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Ms. Nguyen proposed negotiating the percentage in order to pursue Token Transit. Ms. Tyack stated competitiveness should also be included. Ms. Nguyen confirmed competitiveness would be included.

Mr. Andoh questioned if RTD looked at their vendor competitively and if it will follow the original entity that made the decision if the jurisdictions decide to go that route. Ms. Nguyen indicated from her understanding that RTD did not look at their vendor from a competitive process but ultimately made a decision to sole source based on a highly proprietary proposal that was developed for RTD.

Ms. Nguyen summarized new recommendations that the committee may choose to support. The first recommendation is to support the concept of an integrated ticketing app using a single vendor that would apply to all public transit, and pursue discussions with Token Transit based on PIF with a possibility to sole source with them on various business points to be developed and pursue a contract should the business points be met. The second recommendation is to acknowledge that there will be agreements initiated by SJCOG to have an avenue for a consistent basis to intervene for a one-stop-shop integrated ticketing app with the acknowledgement that there will be agreements developed later on down the road.

Mr. Lorente asked for clarification if the agreements would require an agency to agree to that agreement. Ms. Nguyen confirmed it would not.

Mr. Tran questioned when Vamos would be incorporated into the mix. Ms. Nguyen said that staff needs to secure Token Transit to provide ticketing first.

Mr. Tran stated RTD is in discussions to roll Token Transit into Vamos. Mr. Cunningham asked if that is something they would like to include in their agreement and Mr. Tran confirmed they would not. Mr. Portillo stated Manteca would like to do the same. Ms. Nguyen said that would be articulated in the agreement with Token Transit.

It was moved (Tyack) to 1) support the concept of an integrated ticketing app using a single vendor that would apply to all public transit and pursue discussions with Token Transit based on a public interest finding; and 2) acknowledge that there will be agreements initiated by SJCOG to have a one-stop-shop integrated ticketing application. The motion was seconded by Mary Bailey, a former committee member who will be renewing her membership status. Motion received (3/2/1) by voice vote with “yes” votes from City of Lodi, City of Tracy and RTD, “no” votes from City of Escalon and City of Manteca, and an abstention from San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission.

#### D. Valley Link Project Feasibility Report

Rob Cunningham announced that SJCOG staff reviewed Valley Link’s Project Feasibility Report and wrote a comment letter expressing SJCOG’s support of the Authority’s efforts. SJCOG recommended having an ongoing discussion to ensure successful implementation and offered comments on various topics. Topics were based on funding sources, exploring other agencies more experienced at delivering and operating the proposed project, clarifying the makeup of their ridership, developing a realistic project delivery schedule that is aligned with a funding plan, and elaborating on Union Pacific Railroad’s position on the project and use of the UP right of way.

Mr. Andoh asked if they have considered the transcontinental in Alameda County. Mr. Campos stated they plan to use the one in Alameda County, but the right of way Mr. Cunningham was mentioning is through Tracy. Mr. Cunningham stated the concern is the connection to San Joaquin County.

This item was for discussion only.

**5. STAFF ITEMS FOR SSTAC:**

**A. Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) Annual Review**

Rob Cunningham revealed that RTD submitted a year-end report to SJCOG on July 31, which included the ridership and the costs to operate the service. The service has been slow for the year with 28 roundtrips or 56 rides. Many of the passengers have been repeat passengers so it has met the need for those that have used it. However, it has totaled to about \$30,000 to start-up the service. Staff is looking to receive feedback from the committee on a recommendation to give to the Board regarding the service.

Ms. Mraz asked if the riders will be directed to Stanislaus to use the service there. Mr. Cunningham said that needs to be discussed further.

Mr. Lovell stated they should be able to stop in Stockton since they are passing through.

The members questioned whether the stop will remain in Tracy. Mr. Tran stated they are keeping the stop in Tracy.

Ms. Nguyen said she is unsure if they will continue to come through Stockton if the service stops.

Ms. Bauer questioned if VanGo would be an option. Mr. Tran indicated it is an additional 30 minutes to deviate from the route.

It was moved/seconded (Lovell/Bauer) to discontinue the NEMT service and hold funds in reserve for other UTNs. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**6. Other Matters of Business**

Michelle Prince announced that she will be sending out the unmet transit needs assessment public notices. Ms. Prince requested suggestions on rebranding the surveys and events that she can attend.

Ms. Mraz suggested an event going on at the Valley Mountain Regional Center.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, the ITC/SSTAC meeting was adjourned at 4:31 p.m. The next meeting will adjourn to Monday, October 7, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

# AGENDA ITEM **4A**



October 2019  
SSTAC

## STAFF REPORT

**SUBJECT:** Appointments to Social Service  
Transportation Advisory Committee  
(SSTAC)

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Recommend to the Board the  
Appointment of members to the SSTAC  
as indicated in Table 1

### SUMMARY:

SJCOG staff was approached by Ms. Mary Bailey, from the United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) of San Joaquin, Calaveras, and Amador Counties requesting to serve on the Social Service Transportation Advisory Committee (SSTAC). Ms. Bailey serves as UCP’s transit manager and wishes to gain more knowledge on better grant writing for transportation, what transit projects are coming down the pipeline, and to provide commentary on behalf of her organization for the Unmet Transit Needs Assessment. She has served on this committee in previous years.

After receiving this request, staff reviewed the current roster for SSTAC and committee bylaws and determined the need for additional changes:

Staff became aware that there was no representative from Caltrans District 10 who would serve as the Committee’s ex-officio as bylaws mandate. SJCOG then contacted Caltrans, who selected Mr. Josh Swearingen as the ex-officio.

State law requires two members on the SSTAC from the Consolidated Transportation Services Agency (CTSA) if one exists. San Joaquin Regional Transit District (SJRTD) was designated as the CTSA since the last update of the SSTAC roster, requiring SJCOG to fill these slots. SJCOG proposes to appoint Mr. Toan Tran of SJRTD and Mr. John Andoh of the City of Escalon who serves on the CTSA Transportation Advisory Committee formed by SJRTD.

Finally, Mr. Juan Portillo of City of Manteca was not previously included in the roster but has consistently participated in SSTAC discussions. Staff proposes to add him to the “Additional Members” category.

To reflect current attendance and to ensure consistency with applicable state law, SJCOG proposes to update the SSTAC roster as indicated in Table 1 below.





# Attachment A: Excerpt from SJCOG JPA By-Laws

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## Attachment B: Public Utilities Code 99238

