES

Section 7.1: Amendments and Regulations

Additions, amendments, and changes to the bylaws of the ~~Council~~Committee shall reflect and be consistent with the governing rules and regulations, including any acts, ordinances, and initiatives policies governing funds managed through or overseen by the Commission and governing County Transportation Commissions, Consolidated Transportation Service Agencies, and Social Service Transportation Advisory Councils, and the acts, ordinances, and initiatives governing funds managed through these Agencies.

Any additions, amendments, and changes to the bylaws must be adopted by majority vote of members of the ~~Council~~Committee present when the addition, amendment, or change is presented.

~~Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory Committee~~ CHAIR
~~Social Services Transportation Advisory~~
~~Council/Citizens Advisory Committee~~

DATE: ~~December 11, 2019~~May 12, 2021

AGENDA ITEM 7

<i>RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION</i>	
DATE:	April 12, 2021
TO:	Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory Council
FROM:	Eric DeHate, Transit Manager
THROUGH:	Lorelle Moe-Luna, Multimodal Services Director
SUBJECT:	Fiscal Year 2021/22 – 2023/24 Draft Short Range Transit Plan Updates

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

This item is for the Council to receive and file Draft Fiscal Year (FY) 2021/22 – 2023/24 Short Range Transit Plans (SRTPs) updates from the cities of Banning, Beaumont, Corona, and Riverside; Palo Verde Valley Transit Agency (PVVTA); Riverside Transit Agency (RTA); SunLine Transit Agency (SunLine); and the Commission’s Rail and Vanpool Programs.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The SRTPs serve as the county’s primary justification for federal and state grants for transit operations and capital and provides a short-term vision of public transportation for the county including strategies that will help guide transportation decisions over the next three to five years. In Riverside County, there are seven public bus transit operators (Banning, Beaumont, Corona, and Riverside; RTA; SunLine; and PVVTA), and the Commission as a commuter rail and vanpool operator – a total of eight transit operators.

Under state law, the Commission is tasked with the responsibility to identify, analyze, and recommend potential productivity improvements to ensure federal, state, and local funds are allocated to transit operators to provide needed transit services for county residents. An annual SRTP update is a mechanism to meet this obligation and coordinate transit services throughout the county. The core components of each agency’s SRTP includes the operating and capital plans and project justifications that are utilized as the basis for receiving transit funding. The SRTPs also document each operator’s system and route performance data, which provide the basis for the Commission’s oversight activities to ensure compliance with the Transportation Development Act, federal regulations, state law, and Commission-adopted policies and guidelines.

Each operator will provide an overview of the major projects and activities anticipated in their FY 2021/22 SRTP update.