



## MEETING AGENDA

6:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 10, 2024

STA Board Regular Meeting

STA Board Room

423 Main Street

Suisun City, CA 94585

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#### 2024 STA BOARD MEMBERS

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County of Solano	City of Suisun City	City of Benicia	City of Dixon	City of Fairfield	City of Rio Vista	City of Vacaville	City of Vallejo

#### STA BOARD ALTERNATES

Wanda Williams	Princess Washington	Terry Scott	Jim Ernest	K. Patrice Williams	Walt Stanish	Jeanette Wylie	Peter Bregenzer
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## **AGENDA ITEMS**

## **BOARD/STAFF PERSON**

1. **CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** (6:00 p.m.) Chair Kott
2. **CONFIRM QUORUM/STATEMENT OF CONFLICT**  
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3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
4. **OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT** (6:05 – 6:10 p.m.)
5. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT** (6:10 – 6:15 p.m.)  
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6. **REPORT FROM THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (MTC)** (6:15 – 6:20 p.m.) MTC Commissioner  
Jim Spering
7. **STA PRESENTATIONS** (6:20 – 6:35 p.m.)
  - A. **State Legislative Update** Matt Robinson and Michael Pimentel,  
Shaw Yoder Antwih
  - B. **Directors Reports:**
    1. **Planning – Congestion Management Plan (CMP) 2023/Model Update** Robert Guerrero
    2. **Programs – 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Solano Mobility Programs**
    3. **Projects – Truck Scales / Fairgrounds** Ron Grassi  
Nick Burton
8. **CONSENT CALENDAR** (6:35 – 6:40 p.m.)  
Recommendation:  
Approve the following consent items in one motion.  
(Note: Items under consent calendar may be removed for separate discussion.)
  - A. **Minutes of the STA Board Meeting of December 13, 2023** Johanna Masiclat  
Recommendation:  
Approve the minutes of the STA Board Meeting of December 13, 2023.  
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  - B. **Draft Minutes of the STA Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting of December 20, 2023.** Johanna Masiclat  
Recommendation:  
Receive and file.  
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  - C. **Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24 First Quarter Budget Report** Susan Furtado  
Recommendation:  
Receive and file.  
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  - D. **Solano Countywide Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Plan (Solano CCARP) for Transportation Infrastructure – Member Agency Funding Agreements** Kathrina Gregana  
Recommendation:  
Authorize the STA Executive Director to enter into Funding Agreements for the Solano Countywide Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Plan (Solano CCARP) with the Cities of:

1. Benicia for an amount not-to-exceed \$2,500;
2. Dixon for an amount not-to-exceed \$2,500;
3. Fairfield for an amount not-to-exceed \$5,000;
4. Rio Vista for an amount not-to-exceed \$2,500;
5. Suisun City for an amount not-to-exceed \$2,500;
6. Vacaville for an amount not-to-exceed \$5,000;
7. Vallejo for an amount not-to-exceed \$5,000; and the
8. County Solano for an amount not-to-exceed \$5,000

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**E. Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC) Reappointments**

Kathrina Gregana

Recommendation:

Reappoint PAC Members to serve for three-year terms to expire on December 31, 2026 as follows:

1. Diane Dooley to represent the City of Benicia;
2. Joe Green-Heffern to represent the City of Fairfield; and
3. Bob Berman to represent the Bay Area Ridge Trail.

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**F. Housing Element Agreement Extensions: City of Benicia, City of Vallejo and County of Solano**

Robert Guerrero

Recommendation:

Authorize the Executive Director to amend the following:

1. The City of Vallejo and County of Solano's Housing Element Funding Agreement to extend their agreement to December 31, 2024; and
2. The City of Benicia's Housing Element Funding Agreement for an additional amount not to exceed \$20,000 and to extend their agreement to December 31, 2024.

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**9. ACTION NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS**

**A. Legislative Update and STA's 2024 Legislative Platform and Priorities**

Vincent Ma

Recommendation:

Adopt the STA's 2024 Legislative Platform and Priorities as shown in Attachment C.

(6:40 – 6:45 p.m.)

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**10. ACTION FINANCIAL ITEMS**

**A. STA's Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24 Proposed Mid-Year Budget Revision and FY 2024-25 Proposed Budget Revision Recommendation:**

Susan Furtado  
Daryl Halls

Adopt the following:

1. The STA's FY 2023-24 Proposed Mid-Year Budget Revision as shown in Attachment A; and
2. The STA's FY 2024-25 Proposed Budget Revision as shown in Attachment B.

(6:45 – 6:50 p.m.)

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**B. Solano Mobility Programs 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report for FY 2023–24  
Employer/Commuter Programs – Modify the First Last Mile Program  
Recommended:**

Lorene Garrett

Authorize the Executive Director to modify a tiered subsidy for the First/Last Mile program to provide 60% of the cost of the ride up to \$20 for riders unless they qualify for the low-income subsidy of 80% of the cost of the ride up to \$20.

(6:50 – 6:55 p.m.)

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**C. Formation of Transit 2030 Policy Committee**

Chair Ron Kott

Recommendation:

Jim Spering

Approve the following:

Steve Young

1. Formation of a Ten Member Solano Transit 2030 Policy Committee;
2. Establishment of a Transit Technical Committee with representatives of each of the Transit Operators providing transit service in Solano County;
3. Designate the STA Executive Committee to Develop and Recommend a Scope of Work for Review by the Solano Transit 2030 Policy Committee; and
4. Authorize the Executive Director to enter into a Consultant Services Agreement to facilitate the Solano Transit 2030 Policy Committee and the Transit Technical Committee.

(6:55 – 7:05 p.m.)

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**12. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS – DISCUSSION**

**A. Solano Connected Mobility Implementation Plan – Status of Six Functional Areas**

Daryl Halls

(7:05 – 7:10 p.m.)

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**NO DISCUSSION**

**B. One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) Cycle 3 Programming Update  
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Jasper Alve

**C. Summary of Funding Opportunities  
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Jasper Alve

**D. STA Board & Advisory Committee Meeting Calendar for 2024  
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Johanna Masiclat

**13. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the STA Board is at **6:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 14, 2024**, STA Board Room - 423 Main Street in Suisun City.

**STA Board Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2024**

**6:00 p.m., Wed., January 10<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00 p.m., Wed., February 14<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00 p.m., Wed., March 13<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00 p.m., Wed., April 10<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00 p.m., Wed., May 8<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00 p.m., Wed., June 12<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00 p.m., Wed., July 10<sup>th</sup>**

***No Meeting in August – Board Recess***

**6:00 p.m., Wed., October 9<sup>th</sup>**

***5:00 p.m., Wed., November 13<sup>th</sup> - STA's 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards Ceremony***

**6:00 p.m., Wed., December 11<sup>th</sup>**

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DATE: January 2, 2024  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Daryl K. Halls  
RE: Executive Director's Report – January 2024

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The following is a brief status report on some of the major issues, projects, and programs currently being advanced by the Solano Transportation Authority (STA). An asterisk (\*) notes items included in this month's Board agenda.

**STA Legislative Platform and Priorities for 2024 \***

STA legislative and management staff have updated STA's Legislative Platform and Priorities in preparation for the 2024 legislative session. The draft platform was reviewed and distributed for 30 days review with Board adoption scheduled for the meeting on January 10, 2024. The platform includes both federal and state priorities. Our state lobbyists, Matt Robinson and Michael Pimentel, are scheduled to provide updates on the State Legislature and pending legislation at the Board meeting.

**STA Mid Year Budget Revisions for FY 2023-24 and FY 2024-25 \***

STA finance staff and the department directors have updated the Budget for FY 2023-24 and FY2024-25 to reflect more current projections for revenues and expenditures. The updated revised budget for FY 2023-24 is \$113,022,725 and the revised budget for FY 2024-25 is \$60,572,721.

**Connected Mobility Implementation Plan Status \***

With funding provided to STA by MTC, the consultants working on the Solano Connected Mobility Implementation Plan have provided a status of the progress made to date on the six focus areas derived from MTC's Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Task Force recommendations.

**Formation of Solano Transit 2030 Policy Committee \***

In recognition of the ongoing discussions in Sacramento and at MTC, pertaining to the fiscal recovery challenges facing Bay Area transit operators and the focus on more customer-focused and more coordinated transit services, members of the STA Board Executive Committee are recommending the formation of a Solano Transit 2030 Policy Committee. The proposal is to form a ten-member policy committee to focus on the implementation of the six focus areas and to be comprised of representatives from all seven cities and the County and two representatives from the SolTrans' Board, who are not STA Board Members. In addition, a Transit Technical Committee is proposed with staff from City Coach, Delta Breeze, FAST, Read-Ride, SolTrans, and Suisun Micro-transit.

**Solano Mobility First Quarter Update/Employer/Commuter Programs/Modification of First Last Mile Program \***

STA Solano Mobility staff has provided the FY 2023-24 first quarter report for Mobility Programs focused on addressing the mobility needs of commuters employers and their employees. These consist of ten of 16 mobility programs provided by STA's Solano Mobility Programs. Staff is also recommending a modification to the First Last Mile Program due to its growing popularity.

Attachment:

- A. STA Acronyms List of Transportation Terms

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## A

AADT	Average Annual Daily Traffic
ABAG	Association of Bay Area Governments
ACTC	Alameda County Transportation Commission
ADA	American Disabilities Act
ADT	Average Daily Traffic
APDE	Advanced Project Development Element (STIP)
AQMD	Air Quality Management District
ARPA	American Rescue Plan Act
ARRA	American Recovery and Reinvestment Act
ATP	Active Transportation Program
ATWG	Active Transportation Working Group
AVA	Abandoned Vehicle Abatement

## B

BAAQMD	Bay Area Air Quality Management District
BAC	Bicycle Advisory Committee
BACTA	Bay Area Counties Transportation Agencies
BAIFA	Bay Area Infrastructure Financing Authority
BARC	Bay Area Regional Collaborative
BART	Bay Area Rapid Transit
BATA	Bay Area Toll Authority
BCDC	Bay Conservation & Development Commission
BUILD	Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development

## C

CAF	Clean Air Funds
CalSTA	California State Transportation Agency
CALTRANS	California Department of Transportation
CAPTI	California State Transportation: Climate Action Plan for Transportation
CARB	California Air Resources Board
CCAG	City-County Association of Governments (San Mateo)
CCCC (4'Cs)	City County Coordinating Council
CCCTA (3CTA)	Central Contra Costa Transit Authority
CCJPA	Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority
CCTA	Contra Costa Transportation Authority
CEC	California Energy Commission
CEQA	California Environmental Quality Act
CHP	California Highway Patrol
CIP	Capital Improvement Program
CMA	Congestion Management Agency
CMIA	Corridor Mobility Improvement Account
CMAQ	Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality Program
CMGC	Construction Manager/General Contractor
CMP	Congestion Management Plan
CNG	Compressed Natural Gas
CPI	Consumer Price Index
CRRSAA	Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriation Act of 2021
CTA	California Transit Agency
CTC	California Transportation Commission
CTP	Comprehensive Transportation Plan
CTSA	Consolidated Transportation Services Agency

## D

DBE	Disadvantaged Business Enterprise
DOT	Department of Transportation

## E

ECMAQ	Eastern Solano Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Program
EIR	Environmental Impact Report
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
EV	Electric Vehicle

## F

FAST	Fairfield and Suisun Transit
FAST Act	Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act
FASTER	Freedom. Affordability. Speed. Transparency. Equity. Reliability.
FASTLANE	Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation for the Long-term Achievement of National Efficiencies
FEIR	Final Environmental Impact Report
FWHA	Federal Highway Administration
FPI	Freeway Performance Initiative
FTA	Federal Transit Administration

## G

GARVEE	Grant Anticipating Revenue Vehicle
GHG	Greenhouse Gas
GIS	Geographic Information System

## H

HIP	Housing Incentive Program
HOT	High Occupancy Toll
HOV	High Occupancy Vehicle
HPMS	Highway Performance Monitoring System
HSIP	Highway Safety Improvement Plan

## I

INFRA	Infrastructure for Rebuilding America
ISTEA	Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act
ITIP	Interregional Transportation Improvement Program
ITS	Intelligent Transportation System

## J

JARC	Jobs Access Reverse Commute Program
JPA	Joint Powers Agreement

## L

LATIP	Local Area Transportation Improvement Program
LCTOP	Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP)
LEV	Low Emission Vehicle
LIFT	Low Income Flexible Transportation Program
LOS	Level of Service
LS&R	Local Streets & Roads
LTR	Local Transportation Funds

## M

MAP-21	Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21 <sup>st</sup> Century
MAZ	Micro Analysis Zone
MIS	Major Investment Study
MLIP	Managed Lanes Implementation Plan
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MPO	Metropolitan Planning Organization
MTAC	Model Technical Advisory Committee
MTC	Metropolitan Transportation Commission
MTS	Metropolitan Transportation System

## N

NCTPA	Napa County Transportation & Planning Agency
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NHS	National Highway System
NOP	Notice of Preparation
NVTA	Napa Valley Transportation Authority

## O

OBAG	One Bay Area Grant
OPR	Office of Planning and Research
OTS	Office of Traffic Safety

## P

PAC	Pedestrian Advisory Committee
PCA	Priority Conservation Area
PCC	Paratransit Coordinating Council
PCI	Pavement Condition Index

PCRP	Planning & Congestion Relief Program	SRTP	Short Range Transit Plan
PDS	Project Development Support	SSARP	Systemic Safety Analysis Report Program
PDA	Priority Development Area	SSPWD TAC	Solano Seniors & People with Disabilities Transportation Advisory Committee
PDT	Project Delivery Team	STAF	State Transit Assistance Fund
PDWG	Project Delivery Working Group	STA	Solano Transportation Authority
PMP	Pavement Management Program	STBG	Federal Surface Transportation Block Grant Program
PMS	Pavement Management System	STIA	Solano Transportation Improvement Authority
PNR	Park & Ride	STIP	State Transportation Improvement Program
POP	Program of Projects	STP	Federal Surface Transportation Program
PPA	Priority Production Area	SubHIP	Suburban Housing Incentive Pool
PPM	Planning, Programming & Monitoring	<b>T</b>	
PPP (P3)	Public Private Partnership	TAC	Technical Advisory Committee
PS&E	Plans, Specifications & Estimate	TAM	Transportation Authority of Marin
PSR	Project Study Report	TANF	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
PTA	Public Transportation Account	TAZ	Transportation Analysis Zone
PTAC	Partnership Technical Advisory Committee (MTC)	TCEP	Trade Corridor Enhancement Program
<b>R</b>		TCI	Transportation Capital Improvement
RABA	Revenue Alignment Budget Authority	TCIF	Trade Corridor Improvement Fund
REPEG	Regional Environmental Public Education Group	TCM	Transportation Control Measure
RFP	Request for Proposal	TCRP	Transportation Congestion Relief Program
RFQ	Request for Qualification	TDA	Transportation Development Act
RM 1/2/3	Regional Measure 1/2/3 (Bridge Toll)	TDM	Transportation Demand Management
RMRP	Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program	TE	Transportation Enhancement
RORS	Routes of Regional Significance	TEA	Transportation Enhancement Activity
RPC	Regional Pedestrian Committee	TEA-21	Transportation Efficiency Act for the 21 <sup>st</sup> Century
RRP	Regional Rideshare Program	TFCA	Transportation Funds for Clean Air
RTEP	Regional Transit Expansion Policy	TIF	Transportation Investment Fund
RTIF	Regional Transportation Impact Fee	TIGER	Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery
RTP	Regional Transportation Plan	TIP	Transportation Improvement Program
RTP/SCS	Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategies	TIRCP	Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program
RTIP	Regional Transportation Improvement Program	TLC	Transportation for Livable Communities
RTMC	Regional Transit Marketing Committee	TMA	Transportation Management Association
RTPA	Regional Transportation Planning Agency	TMP	Transportation Management Plan
<b>S</b>		TMS	Transportation Management System
SACOG	Sacramento Area Council of Governments	TMTAC	Transportation Management Technical Advisory Committee
SAFETEA-LU	Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equality Act-a Legacy for Users	TNC	Transportation Network Company
SATP	Solano Active Transportation Plan	TOD	Transportation Operations Systems
SCS	Sustainable Community Strategy	TOD	Transit Oriented Development
SCTA	Sonoma County Transportation Authority	TOS	Traffic Operation System
SFCTA	San Francisco County Transportation Authority	T-Plus	Transportation Planning and Land Use Solutions
SGC	Strategic Growth Council	TRAC	Trails Advisory Committee
SJCOG	San Joaquin Council of Governments	TSMO	Transportation System Management and Operations
SHOPP	State Highway Operations & Protection Program	<b>U, V, W</b>	
SMAQMD	Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District	UZA	Urbanized Area
SMART	Sonoma Marin Area Rapid Transit	USDOT	United States Department of Transportation
SMART	Safety, Mobility and Automated Real-time	VHD	Vehicle Hours of Delay
SMCCAG	San Mateo City-County Association of Governments	VMT	Vehicle Miles Traveled
SNABM	Solano-Napa Activity-Based Model	VTA	Valley Transportation Authority (Santa Clara)
SNCI	Solano Napa Commuter Information	W2W	Welfare to Work
SoHip	Solano Highway Partnership	WCCCTAC	West Contra Costa County Transportation Advisory Committee
SoHIP	Solano Housing Improvement Program	WETA	Water Emergency Transportation Authority
SoTrans	Solano County Transit	<b>Y, Z</b>	
SOV	Single Occupant Vehicle	YCTD	Yolo County Transit District
SPOT	Solano Projects Online Tracking	YSAQMD	Yolo/Solano Air Quality Management District
SP&R	State Planning & Research	ZEV	Zero Emission Vehicle
SPUR	San Francisco Bay Area Planning and Urban Research		
SR	State Route		
SR2S	Safe Routes to School		
SR2T	Safe Routes to Transit		



**SOLANO TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**  
**Board Minutes for Meeting of**  
**December 13, 2023**

**1. CLOSED SESSION**

Chair Young cited that in closed session, pursuant to Gov't Code §54956.9(d)(2) Significant Exposure to Litigation, there was no action to report.

**2. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Young called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was confirmed.

**MEMBERS**

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Steve Young, Chair	City of Benicia
	Steve Bird	City of Dixon
	K. Patrice Williams for	City of Fairfield
	Catherine Moy	
	Ron Kott	City of Rio Vista
	Alma Hernandez	City of Suisun City
	John Carli	City of Vacaville
	Robert McConnell	City of Vallejo
	Mitch Mashburn	County of Solano

**MEMBERS**

<b>ABSENT:</b>	Cat Moy	City of Fairfield
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**STA STAFF**

<b>PRESENT:</b>	<b>(In alphabetical order by last name.)</b>	
	Jasper Alve	Project Manager
	Amy Antunano	Assistant Program Manager
	Nick Burton	Director of Projects
	Megan Callaway	STA Legal Counsel
	Susan Furtado	Accounting & Administrative Services Mgr.
	Lorene Garrett	Program Coordinator
	Ron Grassi	Director of Programs
	Kathrina Gregana	Associate Planner
	Janelle Gregorio	SR2S Program Coordinator
	Robert Guerrero	Deputy Executive Director/Director of Planning
	Daryl Halls	Executive Director
	Dulce Jimenez	Planning Assistant
	Johanna Masiclat	Clerk of the Board/Office Manager
	Vincent Ma	Legislative Policy & Communications Manager
	Debbie McQuilkin	Senior Mobility Coordinator
	Sean Person	Legislative Assistant
	Natalie Quezada	Administrative Assistant I

**Other Invited Participants (In alphabetical order by last name):**

David Belef	Member of the Public
Jacob Francisco	Pending BAC Member
Brian McLean	City of Vacaville
Jim Spering	MTC Commissioner

**3. CONFIRM QUORUM/STATEMENT OF CONFLICT**

A quorum was confirmed by the Clerk of the Board, Johanna Masiclat. There was no Statement of Conflict declared at this time.

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

On a motion by Vice Chair Kott, and a second by Board Member Mashburn, the STA Board approved the agenda. (8 Ayes)

**5. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

None presented.

**6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- Regional Measure 3 (RM3) Funded Projects – Vallejo Station Phase B \*
- Draft STA Legislative Platform and Priorities for 2024
- Regional Transportation Impact Fee (RTIF) Annual Report
- Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Program Micro Grants
- STA Annual Audit for FY 2022-23
- Designate Authority for Tort Legislation
- Solano Napa Activity Based Model (SNABM)/Solano County Congestion Management Plan Update
- Solano Mobility Programs Update – Older Adults and People with Disabilities
- STA 2024 Chair and Vice-Chair
- STA Update

**7. REPORT FROM THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (MTC)**

MTC Commissioner Spering provided an update to the following:

- Solano County Roads Rank Near Top in Pavement Quality Report\_
- Senate Hearing Spotlights Bay Area Transit Operations
- BAHFA Debuts First Loan Program to Spur Housing Construction
- MTC Adds Flexibility to Help Cities, Counties Spur Projects Near Transit
- Solano County Riders Help MTC Read Post-Pandemic Transit Trends
- Flood, Fire, Heat, Drought: New Report Maps Course for Adaptation
- BAHFA Earns Housing Heroes Award

**8. STA PRESENTATIONS**

**Directors Reports:**

1. **Administration/Marketing: STA Website Statistics**
2. **Planning: Safe Routes to Schools (SR2S) Micro Grant Call for Projects**
3. **Programs: First Quarter Report for FY 2023-24 - Solano Mobility Programs Older Adults and People with Disabilities**
4. **Projects – SR 37 Project Tour Video**

**9. CONSENT CALENDAR**

On a motion by Vice Chair Kott, and a second by Board Member Hernandez, the STA Board approved Consent Calendar items A-H. (8 Ayes)

**A. Minutes of the STA Board Meeting of October 11, 2023**

Recommendation:

Approve the minutes of the STA Board Meeting of October 11, 2023.

**B. Draft Minutes of the STA Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting of November 29, 2023.**

Recommendation:

Receive and file.

**C. Adoption of STA 2024 Employee Benefit Summary**

Recommendation:

Receive and file.

**D. Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Matrix – December 2023 which includes the TDA Claims for the City of Fairfield and the City of Dixon**

Recommendation:

Approve the December 2023 TDA Matrix for FY 2023-24 which includes the TDA claims for the City of Fairfield and the City of Dixon as shown in Attachment B.

**E. Request for Proposal (RFP) for Travel Training**

Recommendation:

Authorize the Executive Director to:

1. Release a Request for Proposal (RFP) for Travel Training; and
2. Enter into a contract for an amount not-to-exceed \$100,000 per year for two years with the option to renew for up to an additional three, one-year terms. The Consortium will review and consider the contract prior to entering into each one-year option year.

**F. Regional Transportation Impact Fee Transit Public Art Fund Requests from the Cities of Dixon and Rio Vista**

Recommendation:

Approve programming RTIF District 6 transit public art funds to the Cities of Dixon for its Lamb Statue enhancement in the amount of \$20,000 and Rio Vista for its Gateway Sign project in the amount of \$50,000.

**G. 2024 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP): Programming Planning, Programming, and Monitoring (PPM) Funds**

Recommendation:

Approve the following:

1. Programming STIP PPM funds totaling \$929,000 for fiscal years 2024-25 through 2028-29 as shown in Attachment B; and
2. Authorize the STA to submit the electronic Project Programming Request (ePPR) to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC).

**H. Reprogramming of One Bay Area Grant Cycle 2 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Funds**

Recommendation:

Approve reprogramming the remaining CMAQ OBAG2 funds in the amount of \$250,000 from the City of Vacaville's I-505/Vaca Valley Parkway Project to the City's Bike Trail Pedestrian Improvements Project.

**I. Countywide Wayfinding Sign Program Call for Projects**

Recommendation:

Authorize the Executive Director to issue a Call for Projects for \$25,000 for Year 3 of the Countywide Wayfinding Sign Program.

**J. Safe Routes to Schools (SR2S) Micro Grant Call for Project**

Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to authorize a call for projects for the Safe Routes to School Micro Grant Program Cycle 3.

**K. Caltrans Sustainable Communities Grant Request for Solano Zero-Emission Transportation Readiness and Implementation Plan**

Recommendation:

Authorize the STA Executive Director to submit an application for a \$500,000 Caltrans Sustainable Communities Grant to develop a Solano Zero-Emission Transportation Readiness and Implementation Plan.

**L. Contract Amendment - Federal Legislative Advocacy Services**

Recommendation:

Approve the following:

1. Authorize the Executive Director to enter into a 24-month contract amendment and extension with Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP (Akin Gump);
2. Authorize the Executive Director to extend the contract with the Cities of Fairfield, Vacaville, and Vallejo to provide federal advocacy services in pursuit of federal funding for the STA's priority projects through December 31, 2025 at a total cost not-to-exceed \$240,000; and
3. The expenditure of \$90,000 to cover the STA's contribution for this 24-month contract.

**M. Bicycle Advisory Committee Appointments**

Recommendation:

Approve the following:

1. Reappoint Neal Iverson as the BAC representative for the City of Vacaville for a three-year term set to expire on December 31, 2026;
2. Appoint Jacob Francisco as the BAC representative for the City of Fairfield for a three-year term set to expire on December 31, 2026

**N. Regional Measure 3 (RM 3) Allocation for I-80/I-680/State Route (SR) 12 Interchange – Package 5 Resolution**

Recommendation:

Approve STA Resolution 2023-26 for the I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange Complex in the amount of \$10.8M as shown in Attachment B.

**O. I-80/I-680/State Route (SR) 12 Interchange (Phase 2) – I-80 Westbound Truck Scales Project Management Contract Amendment**

Recommendation:

Approve a contract amendment for PDM Group Inc. for project management services and right of way acquisition support services for the I-80 Westbound Truck Scales Project for an amount not-to-exceed \$514,000.

## 10. ACTION FINANCIAL ITEMS

### A. Designation Authority to STA Executive Director for Tort Litigation

Megan Callaway reviewed the STA's process for timely responses for tort litigation filed against the agency. She noted that by delegating authority to STA's Executive Director who will work closely with STA's Legal Counsel to reject claims or to accept or settle claims in an amount up to \$50,000, STA will be able to ensure that all claims filed are handled in the most efficient manner in order to preserve all of STA's rights under the Tort Claims Act.

#### Recommendation:

Adopt the Resolution No. 2023-27 delegating the authority to evaluate and handle all claims filed against STA, including, but not limited to, returning such claims as insufficient, accepting, rejecting and settling such claims in an amount not to exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), to STA's Executive Director.

On a motion by Board Member Carli, and a second by Board Member McConnell, the STA Board unanimously approved the recommendation. (8 Ayes)

### B. STA's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (CAFR) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23 – Annual Audit

Susan Furtado presented the STA's Annual CAFR for FY 2022-23. She noted that the audit evaluation resulted in an audit process noting no matters involving internal control over financial reporting and its operation to be considered of any material weaknesses, which resulted in their issuance of an unmodified (clean) opinion on STA's comprehensive financial statements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023. With the unqualified opinion of the FY 2022-23 annual audit and the eight-year issuance of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, STA now has eighteen (18) consecutive fiscal years of no reportable deficiencies or material weakness that will adversely affect its primary missions.

#### Recommendation:

Approve the following:

1. Receive and file STA's Annual Audit for FY 2022-23; and
2. Authorize the Executive Director to submit the FY 2022-23 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) to the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA).

On a motion by Board Member McConnell, and a second by Board Member Mashburn, the STA Board unanimously approved the recommendation. (8 Ayes)

### C. Fiscal Year 2022-23 Regional Transportation Impact Fee 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Update and Annual Report

Jasper Alve presented and reviewed the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter RTIF Report for FY 2022-23. He also reported on the annual revenue and outlined each district's year to year revenue comparison and year ending funds available.

Nick Burton also reviewed the eligibility process for the State Local Partnership Program (LPP) which provides funding for transportation improvements to eligible agencies in Solano County under the Competitive Program. Nick Burton added that staff will be bringing a recommendation to the STA Board requesting to authorize the STA Executive Director to submit a support letter for eligible agencies in Solano County under the Competitive Program of the LPP.

Recommendation:

Approve the following:

1. Adopt the 10<sup>th</sup> RTIF Annual Report for fiscal year 2022-23 as described in Attachment E;
2. Adopt the 2023 RTIF Nexus Study; and
3. Authorize the STA's Executive Director to submit a letter in support of Solano County requesting for local agencies in Solano County to be eligible under the Competitive Program of the Local Partnership Program.
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On a motion by Vice Chair Kott, and a second by Board Member Hernandez, the STA Board unanimously approved the recommendation. (8 Ayes)

**D. Regional Measure 3 (RM 3) Allocation Request for Vallejo Station Phase B**

Nick Burton reviewed the approval process and allocation request of RM 3 in the amount of \$1.5 million for the Vallejo Station Phase B to fully fund the PA&ED phase, contingent upon a funding agreement being executed between the STA and City of Vallejo that commits the STA to \$10M in North Bay Transit Access Improvements funding and requires the City to fund the remaining project expenses, whether by agreement with WETA, the developer, grants or otherwise. He concluded by noting that a funding agreement between the City of Vallejo and the STA will go before the STA Board at a later date following approval by the Vallejo City Council.

Board Member Young asked about the transportation benefits of the project. Board Member McConnell responded the project will support the ferry and transit services and facilitate housing and jobs in the Vallejo Waterfront.

Recommendation:

Authorize the Executive Director to:

1. Submit the Independent Project Report (IPR) and cash flow plan to the MTC for an allocation of Regional Measure 3 (RM3) funds for the Vallejo Station Phase B Project in the amount of \$1.5M; and
2. STA Resolution No. 2023-25 authorizing the funding allocation request for RM 3 funds from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission for the City of Vallejo's Station Phase B Project as shown in Attachment E.

On a motion by Board Member McConnell, and a second by Board Member Mashburn, the STA Board unanimously approved the recommendation. (8 Ayes)

**11. ACTION NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS**

**A. Legislative Update and STA's Draft 2024 Legislative Platform and Priorities**

Vincent Ma reported that STA legislative and management staff has updated STA's Legislative Platform and Priorities in preparation for the 2024 legislative session. The draft platform is ready for review and distribution for 30 days review with Board adoption scheduled for the meeting of January 10, 2024. The platform includes both federal and state priorities.

Recommendation:

Release the STA's Draft 2024 Legislative Platform and Priorities for 30-day public review and comment.



On a motion by Board Member Mashburn, and a second by Board Member McConnell, the STA Board unanimously approved the recommendation. (8 Ayes)

**B. Selection of 2024 STA Chair and Vice Chair**

Consistent with STA's Joint Powers Authority (JPA), the STA Board selects its Board Chair and Vice-Chair for 2024. Following the selection, the newly appointed Board Chair is then requested to designate members of the Board to serve on the 2024 Executive Committee.

Recommendation:

Approve the following:

1. Selection of the STA Chair for 2024 commencing with the STA Board Meeting of January 10, 2024;
2. Selection of the STA Vice-Chair for 2024 commencing with the STA Board Meeting of January 10, 2024; and
3. Request the new Chair designate the STA Executive Committee for 2024.

Chair Young made a motion (seconded by Board Member Mashburn), the STA Board unanimously approved the selection of the following:

1. The selection of Ron Kott (City of Rio Vista) as STA Chair for 2024;
2. The selection of Mitch Mashburn (County of Solano) as STA Vice Chair for 2024.
3. STA Chair Kott designated the STA Executive Committee for 2024 as follows:
  - a. Ron Kott, Chair
  - b. Mitch Mashburn, Vice Chair
  - c. Steve Young, Past Chair
  - d. Jim Spering, MTC Representative

**12. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

**A. Solano-Napa Activity Based Model (SNABM) Land Use Update**

Robert Guerrero presented the status of the Solano-Napa Activity Based Model Land Use. He noted that the purpose of the model is to assess traffic conditions to make available for traffic analysis zones.

**NO DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**B. Solano Connected Mobility Implementation Plan Update**

**C. First Quarter Report for FY 2023-24 - Solano Mobility Programs Older Adults and People with Disabilities**

**D. Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23 Abandoned Vehicle Abatement (AVA) Program Fourth Quarter Report**

**E. Summary of Funding Opportunities**

**F. STA Board & Advisory Committee Meeting Calendar for 2024**

**13. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

None.

#### **14. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the STA Board is at **6:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 10, 2024**, STA Board Room Chambers.

#### **STA Board Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2024**

**6:00 p.m., Wed., January 10<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00 p.m., Wed., February 14<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00 p.m., Wed., March 13<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00 p.m., Wed., April 10<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00 p.m., Wed., May 8<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00 p.m., Wed., June 12<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00 p.m., Wed., July 10<sup>th</sup>**

***No Meeting in August – Board Recess***

**6:00 p.m., Wed., September 11<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00 p.m., Wed., October 9<sup>th</sup>**

***5:00 p.m., Wed., November 13<sup>th</sup> - STA's 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards Ceremony***

**6:00 p.m., Wed., December 11<sup>th</sup>**



**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**Minutes for the Meeting of**  
**December 20, 2023**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the STA's Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) was called to order by Daryl Halls at approximately 1:30 p.m. in person and via Zoom.

**TAC Members**

<b>Present:</b>	Jason Riley for Paul Kaushal (Zoom)	City of Fairfield
	Brian McLean (Zoom)	City of Vacaville
	Matt Tuggle (Zoom)	County of Solano
	Noaue Vue	City of Suisun City
	Robin Borre (Zoom)	City of Rio Vista

**TAC Members**

<b>Absent:</b>	Neil Leary	City of Benicia
	Louren Kotow	City of Dixon
	Melissa Tigbao	City of Vallejo

**STA Staff and**

<b>Others Present:</b>	<i>(In Alphabetical Order by Last Name)</i>	
	Jasper Alve	STA
	Amy Antunano	STA
	Nick Burton	STA
	Leslie Gould	STA
	Ron Grassi	STA
	Kathrina Gregana	STA
	Janelle Gregorio	STA
	Daryl Halls	STA
	Ruta Jariwala (Zoom)	TJKM
	Dulce Jimenez	STA
	Johanna Masiclat	STA
	Debbie McQuilkin	
	John McKenzie (Zoom)	Caltrans
	Praveena Samleti (Zoom)	TJKM
	Anna Vickroy (Zoom)	TJKM

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

On a motion by Noaue Vue, and a second by Robin Borre, the STA TAC approved the agenda.  
(5 Ayes)

**3. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

None presented.

#### 4. **REPORTS FROM MTC, STA, AND OTHER AGENCIES**

- **Update on Implementation of Bay Area Infrastructure Finance Authority (BAIFA) Lanes**
- **Update on MTC's Next Generations Freeway Study**

#### 5. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

On a motion by Nouae Vue, and a second by Brian McLean, the STA TAC approved Consent Calendar Item A. (5 Ayes)

##### **A. Minutes of the TAC Meeting of November 29, 2023**

###### Recommendation:

Approve TAC Meeting Minutes of November 29, 2023.

#### 6. **ACTION FINANCIAL**

##### **A. Solano Mobility Programs 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report for FY 2023–24 Employer/Commuter Programs – Modify the First Last Mile Program**

Lorene Garrett provided a first quarter report to the Employer/Commuter Program for FY 2023-24. She reviewed the two new programs that were launched – the Equitable Access to Justice Pilot Program in July and the Vanpool Pilot Program in August. Ms. Garrett outlined staff's recommendation to authorize the Executive Director to apply a tiered subsidy for the First/Last Mile program to provide 60% of the cost of the ride up to \$20 for riders unless they qualify for the low-income subsidy of 80% of the cost of the ride up to \$20.

###### Recommended:

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board authorizing the Executive Director to apply a tiered subsidy for the First/Last Mile program to provide 60% of the cost of the ride up to \$20 for riders unless they qualify for the low-income subsidy of 80% of the cost of the ride up to \$20.

On a motion by Brian McLean, and a second by Matt Tuggle, the STA TAC unanimously approved the recommendation. (5 Ayes)

##### **B. Solano Countywide Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Plan (Solano CCARP) for Transportation Infrastructure – Member Agency Funding Agreements**

Kathrina Gregana reviewed the funding agreements for the Solano CCARP for the Cities of Benicia, Dixon, Fairfield, Rio Vista, Suisun City, Vacaville, Vallejo and the County of Solano for amounts as listed below.

###### Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to authorize the STA Executive Director to enter into Funding Agreements for the Solano Countywide Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Plan (Solano CCARP) with the Cities of:

1. Benicia for an amount not-to-exceed \$2,500;
2. Dixon for an amount not-to-exceed \$2,500;
3. Fairfield for an amount not-to-exceed \$5,000;
4. Rio Vista for an amount not-to-exceed \$2,500;
5. Suisun City for an amount not-to-exceed \$2,500;
6. Vacaville for an amount not-to-exceed \$5,000;
7. Vallejo for an amount not-to-exceed \$5,000; and the
8. County Solano for an amount not-to-exceed \$5,000

On a motion by Robin Borre, and a second by Jason Riley, the STA TAC unanimously approved the recommendation. (5 Ayes)

## **7. ACTION NON-FINANCIAL**

### **A. Legislative Update and STA's Draft 2024 Legislative Platform and Priorities**

Vincent Ma provided a monthly update to STA's transportation legislative activities. He also commented that the STA's 2023 Legislative Platform will be forwarded to the STA Board for adoption at their January 10, 2024 meeting.

#### Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to adopt the STA's 2024 Legislative Platform and Priorities as shown in Attachment C.

On a motion by Brian McLean, and a second by Robin Borre, the STA TAC unanimously approved the recommendation. (5 Ayes)

## **8. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS – DISCUSSION**

### **A. One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) Cycle 3 Programming Update**

Jasper Alve provided an update to the programming of OBAG Cycle 3 for County and Local Project List. He reviewed the housing element compliance report for certification and from Solano County.

### **B. Summary of Funding Opportunities**

Jasper Alve reported on the opportunities of Federal and State funding sources.

## **9. UPCOMING TAC AGENDA ITEMS**

## **10. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee is scheduled at 1:30 p.m. on **Wednesday, January 30, 2024.**

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DATE: January 2, 2024  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Susan Furtado, Accounting & Administrative Services Manager  
RE: Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24 First Quarter Budget Report

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**Background:**

The Solano Transportation Authority (STA) has an adopted budget policy requiring a two-year annual fiscal year budget plan for its proposed expenditures and the proposed means of financing them. The budget is usually revised mid-year and finalized at the end of the fiscal year. When necessary, these budgets are revised to provide STA with the basis for appropriate budgetary control of its financial operations for the fiscal year. In July 2023, the STA Board adopted the FY 2023-24 Revised Budget as part of the two-year annual fiscal year budget plan.

**Discussion:**

The STA revenue and expenditure activity (Attachment A) for the FY 2023-24 First Quarter reflects the overall STA program administration and operations expenditure at \$4.43 million (5%) of the budget with total revenue received at \$14 million (16%) of budget projections.

**Revenues:**

Revenues received during the First Quarter of the Fiscal Year primarily consist of quarterly annual advances of funds and reimbursement requests. As most STA programs are funded with grants on a reimbursement basis, the reimbursements from fund sources for the First Quarter were billed and received after the quarter ending September 30, 2023. The revenue budget highlights are as follows:

1. The Members Contributions for FY 2023-24 of \$284,510 was received from member agencies. The amount of \$150,000 from the Members Contributions fund is recorded in the Contingency Reserve as approved in the FY 2023-24 Budget. The amount of \$85,000 was used for the STA's office building operation and maintenance.
2. The Transportation Development Act (TDA) funding from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) was received for Article 4.5 the amount of \$582,566 for the Taxi Card/Paratransit Program, including the Volunteer Caregivers operated by Faith In Action, the ADA in Person Eligibility Program (\$250,000), the City of Suisun Micro Transit Program (\$325,954), the City of Suisun Amtrak operation and maintenance (\$80,235), and the Equitable Access for Justice funding of \$60,000.
3. The State Transit Assistance Funds (STAF) funding from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) was received in the amount of \$3,589,813 for the various programs, such as the Employer/Commuters/First & Last Mile Program, the Solano Mobility Express Vanpool Pilot Program that is highly in demand, the Solano Express Marketing, Transit Coordination Equipment/Connection Protection, Rail Crossing Update/Study, and the Vallejo Rail Feasibility Study.
4. The One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) 3 funds passed through the MTC was received in the amount of \$433,293 for planning and programming of projects and programs, such as the Project Development Management and project studies under the Strategic Planning Administration, such as the Routes of Regional Significance Plan, the Solano Projects Website, Model Development/Maintenance, the Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) Implementation, and the Congestion Management Plan (CMP)/Vehicle Miles Travel (VMT).

5. The One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) 3 funds passed through Caltrans were received for the amount of \$79,268 for the Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Program operation.
6. The Quick Strike funds from the Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality Program (CMAQ) were received for the SR2S Program (\$41,634) and for the Connected Mobility Plan (\$47,199).
7. The Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) 2020 funding was received from the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) in the amount of \$475,684 for the West Texas Bus Stop.
8. The State Earmark sponsored by Assemblywoman Lori Wilson was received for \$1M for the EV charging stations infrastructure in the cities of Fairfield, Rio Vista, Vacaville, and Suisun City.
9. The Solano Intercity Taxi Card/Paratransit Program received the total farebox revenue of \$19,508, the Soltrans Local Taxi Program (\$220), and the Suisun Micro Transit Program in the amount of \$4,902.
10. The STA office building received the amount of \$1,270,407 from the City of Fairfield loan repayment. Funds received from the Superior Court of California County of Solano from the High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) fine revenues in the amount of \$2,041 is used for Project Contingency fund.
11. The Suisun Mobility Hub construction project received TDA Article 4/4.5 funding of \$121,321, STAF funding of \$57,570, and from the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) the amount of \$200,000 for the Electric Vehicle (EV) equipment.
12. The I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange Project right of way activities and construction the amount of \$1,547,898 as part of the Letter of No Prejudice (LONP) commitment issued from MTC for the Regional Measure 3 funds.
13. The I-80 Express Lanes Project received funds from Caltrans under the Cooperative Agreement in the amount of \$1,127,141 for the project construction activities.
14. The I-80 West Bound Truck Scales Project Plans, Specifications & Estimate (PS&E) was received in the amount of \$1,192,284 from the Department of Transportation Cooperative Agreement for the replacement of the existing Codelia Truck Scales along westbound I-80 in Solano County.
15. STA has received interest income for a total of amount of \$64,615, which the amount of approximately \$10,393 are restricted to use for the program or project it is funded.

### **Expenditures:**

STA's projects and programs expenditures are within budget projections.

1. **STA's Operation and Administration is \$933,927 (35%) of the budget.** The STA Operation Management and Administration budget expenditures for the First Quarter are within budget projections. The expenditure includes the annual cost for the liability and property insurance for the fiscal year, which shows a higher expenditures percentage and will even out in the subsequent quarter. The Office Building Maintenance is on budget for the necessary building operation and occupancy. Contribution to the STA Contingency Reserve Account (\$50,000) and the Building Contingency Account (\$100,000) were made for the fiscal year. No expenditures for the Expenditures Plan. The STA Board expenditures is on budget which includes the membership fee for the California Association of Councils of Governments (CALCOG).
2. **Programs for Mobility and Transit is at \$904,696 (13%) of budget.** The Mobility Program activities for FY 2023-24 are within the budget expenditure projections. However, programs such as the Solano Mobility Express Vanpool Pilot Program was in its initial start during the first quarter, the Community Based Transportation Plan (CBTP) for the City of Rio Vista and the City of Dixon are ongoing, and other programs such as the Lifeline Program for the City of Vallejo-Capital, the Transit Ridership Survey, the Connected Mobility Plan, the Suisun Amtrak Operation & Maintenance, the Suisun Micro Transit



Services bus purchase, the CPUC Access for All, and the Equitable Access for Justice are all ongoing and expenditures will be reflected in the subsequent quarterly report.

3. **Project Development is \$2,219,046 (3%) of the budget.** With the release of the Regional Measure (RM) 3 funding, the projects funded for environmental studies and construction projects are ongoing and are reflective of the budget expenditures. The I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange Project Package 2 construction final phase on a reimbursement basis, including the mitigation and right of way activities. The I-80 Express Lanes Project construction is ongoing. The I-80 Westbound Truck Scales Project has accelerated its preconstruction activities in preparation with the schedule and right of way acquisition activities. However, the Transit Coordination Equipment/Connection Protection, the Countywide Electrification Plan/Manager, the State Route (SR) 12 Clean California Caltrans Program for the City of Fairfield and City of Suisun City are in its construction phase of its activities, the West Texas Bus Stop, the Inductive Charging, the Bay Trail Vine Train Project, and the Fairgrounds Improvement Project are ongoing, and expenditures will be reflected in the subsequent quarter.

The scheduled payment for the STA's office building lease loan agreement is due to be paid in November 2023 and May 2024 for the principal and interest in the amount of \$1,092,588.

4. **Strategic Planning is \$374,992 (6%) of the budget.** The expenditures for the Events/Public Information, the EV Implementation Plan, the EV Charging Station-capital, the Rail Crossing Update/Study, the Priority Development Area/Priority Production Area (PDA/PPA) Grant for cities of Benicia, Fairfield, and Suisun, and the Vallejo Rail Feasibility Study are ongoing, and expenditures will be reflected in the subsequent quarter.

The Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Program activities primarily funded by the Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality Program (CMAQ) and the Quick Strike are ongoing with the activities through September 2023. The SR2S Program Plan Update is ongoing.

In summary, the revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year are consistent with the FY 2023-24 budgets. The total revenue of \$14 million and expenditure of \$4.43 million for the first quarter ending September 30, 2023, is consistent with the projected FY 2023-24 budgets.

**Fiscal Impact:**

The First Quarter Budget for FY 2023-24 is within budget projections for the Revenue received of \$13,997,562 (16%) and Expenditures of \$4,432,661 (5%).

**Recommendation:**

Receive and file.

Attachment:

- A. STA FY 2023-24 First Quarter Budget Report

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FY 2023-24 FIRST QUARTER BUDGET REPORT  
July 1, 2023 - September 30, 2023  
January 10, 2023

REVENUES				EXPENDITURES			
STA Fund	Adopted FY 2023-24	Actual Revenue	%	Operations & Administration	Adopted FY 2023-24	Actual Expenditures FY 2023-24	%
Members Contribution/Gas Tax (Reserve Accounts)	150,000	150,000	100%	Operations Management	2,329,676	902,460	39%
Members Contribution/Gas Tax	305,827	134,510	44%	STA Board of Directors/Administration	50,900	13,236	26%
Transportation Dev. Act (TDA) Art. 4/8	756,351	731,410	97%	Office Building Maintenance	85,000	18,231	21%
TDA Article 3	166,403		0%	Expenditure Plan	50,000		0%
TDA Article 4/4.5	2,345,000	1,253,171	53%	Contributions to STA Reserve Account	150,000		0%
Regional Transportation Impact Fee (RTIF)	55,000		0%	Subtotal	\$2,665,576	\$933,927	35%
State Transit Assistance Fund (STAF)	5,016,947	3,589,813	72%				
FTA 5310	375,000		0%	Mobility Programs			
MTC/CBTP/Rideshare Program	196,500		0%	Mobility Programs Management & Administration	193,630	2,782	1%
One Bay Area Grant 3 (OBAG 3)-Planning/Programming	1,727,652	433,293	25%	Employer/Commuters Program/First&Last Mile Program	644,800	155,274	24%
One Bay Area Grant 2 (OBAG) SR2S Program	219,530	79,268	36%	Solano Mobility Express Vanpool Pilot Program	356,400	9,300	3%
One Bay Area Grant 3 (OBAG 3)-Mobility Program	357,453		0%	Transit Coordination/Programs	400,000	120,317	30%
One Bay Area Grant 3 (OBAG 3) - Quick Strike	817,420	88,833	11%	Solano Express Marketing/Regional Mapping/Way Finding	200,000	45,088	23%
State Earmark	600,000	1,000,000	167%	Transit Management Administration	75,000	74,860	100%
STIP Planning, Programming and Monitoring (PPM)	161,041		0%	Community Based Transportation Plan (CBTP)-Dixon	100,000	563	1%
Transit & Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) 2018	750,000		0%	Community Based Transportation Plan (CBTP)-Rio Vista	200,000	167	0.1%
Transit & Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) 2020	9,605,039	475,684	5%	Transit Corridor Implementation/Solano Express	300,000	6,268	2%
Regional Measure 3 (RM3)	2,000,000		0%	Lifeline Program (City of Vallejo) - Capital	170,000		0%
Bridge Toll - Admin Revenue	174,428		0%	Transit Ridership Survey	150,000		0%
Transportation for Clean Air (TFCA)	302,659		0%	Connected Mobility Plan/BRT	445,000		0%
Yolo Solano Air Quality Management District (YSAQMD)	110,000	50,000	45%	Suisun Amtrak Operation/Maintenance-	160,000		0%
ABAG REAP	210,000		0%	SolSTEP/CARB Program	256,845	41,495	16%
California Air Resources Board (CARB) Grant	147,883		0%	Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC)	20,000	2,659	13%
CA Public Utilities Commission (CPUC)	130,000		0%	Medical Transports Program/GoGo Grandparent	275,000	14,035	5%
Abandoned Vehicle Abatement (AVA) Program/DMV	13,500		0%	Solano Intercity Taxi Scrip/Paratransit Program	600,000	95,701	16%
Local Funds - Cities/County	2,748,084	393,606	14%	ADA in Person Eligibility Program	250,000	22,562	9%
Taxi Scrip/Vanpool/Commuter Farebox Revenue	74,750	19,728	26%	CTSA/Mobility Management Program	145,000	23,859	16%
Suisun Micro Transit Farebox Revenue	8,500	4,902	58%	Countywide Travel Training/Transit Ambassador Program	250,000	34,998	14%
Partners/Sponsors	175,000	10,068	0%	One Stop Transportation Call Center Program	419,677	107,383	26%
Interest		54,222	0%	Suisun Micro Transit Services	650,000	70,816	11%
Subtotal	\$29,699,967	\$8,468,507	29%	Suisun Micro Transit Services-Bus Purchase	450,000		0%
				First/Last Mile Program - Suisun	35,000	9,032	26%
STA Office Building - Capital				CPUC Access for All	130,000		0%
Local Funds - Cities/County	1,092,588	1,272,448	116%	Vehicle Share Program	75,000	1,594	2%
Interest		6,309	0%	Equitable Access for Justice	75,000		0%
Subtotal	\$1,092,588	\$1,278,757	117%	Transit Coordination-Rio Vista Delta Breeze	85,084	54,530	64%
				Lyft Program - City of Benicia	20,000	4,739	24%
Suisun Mobility Hub - Construction				Soltrans Local Taxi Program	25,000	6,674	27%
TDA Article 4/4.5	250,000	121,321	49%	Subtotal	\$7,156,436	\$904,696	13%
State Transit Assistance Fund (STAF)	2,750,000	57,570	2%				
Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP)	200,000	200,000	100%	Project Development			
Subtotal	\$3,200,000	\$378,891	12%	Project Management/Administration	167,311	64,016	38%
				Solano Express Electrification	750,000		0%
Transportation Funds for Clean Air (TFCA) Program				Transit Coordination Equipment/Connection Protection	150,000		0%
Transportation for Clean Air (TFCA)	461,000		0%	SR 37 Improvement Project	40,000	5,706	14%
Interest		2,480	0%				
Subtotal	\$461,000	\$2,480	1%	Countywide Electrification - Project Manager	50,000		0%
				Pavement Management Program	18,537		0%
Abandoned Vehicle Abatement (AVA) Program				West Texas Bus Stop (TIRCP 2020)	4,500,000		0%
Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV)	450,000		0%	Inductive Charging	2,350,000		0%
Interest		1,230	0%	SR12 Clean CA Caltrans Program (FF/SS)	20,000	8,483	42%
Subtotal	\$450,000	\$1,230	0%	Hannigan Station South Portal-Matching Fund (TIRCP)	500,000		0%
				Hannigan Station Improvement-Matching Fund (TIRCP)	2,000,000		0%
I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange Project				Bay Trail Vine Trail Project (Vallejo)	1,500,000		0%
Bridge Toll Funds	1,500,000	1,547,898	103%	Zero Emission - Bus Purchase	230,039		0%
Subtotal	\$1,500,000	\$1,547,898	103%	Vacaville Transit Center Access-Matching Fund (TIRCP)	900,000		0%
				Vacaville Transit Center/TSP Ticketing-Matching Fund	600,000		0%
				I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange Project	1,500,000	46,317	3%
				I-80 Express Lanes Project	2,500,000	50,580	2%
				I-80 WB Truck Scales Project-Right of Way	28,000,000	1,302,538	5%
I-80 Express Lanes Project				Fairgrounds Improvement Project-Construction	15,000,000		0%
Bridge Toll Funds/SB1	2,500,000	1,127,141	45%	Suisun City Mobility Hub - Construction	3,200,000	29,503	1%
Subtotal	\$2,500,000	\$1,127,141	45%	Regional Transportation Impact Fee (RTIF) Program	5,000,000	118,387	2%
				STA Office Building - Capital	1,092,588	593,516	54%
				DMV Abandoned Vehicle Abatement (AVA) Program	450,000	0	0%
				Subtotal	\$70,518,475	\$2,219,046	3%
I-80 WB Truck Scales Project				Strategic Planning			
Bridge Toll Funds/SB1	28,000,000	1,192,284	4%	Planning Management/Administration	228,936	73,715	32%
Interest		108	0%	Events/Public Information	25,000		0%
Subtotal	\$28,000,000	\$1,192,392	4%	Model Development/Big Data	141,000	6,497	5%
				Solano Bike/Ped Maps/Outer Spatial App	79,328	543	1%
				Solano Rail Hub - Environmental/Design	2,290,000	34,715	2%
Fairgrounds Improvement Project				Countywide Housing Land Use/SolHIP	420,000	35,510	8%
STAF	800,000		0%	CMP/Vehicle Miles Travel (VMT)	125,000	27,310	22%
Regional Measure 3 (RM3)	10,200,000		0%	Electric Vehicle (EV) Implementation Plan	100,000		0%
Local Funds - Cities/County	4,000,000		0%	Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Station (Capital)	730,000		0%
Subtotal	\$15,000,000	\$0	0%	Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) Implementation	281,871	68,256	24%
				Routes of Regional Significance Plan	150,000	24,219	16%
				Rail Crossing Update/Study	150,000		0%
				PDA/PPA Grant - FF/SS/Benicia	300,000		0%
				Vallejo Rail Feasibility Study	250,000		0%
Regional Transportation Impact Fee (RTIF) program				Safe Route to School Program	513,933	90,231	18%
Regional Transportation Impact Fee	5,000,000		0%	Safe Route to School Plan Update	317,000	12,092	4%
Interest		266	0%	Transportation Funds for Clean Air (TFCA) Programs	461,000	1,904	0.4%
Subtotal	\$5,000,000	\$266	0%	Subtotal	\$6,563,068	\$374,992	6%
TOTAL ALL REVENUE	\$86,903,555	\$13,997,562	16%	TOTAL ALL EXPENDITURES	\$86,903,555	\$4,432,661	5%

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DATE: December 21, 2023  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Kathrina Gregana, Associate Planner  
RE: Solano Countywide Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Plan (Solano CCARP) for Transportation Infrastructure – Member Agency Funding Agreements

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**Background:**

The Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Program is a competitive statewide program administered by the California Department of Transportation's (Caltrans) with the goal of supporting the agency's mission to provide a safe and reliable transportation network that serves all people and respects the environment. On January 12<sup>th</sup>, Caltrans released the Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Program Guidelines for Fiscal Year 2023-24, with \$50 million available in the Climate Adaptation Planning Grants category.

On March 2023, the STA submitted an application requesting \$500,000 for the development of a Solano Countywide Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (Solano CCARP). The objective of this effort is to comprehensively assess Solano County's transportation system by identifying assets that are vulnerable or at risk to climate change impacts and recommending transportation infrastructure improvements to make them more resilient to climate change.

All seven cities and the incorporated County expressed their support for this effort and agreed to assist the STA's application by contributing to the required local match. The minimum local match required is \$65,000.

On August 31, 2023, the STA was informed that it was successful in securing a grant award for the full amount requested of \$500,000 from the Climate Adaptation Planning Grants category. In this grant cycle, Caltrans received 161 applications for the program and 90 were awarded with funding.

**Discussion:**

STA staff aims to commence the work on the Solano CCARP in January 2023 and complete the effort by the grant expiration date of April 30, 2026. Staff is currently working on the necessary agreements to be able to initiate the work and adhere to the grant project timeline.

With that said, STA staff is requesting authorization to enter into a Funding Agreement with each of the eight member agencies to be able to invoice the jurisdictions for their financial contributions to this effort. The total member agency contribution for the Solano CCARP application is \$30,000, with the agreed upon contributions as follows:

1. City of Benicia - \$2,500
2. City of Dixon - \$2,500
3. City of Fairfield - \$5,000
4. City of Rio Vista - \$2,500
5. City of Suisun City - \$2,500
6. City of Vacaville - \$5,000
7. City of Vallejo - \$5,000
8. County of Solano - \$5,000

Once all necessary agreements and conditional requirements are met, STA staff will return to the TAC in February 2024 and the Board in March 2024 with a request to release a Request for Proposals to procure a consultant along with the proposed scope of work for the endeavor.

Lastly, participation and close coordination with the Solano jurisdictions is critical to ensuring a successful Plan. With that, a Project Leadership Team (PLT) that includes public works and planning staff from the eight member agencies will be established to guide the work.

At their meeting on December 19, 2023, the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) voted to forward the recommendation to the STA Board for approval.

**Fiscal Impact:**

\$500,00 will be provided by Caltrans as part of the Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Program. The minimum local match required is \$65,000, which will be provided as a combination of contributions from member agencies (\$30,000) and the STA's OBAG Planning Funds (\$35,000).

**Recommendation:**

Authorize the STA Executive Director to enter into Funding Agreements for the Solano Countywide Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Plan (Solano CCARP) with the Cities of:

1. Benicia for an amount not-to-exceed \$2,500;
2. Dixon for an amount not-to-exceed \$2,500;
3. Fairfield for an amount not-to-exceed \$5,000;
4. Rio Vista for an amount not-to-exceed \$2,500;
5. Suisun City for an amount not-to-exceed \$2,500;
6. Vacaville for an amount not-to-exceed \$5,000;
7. Vallejo for an amount not-to-exceed \$5,000; and the
8. County Solano for an amount not-to-exceed \$5,000



DATE: December 21, 2023  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Kathrina Gregana, Associate Planner  
RE: Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC) Reappointments

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**Background:**

The STA's PAC advises the STA on the development of pedestrian facilities as an active mode of transportation Solano County. The committee is responsible for making funding recommendations for Solano Countywide pedestrian projects and participates in the development and review of comprehensive pedestrian plans. The PAC's membership currently has vacant positions for representation from the City of Suisun City, County of Solano, and the Member-at-Large (Solano Community College).

The PAC representatives are nominated either by their respective city council or mayor before being considered by the STA Board for a formal appointment. Member-at-large positions are appointed directly by the STA Board. Appointments are for a 3-year term and are voluntary. Non-elected citizens are encouraged to participate in these citizen advisory committees.

**Discussion:**

STA staff is seeking to renew three memberships at this time –representatives for the City of Benicia, City of Fairfield, and the Bay Area Ridge Trail.

The representative for the City of Benicia, Dr. Diane Dooley, is seeking to renew her membership. Dr. Dooley was originally appointed to the PAC in 2018. She served as the Vice Chair in 2022 and 2023 and was elected Chair for 2024. She is a semi-retired pediatrician and has been a Benicia resident for over thirty years. Dr. Dooley continues to be an active resident of the City of Benicia, including previously serving as a school board trustee for over a decade, participating in the STA Active Transportation Plan Committee, and currently serving as the PAC representative in the STA Safe Routes to School Committee.

The representative for the City of Fairfield, Joe Green-Heffern, is seeking to renew his membership. Green-Heffern was originally appointed to the PAC in 2020 and has been an active member, serving as the alternate PAC representative in the Arterials, Highways and Freeways Committee and a member of the PAC Ad Hoc Committee for the Walks & Hikes Brochure Update. He is a retired civil engineer, walks and bikes daily in his community and in neighboring communities, and has an invested interest in improving active transportation in Fairfield and the county overall.

The representative for the Bay Area Ridge Trail, Bob Berman, is seeking to renew his membership. Berman was originally appointed to the PAC in 2018 and served as the Chair in 2022 and 2023. For over forty years, Mr. Berman has been actively involved in work related to agricultural protection, open space, and trails and served on a number of boards related to environmental protection, including the Solano Land Trust Board of Directors for 20 years

and the Benicia Planning Commission for eight years. Mr. Berman currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Bay Area Ridge Trail Council and is an active member of the Solano Trail Advocacy Group. Berman has lived in Solano County since 1973.

STA staff is recommending the reappointment of Dr. Diane Dooley to represent the City of Benicia, Joe Green-Heffern to represent the City of Fairfield and Bob Berman to represent the Bay Area Ridge Trail on the PAC for three-year terms to expire on December 31, 2026. The respective Cities and the Ridge Trail requested the reappointment of their representatives as referenced in Attachments A, B, and C.

STA staff will continue to seek potential representatives to fill the vacant positions for the City of Suisun City, County of Solano, and the Member-at-Large (Solano Community College).

**Recommendation:**

Reappoint PAC Members to serve for three-year terms to expire on December 31, 2026 as follows:

1. Diane Dooley to represent the City of Benicia;
2. Joe Green-Heffern to represent the City of Fairfield; and
3. Bob Berman to represent the Bay Area Ridge Trail.

**Attachments:**

- A. Dr. Diane Dooley Reappointment Approval
- B. Joe Green-Heffern Reappointment Letter
- C. Bob Berman Reappointment Letter





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Office of the Mayor  
**STEVE YOUNG**

December 27, 2023

Johanna Masiclat  
Clerk of the Board  
Solano Transportation Authority (STA)  
423 Main Street  
Suisun City, CA 94585-2413

RE: *Re-Appointment of Dr. Diane Dooley to Solano Transportation Authority (STA) Pedestrian Advisory Committee*

Dear Ms. Masiclat,

This letter confirms I am re-appointing Dr. Diane Dooley as the City of Benicia's representative to the STA Pedestrian Advisory Committee for a term ending December 31, 2026.

If you should have any questions about this nomination, please contact the City Manager's office at 707-746-4200.

Sincerely,

Steve Young  
Mayor

CC: City Manager Mario Giuliani  
Benicia City Council



# CITY OF FAIRFIELD

*Founded 1856 - Incorporated December 12, 1903*

## MAYOR'S OFFICE

December 6, 2023

Johanna Masiclat, Clerk of the Board  
Solano Transportation Authority  
423 Main Street  
Suisun City, CA 94585

**RE: Nomination for Reappointment to the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) Pedestrian Authority Advisory Committee**

Dear Ms. Masiclat,

This letter is to confirm the City of Fairfield's reappointment of Mr. Joseph Green-Heffern as the City of Fairfield's representative to serve a three-year term on the STA Pedestrian Advisory Committee.

For questions regarding the City's nomination, please contact Paul Kaushal at (707) 428-7477.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Catherine Moy".

CATHERINE MOY  
MAYOR



December 15, 2023

Steve Young, Chair  
Solano Transportation Authority  
423 Main Street  
Suisun City, CA 94585

**Subject: Nominating Bob Berman as Ridge Tail rep on STA's Pedestrian Advisory Committee**

Dear Mr. Young,

I understand that Bob Berman's term as Ridge Trail Council's representative on the Solano Transportation Authority's Pedestrian Advisory Committee (STA-PAC) will be expiring soon.

I request that Bob be re-appointed to begin a new term. We greatly appreciate Bob's service and STA's leadership on active transportation and bicycle and pedestrian access.

Please let me know if there are any issues or questions. I can be reached at [janetmcbride@ridgetrail.org](mailto:janetmcbride@ridgetrail.org)

Thank you kindly!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Janet McBride". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Janet McBride  
Executive Director

*Please note our new mailing address as of spring 2023:*

PO Box 3367 • Berkeley, CA 94701 • (415) 561-2595 • [info@ridgetrail.org](mailto:info@ridgetrail.org) • [RidgeTrail.org](http://RidgeTrail.org)





DATE: January 1, 2023  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Robert Guerrero, STA Deputy Executive Director/Director of Planning  
RE: Housing Element Agreement Extensions: City of Benicia, City of Vallejo and County of Solano

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**Background:**

The STA Board agreed to assist the cities of Benicia, Dixon, Rio Vista, Suisun City, Vallejo and the County of Solano in developing each of their Housing Element updates by administering a contract for a single consultant contract in June 2020. In addition, Association of Bay Area Government (ABAG), provided the STA with Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) funding that allows for a portion of the grant (approximately \$20,000 each) to be applied to their updates. The City of Fairfield opted out since they already had a consultant and the City of Vacaville opted in later that year. However, both cities participated regularly in monthly consultant check-in meetings as part of the Planning Directors Group monthly meetings. The goal for this effort was to realize cost savings for portions of each Housing Element that were common to all agencies and to streamline the administrative process of managing a consultant.

This was part of a larger strategy to assist all seven cities and the county in attracting housing grants through ABAG, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the State Housing and Community Development (HCD) Department. Between 2018 and 2021, there was a large push from each of those agencies to address the housing crisis identified by Governor Gavin Newsome in 2019 when he signed SB 330 (Housing Crisis Act). At the Bay Area regional level, MTC and ABAG merged and created the CASA Compact with goals and objectives to support funding for housing production, preservation and protection for all nine Bay Area counties.

The STA, in its role in transportation and land use linkage through implementation of Priority Development Areas and Priority Conservation Areas, assisted in organizing the County and the seven cities to take advantage of available resources provided by MTC, ABAG and HCD. Assisting the cities and County in developing their Housing Element was only one part of the overall effort. For example, other efforts included assisting in the 6<sup>th</sup> Regional Housing Needs Allocation cycle in which the STA took on a similar administrative role in managing the consultant for that effort, as well as creating a grant program called SubUrban Housing Incentive Pool (SubHIP) and Solano Housing Investment Partnership (SolHIP).

**Discussion:**

The City of Benicia, City of Vallejo and County of Solano are continuing to develop their Housing Elements; however their funding agreements with the STA are set to expire and will need to be amended. All three agencies anticipate having their Housing Elements certified by HCD in 2024 and requested a time extension to December 2024 to allow adequate time for completion given how challenging HCD's review process has been. In addition, in reviewing the City of Benicia's funding agreement and recent invoices, the original \$20k provided by REAP funding (referenced in the Background section of the report) was inadvertently not included.

The City of Benicia anticipated this funding and would cause a minor budget shortfall without this administrative fix. The funding for this was anticipated and included as part of the STA REAP budget; therefore, STA staff is recommending an extension amendment for Benicia along with an additional \$20k to remedy their situation.

**Fiscal Impact:**

None to the STA Budget. The \$20,000 recommended for the City of Benicia is funded through the Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) funds and is included in the STA's current budget.

**Recommendation:**

Authorize the Executive Director to amend the following:

1. The City of Vallejo and County of Solano's Housing Element Funding Agreement to extend their agreement to December 31, 2024; and
2. The City of Benicia's Housing Element Funding Agreement for an additional amount not to exceed \$20,000 and to extend their agreement to December 31, 2024.



DATE: December 29, 2023  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Vincent Ma, Marketing and Legislative Program Manager  
RE: Legislative Update and Approval of STA's 2024 Legislative Platform and Priorities

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**Background:**

Each year, STA staff monitors state and federal legislation that pertains to transportation and related issues. On January 11, 2023, the STA Board approved its 2023 Legislative Platform to provide policy guidance on transportation legislation and the STA's legislative activities during 2023.

Monthly legislative updates are provided by STA's state and federal lobbyists and are attached for your information (Attachments A and B). An updated Legislative Bill Matrix listing state bills of interest is available at: <https://sta.ca.gov/operations/legislative-program/current/>

**Discussion:**

To help ensure the STA's transportation policies and priorities are consensus-based, the STA's Legislative Platform is first developed in draft form by staff with input from the STA's state (Shaw/Yoder/Antwih, Inc.) and federal (Akin Gump) legislative consultants.

This draft was distributed to STA member agencies and members of our federal and state legislative delegations for review and comment. Staff has not received any comments to the Platform are shown with tracked changes (Attachment C) and a clean version (Attachment D). Staff is recommending that the STA Board approve the 2024 Legislative Platform and Priorities. At their December 19th and December 20th meetings, the Consortium and TAC Committees unanimously approved staff's recommendation.

Senator Aisha Wahab amended Senate Bill 397 (SB 397) which would require the consolidation of all transit agencies within the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's (MTC) jurisdiction. As of December 15<sup>th</sup>, when the amendments were released, SB 397 only includes spot bill language. Staff will continue monitoring this bill and report back any updates.

The November 2024 Election will include several ballot measures, including a \$20 General Obligation Bond for the Bay Area Housing Finance Authority (BAHFA), Assembly Constitutional Amendment 1 (ACA 1), which would lower the voter threshold from a two-thirds majority to 55 percent to approve local general obligation bonds and special taxes for affordable housing and public infrastructure projects. Assembly Constitutional Amendment 13 (ACA 13) would require any ballot initiative amending the California Constitution to raise vote approval thresholds to pass by the same threshold that is being proposed. The Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act would limit the ability of voters, and state and local governments to raise revenues by requiring that for "new or increased state taxes currently enacted by a two-thirds vote of the Legislature, they will also require a statewide election and majority voter approval." In addition, the Act would also raise the voter approval threshold for local voter-proposed special taxes to two-thirds and would eliminate voter's ability to advise how to spend revenues from the

proposed tax. This ballot initiation is being challenged in the California Supreme Court and the business groups were required to respond by December 27<sup>th</sup> and the petitioner's filing is due by January 31<sup>st</sup>.

*State Legislative Update (Shaw/Yoder/Antwih/Schmelzer/Lange):*

STA's state legislative advocate (Matt Robinson of Shaw Yoder) will begin working with STA staff to schedule project briefings with Solano County's state legislators and their staff (as well as key state agency staff) to provide the current status of STA priority projects and discuss future funding.

The Legislature will reconvene from recess and complete the second year of the 2023-24 session on January 3rd. Bills that were introduced in 2023 (two-year bills) must move out of their first committee by January 22<sup>nd</sup>, and pass their house of origin by January 31<sup>st</sup>. The Governor will release his Fiscal Year 2023-24 State Budget on or before January 10, 2023, and the Legislative Analysts Office has projected the State will face a \$68 billion budget deficit.

Updates on the following are detailed in Attachment A:

- Legislative Update
- LAO Project \$68 Billion Budget Problem
- Transition for Senate Pro Tem Announced
- Speaker Rivas Appoints Key Committee Chairs

*Federal Legislative Update (Akin Gump):*

STA's federal legislative advocate (Susan Lent of Akin Gump) continues working with staff to align upcoming federal funding opportunities with STA projects. Congress remains on recess until January 9<sup>th</sup>. The Continuing Resolution will expire in tiers, with the potential for a partial government shutdown on January 19<sup>th</sup> and a full shutdown on February 2<sup>nd</sup>. Upon their return from recess, Congress will attempt to pass legislation to fund the remainder of Fiscal Year 2024. If the House and Senate are unable to reconcile their differences and pass appropriations bills by May 1, funding will be cut by 1% across the board, and if STA will be unable to access FY24 Community Project Funding ("earmarks") until Congress passes the Transportation Appropriations Bill.

Updates on the following are detailed in Attachment B:

- Fiscal Year 2024 Appropriations
- Department of Transportation Update
- Bills of Interest

**Fiscal Impact:**

None.

**Recommendation:**

Approve the STA's 2024 Legislative Platform and Priorities as shown in Attachment D.

Attachments:

- A. State Legislative Update
- B. Federal Legislative Update
- C. STA's Draft 2024 Legislative Platform (Clean Version)





December 26, 2023

TO: Board of Directors - Solano Transportation Authority

FM: Matt Robinson & Michael Pimentel - Shaw Yoder Antwih Schmelzer & Lange

RE: **STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – January 2024**

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### ***Legislative Update***

The Legislature remains on interim study recess and will return to Sacramento on January 3 to convene the second year of the 2023-24 Legislative Session. Immediately upon their return, the Legislature will begin working to hear and move bills introduced in 2023 that did not move out of their first house, known as two-year bills. Two-year bills still in their first policy committee will have to move by January 22, with all two-year bills needing to pass the first house by January 31. Shortly after the Legislature reconvenes in January, Governor Newsom will release his proposed Fiscal Year 2024-25 State Budget on January 10. When the Legislature returns, their actions will be subject to the 2024 Legislative Calendar, which is now available [here](#).

### ***LAO Project \$68 Billion Budget Problem***

On December 7, 2023, the Legislative Analysts Office released a [report](#) entitled *the 2024-25 Budget: California's Fiscal Outlook*. The highlight (or perhaps lowlight) of the report is the LAO's projection that California is facing a \$68 billion budget problem, largely because of revenue shortfalls in the 2022-23 Fiscal Year to the tune of the approximately \$26 billion, in addition to a slowed economy that isn't expected to generate significant revenues like the state saw in recent surplus years for some time. California has \$24 billion in reserves to address the budget problem, but it is certainly shaping up to be a challenging budget cycle for the state as we look ahead to Fiscal Year 2024-25.

### ***Transition for Senate Pro Tem Announced***

On December 4, 2023, it was announced that incoming Pro Tem Mike McGuire (D-Healdsburg) would take the gavel from current Pro Tem Toni Atkins (D-San Diego) on February 5, 2024. We're not sure the timing for other Senate leadership and/or Senate committee chair changes, but it's safe to assume that we could begin to see new posts announced shortly after Senator McGuire is confirmed as Senate leader.

### ***Speaker Rivas Appoints Key Committee Chairs***

As a reminder, Assembly Speaker Robert Rivas (D-Salinas) announced his policy and fiscal committee chairs in the Assembly. While the change for the Appropriations Committee Chair won't take effect until January 22, the others are already in place. Some key changes we continue to note are:

- Assembly Transportation Committee Chair Lori Wilson (D-Fairfield)
- Assembly Appropriations Committee Chair Buffy Wicks (D-Oakland)
- Assembly Budget Subcommittee #3 (Climate Crisis, Resources, Energy, and Transportation) Chair Steve Bennett (D-Ventura) [this appointment reflects a broader jurisdiction for the subcommittee]
- Assembly Budget Committee Chair Jesse Gabriel (D-Encino)
- Assembly Utilities and Energy Committee Chair Cottie Petrie-Norris (D-Irvine)
- Assembly Natural Resources Committee Chair Isaac Bryan (D-Los Angeles)
- Assembly Housing Committee Chair Chris Ward (D-San Diego)

### ***Transit Recovery Task Force***

[SB 125 \(Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review\)](#), which was part of the FY 2023-24 Budget Act establishes the Transit Recovery Task Force (Task Force) and requires, by January 1, 2024, CalSTA to convene the Task Force. The Task Force is required to include transit operators (small and large/urban and rural), local governments, MPOs/RTPAs, advocacy organizations, legislative committee staff, and Caltrans. The Task Force will focus on developing policy recommendations that will increase transit ridership and improve transit for users. CalSTA is required to prepare a recommendations report based on the task force's efforts to the Legislature by October 31, 2025. The report is required to cover numerous elements. On December 8, CalSTA [announced](#) the makeup of the 25-member Task Force. The Task Force includes several members from the Bay Area, including Seamus Murphy, Executive Director, San Francisco Bay Water Emergency Transportation Authority; Alix Bockelman, Chief Deputy Executive Director, Metropolitan Transportation Commission; and Robert Powers, General Manager, San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District.

## MEMORANDUM

December 28, 2023

**To:** Solano Transportation Authority  
**From:** Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP  
**Re:** December Report

In December, Akin tracked the FY 24 appropriations process, as well as relevant congressional action ahead of the holidays. Moreover, Akin monitored federal funding opportunities and legislation.

### **Fiscal Year 2024 Appropriations**

Congress did not make any progress on advancing fiscal year 2024 funding bills or reaching consensus on funding in December. Congress will return from its Christmas break on January 9 with the task of funding the federal government for the remainder of fiscal year 2024. As we previously reported, Congress passed legislation in November that extended funding for four of the twelve appropriations bills through January 19 and the remaining 8 bills through February 2. The Transportation, Housing and Urban Development appropriations bill is one of the bills that expires on January 19. The House and Senate have taken widely different approaches to funding in their respective appropriations bills. The Senate has adhered to the funding levels that the House, Senate and White House previously agreed to when they increased the debt ceiling through passage of the Fiscal Responsibility Act, whereas the House Republican leadership has pursued an additional \$100 billion in spending cuts. With the tight timeline ahead and no agreement on topline spending numbers, there is a high likelihood of a partial government shutdown on January 19 and a full government shutdown on February 2.

Longer term, Congress must reach agreement on and fund the appropriations bills to avoid a 1 percent across the board funding cut if Congress cannot pass funding bills by May 1. Unless and until Congress passes the Transportation appropriations bill, STA will not be able to access its FY 24 community projects funding.

One major accomplishment in December was Congress passed and President Joe Biden signed into law the Fiscal Year 2024 *National Defense Authorization Act* ([P.L. 118-31](#): NDAA). This must-pass legislation authorizes spending for the Department of Defense, including military bases. Congress, however, was unable to reach agreement on supplemental funding for Ukraine and Israel, as well as legislation to address the southern border.

### **Department of Transportation Update**

December 28, 2023

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On December 20, the Department of Transportation (DOT) opened [applications](#) for the competitive Bridge Investment Program. This notice covers the remaining funds from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) (i.e., FY 23 through 26) and is for bridge planning, replacement, and repair projects with a total cost under \$100 million. For planning grants, applications for FY 23 and 24 funds are due by February 19, 2024; applications for FY 25 are due by October 1, 2024, and applications for FY 26 are due by October 1, 2025. For construction grants, applications for FY 23 and 24 are due by March 19, 2024; applications for FY 25 are due by November 1, 2024, and applications for FY 26 are due by November 1, 2025.

On December 19, the DOT [released](#) the 11<sup>th</sup> edition of the [Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways](#), which served as “the national standard for traffic signs, signals, and pavement markings to ensure a uniform and predictable environment for people who walk, bike, and drive.” While the update reflects the most recent iteration of the manual in over a decade, the IIJA requires updates to the manual every four years.

On December 1, the DOT [announced](#) the availability of \$343 million in federal funding through the All Stations Accessibility Program. This grant aims to increase access for people with disabilities and mobility needs to rail transit systems through essential upgrades. Applications are due by January 30, 2024.

On November 30, the DOT [published](#) a notice of funding opportunity for \$1.5 billion through the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) discretionary grant program. RAISE grants intend to support municipalities, tribes, and counties in completing crucial freight and passenger transportation infrastructure projects. The deadline for the application is February 28, 2024. DOT expects to announce awards before June 27, 2024.

On November 27, the DOT [announced](#) the launch of the Office of Multimodal Freight Infrastructure and Policy to track the maintenance and ensure the improvement of the U.S. freight network. Specifically, the newly formed office will ensure the “development of the National Multimodal Freight Network, review state freight plans, and provide technical assistance to state and local governments.”

On November 22, the Federal Highway Administration [finalized](#) a rule that requires state departments of transportation and metropolitan planning organizations to measure their transportation-related emissions and set targets for emissions reductions. There is no penalty for failing to meet the targets. Republican members of Congress have criticized the rulemaking.

## **Bills of Interest**

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On December 19, Rep. Katie Porter (D-CA) introduced [H.R. 6871](#) which would direct the Secretary of Transportation, in consultation with the Secretary of Energy, to establish a grant program to demonstrate the performance and reliability of heavy-duty fuel cell vehicles that use hydrogen as a fuel source. While the bill text is not yet available, the bill is cosponsored by Rep. Gus Bilirakis (R-FL).

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## PROJECTS AND FUNDING PRIORITIES

**Pursue (and seek funding for) the following priority projects:**

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### Roadway/Highway:

#### Priority Tier 1:

- I-80 Corridor Freight and Mobility Improvements
  - I-80 Express Lanes PID (I-505 to Yolo County Line)
  - I-80 Express Lanes EIR (SR 37 to Carquinez Bridge)
- Access to Federal Facility (Travis Air Force Base)
  - Jepson Parkway Segment 2C (Vacaville)
  - South Gate Entrance (Peterson Rd)
- Canon Rd Overcrossing (Fairfield)
- Parkway Blvd. Overcrossing (Dixon)
- SR 37 Corridor Improvements:
  - Interim Project Segment B (Mare Island to Sears Point)
  - Fairground Dr Interchange
- I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange Package 5
- Vaca Valley Parkway (Vacaville)
- Electrification of ALL Transit Operators
- Electrification of Freight
- EV Charger Infrastructure

#### Priority Tier 2:

- I-80 Corridor Freight and Mobility Improvements
  - I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange Package 3, 4, 6, and 7
- SR 37 Corridor Improvements:
  - Flood Protection and Adaptation Improvements for Segments B & C
  - Mare Island Interchange
- Electrification of Municipal Fleets

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### Rail and Mass Transportation:

#### Priority Tier 1:

- California State Rail Plan: Solano County Rail Hub at the Suisun/Fairfield Amtrak Station (Public Access and Americans with Disabilities Act)
  - Fairfield-Vacaville Hannigan Train Station, (building/parking/solar panels/electric vehicle charging stations)
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Transit Centers/Capital:

Priority Tier 1:

- SR 37/Fairgrounds Mobility Hub (Solano County/Vallejo)
- Vallejo Station Parking Structure Phase B

Priority Tier 2:

- SolanoExpress Buses replacement

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Programs:

Priority Tier 1:

- Active Transportation (bike, ped, SR2S, PDA, PCA)
  - Solano Rail Hub Pedestrian Crossing
  - Vacaville Ulatis Transit to Downtown Connector
  - Benicia Road Complete Streets Project (Phase 2)
- Climate Change Adaptation/Electrification (Infrastructure and Vehicles)
- Mobility Management
- Safe Routes to School
- Safe Routes to Transit
- SolanoExpress – operating funds to sustain service

Priority Tier 2:

- Support Bay Area Housing Finance Authority (BAHFA) housing funds for affordable housing production located in Priority Development Areas (PDA) located adjacent to regional transit services
- Participate in the California Integrated Travel Project (Cal-ITP) Pilot ProgramExplore integration of the Clipper Card system with Cal-ITP and Regional and Local Transit operators for enhanced passenger, accessibility, convenience, and inter-agency transfers



## LEGISLATIVE OBJECTIVES

1. Support efforts to protect and ensure efficient, effective implementation of the various Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) transportation funding programs. Seek grant funding through SB 1 competitive programs for:
  - a. I-80 Express Lanes in Dixon (Solutions for Congested Corridors)
  - b. I-80 Express Lanes in Vallejo (Solutions for Congested Corridors)
  - c. Jepson Parkway (Local Partnership Program)
2. Ensure that new bridge tolls are dedicated to improving operations and mobility in Solano County. (Specifically: I-80 Managed Lanes, I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange, I-80 Westbound Truck Scales, SR 37/Fairgrounds Interchange, Intercity bus facilities and rail stations, additional operating funds for SolanoExpress, and additional operating funds and capital improvements for the Vallejo segment of the SF Bay Ferry operated by the Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA).
3. Seek grant funding through Cap-and-Trade competitive Transit and Intercity Rail Capitol Program (TIRCP) and the Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (CAPTI) for:
  - a. Transit Electrification, Capital, and Operation Improvements
  - b. Other eligible clean air projects (e.g., alternative fuel, including hydrogen, and active transportation projects)
4. Solano County Rail Hub: planning/design studies to advance the development of this intermodal station as put forth in the draft 2023 CA State Rail Plan
5. Support efforts by the SR 37 Policy Committee (County Transportation Authorities of Marin, Napa, Solano, and Sonoma Counties) to develop an expedited funding, financing, and project implementation strategy for the reconstruction of SR 37. Including State authorization to develop equity programs with discount and premiums, of the SR37 Corridor to provide the necessary revenue to improve the resiliency of this important transportation infrastructure from sea level rise, flooding, and congestion, while increasing opportunities for ecological enhancements, transit, multimodal use, and public access.
6. Oppose efforts to reduce or divert funding from transportation projects.
7. Support initiatives to pursue the 55% voter threshold for local transportation infrastructure measures.
8. Monitor/support/seek/sponsor, as appropriate, legislative proposals in support of initiatives that increase funding for transportation infrastructure, operations, and maintenance in Solano County.
9. Monitor and participate in the implementation of state housing and jobs production and climate change legislation that impacts transportation funding, planning and projects. This includes SB2: Building Jobs and Homes Act, Executive Order S-3-05 and subsequent Executive Orders, SB 375 (the California Global Warming Solutions Act), and agency regulations such as the Housing and Community Development Department and California Air Resources Board (CARB) greenhouse gas reduction target setting.
10. Continue to participate in the implementation of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), known as Plan Bay Area 2050, including on-going funding of investment in future Priority Development Areas (PDAs),

Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs), and future Priority Production Areas (PPAs), and current and future affiliated federal funding programs through the One Bay Area Grant (OBAG).

11. Monitor the Implementation of California Air Resources Board (CARB) Advanced Clean Cars II Regulations:, which bans the sale of new internal combustion engines for passenger cars and pickup trucks in California by 2035.
12. Monitor and support the implementation of Metropolitan Transportation Commission's (MTC) Plan Bay Area 2050 four planning quadrants of Transportation, Housing, Environment, and Economy in coordination with STA member agencies such as Solano Economic Development Corporation, Travis Air Force Base, the Solano City County Coordinating Council (4Cs), and other partnership agencies.
13. Support implementation of the Capitol Corridor Strategic Plan and State Rail Plan, including:
  - a. Implementation of the Solano rail hub at the Suisun/Fairfield Amtrak Station
  - b. Support rail crossing safety improvements and update to the Rail Crossings Safety Improvements Plan
14. Monitor and support the California Transit Association's (CTA's) and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's (MTC's) efforts to obtain federal and state funding for transit.
15. Monitor legislative proposals from the MTC's Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Task Force Recommendations and support implementation of the Six Functional Areas: Fare Integration Policy, Wayfinding & Mapping, Bus Transit Priority, Accessible Services (including Paratransit), Rail Network Management, and Connected Network Planning.
16. Support efforts to ensure Solano County receives its fair share of federal transportation funding from state and region.
17. Support implementation of national, state, and regional freight plans that include construction of the I-80 managed lanes from Carquinez bridge to Yolo county line, I-80 Westbound Truck Scales and SR 12 East improvements, and Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) deployment, Freight Electrification, and alternative fueling and rest stations.
18. Support establishment and operation of a regional Express Lanes network Bay Area Infrastructure Financing Authority (BAIFA) that includes I-80 in Solano County and connects the Bay Area region to Sacramento.
19. Support "fix it first" efforts that prioritize a large portion of scarce federal and state resources on maintaining, rehabilitating, and operating Solano County's aging transportation infrastructure over expansion.
20. Monitor legislation which impacts STA's statutory authority to serve as the Congestion Management Agency (CMA) for Solano County and countywide transportation planning.

**I. Active Transportation/Land Use/Housing/Jobs**

1. Promote, implement, and expand active transportation facilities land use planning, and programs (such as Safe Routes to School and Safe Routes to Transit) to support pedestrian, bicycle, and multimodal use in Solano County. Support legislation that prioritizes road safety for pedestrians and cyclists, particularly for vulnerable users such as children, the elderly, and the disabled.
2. Support legislation that provides adequate, dedicated funding for the development of transportation projects that support housing including affordable housing) in Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) locations and Priority Development Areas (PDAs).
3. Support legislation that provides adequate, dedicated funding for the development of transportation projects that support employment and jobs including designated Priority Production Areas (PPA) in Solano County.
4. Support legislative and regulatory efforts to ensure that projects from Solano County cities are eligible for federal, state, and regional funding related to MTC's Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) policy. Monitor MTC to ensure that development projects and transit standards for MTC's TOC policy can be reasonably met in Solano County's suburban communities.
5. Recognize Solano County's housing affordability at the regional context (i.e., Solano County is the most affordable County in the Bay Area) and support funding programs that link transportation investment to STA's future Solano Housing Investment Program. (SolHIP) and Solano Suburban Housing Investment Pool (SubHIP) Program.
6. Monitor legislation and oppose any caps to County Development Impact Fee, which reduces the Regional Transportation Impact Fee (RTIF) and would negatively impact the development of affordable housing in Solano County.
7. Monitor the implementation of the San Francisco Bay Area Housing Finance Authority.

**II. Climate Change/Air Quality**

1. Monitor implementation of federal attainment plans for pollutants in the Bay Area and Sacramento air basins, including ozone and particulate matter attainment plans. Work with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG), BAAQMD, and YSAQMD to ensure consistent review of projects in the two air basins.
2. Monitor and participate in the implementation of state climate change legislation. This includes agency regulations such as the State's Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (CAPTI), California Air Resources Board (CARB) greenhouse gas reduction target setting and the Advanced Clean Cars II Regulations.

3. Continue to participate in the implementation of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), known as Plan Bay Area 2050, including on-going funding of investment in Priority Development Areas (PDAs), Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs), and Priority Production Areas (PPAs). (Objective #12)
4. Support legislation, which ensures that any fees imposed to reduce vehicle miles traveled, or to control mobile source emissions, are used to support transportation programs that provide congestion relief, benefit air quality or support climate change adaptation.
5. Support legislation and funding, which provides infrastructure for zero emission vehicles and a three-prong approach for installation of more consumer level chargers, electrification of freight vehicles and support electrification of SolanoExpress and all five local transit operators with the installation of in line inductive chargers.
6. Support policies that improve and streamline the environmental review process, including the establishment and use of mitigation banks and advanced mitigation programs.
7. Support legislation that allows for air emission standards appropriate for infill development linked to transit centers and/or in designated Priority Development Areas (PDA). Allow standards that tolerate higher levels of air pollutants in exchange for allowing development supported by transit that reduces greenhouse gas emissions, provided these standards are equitable.
8. Monitor energy policies and alternative fuel legislation or regulation that may affect fleet vehicle requirements for mandated use of alternative fuel.
9. Monitor the Implementation of California Air Resources Board (CARB) Advanced Clean Cars II Regulations: which bans the sale of new internal combustion engines for passenger cars and pickup trucks in California by 2035 (*Objective #11*)
10. Support legislation to provide funding for innovative, intelligent/advanced transportation and air quality programs, which relieve congestion, improve air quality, and enhance economic development.
11. Support funding to finance cost effective conversion of public transit fleets and transit infrastructure to zero emission vehicles to meet California Air Resources Board requirements.
12. Support TIRCP Funds that fund transit electrification rail-crossing eliminations, and overall reduction of GHG.

### III. Employee Relations

1. Monitor legislation and regulations affecting labor relations, employee rights, benefits, and working conditions. Preserve a balance between the needs of the employees and the resources of public employers that have a legal fiduciary responsibility to taxpayers.
2. Monitor any legislation affecting workers' compensation that impacts employee benefits, control of costs, and changes that affect self-insured employers.

3. Monitor legislation affecting the liability of public entities, particularly in personal injury or other civil wrong legal actions.

#### **IV. Environmental**

1. Monitor legislation and regulatory proposals related to management of the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta (Estuary) in the context of rising sea level and ecosystems functions, including those that would potentially impact existing and proposed transportation facilities such as State Routes 12, 84, and 113.
2. Seek funding for vulnerability assessment, adaptation and projects implementation for sea-level rise, fires, flood protection and climate change in relation to existing and proposed transportation facilities in Solano County, including State Route 37, State Route 12, and I-80. (Objective #5)
3. Monitor proposals to designate new species as threatened or endangered under either the federal or state Endangered Species Acts. Monitor proposals to designate new “critical habitat” in areas that will impact existing and proposed transportation facilities.
4. Monitor the establishment of environmental impact mitigation banks to ensure that they do not restrict reasonably foreseeable transportation improvements (Section II Climate Change/Air Quality, #6).
5. Monitor legislation and regulations that would impose requirements on highway construction to contain stormwater runoff.
6. Advocate for regulations that increase safety pertaining to the transport of volatile and hazardous materials.
7. Monitor and support provisions in federal law Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), that further streamline the environmental review and permitting process to allow projects to advance more quickly and more cost effectively.
8. Support and monitor MTC’s Climate resiliency implementation efforts, including projects such as the SR 37 Corridor.

#### **V. Water Transport**

1. Protect existing sources of operating and capital support for San Francisco Bay Ferry service operated by WETA which do not jeopardize transit operating funds for SolanoExpress intercity bus operations and local transit operators. This includes additional operating funds and capital improvements for the Vallejo segment of the SF Bay Ferry.
2. Support efforts to restore the level of service directly between Vallejo and San Francisco as well as capacity improvements at the Vallejo Station that support the increased service of Ferry Operations as a result of RM3. Support efforts to reduce overall travel time between Solano County and San Francisco Ferry Terminals.

3. Support recommendations of the STA's Water Transit Feasibility Study including water transit options between Solano, Contra Costa, Marin, and San Francisco counties where feasible.

## **VI. Funding**

1. Work with member and partner agencies to support the implementation of SB 1 funded projects and oppose efforts to divert funds to assure a dedicated source of funding, other than the State Highway Account for local streets and roads maintenance/repairs, and transit operations.
2. Advocate for supplemental funding for federal transportation grant programs in annual appropriations legislation.
3. Support funding of discretionary programs, including but not limited to the Local and Regional Project Assistance Program, National Infrastructure Project Assistance (MEGA), the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE), Infrastructure For Rebuilding America (INFRA), Bus and Bus Facilities, Low or No Emissions grants, Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative Efficient and Cost Saving Transportation (PROTECT), Reconnecting Communities, Safe Streets and Roads for All and Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) grant programs.
4. Protect Solano County's statutory portions of state highway and transit funding programs.
5. Seek a fair share for Solano County of any federal and state discretionary funding made available for transportation grants, programs, and projects.
6. Protect State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) funds from use for purposes other than those covered in SB 45 of 1997 (Chapter 622) reforming transportation planning and programming, and support timely allocation of new STIP funds.
7. Support state budget and California Transportation Commission (CTC) allocation to fully fund projects for Solano County included in the State Transportation Improvement Program and the Comprehensive Transportation Plans of the county.
8. Support efforts to protect and preserve funding in the Public Transportation Account (PTA), and the efforts of the California Transit Association's Transportation Development Act Task Force.
9. Support legislation that increases the overall funding levels for transportation priorities in Solano County.
10. Support legislation that encourages public-private partnerships and provides low-cost financing for transportation projects in Solano County.
11. Support legislation to secure adequate budget appropriations for highway, bus, rail, air quality and mobility programs in Solano County.
12. Support initiatives to pursue the 55% or lower voter threshold for local transportation infrastructure measures. Any provisions of the State to require a contribution for maintenance on

a project included in a local measure must have a nexus to the project being funded by the measure. (Objective #7)

13. Seek funding for movement of goods via maritime-related transportation, including the dredging of channels, port locations and freight shipment.
14. Support implementation of national, state, and regional freight plans that fund construction of the I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange, I-80 Westbound Truck Scales and SR 12 East improvements, and Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) deployment and electrification of freight. (Objective #17)
15. Support legislation that provides funding that would allocate State ATP funds at the regional and county level by formula.
16. Ensure STA population-based funds (SB 1) continue to be distributed by formula to the county transportation authorities. (Objective #1)
17. Ensure that new bridge tolls are dedicated to improving operations and mobility in Solano County. (Specifically: I-80 Express Lanes, I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange, I-80 Westbound Truck Scales, SR 37/Fairgrounds Interchange, Intercity bus and rail facilities, additional operating funds for SolanoExpress, and additional operating funds and capital improvements for the Vallejo segment of the SF Bay Ferry operated by the Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA)). (Objective #2)
18. Oppose any proposal that could reduce Solano County's opportunity to receive transportation funds, including diversion of state transportation revenues for other purposes. Fund sources include, but are not limited to, State Highway Account (SHA), Public Transportation Account (PTA), and Transportation Development Act (TDA), SB 1, and any local ballot initiative raising transportation revenues. (Objective #6)
19. Support the Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority (CCJPA) to secure discretionary grants, including, but not limited to (CRISI, and State of Good Repair, SOGR) for rail capital projects.
20. Support the implementation of Caltrans' California State Rail Plan, which includes advancing the development of the Solano Rail Hub at the Suisun/Fairfield Amtrak Station
21. Protect construction jobs by opposing efforts to divert funding from construction to transit operations.
22. Support legislation that promotes and protects the STA's role as the Program Manager for the Bay Area Air Quality Management District's (BAAQMD) Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA) program.

## **VII. Project Delivery**

1. Support federal and state laws and policies that expedite project delivery.

2. Support legislation and/or administrative reforms to enhance Caltrans project delivery, such as simultaneous Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and engineering studies, design-build authority, and a reasonable level of contracting out of appropriate activities to the private sector.
3. Continue to streamline federal application/reporting/monitoring requirements to ensure efficiency and usefulness of data collected and eliminate unnecessary and/or duplicative requirements.
4. Support legislation that encourages public private partnerships and provides streamlined and economical delivery of transportation projects in Solano County.
5. Support legislation and/or administrative reforms that require federal and state regulatory agencies to adhere to their statutory deadlines for review and/or approval of environmental documents that have statutory funding deadlines for delivery, to ensure the timely delivery of projects funded with state and/or federal funds.
6. Prevent project delivery delays by requesting Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) maintain customer service levels and increase wildfire prevention and hardening efforts, with more undergrounding of PG&E service lines within Solano County.

## **VIII. Rail**

1. In partnership with other counties located along Capitol Corridor, seek expanded state commitment for funding passenger rail service, whether state or locally administered.
2. Support legislation and/or budgetary actions to assure a fair share of State revenues of intercity rail (provided by Capitol Corridor) funding for Northern California and Solano County.
3. Support legislation to assure that dedicated state intercity rail funding is allocated to the regions administering each portion of the system and assure that funding is distributed on an equitable basis.
4. Support implementation of the State Rail Plan, including advancing the development of the Solano Rail Hub, improvements at the Fairfield Vacaville Hannigan Rail Station, connecting the Capitol Corridor to the state high speed rail system, and exploring connection of the Sonoma Marin Area Rapid Transit (SMART) system to Solano County.
5. Support legislation and funding to adequately fund implementation of safety improvements at rail crossings, including replacement of at-grade railroad crossings with grade-separated crossings.
6. Oppose legislation that would prohibit Amtrak from providing federal funds for any state-supported Intercity Passenger Rail corridor services.

## **IX. Safety**

1. Monitor legislation or administrative procedures to streamline the process for local agencies to receive funds for road and levee repair and other flood protection.



2. Support legislation to further fund Safe Routes to School and Safe Routes to Transit programs in Solano County, including seeking funding from the federal Safe Streets and Roads for All grant program.

## **X. Transit**

1. Protect funding levels for transit by opposing state funding source reduction without substitution of comparable revenue.
2. Support tax benefits and/or incentives for programs to promote use of shared mobility options.
3. In partnership with the affected agencies and local governments, seek additional strategies and funding of programs that benefit transit dependent riders (including older adults, people with disabilities, students, youth, veterans, and the economically disadvantaged), such as intercity paratransit operations, mobility management, microtransit, and other community-based programs.
4. Monitor efforts to change Federal requirements and regulations regarding the use of Federal transit funds for transit operations in rural, small, and large Urbanized Areas (UZAs).
5. Work with MTC to generate new regional transit revenues to support the ongoing operating and capital needs of transit services, including bus, ferry, and rail. (Objective #2)
6. Support implementation of MTC Blue Ribbon Task Force's 27 recommendations and 6 functional areas consistent with the recommendations identified in STA's Connected Mobility Plan.
7. Monitor implementation of requirements in the IIJA regarding agency safety plans for small, urbanized areas.
8. Support the use of Cap-and-Trade funds for improved or expanded transit service.
9. Support funding of discretionary programs, including but not limited to the Local and Regional Project Assistance Program, National Infrastructure Project Assistance (MEGA), the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE), Infrastructure For Rebuilding America (INFRA), Bus and Bus Facilities, Low or No Emissions grants, Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative Efficient and Cost Saving Transportation (PROTECT), Reconnecting Communities, Safe Streets and Roads for All and Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) grant programs.
10. Support funding for public transportation at the levels authorized in the IIJA.
11. Support administrative policy or statutory modification to the commercial vehicle safety inspection code of public transit buses by California Highway Patrol while buses are in revenue service. Support streamlined inspections to ensure passenger and operator safety.

## **XI. Travel Demand Management (TDM)/Microtransit**

1. Support TDM related legislation and policy at the regional and state level that provides qualified Commuter Carpools and Vanpools with incentives to encourage and promote clean air initiatives and ridesharing.
2. Promote innovative programs and projects to fill commuter first/last mile gaps, microtransit, and Safe Routes to Transit.
3. Support income tax benefits or incentives that encourage use of alternative fuel vehicles, vanpools, carpools, and public transit without reducing existing transportation or air quality funding levels.

## **XII. Movement of Goods**

1. Monitor and participate in implementation of national, state, and regional freight plans that include construction of the I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange and SR 12 improvements, and Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) deployment and electrification of freight.
2. Monitor and support initiatives that augment planning and funding for movement of goods via maritime-related transportation, including the dredging of channels, port locations and freight shipment. Support the development of workforce development incentives, training, and education funding for the logistics, freight, and maritime industries.
3. Support efforts, including the use of dredging, to mitigate the impacts of additional maritime goods movement on surface transportation facilities.
4. Monitor and support initiatives that augment planning and funding for movement of goods via aviation, rail, ports, and truck.
5. Monitor proposals to co-locate freight and/or passenger air facilities at Travis Air Force Base (TAFB), improve access to North and South Gate, and to ensure that adequate highway and surface street access is provided if such facilities are located at TAFB.
6. Support research into clean vessel and vehicle fuels, including the electrification of freight.



DATE: January 2, 2024  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Daryl Halls, Executive Director  
Susan Furtado, Accounting & Administrative Services Manager  
RE: STA's Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24 Proposed Mid-Year Budget Revision and  
FY 2024-25 Proposed Budget Revision

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**Background:**

The Solano Transportation Authority (STA) has an adopted budget policy requiring a two-year annual fiscal year budget plan for its proposed expenditures and the proposed means of financing them. The budget is usually revised mid-year and finalized at the end of the fiscal year. When necessary, these budgets are revised to provide STA with the basis for appropriate budgetary control of its financial operations for the fiscal year. In July 2023, the STA Board adopted the FY 2023-24 Revised Budget and the FY 2024-25 Proposed Budget as part of the two-year annual fiscal year budget plan.

**Discussion:**

Attachment A is the Proposed Mid-Year Budget Revision for FY 2023-24 and Attachment B is the FY 2024-25 Proposed Budget Revision. The FY 2023-24 Proposed Mid-Year Budget Revision is balanced, with the proposed changes to the approved budget modified from \$86.9 million to \$113.02 million, an increase of \$26.12 million. The changes are due to new construction projects, such as the State Route (SR) 12 Clean California Program for the City of Fairfield and City of Suisun, the I-80 Interchange Project final phase of Package 2A and the Plans, Specifications & Estimate (PS&E) of Package 5, the I-80 Express Lanes Project construction project, the Climate Adaptation Plan, the County Collaborative Housing Element Implementation/Regional Early Action Plan (REAP) 2.0, and the Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) Grant for the Bicycle Education Safety for the Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Program. Changes to the budget are also due to expansion of Programs, such as the Employer/Commuters/First & Last Mile, the Solano Mobility Express Vanpool Pilot Program, and the Medical Transport Program/GoGo Grandparent. The continuation and carry over of funds to FY 2024-25 for the Solano Express Electrification, the West Texas Bus Stop, the Inductive Charging, the Hannigan Station South Portal, and the Solano Rail Hub Environmental/Design.

Revenue Budget changes are summarized as follows:

1. The Member's Contribution is also known as the Gas Tax Fund has savings of approximately (\$65,068) is carried over to FY 2024-25 with the staffing changes and the vacancy of the Administrative Clerk position.
2. The TDA Article 3 Funds in the amount of \$212,176 is added to the budget for the SR2S Program Micro Grants projects as recommended and approved by the STA Board for the third cycle of the SR2S Micro Grant call for projects.
3. The Suisun City's TDA Article 4 fund (\$250,000) for the Suisun City Mobility Hub Project is added to the budget for the construction.
4. The State Transit Assistance Funds (STAF) from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) allocation is not adjusted; however, allocation for the completed project for the Vacaville Transit Center/TSP Ticketing in the amount of \$150,000 is reallocated to the Employer/Commuter/First & Last Mile Program that is the county's high demand mobility services.

5. The OBAG 2/3 STP for planning and administration, Mobility Program, and SR2S Program are adjusted to reflect the carryover funds from prior fiscal year and budget needed for the continuation of Mobility and SR2S Program activities.
6. The OBAG 3 Quick Strike funding for the Connected Mobility and the SR2S Program is adjusted to reflect the carryover funds from the prior fiscal year and the budget for the current fiscal year.
7. The OBAG 3 Grant for the Priority Development Area (PDA) for the Cities of Fairfield, Suisun, and Benicia, and the Priority Production Area (PPA) Grant is added to the budget for the initial activities of the study.
8. The Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) funding of \$750,000 from the 2018 and 2020 allocation for the continuation of capital improvements for the Solano express Electrification, the West Texas Bus Stop Project, Inductive Charging, the projects matching funds for the Hannigan Station Improvement, and the Vacaville Transit Center/TSP Ticketing are adjusted and carried over into the FY 2024-25.
9. The Regional Measure (RM) 3 funding for the construction of the Fairgrounds Improvement Project and the Solano Rail Hub environmental and design are adjusted to reflect the anticipated project activities for the fiscal year and remaining funding are allocated for next fiscal year.
10. The RM3 funding for the I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange Project constructions budget is increased to \$5M to reflect the budget for the project Package 5 design and the I-80 Express Lanes Project (\$33.4M) for construction activities lead by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans).
11. The approved funding from Office of Traffic Safety Grant (\$120,117) is added to the budget for the SR2S Education Safety Activities of the Program through September 30, 2024.
12. The approved funding from the Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant (\$500,000) is added to the budget for the Solano Countywide Climate Adaptation Plan (Solano CCAP) for the cities to develop a plan identifying and recommending transportation infrastructure improvements to make them adaptable to climate change.
13. The Clean California Grant is added to the budget (\$4.7M) for the State Route (SR) 12 Clean California Program for the City of Fairfield and City of Suisun landscape construction along the SR 12, a program to beautify the State highways and local roads.
14. Local funding from the County and cities for the projects are adjusted, such as the Bay Trail Vine Trail Project (\$200,000), and the Fairgrounds Improvement Project and the Solano Rail Hub funding from the City of Vallejo are reduced to carry over the funding to FY 2024-25 for the continuation of the projects.

Other revenue changes are made to reflect the anticipated expenditures and activities for the fiscal year.

#### FY 2023-24 Expenditure Changes

Changes to the approved budget are reflective of funds carryover and revenue changes as described above. The budget expenditure revisions are as follows:

1. The **Operation and Management** budget is reduced by \$71,681. The STA Operation & Administration budget expenditures were reviewed and adjusted to reflect the expenditures and activities for the fiscal year. With the finance staffing change and the elimination of the position for the Administrative Clerk, and other cost increases offset resulted with the savings. The STA Board expenditures and the Office Building budgets were not adjusted, and costs are projected to be at the same level as the prior fiscal year.
2. The **Mobility Programs** budget is increased by \$163,777. The increase of the budget is due to the realignment of the expenditures where it is most in need, such as the high demand on the Employer/Commuters/First & Last Mile Program and the Solano Mobility Express Vanpool Pilot Program. Savings from the STAF funding allocated to the Vacaville Transit Center/TSP

Ticketing Project that is completed were reallocated to these programs. These program are anticipated to increase its program expenditures for the fiscal year..

3. The ***Project Development*** budget is increased by \$27.11M to reflect project delivery activities. With availability of the Regional Measure (RM) 3, the I-80 Express Lanes Project budget is increased and adjusted to reflect the actual cost for the construction activities. The budgets for the projects, such as the Solano Express Electrification, the constructions of the West Texas Bus Stop, and the Fairgrounds Improvement Project are adjusted to reflect the anticipated expenditures for the fiscal year and carryover the funds into the FY 2024-25 for the continuation of the projects. The Hannigan Station South Portal and the Vacaville Transit Center Access/TSP Ticketing budgets are adjusted to reflect project activities and to carryover funding. The I-80/I-680/SR12 Interchange Project Package 5 is in design phase and the budget is adjusted to reflect the project activities.
4. The ***Strategic Planning*** budget is reduced by \$1.08M. The planning activities and studies are adjusted to reflect anticipated budget costs for the fiscal year. The Solano Rail Hub environmental and design budget change is carried over to FY 2024-25. The PDA Grant for the cities of Benicia, Fairfield, and Suisun City and PPA Grant for the Solano Economic Development Corporation (EDC) is adjusted to reflect the anticipated budget expenditures. The County Collaborative Housing Element Implementation /REAP 2.0 is added to the budget for the continuation of the project. The Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Program budget is separated and identified for its program activities under the Enforcement Grant, Micro Grant Projects, and the OTS Grant activities. The SR2S Program overall budget is increased by \$374,106 with the new TDA Article 3 Micro Grant funding and the OTS Grant funding.

The total FY 2023-24 Proposed Mid-Year Budget revenue and expenditure is \$113.02 million. The FY 2023-24 Proposed Mid-Year Budget Revision is balanced for the continued delivery of STA's priority projects.

**Budget Changes for FY 2024-25 are summarized as follow:**

The FY 2024-25 Proposed Budget Revision is balanced, with the proposed changes to the approved budget modified from \$37.77 million to \$60.57 million, an increase of \$22.8 million.

FY 2024-25 Revenue Budget changes are summarized as follows:

1. The TDA Article 4/4.5 Funds is increased (\$135,000) for the program activities of the Medical Transports Program/GoGo Grandparent and the First/Last Mile Program for the City of Suisun.
2. The State Transit Assistance Funds (STAF) from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) allocation is increased (\$487,900) for the new program, the Solano Mobility Express Vanpool Pilot Program and the Employer/Commuters/First Last Mile Program transit demand.
3. The OBAG 3 Grants for the Mobility Program, the SR2S Program, the Quick Strike funding for the SR2S Program is adjusted to reflect the anticipated program activities for an approximate total cost of \$50,000.
4. The OBAG 3 for the PDA/PPA Grant of \$300,000 is added to the budget as a carryover from FY 2023-24 for the continuation of the project.
5. The TIRCP funding carry over allocation (\$1.35M) for the continuation of capital improvements for the Solano express Electrification and the West Texas Bus Stop Project is added to the FY 2024-25 budget.
6. The Regional Measure (RM) 3 funding (\$1.24M) carryover for the construction of the Fairgrounds Improvement Project and the Solano Rail Hub environmental and design are adjusted to reflect the anticipated project activities.
7. The Office of Traffic Safety Grant (\$14,751) activities are through the end of September 2024, budget for the final phase of the program grant is added to the budget.
8. The Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant (\$140,000) carryover is added to the FY 2024-25 budget for the final phase of the Solano Countywide Climate Adaptation Plan.

9. The local funding carryover for the Bay Trail Vine Trail Project (\$700,000) is added to the budget for the final phase of the project construction.
10. Funding from the RM3 for the I-80 Interchange Project (\$4.2M), the I-80 WB Truck Scales Project (\$4.5M), and the Fairgrounds Improvement Project (\$9.5M) is increased for the ongoing activities of the construction projects. This is reflective of the prior fiscal year budget.
11. Funding budgets for the Climate Adaptation Plan, the Routes for Regional Significance Plan, the County Collaborative Housing Element Implementation/REAP is added to the budget for the continuation of the plans.

#### FY 2024-25 Expenditure

Changes to the approved budget are reflective of funds carryover and revenue changes as described above. The budget expenditure revisions are as follows:

1. The **Operation and Management** – no budget changes are made to the budget administration and operation.
2. The **Mobility Programs** budget is increased by \$644,900. The increase of the budget is reflective of prior fiscal year mobility activities and the continuation of the Solano Mobility Express Vanpool Pilot Program.
3. The **Project Development** budget is increased by \$20.25M. As noted in the above FY 2023-24 budget changes for the projects, such as the Solano Express Electrification and the Bay Trail Vine Trail Project in Vallejo are added to the budget for the continuation of the projects. The I-80 Interchange Project, the I-80 WB Truck Scales Project, and the Fairgrounds Improvement Project are adjusted to reflect the anticipated construction expenditures for the fiscal year.
4. The **Strategic Planning** budget is increased by \$1.91M. The planning activities and studies are adjusted to reflect anticipated budget costs for the fiscal year. The Solano Rail Hub environmental and design budget is increased to reflect the carryover funds for the continuation of the project. The Climate Adaptation Plan, the Routes of Regional Significance Plan, and the County Collaborative Housing Element Implementation are added to the budget as indicated in the previous fiscal year. The SR2S Program budget for the Enforcement Grant and the OTS Grant is added to the budget for its final phase of program activities.

The FY 2024-25 Proposed Budget Revision is balanced, with the proposed changes to the approved budget modified from \$37.77M to \$60.57M, an increase of \$22.8M. The total FY 2024-25 revenue and expenditure is \$60.57M.

To ensure conformance with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Uniform Guidance (Cost Principles of State, Local, and Indian Tribal Government) and the STA's Accounting Policies and Procedures, the two-year budget FY 2023-24 and FY 2024-25 is presented with revision to the approved budget for FY 2023-24 and FY 2024-25 to reflect changes in the budget revenue and expenditures.

#### **Fiscal Impact:**

The STA's overall FY 2023-24 budget is \$113.02 million, an increase of \$26.12 million. These changes are due to the expansion of Programs, such as the Employer/Commuters/First & Last Mile, the Solano Mobility Express Vanpool Pilot Program, and the Medical Transport Program/GoGo Grandparent.

The FY 2024-25 Proposed Budget Revision is modified from \$37.77 M to \$60.57M, an increase of \$22.8M for the continuation of projects and carry over funds for the Solano Express Electrification, the West Texas Bus Stop, the Inductive Charging, the Hannigan Station South Portal, and the Solano Rail Hub Environmental/Design, the Fairgrounds Improvement Project construction, and the right of way activities for the I-80 West Bound Truck Scales Project.

**Recommendation:**

Adopt the following:

1. The STA's FY 2023-24 Proposed Mid-Year Budget Revision as shown in Attachment A; and
2. The STA's FY 2024-25 Proposed Budget Revision as shown in Attachment B.

Attachments:

- A. STA FY 2023-24 Proposed Mid-Year Budget Revision dated January 10, 2024;
- B. STA FY 2024-25 Proposed Budget Revision dated January 10, 2024;

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REVENUES			EXPENDITURES		
STA Fund	Adopted FY 2024-25	Proposed FY 2024-25	Operations & Administration	Adopted FY 2024-25	Proposed FY 2024-25
Members Contribution/Gas Tax (Reserve Accounts)	150,000	150,000	Operations Management	2,394,126	2,394,126
Members Contribution/Gas Tax	250,851	250,851	STA Board of Directors/Administration	50,900	50,900
Transportation Dev. Act (TDA) Art. 4/8	756,369	756,351	Office Building	85,000	85,000
TDA Article 3			Expenditure Plan	50,000	50,000
TDA Article 4/4.5	1,725,000	1,860,000	Contributions to STA Reserve Account	150,000	150,000
Regional Transportation Impact Fee (RTIF)	48,908	48,908	Subtotal	\$2,730,026	\$2,730,026
State Transit Assistance Fund (STAF)	3,329,815	3,817,715			
MTC/CBTP/Rideshare Program	60,000	60,000	Mobility Programs		
One Bay Area Grant 3 (OBAG 3)-Planning/Programming	1,717,097	1,742,097	Mobility Programs Management & Administration	240,000	240,000
OBAG 3 - Mobility Program	1,066,518	483,815	Employer/Commuters/First Last Mile Program	717,142	842,142
OBAG 3 - Quick Strike	152,580	217,402	Coordinated SRTP	125,000	125,000
OBAG 3 - SR2S Program		567,882	Solano Mobility Express Vanpool Pilot Program		449,900
OBAG 3 PDA/PPA Grant		300,000	Transit Coordination/Programs	400,000	400,000
State Earmark	400,000	400,000	Solano Express Marketing/Regional Mapping/Way Finding	200,000	200,000
STIP Planning, Programming and Monitoring (PPM)	143,405	113,041	Transit Management Administration	75,000	75,000
Transit & Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) 2020	1,000,000	2,350,000	Community Based Transportation Plan (CBTP) - Dixon	100,000	100,000
Regional Measure 3 (RM3)		1,240,382	Transit Corridor Implementation/Solano Express	325,314	325,314
Bridge Toll - Admin Revenue	184,316	153,933	Connected Mobility Plan/BRT	220,478	220,478
Transportation for Clean Air (TFCA)	200,000	250,000	Suisun Micro Transit-Amtrak Operation/Maintenance-	160,000	160,000
OTS Grant		14,751	SolSTEP/CARB Program	181,079	181,079
State Sustainable Planning Grant		140,000	Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC)	20,000	20,000
ABAG REAP 2.0		200,000	Medical Transports Program/GoGo Grandparent	200,000	375,000
California Air Resources Board (CARB) Grant	72,117	72,117	Solano Intercity Taxi Scrip/Paratransit Program	600,000	600,000
CA Public Utilities Commission (CPUC)	140,000	100,000	ADA in Person Eligibility Program	250,000	200,000
Abandoned Vehicle Abatement (AVA) Program/DMV	13,500	13,500	CTSA/Mobility Management Program	145,000	100,000
Local Funds - Cities/County	953,084	1,653,084	Countywide Travel Training/Transit Ambassador Program	250,000	250,000
Taxi Card/Vanpool Farebox Revenue	75,000	87,000	One Stop Transportation Call Center Program	385,000	385,000
Partners/Sponsors	175,000	175,000	Suisun Micro Transit Services	650,000	662,000
Subtotal	\$12,613,560	\$17,217,829	First/Last Mile Program - Suisun	35,000	45,000
			CPUC Access for All	140,000	100,000
STA Office Building - Capital			Vehicle Share Program	75,000	75,000
Local Funds - Cities/County	1,194,292	1,194,292	Equitable Access for Justice	75,000	75,000
Subtotal	\$1,194,292	\$1,194,292	Transit Coordination-Rio Vista Delta Breeze	85,084	85,084
			Benicia 1st/Last Mile (Lyft) Program	20,000	28,000
Transportation Funds for Clean Air (TFCA) Program			Soltrans Local Taxi Program	25,000	25,000
Transportation for Clean Air (TFCA)	461,000	461,000	Subtotal	\$5,699,097	\$6,343,997
Subtotal	\$461,000	\$461,000			
			Project Development		
Abandoned Vehicle Abatement (AVA) Program			Project Management/Administration	235,157	235,157
Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV)	450,000	450,000	Solano Express Electrification (TIRCP 2018)		750,000
Subtotal	\$450,000	\$450,000	SR 37 Improvement Project	40,000	40,000
			Countywide Electrification - Manager	50,000	50,000
Suisun Mobility HUB			Pavement Management Program	16,075	16,075
TDA Article 4/4.5	250,000	250,000	West Texas Bus Stop (TIRCP 2020)	1,000,000	1,000,000
Subtotal	\$250,000	\$250,000	Inductive Charging (TIRCP 2020)	200,000	800,000
			Bay Trail Vine Trail Project (Vallejo)		700,000
I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange Project			I-80/I-680/SR 12 Interchange Project	800,000	5,000,000
Regional Measure 3	800,000	5,000,000	I-80 Express Lanes Project	2,500,000	2,500,000
Subtotal	\$800,000	\$5,000,000	I-80 WB Truck Scales Project	5,000,000	9,500,000
			Fairgrounds Improvement Project	9,800,000	19,300,000
I-80 Express Lanes Project			Suisun Mobility HUB	250,000	250,000
Regional Measure 3	2,500,000	2,500,000	Regional Transportation Impact Fee (RTIF) Program	4,700,000	4,700,000
Subtotal	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	STA office Building - Capital	1,194,292	1,194,292
			DMV Abandoned Vehicle Abatement (AVA) Program	450,000	450,000
I-80 WB Truck Scales Project			Subtotal	\$26,235,524	\$46,485,524
Regional Measure 3 (RM3)	5,000,000	9,500,000			
Subtotal	\$5,000,000	\$9,500,000	Strategic Planning		
			Planning Management/Administration	300,000	300,000
Fairgrounds Improvement Project			Events/Public Information	25,000	25,000
Regional Measure (RM) 3	9,800,000	19,300,000	Model Development/Big Data	130,000	130,000
Subtotal	\$9,800,000	\$19,300,000	Solano Bike/Ped Maps/Wayfinding Signage	29,328	29,328
			Solano Rail Hub - Environmental/Design	290,000	1,469,618
Regional Transportation Impact Fee (RTIF) program			Countywide Housing Land Use/SolHIP	210,000	210,000
Regional Impact Fee	4,700,000	4,700,000	Electric Vehicle (EV) Implementation Plan	150,000	150,000
Subtotal	\$4,700,000	\$4,700,000	CMP/Vehicle Miles Travel (VMT)	125,000	125,000
			Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Station (Capital)	400,000	400,000
TOTAL ALL REVENUE	\$37,768,852	\$60,573,121	Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) Implementation	306,871	306,871
			Climate Adaptation Plan		140,000
			Routes of Regional Significance Plan		25,000
			PPA Grant/Solano EDC		300,000
			PDA Grant - FF/SS/Benicia	200,000	200,000
			Vallejo Rail Feasibility Study	50,000	50,000
			County Collaborative-Housing Element		200,000
			Implementation/REAP 2.0		
			Safe Route to School Program	427,006	427,006
			SR2S Program Enforcement Grant-SS/Ben		50,000
			OTS Grant Bicycle Education/SR2S Program		14,751
			Transportation Funds for Clean Air (TFCA) Programs	461,000	461,000
			Subtotal	\$3,104,205	\$5,013,574
			TOTAL ALL EXPENDITURES	\$37,768,852	\$60,573,121



DATE: November 6, 2023  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Lorene Garrett, Senior Program Coordinator  
April Wells, Program Coordinator I  
Julie Davidson, Customer Service Representative  
RE: Solano Mobility Programs 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report for FY 2023–24  
Employer/Commuter Programs – Modify the First Last Mile Program

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**Background:**

The original Solano County Rideshare Program began as part of a statewide network of rideshare programs in the early 1990s, funded primarily by Caltrans to manage countywide and regional rideshare programs in Solano County, and to provide air quality improvements through trip reduction. In 2000, Solano Commuter Information was transferred from Solano County to STA and became Solano Napa Commuter Information a few years later. Today the Solano Mobility Employer Commuter Program provides commuter incentives to encourage sustainable mode shift for residents and employees in the county. Solano Mobility staff engages businesses, homeowner associations, community clubs and organizations to promote commuter benefits.

**Discussion:**

STA's Solano Mobility provides commuter incentives and subsidies to residents and employees of Solano County with ten regional and two local programs. An update for each program is included as Attachment A. Program participation for the first quarter of FY 2023-24 is included in Attachment B.

During the first quarter of FY 2023-2024, the STA Employer Commuter program and Solano Economic Development Corporation (EDC) staff tabled 12 events reaching 623 people. The program continued outreach via the Solano Mobility website and social media. There were 22,162 views of the Solano Mobility website and 4,264 views of social media content (Twitter, Facebook and Instagram) during the first quarter. STA continued marketing Solano Mobility Commuter Programs in print and other mediums. In partnership with Solano EDC, staff attended Chamber Mixers and business events to develop contacts with local businesses.

Two new programs were launched in the first quarter of FY 2023-24, increasing the number of regional commuter programs to ten. The Equitable Access to Justice Pilot Program launched July 1, 2023 to help the Solano Superior Courts eliminate transportation as a barrier to court participation by providing 100% subsidized rides to court appointments for jurors and collaborative court participants. The Solano Mobility Express Vanpool Pilot Program launched August 7, 2023 to provide a replacement option for Solano Express Blue Line riders traveling between Vacaville, Dixon, and Sacramento during commute hours. Updates for both programs are included in Attachment A.

The First/Last Mile program has grown tremendously since it was initiated in a pilot during 2017. The majority of riders use the program to connect with the Vallejo Ferry to travel to employment in San Francisco. Due to the program's overwhelming popularity, costs have increased significantly during the past year. Currently STA subsidizes 80% of the cost of the ride

up to \$25. STA staff proposes to move to the tiered system used by the programs for older adults and people with disabilities. Under this system, STA would subsidize 60% of the cost of the ride up to \$20 unless the rider qualifies for the low-income subsidy of 80% of the cost of the ride up to \$20. To qualify for the low-income subsidy the rider must be a part of a county program such as Medi-Cal, CalFresh, SSI, etc or on the discounted CARE/FERA PGE plan. This potentially saves the program \$15,000/month. If approved by the STA Board, this change will be implemented by STA on March 1, 2024.

The goal for the next quarter is to further increase program awareness and participation through meeting with local businesses, attending Chambers of Commerce and Solano County specialty chambers events, attending community meetings, and presenting at business organization meetings. In addition, STA's Solano Mobility Employer Commuter Program staff will continue outreach to commuters via tabling events, pop-ups at transit hubs, advertising, social media, newsletter, and website presence.

The efficiency and effectiveness of these programs are determined using the corresponding STA Connected Mobility Implementation Plan Guidelines, Performance Measures, & Benchmarks, which were approved and adopted by the STA Board on June 28, 2022. The plan is included in Attachment C. Using the performance measures, STA can determine the ongoing relevance, usability, adaptability, and sustainability of the mobility programs currently offered in Solano County. Specifically, the STA Connected Mobility Implementation Plan Guidelines, Performance Measures, & Benchmarks goals and objectives support the recommendations of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's (MTC's) Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Task Force. All commuter programs meet the criteria as defined in the evaluation methodology.

At their meetings on December 18, 2023, and December 19, 2023, respectively, the Solano Express Intercity Transit Consortium and the STA Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), voted unanimously to forward the recommendation to the STA Board for approval.

### **Fiscal Impact:**

Expected savings of \$180,000 per fiscal year for the proposed change to the First/Last Mile Program. The approved FY 2023-24 budget of \$644,800 for STA's Solano Mobility Employer Commuter Program is funded through: Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program funds, Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA) funds through the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD), Clean Air Funds through the Yolo Solano Air Quality Management District (YSAQMD), State Transit Assistance Funds (STAF) and the Capitol Corridor JPA Marketing Agreement.

FY2022-23 Actuals Charged by Program:

- Amtrak + Lyft Program – **\$8,957.32**
- Bucks for Bikes Program – **\$2,831.97**
- Commute Rewards (RideAmigos) – **\$35,000**
- First/Last Mile – **\$381,249.02**
- Guaranteed Ride Home – **\$577.76**
- Solano Express Guaranteed Ride Uber Voucher Program – **\$82,054.42**
- Solano Express 2-for-1 Program – **\$12,800**
- Vanpool – **\$43,200**

### **Recommendation:**

Authorize the Executive Director to modify a tiered subsidy for the First/Last Mile program to provide 60% of the cost of the ride up to \$20 for riders unless they qualify for the low-income subsidy of 80% of the cost of the ride up to \$20.

Attachments:

- A. STA Regional Commuter Program and Local Program Summary
- B. Commuter Program Participation Fiscal Year Comparison
- C. STA Connected Mobility Implementation Plan Guidelines, Performance Measures, & Benchmarks Goals and Objectives

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## STA Regional Commuter Program, Employer Program and Local Program Summary

### Commuter Programs

#### **Regional**

##### *Amtrak Lyft (A+L)*

The Amtrak + Lyft Program was designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by reducing the number of single occupancy vehicles on the road. For \$20, the Amtrak + Lyft Pilot Program provides participants a 10-ride Amtrak pass plus free Solano County train station Lyft connections (up to \$25). Participants must be residents of, or employed in Fairfield, Suisun City, or Vacaville, and new to Amtrak for commuting. Participants can use this program up to 3 times. Thirty-four passes totaling \$4,274 were purchased during the first quarter of FY2023-24. Twenty-two commuters enrolled in the program in the first quarter, increasing the total enrollment to 122 participants since the start of the program in 2019. See Attachment B for a comparison of participation.

##### *Bucks for Bikes (B4B)*

The Bucks for Bikes program was implemented in 2003 to encourage Solano County residents to bike to work for all or a portion of their commute. Approved applicants can receive reimbursement for 60% of the cost of a new commuter bike and helmet up to \$300. Riders are encouraged to log their trips on the Commute Solano (Rideamigos) platform to earn additional incentives. 1 reimbursement of \$300 was provided during the first quarter. See Attachment B for comparisons.

##### *Commute Solano (Rideamigos) Online Platform*

The website platform provides access to all Solano Mobility commuter programs, rideshare matching, trip planning and e-incentives for alternative commutes. Commuters can connect with other employees in their networks. Platform users can log alternative transportation modes such as transit, ridesharing, active transportation, and teleworking to earn points and receive gift cards as a Commute Reward. During the first quarter, 149 active commuters logged ~2,800 alternative commute trips for an estimated savings of 22.5 tons of CO2. 126 new users joined during the quarter. See Attachment B for comparisons.

##### *Equitable Access to Justice*

In partnership with the Solano Superior Courts, the Equitable Access to Justice pilot program eliminates transportation as a barrier to court participation by providing 100% subsidized rides to court appointments for jurors and collaborative court participants. 0 rides were provided during the first quarter; however, Presiding Judge Wendy Getty said: “*As anticipated, we have ZERO jurors to date this fiscal year who have been unable to report to court for jury service due to transportation barriers. I consider this a major success for transportation in Solano and for justice in Solano County.*”

##### *First/Last Mile (FLM)*

The First/Last Mile program provides 80% subsidized Lyft rides (up to a maximum of \$25 per ride) to and from 12 Solano County transit hubs (Amtrak stations and Solano Express fixed stops) for Solano County employees and residents who have trouble connecting to transit for their work commute. The goal is to encourage transit use and decrease single occupancy vehicle usage. During their presentation on SF Bay Ferry Service at the STA CTP Transit Committee on

September 13, 2023, the Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA) noted that STA's First/Last Mile program helped decrease the number of Single Occupancy Vehicles (SOVs) traveling to the Vallejo Ferry terminal.

164 commuters registered for the First/Last Mile program during the first quarter of this fiscal year, increasing program registration to 1,460 commuters. See Attachment B for comparisons.

Due to increased program popularity, program costs continue to grow. STA staff proposes modifying the program to reflect a tiered system that provides 60% of the cost of the ride up to \$20 for commuters. To ensure equity, staff proposes to provide the 80% subsidy up to \$20 for individuals who qualify for the low-income subsidy (enrolled in a Solano County program such as Medi-Cal, Cal Fresh, SSI, etc, or on the PGE CARE/FERA program).

#### *Guaranteed Ride Home (GRH)*

The Guaranteed Ride Home (GRH) Program supports Solano County residents and employees who commute by reimbursing the cost of a ride home (up to \$100) if an unexpected emergency arises. Program participants may use taxi, Uber, or Lyft for their ride home. To participate in the program, commuters must live or work in Solano County. Participants who commute into Solano County for employment must live within 100 miles of Solano County. Participants can use the program no more than three times per calendar month, and no more than six times during a calendar year. 1 commuter received a GRH reimbursement for a total of \$40.90 during the first quarter of this year. All Commute Solano members are registered for the program. See Attachment B for comparisons.

#### *Solano Express Guaranteed Ride (GR)*

The Guaranteed Ride program was initiated in September 2022, to increase equity and accessibility for those who are not able to afford to pay for their ride and wait for reimbursement. The Guaranteed Ride program provided an Uber Voucher option for Solano Express riders with a route canceled. Riders must register for the program at Commute Solano to receive an Uber Voucher valid for 4 rides each month. During the first quarter of this fiscal year, 66 Solano Express Riders registered to receive Uber Vouchers, bringing the total number of program registrants to 309. 1,053 rides were provided for a total of \$42,056.97. See Attachment B for comparisons.

#### *Solano Express 2-for-1 Incentive*

To encourage new ridership on the Solano Express bus lines, the STA initiated a 2-for-1 incentive in October 2021. Anyone working or living in Solano County is eligible to receive a Clipper Card valued at \$125 with the purchase of a monthly or daily pass. There were fourteen 2-for-1 incentives redeemed by Solano Express riders during the first quarter. See Attachment B for comparisons.

#### *Solano Mobility Express Vanpool Pilot Program*

This pilot program provides a replacement option for Solano Express Blue Line riders traveling between Vacaville, Dixon and Sacramento during commute hours. 4 vans travel to and from Sacramento each day. The introductory rate is \$50/month. Solano Express Blue Line riders



transfer for free. During the first quarter, 16 riders participated in the program receiving 700 rides. The program received 35 5-star ratings from riders.

#### *Vanpool Program (VP)*

STA's Solano Mobility provides a \$200 per month subsidy for two years to new, qualifying, traditional vanpools through Commute with Enterprise. This subsidy adds to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's (MTC's) \$500 subsidy for a total of \$700 per month to help offset the cost of new vanpools. STA subsidized 20 vanpools in July and 19 vanpools in August and September for \$11,600 in subsidies. See Attachment B for comparisons.

#### Employer Program

To consolidate Solano Mobility commuter programs and services, the Employer Program was created in October 2017. The Program informs Solano County employers about the benefits and services available to assist their employees with their commutes. The Solano EDC continues to partner with Solano Mobility to promote STA's commuter benefits via direct mail, social media and in person events. During the first quarter, the Solano EDC/STA staff tabled/attended 11 chamber/business events reaching 327 employers and employees.

#### **Local Programs**

##### *Benicia Lyft*

The program (started in 2019 to provide a replacement option for the Benicia Dial-a-Ride and local Route 20 programs) provides subsidized Lyft rides throughout the city of Benicia and to the Springtowne Center in Vallejo for qualified Benicia residents. To qualify, Benicia residents must be veterans with a military or veterans ID; disabled with an ADA card, RTC card, Medicare card or DMV placard; or 65 years old or older. The cost is \$4 one-way, or \$3 one-way for individuals qualified for the low-income fare. To qualify for the low-income fare individuals must be a part of a Solano County program like Medi-Cal, Cal Fresh, Cal Works, SSI, etc., or on PG&E

CARE/FERA. Residents must contact the Call Center to sign up.

Customers must have a smart phone and be ambulatory to use Lyft for the Dial-a-Ride replacement program. If not, they are provided with the Veteran's Cab number after registration. Customers are informed that this service is in addition to the SolTrans (Benicia) paratransit service that continues to take qualified individuals within ¾ mile of the SolTrans fixed route service (including trips between Benicia and Vallejo).

The \$5 Benicia Lyft Program (started in 2021) provides Lyft rides within the City of Benicia for \$5 (up to \$20) and can be accessed by entering the code 5Benicia in Lyft apps. There is no signup required. The program is open to residents and visitors.

During the first quarter, the Benicia Lyft, \$5 Benicia and Veteran's Cab Corporation provided 1,156 rides totaling \$6,980.18.

Benicia residents are also able to travel from Benicia City Park and the Benicia Bus Hub to Gateway Plaza in Vallejo by entering STGATEWAYPLAZA in their Lyft app.

See Attachment B for comparisons.

### *Suisun Lyft*

The Suisun City \$2 Lyft program (started in 2021) provides one-way Lyft rides for residents traveling within Suisun City. Residents enter SUISUN2 in their Lyft app.

The Suisun City \$3 Lyft program (started in 2021) provides one-way Lyft rides for residents traveling to 5 locations in Fairfield: Sutter Health, NorthBay Medical Center, Kaiser Clinic, Ole Health Clinic, and the Fairfield Transportation Center. Residents enter SUISUN3 in their Lyft app.

Residents who qualify for the low-income fare (must be a part of a Solano County program like Medi-Cal, Cal Fresh, Cal Works, SSI, etc., or on PG&E CARE/FERA) can travel one-way within Suisun City and to the 5 Fairfield locations for \$1.50. Residents must contact the Call Center to sign up for the low-income fare.

During the first quarter, 1,526 Suisun City Lyft rides totaling \$14,572.71 were provided.

See Attachment B for comparisons.

**B1. Commuter Program Participation Fiscal Year Comparison**

FISCAL YEAR COMPARISON						Q1
Program	FY 18-19	FY 19-20	FY 20-21	FY 21-22	FY 22-23	FY 23-24
Amtrak + Lyft Passes Purchased	19	43	5	9	25	34
Bucks for Bikes Redemptions	10	9	6	12	12	1
Commute Solano Active Participants	--	51	270	421	733	149
First/ Last Mile Shuttle Total Registrants	81	195	296	653	1296	1460
Guaranteed Ride Home Redemptions	10	1	1	5	20	1
Solano Express Guaranteed Ride Total Registrants	--	--	--	--	243	309
Solano Express 2-for-1 Redemptions	--	--	--	67	65	14
Vanpools Subsidized	3	1	1	12	23	20

**B2. Commuter Program Participation by City 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter FY 2023-24 Comparison**

Participation by City - 1st Quarter FY 2023-24							
	2 for 1	A+L	B4B	FLM	GRH	GR	Vanpool
Benicia	2	0	0	19	0	5	1
Dixon	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
Fairfield	5	19	1	28	0	26	9
Rio Vista	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Suisun City	0	4	0	8	0	9	0
Vacaville	0	10	0	9	1	11	7
Vallejo	7	0	0	99	0	7	2
Other	0	0	0	0	0	6	0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>20</b>

**B3. October 2023 First/Last Mile Origin and Destination Summary by City**

<b><u>Origin Summary</u></b>		
	<b># of Rides</b>	<b>Usage (%)</b>
Benicia	194	4%
Dixon	28	1%
Fairfield	550	12%
Rio Vista	0	0%
Suisun	171	4%
Vacaville	396	9%
Vallejo	2889	64%
Outside County	280	6%
<b>Total # of Rides</b>	<b>4508</b>	<b>100%</b>

<b><u>Destination Summary</u></b>		
	<b># of Rides</b>	<b>Usage (%)</b>
Benicia	191	4%
Dixon	23	1%
Fairfield	544	12%
Rio Vista	0	0%
Suisun	185	4%
Vacaville	403	9%
Vallejo	2885	64%
Outside County	277	6%
<b>Total # of Rides</b>	<b>4508</b>	<b>100%</b>

August- Express Vanpool Ridership Data						
	7-Aug	8-Aug	9-Aug	10-Aug	11-Aug	
Morning						
V1 (6:30)	4	2	1	2	3	
V2 (6:30)	0	3	3	3	1	
D1 (6:45)	1	2	2	1	0	
V3 (7:30)	0	4	3	3	3	
AM Total	5	11	9	9	7	
Afternoon						
V1 (4:30)	3	5	4	7	2	
D1 (4:30)	0	0	0	0	1	
V2 (5:15)	3	3	4	4	4	
V3 (5:45)	0	0	0	0	1	
PM Total	6	8	8	11	8	
Daily Total	11	19	17	20	15	
Weekly Total						82
Walk Ons						
8/8: 2 V3 in Dixon AM						
8/9: 1 V2 AM						
8/10: 2 V2 SVS PM						
8/11: 1 D1 SVS PM						

	14-Aug	15-Aug	16-Aug	17-Aug	18-Aug	
Morning						
V1 (6:30)	4	4	2	5	2	
V2 (6:30)	3	2	3	2	3	
D1 (6:45)	0	1	2	0	0	
V3 (7:30)	0	2	1	2	2	
AM Total	7	9	8	9	7	
Afternoon						
V1 (4:30)	0	3	1	1	2	
D1 (4:30)	3	0	1	3	1	
V2 (5:15)	4	4	4	5	1	
V3 (5:45)	0	1	1	0	0	
PM Total	7	8	8	9	6	
Daily Total	14	17	16	18	13	
Weekly Total						78
Walk Ons						
8/14:						
8/15:						
8/16:						
8/17:						

	21-Aug	22-Aug	23-Aug	24-Aug	25-Aug	
Morning						
V1 (6:30)	3	3	3	5	1	
V2 (6:30)	2	3	3	5	4	
D1 (6:45)	0	2	2	0	0	
V3 (7:30)	1	2	1	1	1	
AM Total	6	10	9	11	6	
Afternoon						
V1 (4:30)	1	2	2	4	0	
D1 (4:30)	2	3	2	5	1	
V2 (5:15)	2	4	4	1	3	
V3 (5:45)	1	1	1	0	1	
PM Total	6	10	9	10	5	
Daily Total	12	20	18	21	11	
Weekly Total						82
Walk Ons						
8/21:						
8/22:						
8/23:						
8/24:						
8/25:						

	28-Aug	29-Aug	30-Aug	31-Aug	
Morning					
V1 (6:30)	3	4	5	4	
V2 (6:30)	4	4	2	5	
D1 (6:45)	1	3	3	1	
V3 (7:30)	1	2	1	2	
AM Total	9	13	11	12	
Afternoon					
V1 (4:30)	2	1	1	1	
D1 (4:30)	2	4	5	7	
V2 (5:15)	3	4	4	3	
V3 (5:45)	1	1	1	1	
PM Total	8	10	11	12	
Daily Total	17	23	22	24	
Weekly Total					86
Monthly Total					328
Walk Ons					
8/28:					
8/29:					
8/30:					
8/31:					

Solano Mobility Express Vanpool Ridership Data for September 2023

September- Express Vanpool Ridership Data																				
						1-Sep				5-Sep	6-Sep	7-Sep	8-Sep			11-Sep	12-Sep	13-Sep	14-Sep	15-Sep
Morning							Morning							Morning						
V1 (6:30)						3	V1 (6:30)			3	3	5	2	V1 (6:30)		0	3	3	4	3
V2 (6:30)						1	V2 (6:30)			3	3	4	2	V2 (6:30)		6	3	2	0	2
D1 (6:45)						1	D1 (6:45)			2	3	1	1	D1 (6:45)		1	2	3	1	1
V3 (7:30)						2	V3 (7:30)			2	1	2	2	V3 (7:30)		2	2	1	3	1
AM Total		0	0	0	0	7	AM Total		0	10	10	12	7	AM Total		9	10	9	8	7
Afternoon							Afternoon							Afternoon						
V1 (4:30)						0	V1 (4:30)			3	2	4	2	V1 (4:30)		2	1	3	5	4
D1 (4:30)						4	D1 (4:30)			3	4	3	4	D1 (4:30)		1	5	2	0	1
V2 (5:15)						3	V2 (5:15)			3	3	4	0	V2 (5:15)		2	2	2	2	0
V3 (5:45)						0	V3 (5:45)			1	1	1	0	V3 (5:45)		1	1	2	1	1
PM Total		0	0	0	0	7	PM Total		0	10	10	12	6	PM Total		6	9	9	8	6
Daily Total		0	0	0	0	14	Daily Total		0	20	20	24	13	Daily Total		15	19	18	16	13
Weekly Total						14	Weekly Total						77	Weekly Total						81

Walk Ons

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	18-Sep	19-Sep	20-Sep	21-Sep	22-Sep
Morning					
V1 (6:30)	3	3	2	4	3
V2 (6:30)	2	4	4	4	0
D1 (6:45)	2	2	2	1	0
V3 (7:30)	2	2	1	1	2
AM Total	9	11	9	10	5
Afternoon					
V1 (4:30)	2	4	2	4	1
D1 (4:30)	4	2	1	4	3
V2 (5:15)	2	3	4	0	0
V3 (5:45)	1	1	1	1	1
PM Total	9	10	8	9	5
Daily Total	18	21	17	19	10
Weekly Total					85

Walk Ons

	25-Sep	26-Sep	27-Sep	28-Sep	29-Sep
Morning					
V1 (6:30)	2	3	4	5	5
V2 (6:30)	4	4	5	5	3
D1 (6:45)	0	3	2	2	1
V3 (7:30)	2	4	1	2	2
AM Total	8	14	12	14	11
Afternoon					
V1 (4:30)	4	5	5	6	4
D1 (4:30)	0	2	1	2	3
V2 (5:15)	0	5	4	5	1
V3 (5:45)	4	1	2	1	1
PM Total	8	13	12	14	9
Daily Total	16	27	24	28	20
Weekly Total	115				
Monthly Total	372				
Program Total	700				

Walk Ons

## B5. Solano Express Guaranteed Ride Data (Based on Invoice)

**Solano Express Guaranteed Ride\***

<b>2022</b>			
<b>Month</b>	<b># Rides</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b># Riders</b>
September	28	\$1,039.67	15
October	136	5101.41	49
November	203	\$9,376.43	66
December	270	\$11,214.70	77
<b>Total</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>\$26,732.21</b>	

<b>2023</b>			
<b>Month</b>	<b># Rides</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b># Riders</b>
January	333	\$12,547.41	103
February	339	\$12,880.77	100
March	319	\$12,503.24	97
April	236	\$8,851.88	87
May	220	\$8,538.91	75
June	281	\$11,224.55	95
July	332	\$12,917.23	119
August	315	\$12,524.57	117
September	406	\$16,615.17	132
<b>Total</b>	<b>2781</b>	<b>\$108,603.73</b>	
<b>TO DATE</b>	<b>3418</b>	<b>\$135,335.94</b>	

\* Based on invoice

**B5. Benicia Lyft Data by Calendar Year**

	No of Trips 2019	No of Trips 2020	No of Trips 2021	No of Trips 2022	No of Trips 2023**
Veteran's Corp. DBA Yellow Cab *	233	371	122	244	
Lyft \$3	80	492	141	256	366
Lyft \$4	1	17	2	106	233
Benicia \$5	0	0	164	655	2202
<b>Total Number of Trips</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>880</b>	<b>429</b>	<b>1261</b>	<b>2801</b>
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Veteran's Corp. DBA Yellow Cab *	\$ 3,444.00	\$ 6,722.00	\$1,708	\$ 3,555.00	
Lyft \$3	\$ 489.68	\$ 4,168.11	\$ 1,025.10	\$ 2,185.79	\$ 2,616.48
Lyft \$4	\$ 4.05	\$ 90.42	8.16	\$ 531.65	\$ 1,275.76
Benicia \$5	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,017.77	\$ 4,365.61	\$ 13,292.27
<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>\$ 3,937.73</b>	<b>\$ 10,980.53</b>	<b>\$ 3,759.03</b>	<b>\$ 10,638.05</b>	<b>\$ 17,184.51</b>
* 2022/2023 Data in process					
** Data Through Sep 2023					

**B6. Suisun City Lyft Data by Fiscal Year**

	FY 21-22	FY 22-23	FY 23-24
Program	No of Trips		
Lyft \$3	228	692	551
Lyft \$2	403	2842	1475
Lyft \$1.50	35	252	152
<b>Total Number of Trips</b>	<b>706</b>	<b>3786</b>	<b>2178</b>
Program	Costs		
Lyft \$3	\$ 3,194.20	\$ 8,868.37	\$ 6,207.88
Lyft \$2	\$ 4,662.97	\$25,309.28	\$ 12,559.76
Lyft \$1.50	\$ 558.03	\$ 3,775.00	\$ 2,220.90
<b>Total Costs</b>	<b>\$ 8,415.20</b>	<b>\$37,952.65</b>	<b>\$ 20,988.54</b>

(FY 2023-24 Data Through October)



## **STA Connected Mobility Implementation Plan Guidelines, Performance Measures, & Benchmarks Goals and Objectives**

**Solano Mobility Vanpool Program: The program should sustain 90% of its existing vanpools annually, grow at least five vanpools per year, and be managed, funded, operated, marketed, priced, and evaluated in adherence to industrywide best practices.**

Solano Mobility's Vanpooling is oriented to provide transportation to work services to individuals who live at least 15 miles from their workplaces. To ensure its effectiveness, the program must be administered in a way that aligns with the industrywide standards generally recognized as encouraging success. Currently the program is partnered with Commute by Enterprise to provide outreach support and additional subsidies to Solano County employers. Key program aspects include:

- Ensuring broad service coverage with an established, consistent turnkey agreement process between STA and long-serving contractors and vendors.
- Establishing meeting structures that encourage collaboration and idea-sharing between contractors and vendors.
- Ensuring strategic oversight of program services and delivery and clear definition of agency and vendor responsibilities.
- Delivering consistent program administration with clear billing/invoicing, outreach, and customer service practices.
- Maintaining a single source of vanpooling information that is easily communicated, marketed, and promoted to customers, and that enhances public understandability of the program.
- Conducting incentive programs to encourage participation and use.
- Collecting program use data for performance monitoring purposes.

<b>Evaluation Methodology:</b>	<b>Meets Criteria if:</b>
Coordinate with Solano Mobility to review Vanpool program policies and processes.	Solano Mobility Vanpool program sustains 90% of existing vanpools annually, grows at least five vanpools per year, and meets the conditions listed above.
<b>Relates to:</b> MTC Task Force Recommendation #17	

**Solano Mobility Guaranteed Ride Home Program: The program should be accessible to all Solano County employees, should be administered in adherence to industrywide best practices, and should meet the quantifiable service goals listed below.**

Solano Mobility's Guaranteed Ride Home program provides a free ride home from workplaces for individuals who do not drive alone to work, serving as a lifeline for transit and other mobility program commuters and enabling greater access to the mobility system in general. To ensure its effectiveness, the program must be administered in a way that aligns

with the industrywide standards generally recognized as encouraging success. Key program aspects and service goals include:

- Allowing all permanent part-time or full-time employees who work to or from Solano County eligibility to participate.
- Defining the qualifying emergency situations during which registered employees can request service.
- Defining the alternative transportation modes that registered employees must have used on the day of requested service to qualify the Guaranteed Ride Home reimbursement.
- Defining the extents of the service, including the types of trips eligible for reimbursement, trip maximum distances from Solano County employment locations, eligible expenses, and both annual and per-trip reimbursement amount limits.
- Administering a clear and accessible registration process, with registration forms available for completion and submission both online and via mail.
- Responding to initial program applications within two business days of application receipt.
- Responding to initial request for guaranteed ride home reimbursement within two business days of request receipt.
- Processing reimbursements to riders within 45 days of receiving the guaranteed ride home request.

<b>Evaluation Methodology:</b>	<b>Meets Criteria if:</b>
Coordinate with Solano Mobility to review Guaranteed Ride Home program policies and processes.	Solano Mobility Guaranteed Ride Home program meets the conditions listed above.
<b>Relates to:</b> MTC Task Force Recommendation #17	

**Solano Mobility Bucks for Bikes Program: The program should be administered in adherence to industrywide best practices.**

Solano Mobility's Bucks for Bikes program incentivizes bicycling as a mode of transportation for commuting to work by reimbursing a portion of the cost of a bicycle for any Solano County resident, employee, or college student who will use the bicycle for commuting purposes. To ensure its effectiveness, the program is administered in a way that aligns with industrywide standards generally recognized as encouraging success. Key aspects include:

- Clearly defining participant eligibility, program requirements, and program policies and procedures.
- Requiring participants to provide feedback in three surveys at three-month intervals after receiving the incentive.
- Encouraging Commute Solano on the Ride Amigos platform.
- An increase in program participation with participants from each city in the county.

<b>Evaluation Methodology:</b>	<b>Meets Criteria if:</b>
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Coordinate with Solano Mobility to review Bucks for Bikes program policies and processes.	Solano Mobility Bucks for Bikes program meets the conditions listed above.
<b>Relates to:</b> MTC Task Force Recommendation #17	

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DATE: January 2, 2024  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Daryl Halls, Executive Director  
RE: Formation of Solano Transit 2030 Policy Committee

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**Background:**

At the March 2021, STA Board meeting, the scope of work and budget was approved for the Solano Connected Mobility Implementation Plan (“Plan”). Since that time, STA has contracted with TMD as the consultant (“Consultant”) to deliver the Plan. The Plan is currently under development.

The MTC Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Task Force (BTRTF) was created in mid-2020 to address how transit would look in the Bay Area post-pandemic. The BTRTF ultimately provided 27 recommendations on how to improve, integrate, and coordinate transit in the Bay Area. These recommendations have been narrowed to six focus areas. As part of these recommendations, \$5M was allocated regionwide to facilitate early implementation strategies. As the Solano Connected Mobility Implementation Plan is designed to address the BTRTF recommendations, STA requested \$500,000 in early implementation funds from MTC. In early August the MTC Programming and Allocations Committee approved the request from STA. The current status of STA’s implementation of the six focus areas is provided via a separate report.

**Discussion:**

Members of the STA Board Executive Committee met on January 2, 2024, and are recommending the STA Board form a Solano Transit 2030 Policy Committee to proactively focus on the implementation of the six focus areas of MTC’s BTRTF. The STA Board Executive Committee also recommended that representatives from each of the seven cities and the County who serve on the STA Board, and two representatives from the SolTrans Board that do not serve on the STA Board be included on the Solano Transit 2030 Policy Committee.

In addition, the formation of a Transit Technical Committee is recommended, with representatives from each of the transit operators who provide service in Solano County, to support the Policy Committee.

Finally, it is recommended that a facilitator be retained to work with both committees based on the scope of work to be developed by the STA Board Executive Committee and reviewed and approved by the Policy Committee.

**Fiscal Impacts:**

No additional financial impact. Funding for consultant support will utilize the regional funding provided by MTC to STA.

**Recommendation:**

Approve the following:

1. Formation of a Ten Member Solano Transit 2030 Policy Committee;
2. Establishment of a Transit Technical Committee with representatives of each of the Transit Operators providing transit service in Solano County;

3. Designate the STA Executive Committee to Develop and Recommend a Scope of Work for Review by the Solano Transit 2030 Policy Committee; and
4. Authorize the Executive Director to enter into a Consultant Services Agreement to facilitate the Solano Transit 2030 Policy Committee and the Transit Technical Committee.

Attachment:

- A. Scope of Work (to be provided under separate cover.)



DATE: January 3, 2024  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Ron Grassi, Director of Programs  
RE: Solano Connected Mobility Implementation Plan Update – Status of Six Functional Areas

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At the September 2021, STA Board meeting, an amendment to add these additional funds to the Plan was approved. The additional funding allowed for further scope expansion, which can be found below:

1. Address the Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Task Force 27 recommendations and 6 functional areas as they relate to Solano County.
2. Expand Solano Express Operational Analysis and Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Lite recommendations to include SR37 and I-505 corridors.
3. Utilizing the existing route structure, recommend how additional operational hours should be invested into the system. (e.g. additional 10k, 20k, and 40k annual hours.)
4. Assist on components of Solano Express Transition Plan, from 2 operators to 1 operator.
5. Expand Microtransit recommendations into a Microtransit Implementation Plan, focusing on connecting to regional transit.

Thus far, three main aspects have been completed, reviewed, and adopted by the STA Board. The completed work so far was the initial Public Outreach, Market Assessment, and the STA Mobility Benchmarks. The focus of this report is on the Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Task 6 functional areas as they relate to Solano County.

**Discussion:**

The Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Task Force (BRTTRTF) 6 functional areas derived from the 27 Recommendations. The 6 functional areas include:

1. *Fare Integration Policy*- Developing funding and managing the fare system, including all aspects of how and what riders pay to use the regional transit system.
2. *Wayfinding and Mapping* - Funding planning development and delivery of infrastructure and service to deliver the information travelers use to plan and navigate their journey including signage, maps, schedules, travel times, and updates.
3. *Connected Network Planning*- Developing funding and prioritizing an integrated and coordinated regional transit system.
4. *Bus Transit Priority*- Funding, planning, development, and delivery of infrastructure changes to enable public transit vehicles to achieve better travel times and reliability, including reserved lanes, queue jumps, roadway adjustments, and signal changes.
5. *Rail Network Management*-Project planning, funding, policy, implementation, and management of the rail network.
6. *Accessibility*-Funding, planning, and development of the accessibility of the fixed route network and planning for the complementary paratransit network, including the integration of paratransit with the fixed route network and the effective coordination of services for older adults and people with disabilities.

#### Fare Integration Policy

STA participates in the MTC Fare Integration Task Force, which has developed integration strategies and begun a Clipper Bay Pass Pilot Program. SolanoExpress fares on all lines are now integrated countywide (Fares for Route 82 are slightly higher for direct San Francisco service). Solano County has 5 local operators and needs to develop integration strategies for the coordination of fares between local and regional services.

#### Wayfinding and Mapping

MTC has launched a Regional Mapping and Wayfinding project, which involves developing a single wayfinding and mapping system for use by all Bay Area agencies. Solano County has agreed to be a pilot county for regional mapping and wayfinding efforts.

#### Connected Network Planning

MTC launched the Bay Area Connected Network Planning/Network Manager effort, involving the Bay Area transit operators. STA received MTC funding for the Connected Mobility Implementation Planning effort, which is currently underway and involves the coordination of the five Solano County operators. STA also has a connection protection pilot underway with Solano Express and BART. The First/Last Mile has grown in popularity; however, more coordination needs to be developed between the intercity Solano Express Routes and local transit service

#### Bus Transit Priority

MTC's focus is on funding, planning, development, and delivery of infrastructure changes to enable public transit vehicles to achieve better travel times and reliability, including reserved lanes, queue jumps, roadway adjustments, and signal changes. Solano County has been a leader in this area. The following is a list of STA Transit Priority Projects that have been recently completed or are in process:

- I-80 Express Lanes
  - Vacaville/Fairfield – In Construction
  - Vallejo – PID Complete
  - Dixon – Seeking funding for PID.
- SR37-Fairgrounds Drive Bus Stop – 2020
- Fairgrounds Mobility Hub – In-Design
- Vallejo Transit Center Expansion on York Street - Completed.



- Fairfield Transit Center I-80 Slip Ramp – Completed 2022
- City of Benicia Bus Hub - Completed.
- Fairfield-Vacaville Hannigan Train Station - 2017
- Curtola Park and Ride Hub Improvements – 2015
- Suisun Mobility Hub – In Construction
- West Texas Bus Stop and Pedestrian Access Improvements – In Design
- Express Bus Inductive Charging Stations and Bus Electrification – In Design

### Rail Network Management

Focuses on a vision for the Bay Area regional rail network and developing a regional implementation plan that includes project prioritization, sequencing integration points, project funding, and delivery approach. STA is currently working on 3 rail planning efforts in Solano County:

1. *Solano Rail Hub* - STA is currently working with the cities of Suisun City and Fairfield, the County of Solano, Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority, the Caltrans Division of Rail and Mass Transit (DRMT), and Amtrak to move the Solano Rail Hub Project forward. The Solano Rail Hub was identified in the 2018 California State Rail Plan and is a key mobility hub that would link Capitol Corridor, regional and local buses, and a future Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit (SMART) extension. The project includes platform and access improvements to bring the station to Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance, improvement of the connection between the Suisun City and Fairfield downtowns and provide an allowance for a third mainline track.
2. *Vallejo Passenger Rail Study* - STA is working with the City of Vallejo on a planning study to evaluate the feasibility of passenger rail service in Vallejo. The study will evaluate the existing rail facilities in the city, potential ridership market demand using big data and future travel demand forecasts, and potential community impacts. The effort will also include a public outreach process. The study is anticipated to conclude in Spring 2024.
3. *Rail Crossing Plan Update* - STA is updating the Solano Rail Crossings Safety Improvements Plan to update the inventory of rail crossings in Solano County and identify at-grade safety improvements that are needed at priority rail crossings. The study is anticipated to conclude in Spring 2024.

### Accessibility

MTC's focus is on funding, planning, and development of the accessibility of the fixed route network and planning for the complementary paratransit network, including the integration of paratransit with the fixed route network and the effective coordination of services for older adults and people with disabilities. MTC hopes to have the Clipper 2.0 fare payment system integrated with ADA paratransit services in 2024. Solano County has been a leader in this area for 10 years. Solano is one of the few Counties that provides a countywide ADA assessment process and eligibility program. STA provides collaboration with local transit agencies an Intercity Taxi Card (ITC) Program through Solano Mobility, which allows for one-seat intercity ADA Plus trips. Through Solano Mobility, STA delivers a wide range of accessibility-supportive programs that promote countywide accessible mobility facilitation. STA works with the Solano Paratransit Coordination Council, The Solano Consolidated Transportation Services Agency (CTSA), and the Solano Express Intercity Transit Consortium, to identify challenges and improvement strategies.

**Fiscal Impacts:**

No additional financial impact at this time. The Connected Mobility Implementation Plan is included in the FY 2023-24 STA Budget funded through MTC and STAF matching funds.

**Recommendation:**

Informational.

Attachment:

- A. Powerpoint – Connected Mobility Implementation Plan  
*Summary of Progress Toward Addressing MTC Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Task  
Force Recommendations (January 2, 2024)*



# CONNECTED MOBILITY IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

*Summary of Progress Toward Addressing  
MTC Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Task Force  
Recommendations*

**STA Executive Committee**  
**January 2, 2024**



# BLUE RIBBON TASK FORCE — SIX REPRESENTATIVE FUNCTIONAL AREAS:

Functional Area	Description
Fare integration policy	Developing funding and managing the fare system, including all aspects of how and what riders pay to use the regional transit system.
Wayfinding and mapping	Funding planning development and delivery of infrastructure and service to deliver the information travelers use to plan and navigate their journey including signage, maps, schedules, travel times, and updates.
Connected network planning	Developing funding and prioritizing an integrated and coordinated regional transit system.
Bus transit priority	Funding, planning, development, and delivery of infrastructure changes to enable public transit vehicles to achieve better travel times and reliability, including reserved lanes, queue jumps, roadway adjustments, and signal changes.
Rail network management	Project planning, funding, policy, implementation, and management of the rail network.
Accessibility	Funding, planning, and development of the accessibility of the fixed route network and planning for the complementary paratransit network, including the integration of paratransit with the fixed route network and the effective coordination of services for older adults and people with disabilities.



# BLUE RIBBON TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS — PROGRESS STATUS

## FUNCTIONAL AREA I: FARE INTEGRATION POLICY




### RECOMMENDATIONS

- #1 Act on recommendations of the Fare Coordination and Integration Study, including selecting and funding pilot projects
- #2 Determine whether existing authority is sufficient to support uniform implementation of these recommendations
- #3 If needed, seek state legislation for additional authority to ensure timely and uniform implementation of these recommendations

### PROGRESS UPDATES

- SolanoExpress fares on all lines – now integrated countywide (Fares for Route 82 are slightly higher for direct SF service). 
- STA participates in the Bay Area Fare Integration Task Force, which has issued a report on integration strategies. 

### WORK STILL TO BE DONE

- Underway:**
- Five local operators in Solano County are coordinating on fare integration strategies. 
- In Discussion:**
- N/A
- Recommended Actions:**
- Within next two years, form universal Solano County fare policy agreement (consistent with MTC goals/objectives). 
  - No penalty for making inter-agency/intermodal transfers. 






# BLUE RIBBON TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS — PROGRESS STATUS

## FUNCTIONAL AREA II: WAYFINDING AND MAPPING




### RECOMMENDATIONS

- #4 Fund & finalize regional mapping & wayfinding standards
- #5 Fund & complete up to three consistently branded mapping & wayfinding pilot projects in the North Bay & East Bay
- #6 Fund & develop a data platform for regional mapping data services to enable standardization of digital/paper maps across services.
- #20 Establish protocols & implement uniform real-time & transit path-way data collection to give customers consistent & accurate info

### PROGRESS UPDATES

- Solano County operators and STA have agreed to pilot the mapping and regional wayfinding efforts. 
- MTC has launched a Regional Mapping and Wayfinding project, which involves developing a single wayfinding and mapping system for use by all Bay Area agencies, including those in Solano County. 
- The SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium has been briefed (in May 2023) about the Regional Mapping and Wayfinding project and is in support of its efforts. 

### WORK STILL TO BE DONE

- Underway:**
- N/A
- In Discussion:**
- Standardize real-time data delivery among all partner agencies – promoting one standardized system for the Bay Area. 
- Recommended Actions:**
- Ensure all Solano County operators participate in regional real-time system development; include real-time configuration into agency plans. 
  - Define longer-term plans for sustained delivery of effective wayfinding/mapping. 





# BLUE RIBBON TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS — PROGRESS STATUS

## FUNCTIONAL AREA III: CONNECTED NETWORK PLANNING











### RECOMMENDATIONS

- #15 Provide financial incentives for Solano and Sonoma counties to complete their transit integration initiatives
- #18 Fund, develop, and adopt a Bay Area Connected Network Plan
- #19 Adopt transit hub toolkit to optimize station design & connectivity that includes coordination with local governments' access plans
- #21 Designate a mobility manager to coordinate rides and serve as a liaison between transit agencies in each county
- #27 Convene stakeholders to identify priorities & a funding framework for a future ballot measure that would include new transit funding

### PROGRESS UPDATES

- STA received MTC funding for a Connected Mobility Implementation Planning effort, which is currently underway and involves coordination of the five Solano County operators.  
- MTC launched the Bay Area Connected Network Planning/Network Manager effort, involving STA and Solano County transit operators. 
- STA currently has a connection protection pilot underway with coordination from local transit agency partners. 

### WORK STILL TO BE DONE

- Underway:**
- SolanoExpress optimization options under evaluation.  
  - Assessments of Solano County's transit connectivity / linkages w/ regional transit are advancing. 
- In Discussion:**
- Including transit recommendations within STA's 2024 Comprehensive Transportation Plan, supporting a Bay Area Connected Network Plan.  
- Recommended Action:**
- Establish working group to define scheduling /routing integration strategies.  
  - Gain participation in planning efforts by outside-of-county agencies that serve Solano Co. 
  - Help develop reg. transit funding plan & local priorities.  



# BLUE RIBBON TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS — PROGRESS STATUS

## FUNCTIONAL AREA IV: BUS TRANSIT PRIORITY

### RECOMMENDATIONS




- #7 Request action by Caltrans to expedite design exceptions that will allow for bus priority on state highways
- #8 Sponsor legislation to remove barriers to transit priority
- #9 Fund the design & delivery of near-term transit corridor projects
- #10 Select near-term carpool lane operating policies for advancement
- #11 Define a cooperative agreement process to expedite travel time improvements on arterial streets & bus rights-of-way
- #12 Fund, develop, and adopt a transit priority policy and corridor assessment for improving bus speeds & reliability

### PROGRESS UPDATES


- Slip ramp completed at the Fairfield Transit Center by the City of Fairfield. 
- Inductive charger has been installed at Curtola Park & Ride, and six more are planned for installation throughout the SolanoExpress service area). 

### WORK STILL TO BE DONE



#### Underway:

- Express lanes on I-80s south of the I-505 interchange are under construction (18 total mi.). 
- New bus stop on Oliver Rd. (adjacent to FTC) is under development. 
- SR 37 corridor improvements and transit study underway. 

#### In Discussion:

- New bus priority corridor planned for SR 37 between Vallejo and San Rafael (partnering with North Bay agencies). 

#### Proposed:

- Identify strategies to utilize Caltrans capacity priority improvement opportunities. 
- Define and implement feasible transit priority recommendations. 



# BLUE RIBBON TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS — PROGRESS STATUS

## FUNCTIONAL AREA V: RAIL NETWORK MANAGEMENT

### RECOMMENDATIONS





- #13 Fund and complete a business-case analysis of potential transit network management reforms
- #14 Establish & support an MTC advisory group to guide this analysis
- #16 Deliver grant for Phase 1 Rail Partnership and Governance Assessment, and Final Assessment
- #26 Identify cost-saving efficiencies & funding needs for regional transit network mgmt. as part of the Business Case analysis (per #13-14)

### PROGRESS UPDATES

- STA continues to support regional rail partners.
- STA conducts ongoing direct coordination with Capitol Corridor, Link 21, and SMART.

### WORK STILL TO BE DONE



#### ***Underway:***

- Capitol Corridor Rail Stations/Service & Rail Planning effort underway, assessing station, service, and access improvements. 
- Solano Rail Hub Project Study is advancing, reviewing alignment enhancements/efficiencies.  
- Vallejo Passenger Rail Feasibility Study is ongoing; coordinated with Hwy 37 transit study. 

#### ***In Discussion:***

- N/A

#### ***Proposed:***

- Continue to partner with existing/future rail operators; continue providing rail station feeder service to promote connectivity.  



# BLUE RIBBON TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS — PROGRESS STATUS

## FUNCTIONAL AREA VI: ACCESSIBILITY

### RECOMMENDATIONS

- #17 Adopt transit equity principles and a process for applying them
- #22 Fund more pilot projects for one-seat paratransit rides & develop cost-sharing policies for paratransit trips that cross jurisdictions
- #23 Identify the next steps for full integration of ADA paratransit services with the Clipper fare-payment system
- #24 Identify key paratransit challenges and recommend reforms
- #25 Adopt standardized eligibility practices for programs that benefit people with disabilities, including paratransit and Clipper RTC cards

### PROGRESS UPDATES

- Countywide ADA assessment process and eligibility practices already in place through Solano Mobility.
- STA provides Intercity Taxi Card (ITC) Program through Solano Mobility, which allows for one-seat ADA trip-making. 
- Coordinating with Paratransit Coordination Council, CTSA, Consortium, to identify challenges and improvement strategies.
- Integration of ADA paratransit services with Clipper fare-payment system is expected to advance in 2024 after rollout of Clipper 2.0. 
- Through Solano Mobility, STA delivers a wide range of accessibility-supportive programs that promote countywide accessible mobility facilitation.

### WORK STILL TO BE DONE

- Underway:**
- N/A
- In Discussion:**
- N/A
- Recommended Actions:**
- Sustain efforts, which currently exceed BRTF expectations



DATE: December 11, 2023  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Jasper Alve, Project Manager  
RE: One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) Cycle 3 Programming Update

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**Background:**

Every four or five years, the STA, as the County Transportation Authority and Congestion Management Agency for Solano County, works with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) to program federal transportation funds. This process was formally called the federal cycle process until MTC renamed it the One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) process beginning in 2013. This federal transportation funding combined Surface Transportation Program (STP) and Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) into four- or five-year grant cycles.

The most recent third cycle of OBAG (OBAG 3), which covers fiscal years 2022-23 through 2025-26, MTC provided a Countywide Target for Solano County, under the County & Local Program, totaling \$22.6 million. The STA Board, at its meeting on February 11, 2022, programmed \$7.49 million of the target to fund STA's planning, project delivery, and programming efforts over the four-year cycle. Subsequently, on May 11, 2022, the STA Board authorized the STA to issue a call-for-project (CFP) notice for the remaining \$15.11 million.

The STA'S OBAG 3 CFP received a total of twelve (12) applications totaling \$19.5 million. Ten (10) of the applications were approved by the STA Board on September 14, 2022 and were recommended to the MTC for their further approval. The MTC completed its review on January 4, 2023 and approved fully funding seven (7) of the recommended applications. Attachment A shows the list of projects selected to receive OBAG 3 funds totaling \$11.911 million.

Subsequently, the MTC also directly provided several agencies in the County with OBAG 3 Priority Development Area (PDA) planning grants totaling \$4.312 million.

**Discussion:**

MTC's Resolution No. 4505 provides the project selection and programming policies for OBAG 3. This resolution requires OBAG 3 project sponsors to have a general plan housing element adopted and certified by the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for the 2023-2031 Regional Housing Needs Allocation by December 31, 2023. If project sponsors are unable to meet HCD's housing certification deadline, then their respective OBAG 3 funds will be rescinded and reprogrammed at a later date to projects located in compliant jurisdictions.

Due to a large number of OBAG 3 project sponsors in the Bay Area are unable to meet HCD's housing certification deadline, MTC staff is proposing to provide project sponsors with a grace period of twelve (12) months to meet the housing element requirement. A total of around \$127 million in regionwide OBAG 3 funds are in jeopardy of being rescinded and reprogrammed if the proposal is not approved. If approved, project sponsors will have until December 31, 2024 to meet the housing element requirement as noted in Attachment B. The MTC, in the meantime, will deprogram projects from noncompliant agencies currently programmed in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Attachment C shows a list of projects in Solano

County that will be deprogramed from the TIP. These include OBAG 3 funds from the PDA Planning Grant Program and County & Local Program totaling \$5.924 million. Project sponsors will not be able to obligate these funds until their housing elements are certified by the HCD – at which point, MTC will reprogram these funds into the TIP. Attachment D is a list of OBAG 2 projects.

**Fiscal Impact:**

None to the STA.

**Recommendation:**

Informational.

Attachments:

- A. List of OBAG 3 Projects Approved by MTC
- B. Proposed Revisions to MTC Resolution No. 4505
- C. Solano County Deprogramming List of OBAG 3 Projects
- D. List of OBAG 2 Projects

Attachment A: List of OBAG3 Projects Approved by MTC

<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>OBAG 3 Funding</b>
Benicia	East Fifth Street PDA - Affordable Housing Streetscape Improvements	\$ 261,000
Fairfield	Linear Park Node 4 Safe Routes to School and Transit	\$ 2,239,000
Fairfield	Travis Safe Routes to School and Transit	\$ 3,960,000
Solano County	Solano 360 Transit Center Phase 1	\$ 2,101,000
STA	Solano Mobility Call Center and Employer Commuter Program	\$ 1,500,000
STA	Safe Routes to School Program	\$ 1,000,000
Vallejo	Sacramento Street Road Diet – Phase II	\$ 850,000
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 11,911,000</b>

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**Metropolitan Transportation Commission  
Programming and Allocations Committee**

December 13, 2023

Agenda Item 5a.i. - 23-1417

**MTC Resolution No. 4505, Revised**

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**Subject:**

Revisions to MTC's One Bay Area Grant (OBAG 3) Program to update Housing Element compliance requirements.

**Background:**

The One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) and other regional discretionary programs support implementation of MTC's long-range Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS), collectively known as *Plan Bay Area 2050*. Pursuant to SB 375 (Steinberg 2008), the SCS aligns regional transportation planning with land use and housing to help achieve state greenhouse gas emissions targets. To encourage and incentivize regional jurisdictions to advance the RTP/SCS and associated state and regional land use goals, the Commission has conditioned certain federal transportation funds on compliance with various state housing laws.

MTC currently requires that jurisdictions achieve and maintain certification of their Housing Elements by the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) in order to be eligible for several MTC grant programs, including:

- OBAG 3 County & Local Program: OBAG 3 Project Selection and Programming Policies, adopted by the Commission in January 2023 (MTC Resolution No. 4505), require that jurisdictions awarded County & Local Program funds achieve HCD certification of their 6<sup>th</sup> Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) cycle (2023-31) Housing Element by December 31, 2023 and maintain certification throughout the duration of the OBAG 3 Program.
- OBAG 3 Priority Development Area (PDA) Planning Grants: Administrative requirements for the OBAG 3 PDA Planning Grants similarly require that recipient jurisdictions achieve HCD Housing Element certification by December 31, 2023.

The Housing Incentive Pool (HIP) program, adopted by the Commission in October 2018 (MTC Resolution No. 4348), also requires that jurisdictions to comply with state housing law requirements, including Housing Element certification. Proposed revisions to the HIP program, including requirements associated with the Housing Element certification, are included in Agenda Item 5a.ii.

***Bay Area Housing Element Certification Status***

MTC established compliance deadlines of December 31, 2023, for the OBAG 3 program, nearly one year after Bay Area jurisdiction Housing Elements for the 6<sup>th</sup> RHNA cycle were due to HCD by January 31, 2023.

As of writing, only 53 of the 109 regional jurisdictions have received HCD approval of their Housing Elements (**Attachment 1**). In addition, MTC staff estimate that at least 55 jurisdictions will need to complete rezoning to achieve or maintain HCD certification of their Housing Elements. Of these, at least 41 will need to complete rezoning by the end of January 2024 to maintain their certification.

Staff anticipate that many of the 56 uncertified jurisdictions will still not receive HCD certification by the end of this year, and others may fall out of compliance as early as February 1, 2024 due to rezoning requirements.

***Funding Implications & Considerations***

Under current policies for the OBAG 3 County & Local Program and PDA Planning Grants, sponsors that fail to achieve or maintain HCD Housing Element certification after December 31, 2023 will have their relevant awards rescinded and redirected to projects in compliant jurisdictions. Together, these programs represent nearly \$220 million in regional discretionary federal funds for local jurisdictions, over half (\$127 million) of which is in jeopardy of reprogramming due to widespread noncompliance with Housing Element requirements. A summary of OBAG 3 County & Local awards and PDA Planning Grants and Housing Element compliance by jurisdiction is provided as **Attachment 2**.

The Commission first directed staff to condition OBAG 3 funding on HCD Housing Element certification at a January 2020 Commission Workshop, which was formalized through the adoption of the Transportation Funding Housing Linkages Consensus in August of that year. Since then, the Commission has maintained a strong commitment to achieving and maintaining regional compliance with state housing laws, and MTC staff continue to work diligently to support jurisdiction compliance through our Regional Housing Technical Assistance program.

While the higher standards for 6<sup>th</sup> Cycle RHNA Housing Elements were known in early 2020, MTC staff and local jurisdictions now have a better understanding of the substantial increase in time and effort required to receive HCD certification in practice. Staff acknowledges the challenges that local jurisdictions face in securing Housing Element approval and appreciate the



significant time and resources that jurisdictions have dedicated to this effort, regardless of current certification status. In addition, staff understand that many jurisdictions will be at risk of losing HCD Housing Element certification in January due to rezoning deadlines, although the impact to MTC funding programs is difficult to predict due to limited precedent.

Given the increased standards for Housing Element compliance this RHNA cycle, current OBAG funding policies could have a punitive effect on jurisdictions that are making good-faith efforts to achieve HCD certification by rescinding funds on important projects prioritized for their safety, climate, and equity benefits. In addition, rescinding OBAG 3 funding could jeopardize additional state and federal discretionary funds that jurisdictions have secured for their projects. The staff recommendation to add a grace period (below) seeks to balance these considerations with the need to incentivize prompt completion of Housing Elements across the region as a first step in addressing our urgent housing and affordability needs. Important for the delivery of the regional goals outlined in *Plan Bay Area 2050*, the proposed policy also protects scarce state and federal competitive funds for the region and gives jurisdictions more certainty in delivering OBAG 3 funded transportation projects.

***Proposed Grace Period Approach***

To address the issue of anticipated noncompliance, staff recommend a 12-month grace period for jurisdictions to attain HCD Housing Element certification to meet requirements for the OBAG 3 County & Local Program and PDA Planning Grants. This approach would recognize and accommodate the greater threshold for HCD Housing Element certification this RHNA cycle, while continuing to leverage OBAG funds as an incentive to encourage compliance within a reasonable timeframe.

Under the proposed grace period approach, MTC would take the following steps for jurisdictions that did not achieve HCD Housing Element certification by December 31, 2023:

- Deprogram any **OBAG 3 County & Local Program** awards from the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to prevent the project from proceeding with obligation before achieving HCD Housing Element certification. Once a jurisdiction's Housing Element is certified, MTC would reinstate its OBAG 3 funds at the next available opportunity (monthly for TIP programming). Staff recommend two limited exceptions:
  - Staff propose retaining OBAG 3 County & Local Program funds in the TIP for projects awarded state or federal competitive grants that may be jeopardized by

the loss of OBAG 3 funds. This exception intends to minimize the potential loss of additional state and federal discretionary funds to the region.

- For capital projects that have not received final National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) approval, a sponsor may request to retain a nominal amount of OBAG 3 funds in the TIP on a future year construction phase. The retention a small amount of federal funds in the TIP would enable Caltrans to continue environmental approval processes without interruption, while also ensuring that the sponsor cannot proceed with obligating their full OBAG 3 grant on construction until it has achieved HCD Housing Element certification.
- Withhold **OBAG 3 PDA Planning Grant** funds until the local jurisdiction achieves HCD Housing Element certification. Once a jurisdiction's Housing Element is certified, MTC would reinstate its OBAG 3 funds at the next available opportunity (immediately for MTC-administered PDA Planning Grants). To ensure that program requirements do not impede progress on regional housing goals, staff may make exceptions to this policy. Such exceptions would be determined by staff on a case-by-case basis, based on the ability of the PDA Planning Grant to accelerate Housing Element approval, associated rezonings, or other implementation of anticipated local Housing Element strategies.

HCD Housing Element certification would be required to reprogram jurisdictions' OBAG 3 awards in the TIP. Any jurisdictions that fail to receive HCD Housing Element certification by the end of the grace period (December 31, 2024) would have their OBAG 3 awards rescinded. Rescinded funds may be reprogrammed to other compliant sponsors or retained for programming through a future OBAG cycle.

**Issues:**

The proposed grace period approach would preserve over \$127 million in OBAG 3 County & Local and PDA Planning Grant awards to currently noncompliant jurisdictions that would otherwise be rescinded at the end of this calendar year under existing policies. While withholding these funds during the grace period may create project delays or other issues for noncompliant sponsors, the proposed approach attempts to strike a balance between incentivizing jurisdictions to complete their Housing Elements in a timely manner while retaining OBAG 3 funding for projects that advance regional objectives.

**Recommendations:**

Refer MTC Resolution No. 4505, Revised to the Commission for approval. Resolution No. 4505 is proposed for additional revisions under Agenda Item 2g, and is included once under that item with all proposed revisions. Only items approved by the Committee will be forwarded to the Commission.

**Attachments:**

- Attachment 1: Housing Element Compliance Summary
- Attachment 2: OBAG Funding and Housing Element Compliance by Jurisdiction
- MTC Resolution No. 4505, Revised, Attachment A and Appendix A-1 (**provided under Agenda Item 2g**)



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Attachment C: Solano County Deprogramming List of OBAG3 Projects

Jurisdiction	OBAG3 Funding		
	County & Local Program		PDA Planning Grant Program
	Project	Amount	Amount
Benicia	East Fifth Street PDA - Affordable Housing Streetscape Improvements	\$ 261,000	\$ 312,000
Solano County	Solano 360 Transit Center Phase 1	\$ 2,101,000	
Vallejo	Sacramento Street Road Diet – Phase II	\$ 850,000	\$ 2,400,000
Total		\$ 3,212,000	\$ 2,712,000
Grand Total			\$ 5,924,000

Attachment D: List of OBAG2 Projects

Regional Program			
Project	Source	Obligated	Funding
STA Safe Routes to School Program (Quick Strike)	STP	Y	\$ 600,000.00
FF/VV Hannigan Station Capacity Improvements	STP	Y	\$ 1,900,000.00
Vallejo Springs Road Pavement Preservation	STP	N	\$ 1,800,000.00
Priority Conservation Area Grant			
Project	Source	Obligated	Funding
Solano County Farm to Market Phase 3	STP	Y	\$ 2,050,000.00
Bay Area Housing Initiatives (Sub-HIP Pilot Program)			
Project	Source	Obligated	Funding
Fairfield Pavement Preservation (One Lake Apts/Linear Park Trail)	STP	Y	\$ 2,100,000.00
Vacaville Pavement Preservation (Allison PDA Affordable Housing)	STP	Y	\$ 1,900,000.00
County Program			
Project	Source	Obligated	Funding
Fairfield Cadenasso Drive Repaving	STP	Y	\$ 1,394,000.00
Suisun Railroad Avenue Repaving	STP	Y	\$ 491,000.00
Solano Mobility Call Center	CMAQ	Y	\$ 1,500,000.00
Vacaville Local Streets Overlay	STP	Y	\$ 1,193,000.00
Vallejo Sacramento Road Diet	STP	Y	\$ 681,000.00
Vacaville Jepson Parkway	CMAQ	Y	\$ 3,064,000.00
Vacaville Vaca Valley Improvements	CMAQ	N	\$ 250,000.00
Safe Routes to School Program			
Project	Source	Obligated	Funding
Fairfield East Tabor SR2S	STP/CMAQ	N	\$ 2,731,000.00
Fairfield Grange Middle School	CMAQ	Y	\$ 260,000.00
STA Countywide SR2S Program	CMAQ	Y	\$ 1,209,000.00
Federal Aid Secondary			
Project	Source	Obligated	Funding
Solano County Roads Paving	STP	Y	\$ 506,000.00
Solano County Farm to Market Phase 2	STP	Y	\$ 1,000,000.00
STP: Surface Transportation Program CMAQ: Congestion Mitigation Air Quality			



DATE: December 11, 2023  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Jasper Alve, Project Manager  
RE: Summary of Funding Opportunities

**Discussion:**

Below is a list of funding opportunities that will be available to STA member agencies during the next few months broken up by Federal and State sources.

	FUND SOURCE	TOTAL AMOUNT AUTHORIZED	APPLICATION DEADLINE
<b>Federal</b>			
1.	Saving Lives with Connectivity: Accelerating Vehicle to Everything Deployment	\$40M	January 17, 2024
	<a href="https://highways.dot.gov/newsroom/usdot-opens-40-million-grant-opportunity-connected-vehicle-technologies-will-help-save">https://highways.dot.gov/newsroom/usdot-opens-40-million-grant-opportunity-connected-vehicle-technologies-will-help-save</a>		
2.	FY 2024 All Stations Accessibility Program	\$343M	January 30, 2024
	<a href="https://www.transit.dot.gov/notices-funding/fiscal-year-2024-all-stations-accessibility-program-notice-funding-opportunity">https://www.transit.dot.gov/notices-funding/fiscal-year-2024-all-stations-accessibility-program-notice-funding-opportunity</a>		
3.	Innovative Coordinated Access and Mobility Grants	\$4.7M	February 13, 2024
	<a href="https://www.transit.dot.gov/funding/grants/grant-programs/access-and-mobility-partnership-grants">https://www.transit.dot.gov/funding/grants/grant-programs/access-and-mobility-partnership-grants</a>		
4.	Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE)	\$1.5B	February 28, 2024
	<a href="https://www.transportation.gov/RAISEgrants">https://www.transportation.gov/RAISEgrants</a>		
5.	Climate Pollution Reduction Implementation Grant Program	\$4.3B	Notice of Intent due February 1, 2024 Application Package due April 1, 2024
	<a href="https://www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/cprg-implementation-grants">https://www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/cprg-implementation-grants</a>		
6.	FY 2024 Bridge Investment Program (Planning and Bridge Project)	\$2.5B (FY22-26)	Upcoming in 2024
7.	FY 2024 Consolidated Rail Infrastructure & Safety Improvements (CRISI) Program	\$1.4B (FY22)	Upcoming in 2024
8.	FY 2024 Healthy Streets Program	\$500M (FY22-26)	Upcoming in 2024
9.	FY 2024 National Culvert Removal, Replacement, and Restoration Grants	\$1B (FY22-26)	Upcoming in 2024
10.	FY 2024 Railroad Crossing Elimination Program	\$2.5B (FY22-26)	Upcoming in 2024
11.	FY 2024 Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART)	\$500M (FY22-26)	Upcoming in 2024

12.	FY 2024 Lo and No Emissions Vehicle (Bus) Program	TBD	Upcoming in 2024
13.	FY 2024 Safe Streets and Roads for All	\$5B (FY2022-26)	Upcoming in 2024
<b>State</b>			
1.	County Drought Resilience Planning Assistance Program	\$5M	December 29, 2023
	<a href="https://www.grants.ca.gov/grants/county-drought-resilience-planning-assistance-program/">https://www.grants.ca.gov/grants/county-drought-resilience-planning-assistance-program/</a>		
2.	County Drought Resilience Planning Assistance Program	\$310M	December 29, 2023
	<a href="https://www.grants.ca.gov/grants/small-community-drought-relief-program/">https://www.grants.ca.gov/grants/small-community-drought-relief-program/</a>		
3.	FY2023 Community Development Block Grant Program	\$19M	December 29, 2023
	<a href="https://www.grants.ca.gov/grants/cdbq-2023-nofa/">https://www.grants.ca.gov/grants/cdbq-2023-nofa/</a>		
4.	Sustainable Communities Competitive	\$17M	January 18, 2024
	<a href="https://www.grants.ca.gov/grants/sustainable-communities-competitive-3/">https://www.grants.ca.gov/grants/sustainable-communities-competitive-3/</a>		
5.	Climate Adaptation Planning Cycle 2 – Sustainable Adaptation Planning Grant Program	\$31.8M	January 18, 2024
	<a href="https://www.grants.ca.gov/grants/climate-adaptation-planning-cycle-2-sustainable-transportation-planning-grant-program/">https://www.grants.ca.gov/grants/climate-adaptation-planning-cycle-2-sustainable-transportation-planning-grant-program/</a>		
6.	Active Transportation Program Cycle 7	TBD (Est. \$555M)	Upcoming Spring/Summer 2024
	<a href="https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/fed-and-state-programs/active-transportation-program/cycle6">https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/fed-and-state-programs/active-transportation-program/cycle6</a>		
7.	Highway Safety Improvements Program (HSIP) Cycle 12	TBD	Upcoming in 2024
<b>Regional</b>			
1.	RM3 Bay Trail/Safe Routes to Transit	\$150M	Upcoming in 2024
	<a href="https://mtc.ca.gov/sites/default/files/documents/2023-07/Active_Transportation_Plan_5-Year_Implementation_Plan_Supplemental_Funding_Document.pdf">https://mtc.ca.gov/sites/default/files/documents/2023-07/Active_Transportation_Plan_5-Year_Implementation_Plan_Supplemental_Funding_Document.pdf</a>		

**Fiscal Impact:**

None.

**Recommendation:**

Informational.





DATE: January 2, 2024  
TO: STA Board  
FROM: Johanna Masclat, Clerk of the Board  
RE: 2024 STA Board and Advisory Committees Meeting Schedule

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**Discussion:**

Attached is the 2024 STA Board and Advisory Committees Meeting Schedule that may be of interest to the STA Board.

**Fiscal Impact:**

None.

**Recommendation:**

Informational.

Attachment:

- A. STA Board and Advisory Committees Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2024

# STA BOARD AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE CALENDAR YEAR 2024

STA Board: Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of Every Month  
Consortium: Meets Last Tuesday of Every Month  
TAC: Meets Last Wednesday of Every Month  
BAC: Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every Odd Month  
PAC: Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every Even Month

PCC:  
SR2S-AC:  
CTSA

Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every Odd Month  
Meets Quarterly (Begins Feb.) on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed.  
Meets quarterly on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs.

DATE	TIME	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	STATUS
Wed., January 10	4:00 p.m.	Transit Element Committee	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., January 10	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Thurs., January 11	6:00 p.m.	Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Thurs., January 18	1:00 p.m.	Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Thurs., January 25	9:30 a.m.	Consolidated Transportation Services Agency (CTSA-AC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Tues., January 30	1:30 p.m.	Intercity Transit Consortium	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., January 31	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Thurs., February 1	6:00 p.m.	Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., February 14	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., February 21	1:30 p.m.	Safe Routes to School Advisory (SR2S-AC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Tues., February 27	1:30 p.m.	Intercity Transit Consortium	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., February 28	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Thurs., March 7	6:00 p.m.	Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., March 13	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Thurs., March 21	1:00 p.m.	Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Tues., March 26	1:30 p.m.	Intercity Transit Consortium	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., March 27	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Thurs., April 4	6:00 p.m.	Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., April 10	4:00 p.m.	Active Transportation Committee	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., April 10	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Tues., April 23	1:30 p.m.	Intercity Transit Consortium	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., April 24	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Thurs., April 25	9:30 a.m.	Consolidated Transportation Services Agency (CTSA-AC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Thurs., May 2	6:00 p.m.	Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., May 8	4:00 p.m.	Arterials, Highways, & Freeways	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., May 8	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., May 15	1:30 p.m.	Safe Routes to School Advisory (SR2S-AC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Thurs., May 16	1:00 p.m.	Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Tues., May 28	1:30 p.m.	Intercity Transit Consortium	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., May 29	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Thurs., June 6	6:00 p.m.	Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Tentative
Wed., June 12	4:00 p.m.	Transit Element Committee	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., June 12	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Tues., June 25	1:30 p.m.	Intercity Transit Consortium	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., June 26	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., July 10	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Thurs., July 11	6:00 p.m.	Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Thurs., July 18	1:00 p.m.	Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Thurs., July 25	9:30 a.m.	Consolidated Transportation Services Agency (CTSA-AC)	Virtual	TBD
July 30 (No Meeting)	SUMMER RECESS	Intercity Transit Consortium	N/A	N/A
July 31 (No Meeting)		Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	N/A	N/A
Thurs., August 1	6:00 p.m.	Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
August 14 (No Meeting)	SUMMER RECESS	STA Board Meeting	N/A	N/A
Wed., August 21	1:30 p.m.	Safe Routes to School Advisory (SR2S-AC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Tues., August 27	1:30 p.m.	Intercity Transit Consortium	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., August 28	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Thurs., September 5	6:00 p.m.	Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., September 11	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Thurs., September 19	1:00 p.m.	Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Tues., September 24	1:30 p.m.	Intercity Transit Consortium	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., September 25	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Thurs., October 3	6:00 p.m.	Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., October 9	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Thurs., October 24	9:30 a.m.	Consolidated Transportation Services Agency (CTSA-AC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
No meeting due to STA's Annual Awards in November (No STA Board Meeting)		Intercity Transit Consortium	N/A	N/A
		Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	N/A	N/A
Thurs., November 7	6:00 p.m.	Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., November 13	6:00 p.m.	STA's 26 <sup>th</sup> Annual Awards	Benicia	TBD
Tues., November 19	1:30 p.m.	Intercity Transit Consortium	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., November 20	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., November 20	1:30 p.m.	Safe Routes to School Advisory (SR2S-AC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Thurs., November 21	1:00 p.m.	Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Thurs., December 5	6:00 p.m.	Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., December 11	6:00 p.m.	STA Board Meeting	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Tues., December 17	1:30 p.m.	Intercity Transit Consortium	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed
Wed., December 18	1:30 p.m.	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)	423 Main Street, Suisun City	Confirmed