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County Staff: Panos Kokkas Public: John Whitehead

# **Meeting Minutes**

Yolo County Transportation Advisory Committee
Cache Creek Conference Room; Thursday, March 28, 2019, 4:30 – 5:30 PM

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 1. Assign minute taker for meeting
  - a. Sam Bivins was assigned as the minute taker.
- Jump Bike Presentation, Shelley Yaun JUMP Community Outreach Coordinator for Sacramento, West Sacramento, Davis presented to the committee:
  - a. Jump Bike project was first implemented by SACOG in May 2018. Ms. Yaun's goals are to increase the number of people using the Boost program, which provides 60 minutes of ride time for \$5 per year for qualifying low-income residents, increase the number of users on the Student Plan (60 minutes a day for \$30 a year), and to improve safety.
  - b. Jump has been owned by Uber since April 2018 and was originally called Social Bicycles. Social Bicycles had a successful pilot with non-electrified bicycles. Uber makes significantly more resources available to Jump, but there is also a corporate structure that can be more difficult to navigate.
  - c. Jump bikes were specifically designed and patented for bike share, cannot be privately owned. The idea is to get people home in their last mile or two, which is not as efficient in cars. They are very hard to steal/destroy. Currently designing scooters using same principles which were introduced into Sacramento and West Sac in February of 2019.
  - d. The bikes are electric assist (you have to pedal for motor to kick in) and scooters are basically motorcycles. They can be unlocked through two applications (Uber and Jump).
  - e. Helmets are not required for bikes or scooters for persons over 18, and

- persons under 18 are not permitted to use Jump. Jump has handed out over 500 helmets in West Sacramento and Sacramento, they'll be giving out another 600 in outreach. Liability waiver required to use both bikes and scooters.
- f. There are approximately 1000 bikes (700 in Sacramento, 200 in West Sac, 100 or so in Davis). Working closely with West Sacramento and Davis, there is an ordinance in Sacramento governing expansion. Bikes move frequently.
- g. Jump has installed over 1000 bike parking spots to date, but plans to install even more racks. SACOG actually paid for many of the racks with government funds.
- h. There are three different types of bikes. The ones in Davis have removable, swappable batteries. In Sacramento/West Sacramento, the bikes have to be moved to a charging station or picked up by Jump in a vehicle to be charged. If you're willing to get a bike to a charging station, Jump will comp the ride and provide a \$1 credit. Data on Jump bike usage and locations is closely held for privacy. Users can use either of two aps on their phones to check out bikes, either Uber Ap or Jump Ap, but with a "connect Card" one can also rent them if you don't have access to a phone.
- i. Neither RT nor Amtrak permit the bikes on the trains.
- j. Located in many major west coast cities and nationwide. The bikes are designed here and made in Taiwan.
- k. Parking in odd places, like in the middle of sidewalks, is a concern (most also need to be attached to racks to charge), but there are so many and so much usage that enforcement can be difficult(by the time Jump gets to a location where a bike was said to be parked improperly, it has already been rented again and moved).
- I. City of Sacramento is considering the most expensive bike share fees/tax in the country. If the ordinance passes, it may not be financially viable to launch further bikes. The City of Davis requires 1.5 bike racks per bike launched. West Sacramento has been more relaxed, there's a permit fee, but there's not a per unit fee. They are still installing bike racks in the City of Sacramento even though it's not required.
- m. Shelly is interested in outreach opportunities for low-income communities.

#### 3. Public Comment

- a. John Whitehead noted that there was an article on the Road 105 at-grade railraod crossing. There is a community grant from SACOG for \$200,000 to City and County (\$100,000 each, plus 10,000 each from City and County for a total of 220,000). Agreement still needs to be approved by Davis City Council, County Board of Supervisors has already approved. Once Davis approves, The County as the lead agency will put out an RFP for the study that is to be performed. John also asked that the record reflect that the Jump Bike presentation was excellent.
- 4. Approval of Minutes of February 28, 2019
  - a. The minutes were unanimously approved as corrected.
- 5. Webster's Corner (recent flooding)

a. Half of the County's road is underwater and the freeway ramps are close to flooding. Panos spoke with the Caltrans District Director recently. Last year they suggested a lift station to pump the water out was needed but they said they could not move forward on account of the high costs. Rich Reid (Jim Provenza's assistant) has also reached out to Caltrans. Assembly member Cecilia Aguiar-Curry and State Senator Dodd are also involved. The road is currently closed and barricaded with CHP citing people who go around.

## 6. 2018 Activities Report, 2019 Workplan-Review and Approve

a. The Activities Report and Workplan were unanimously approved without correction.

# 7. County Transportation Budget (Kokkas)

- a. There's a little less money in this year's budget because they are not getting as much federal funding. There are some SB1 funds allocated, but they want to save some money to repair South River Road and install a guardrail at the same time. It will cost \$4.5 million in SB1 money to redo the road, and then will utilize \$1 million in federal safety funding (HSIP funds) for the guardrail project. The road is so bad that last year the County spent over \$300,000 just on minor patching. The new road will have a rumble strip in the middle to help prevent people from crossing over into oncoming traffic.
- b. Budget will go the Board of Supervisors in June, but it goes to Finance on Monday. There are usually few changes because the budget doesn't use a lot of general fund money.
- c. Retirement is a large line item for make up PERS payments since the County fell behind.
- d. Public Works has approximately 50 full-time employees.
- e. The committee approved sending the budget onto the Board of Supervisors.

## 8. Public Works Update(County)

- a. Of 10 accident reports Panos received last week, 7 involved DUIs and 3 were wrong turns.
- b. Storm damage has been a problem; several culverts have failed and allowed water to wash onto the road and erode embankments. Some of the SB1 money is being used to resolve storm damage issues.

#### 9. Next Meeting Agenda Items

- a. Olin suggested a report on the Sacramento/West Sacramento streetcar and he will ask Terry Bassett to speak.
- b. Sam noted he will be on vacation on April 25, so will not be able attend.
- 10. Next Meeting Date, Time and Location- 4:30-5:30pm, April 25, 2019, Cache Creek Conference Room