



**GCT Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)
Wednesday, April 15, 2009
1:30 p.m.
Gold Coast Transit Board Room**

Meeting Summary

TAC Members Present: Jeff Hereford, City of Ventura; Michael Culver, City of Ojai; Jason Lott, City of Port Hueneme and Vic Kamhi-VCTC (ex-officio).

TAC Members Absent: Kathy Connell, Ventura County, and Martin Erickson, City of Oxnard.

GCT Staff Present: Deborah Linehan, General Manager; Steve Brown, Planning & Marketing Director; Steve Rosenberg, Director of Administrative Services; Andy Mikkelson, Director of Transit Operations; Chuck McQuary, Transit Planner, and Helene Buchman, Transit Planner.

Members of the Public: None

1. Call to Order/Introductions

Chair Jeff Hereford called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m., and introductions were made. Because the TAC Members present do not constitute a quorum, the meeting is considered a Committee Meeting only with no action taken on the posted Agenda.

2. Public Comments (items not on the agenda)

None.

3. Committee Members' Comments

Staff distributed copies of a route map for new CMAQ funded service including the Market Street/Valentine Road Shuttle that is scheduled to start in July. For planning purposes, Jeff will provide a list of the number of people at employment sites and the names of contact people. In addition, Jeff and GCT staff will review the potential bus stops on the route to determine the best specific locations, and plan for curb painting and street furniture needs.

Vic reported that the Vista stop in the Government Center loop is slowed by traffic and will be moved in August to the GCT bus stop at the Victoria Ave. /Telephone Rd. intersection.

Steve Brown invited the TAC members and their Public Works personnel who installed our bus stop signs to attend the GCT Employee Appreciation bar-b-que in May. It's a small gesture of our appreciation for their efforts in our extensive sign replacement program

4. Approval of March 18, 2009 Meeting Summary

Approval will be delayed until a quorum is available at the next TAC meeting.

5. Further Discussion of Preliminary FY09/10 Budget- Steve Rosenberg

This item was scheduled for action on today's agenda. No action will be taken due to the lack of a quorum. Steve Rosenberg made a detailed budget presentation for discussion purposes only.

Steve explained that there are significant reductions in the current federal and state transit subsidies. These reductions will impact our member's ability to fund their budget contribution. GCT is proposing adjustments/reductions to our current service in addition to the following potential revenue options:

- Allocating second round ARRA funds to ADA operations in lieu of facility upgrades
- Temporarily reduce or suspend Capital Reserve Contribution
- Fare increases

Steve Brown provided further information on the potential service adjustments that could reduce our operating costs as well as contributions from our member agencies. He added that any proposed fare increases would not be scheduled until January, 2010. The above options must have timely review and approval by the city councils and County Board of Supervisors before the GCT Board can adopt the FY09/10 budget at its June meeting.

6. TAC Review and Action Recommended on TAC Agenda Items- Steve Brown

Lacking a quorum, review and action on this Item will be delayed until the next TAC meeting.

7. Review and Approval of Proposed Advertising Policy Changes in Response to Board Comments- Steve Brown

Lacking a quorum, review and action on this Item will be delayed until the next TAC meeting.

8. Update on State Legislative Action - Vic Kamhi

Vic reported that the State removed transit as a recipient of STA funds for the next five years. The legislature is currently working on a bill to get the funds re-instated.

9. Update on TDA Funding Status- Vic Kamhi

Vic stated that there is no further information on the recent State cuts in TDA funds. He feels that more substantive information can be provided at the next TAC meeting.

10. Update on Federal Funding Reauthorization- Vic Kamhi

A Federal Transportation Authorization/Reauthorization Bill is currently unresolved. All federal transportation funding programs expire on September 30th. Vic said he should have more information at the next TAC meeting.

11. Future Agenda Items

The Action items delayed by the lack of a quorum will be placed on the May 2009 Agenda.

12. Adjournment

There being no further business, Chair Hereford adjourned the meeting at 3:45 p.m.

Minutes Approved:



**GCT Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)
Sign-in Sheet
April 15, 2009, 1:30 p.m.**

| Agency Represented | Committee Member | | Committee Alternate | |
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| | Initials | Name | Initials | Name |
| Ojai | | Drew Lurie | ML | Michael Culver |
| Oxnard | | Martin Erickson | | Ken Ortega |
| Port Hueneme | <i>[Signature]</i> | Jason Lott | | Andy Santamaria |
| San Buenaventura | <i>J.H.</i> | Jeff Hereford | | Tom Mericle Rick Gallegos |
| County of Ventura | [Signature] | Kathy Connell | | Nazir Lalani |
| VCTC (ex-officio) | [Signature] | Vic Kamhi | | Mary Travis |
| GCT (staff) | <i>SB</i> | Steven Brown | <i>CM</i> [Signature] | Chuck McQuary Helene Buchman |

Others in attendance:

| Name | Organization | Phone Number |
|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| <i>Andrew Mikhe/sga</i> | <i>GCT</i> | <i>x 111</i> |
| <i>Steve Rosenberg</i> | <i>GCT</i> | <i>x 119</i> |
| <i>Deborah Lindhan</i> | <i>GCT</i> | <i>x 118</i> |