



**GCT Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)
Wednesday, November 16, 2011
1:30 p.m.
Gold Coast Transit Board Room**

Meeting Summary

TAC Members Present: Greg Grant and Drew Lurie, City of Ojai; Jeff Hereford, City of Ventura; Jason Lott, City of Port Hueneme; Martin Erickson City of Oxnard; Kathy Connell, Ventura County and Vic Kamhi, VCTC (ex-officio).

TAC Members Absent: None.

GCT Staff Present: Steve Brown, General Manager; Steve Rosenberg, Director of Administrative Services; Andrew Mikkelson, Director of Transit Operations; Helene Buchman, Planning and Marketing Director; Chuck McQuary, Vanessa Rauschenberger, Claire Johnson-Winegar, Transit Planners, and Margaret Heath, Paratransit & Special Projects Manager.

Members of the Public: None.

1. Call to Order/Introductions

Chair Martin Erickson called the TAC meeting to order at 1:32 p.m. and introductions were made.

2. Public Comments (items not on the agenda)

None.

3. Committee Members' Comments

None

4. Staff Comments

Steve Brown reported on the status of on-going labor negotiations with representatives from GCT Operators and Maintenance departments.

5. Approval of the October 19, 2011 Meeting Summary

Jeff Hereford made a motion to approve the meeting summary. Kathy Connell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

6. Comments from Recent GCT/Oxnard/Ventura Public Meetings

Claire Johnson-Winegar reviewed the public input received at the meetings and distributed a handout summarizing the comments suggested for GCT route improvements, transfers, bus stops, and other general comments relative to GCT service. GCT planners discussed the suggested changes with each of the attendees and will review their feasibility for implementation in the February 2012 service change.

7. Update on the Regional Transit Study

Steve Brown described the process being conducted by each City Manager and the County CEO in their review of the Study. He also discussed options and the possible process for forming East and West County Transit districts. With regard to the VCTC Steering Committee, he reported that some members are retiring and will be replaced, adding that the county's transit operators will be included in the Committee's Policy discussions.

8. Discussion of Programming for STP, CMAQ and TE Funds

Staff reviewed the following GCT Funding Priorities (including their Objectives) to be pursued as candidates for CMAQ funding in response to VCTC's Mini Call for projects:

Priority 1 Port Hueneme/Oxnard/Ventura Transit Service via Victoria Avenue

Objectives:

Reduced travel time; reduction in severe overloads on Routes 1 & 6 and minimal restructuring of service required for the new Route

Priority 2 Replace three (3) 2001 40 ft. NABI Buses

Objective: Replace Year 2001 buses at the end of their 12 Year Useful Life

Priority 3 Replace three (3) 2001 40 ft. NABI Buses

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Priority 4 Extend GCT Route 17 Service from St. John's Hospital to Oxnard College

Objective:

Implement two-way service the full length of Rose Avenue

The proposed projects will be reviewed further at the next TAC meeting.

9. City of Ojai Recommendations to City Council Regarding Transit Service

Helene Buchman described the process for presenting proposed service and fare changes to the City Council.

Greg Grant described each of the following proposed changes, as published in the City's Public Notice:

- Proposed funding withdrawal of the City from the GCT route
- Trolley fare increases
- Trolley service modifications to assure connections with GCT buses
- Weekend Trolley service modifications
- Potential change of Paratransit service and operator

The proposed changes will be presented to the GCT Board at their December 7th meeting before they are presented to the Ojai City Council on December 13th. Their impact on Title VI will be evaluated if they are implemented.

10. GCT/Ventura County Memorandum of Agreement for Reimbursement of Medical Eligible Trips

Margaret Heath reported that GCT can invoice the County for additional transportation costs now allowable by this Memorandum.

11. Future Agenda Items

- GCT Bus Stop Standards
- Further Review of Item 8, above
- Update on City of Ojai Recommendations, Item #9, above
- Further review of Item #10, above

12. Adjournment

There being no further business, Vice Chair Lott adjourned the meeting at 3:15 P.M. (Chair Erickson was called away from the meeting at 2:50 P.M).

Minutes Approved:



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Sign-in Sheet
November 16, 2011, 1:30 p.m.**

Agency Represented	Committee Member		Committee Alternate	
	Initials	Name	Initials	Name
Ojai	DL	Drew Lurie	GG	TBD (GREG GRANT)
Oxnard	MRE	Martin Erickson		Ashley Golden
Port Hueneme	JL	Jason Lott		Andy Santamaria
San Buenaventura	J.H.	Jeff Hereford		Tom Mericle Rick Gallegos
County of Ventura	KC	Kathy Connell		David Fleisch
VCTC (ex-officio)	VK	Vic Kamhi		Myra Montejano
GCT (staff)	HB	Helene Buchman	CM VR CJW	Chuck McQuary Vanessa Rauschenberger Claire Johnson-Winegar

Others in attendance:

Name	Organization	Phone Number
Andrew Mikkelsen	GCT	x 111
Steve Rosenberger	GCT	x 119
Margaret Skoff	GCT	x 120