

APPROVED AT REGULAR MTC MEETING ON MAY 13, 2010

**CITY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
MASS TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
COUNCIL HEARING ROOM
995 PALM ST.
SPECIAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28, 2010
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Susan Rains called the meeting to order at 2:50 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Susan Rains, Denise Martinez, Tracy Amundson, Elizabeth Thyne, Art Apruzzese, Louise Justice and Jonathan Ellis

Absent: Margaret Crockett and Stanley Yucikas

Staff: John Webster, Tim Bochum

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Elena Cano, City Clerk, swore in newly appointed members Elizabeth Thyne, Louise Justice and Jonathan Ellis.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

A. CONSENT ITEMS

There were no items.

B. DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no items.

C. ACTION ITEMS

C-1. Review and comment on potential budget balancing priorities

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Mr. Webster and Mr. Bochum presented detailed discussion on current budget/fiscal situation and the projected potential deficits regarding the Transportation Development Act (TDA) and Local Transportation Fund (LTF) funding reductions and operating costs that were near and/or not sufficient to sustain present service levels.

Staff also presented details discussion on the FY 2010-11 service levels, fare structures, Cal Poly operating subsidy, and budget balancing priorities.

They projected a potential shortfall of \$159,499.

MTC members and staff discussed parameters of the trolley service, various fare/revenue structures and possible modifications, and the evening service pilot program whose STA funding has been 100% expended..

Budget reduction strategies and associated projected savings were discussed, including evening service elimination/reduction; reductions to Rt. 2, 3, and 6A/B; strategic route reductions; eliminating Sunday service; reduction or elimination of Trolley services; eliminating advertising budgets; eliminate or reduce schedule printing, and eliminating/reducing shelter cleaning.

Revenue enhancement suggestions included charging for evening service, exterior bus advertising, fare adjustments, trolley surcharges, and eliminating free transfers.

After much discussion, the MTC determined the following priorities for staff examination:

- Do not consider Sunday fixed route service reductions
- Charge all users for evening service
- Reduce Trolley service to Thursday and explore Downtown Business Association subsidizing Friday-Sunday operations.
- Eliminate or charge for Transfers
- Advertising on printed schedules, vehicles and shelters
- Explore strategic route reductions
- Reducing 6A/B service on Friday to Saturday schedule

D. INFORMATION ITEMS

There were no items.

MEMBER COMMENTS

There were no comments.

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m. to the regular meeting May 12, 2010 at 2:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Woske, Recording Secretary