# Sacramento CountyHuman Services Coordinating Council

## Meeting Minutes: October 10, 2019

Meeting Location:

Dept. of Human Assistance

2700 Fulton Ave

Sacramento, CA. 95821

Conference Room 58

Facilitator: Ernie Brown, Chair

**Staffed by:** Cindy Marks

Meeting Attendees:

* HSCC Members –Ernie Brown, Erica Jaramillo, Melinda Avey, Raymond Kemp, Robert Silva, Jr., Kula Koenig, Paul Tanner, Steve Orkand, Randy Hicks, Leslie Julianel, Paula Green, Caroline Lucas
* Ex-Officio Members –Martha Haas (Here for Michelle Callejas, DCFAS), Xochitl Gomez (BOS), Julie Gallelo (First 5), Michelle Gorre for Peter Beilenson (OFCA)

Absent Members:

* HSCC Members – Teresa Ogan
* Ex-Officio Members: Bruce Wagstaff (CEO), Cindy Cavanaugh (Homeless Initiatives), Eduardo Ameneyro (DHA)

**Public**: Patty Gainer, Heather Damon (River City Medical Group)

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| Call to Order | Chair, Ernie Brown, welcomed everyone, introductions were made, and meeting called to informal order.  |
| Approval of September 12, 2019 Minutes  | Approval of September 12, 2019 Minutes with corrections by Ernie Brown and Melinda Avey. |
| HSCC Heroes of Human Services Event 11.5.19 | Scheduled for November 5, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. Bob Silva and Randy Hicks will assist. Please assist monetarily and/or with time if you can.  |
| Special Presentation: James Boyle with Regional Transit  | James Boyle with Regional Transit presented to the HSCC. Quick Stats:**Sacramento RT Overview** * SacRT began operations in April 1973 with 103 new buses.
* Light Rail service began in 1987
* Approximately 400 square-mile service area
* Current average daily boarding bus and light rail ridership = 21 million in FY 18
* FY17 Operating Budget = $162.4 million
* Employs approximately over 1,000 people, 77% dedicated to operations and maintenance.
* Governed by an 11-member Board of Directors comprised of elected officials from the region
* Recently annexed Folsom service, Citrus Heights and contracted with Elk Grove

**Existing network overview*** Standards vary by the route type
* There are twenty boardings per fixed bus per vehicle hour
* Graph provided via Power Point displaying the productivity versus weekday midday frequency of boardings
* Existing route comparisons show that Route 51, for example, has the highest ridership route at over 3,000 daily boardings per day, whereas Old Route 65 has 373 daily boardings but covers a larger, more rural area and is nonetheless still needed for the community

**Route Designs** Having a good route deign is key as it helps to allocate their resources as far as:* Density of people going to and from the area around each stop.
* Walkability-Can people walk easily to the bus stop?
* Proximity-Does transit have to cross low ridership gaps?

How should a transit agency allocate its resources?* To maximize ridership, think like a business in choosing which markets you will enter
* To maximize coverage, think like a government service. Try to serve everyone, even those in expensive to serve places
* Planning factors come into play are to review census tracts to see where the most densely populated areas of a city are, jobs per square mile, people per square mile living below the nation-wide poverty level, disabled people per square mile, and seniors per square mile

Remix Transit Planning Tool * Demonstration provided regarding a new planning tool that is designed to show different modes of transportation within a city. Please see [www.remix.com](http://www.remix.com) for more information on how this tool works

 Questions from HSCC:* Caroline-Is there any subsidized funding?-More Information is on SacRT.com for more information We get funding from all sources, Fed, State and Local. All forms of transit are subsided, usually by local tax measures. We have discounted rates for seniors, all youth ride for free.
* Steve: Is there a way to check bus load metric factor via a different graph other than what is presented? Yes, there are many factors and figures and are displayed in the Power Point. We use a variety of metrics to see how routes are performing. Daily ridership, Ridership by hour, Boardings and Alightings by stop, cost per hour, cost per passenger, on time performance, ridership trends.
* Bob: Do social economics play a role in certain area play a role in the demographics? Yes, Stockton Blvd. is the most popular bus route at this time. There is also a higher rate of return of buses (every fifteen minutes, etc. for certain areas).
* Bob: Have you considered placing parking areas around more RT stops to encourage ridership? Yes, we have a real estate department that is focusing on working with the City and developers to create more TOD around some of our light rail stations.
* Bob: Will RT drop off at the airport in the future? Yes, we hope! There is a ballot measure going through next year to see about having the light rail and buses drop off at the airport.  We will begin Airport service starting in January 2020.
* Melinda: Less expensive to contract through Paratransit to run the RT service for them? It is not. They are paid via an external source. We can send someone over to talk in more detail about the Paratransit deal.
* Erica: Is there a way to check frequency of ridership, etc. other than the graph shown? Yes, and it is featured in the Power Point for review.
* Erica-Where is the Census Data? We use Census Data in our transit planning software knows as REMIX.
* Erica: Gap of getting from Oak Park to downtown can be difficult. Are there any plans for the future to add more routes to the area? Currently Routes 68 and 51 provide service in the Oak Park area. No immediate plans to expand or add service.
* Raymond: Am I maximizing my resources when they leave rather than when they return (later in the day)? Yes, we have to think where these places are close to. Not sure I understand.
* Kula: Proposition 6 funding-Did this go towards RT, or just to roads and repair? The money typically goes towards roads but a very small amount to RT. The majority of funding went to roads.
* Patty: How does this work with Paratransit? Paratransit is its own operation.

James thanked the HSCC members for their support.  |
| Member Comments  | Randy shared comments from printout of the Disability Advisory Commission’s October Minutes and provided paperwork for the HSCC Steve: The Tobacco Commission: A motion came forward to ban flavored tobacco products. Julie: One of the long term commissioners will not be reapplying for the First 5 Commission, so there will e an opening. She will send Cindy the application for the community position. Paula: There is not enough information for committees on how to get ahold of anyone representing the boards. HSCC members stated that you must go through the Board of Supervisors to apply for a position.  |
| Public Comments  | No comments. |
| Announcements | Shawn Ayala from Probation will be the speaker at the November HSCC Main Council meeting.  |
| Adjourn | Meeting adjourned. |