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AGENDA ITEM 6b
SSTAC Meeting
March 6, 2024

DATE: February 28, 2024
TO: Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC)
FROM: Stevie Luther, Associate Regional Planner
SUBJECT: **SSTAC Membership Appointments and Terminations**

STAFF REPORT

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Staff's Recommended Action:

1. Introduce the item as an action item;
2. Allow staff to present the item;
3. Receive public comment;
4. Discuss item and consider making the motion:
"I move that the SSTAC recommend the HCAOG Board make the following appointments to the SSTAC: Peggy Martinez as the representative of potential transit users with a disability and Carol Moné as a public representative for the Coalition for Responsible Transportation Priorities."

AND

"I move that the SSTAC authorize the Chair to write a Notice of Termination to the HCAOG Board recommending the Board take action to terminate Gavin Smiley and to terminate the seat for the Blue Lake Rancheria Transit System from the SSTAC."

Staff Summary:

Two candidates are seeking appointments to the SSTAC. Per the SSTAC by-laws section 4.02, individuals that are non-agency members need to complete an application. The SSTAC should review the applications and make a recommendation to the HCAOG Board for appointing action. Staff recommends the appointment of both candidates as both individuals are knowledgeable

about public transit and transportation issues and have demonstrated commitment to public service. The following interest statements are provided as the application for membership.

Interest statements

Greetings:

My interest in becoming an SSTAC member is to elevate the needs of transit riders with disabilities, youth, seniors, nondrivers, and all other riders. I have been a local transit rider for many years and greatly value this essential service. I believe that a robust and reliable regional and connected transit system can contribute greatly to the realization of goals such as education, employment, recreation, errands etc., and I wish to contribute my knowledge and experience to its continued development.

*Sincerely,
Peggy Martinez, ADAC*

My interest in serving on the SSTAC, as a representative of the Coalition for Responsible Transportation Priorities, is to forward CRTP's mission to promote transportation solutions which protect and support environmental, human, community and economic health here on the north coast. I will be taking Keenan's place as a public member.

Carol Moné

Staff reached out to Blue Lake Rancheria, and they confirmed they will no longer be using their agency seat on the SSTAC. Removing the seat will assist with meeting quorums. The bylaws section 4.07 states that a member is removed effective on the date that the HCAOG Board approves, in a public meeting, a written Notice of Termination from the SSTAC Chair.

As an informational point unrelated to these action items, agency members can rotate out of the position with a formal appointing action of a replacement agency by the HCAOG Board (per Section 4.06 of the Bylaws). We would want to have the new agency selected prior to the other stepping down.