

TEHAMA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
MEETING OF NOVEMBER 15, 2005

Present: Commissioners': Gary Strack; Andy Houghton; Robert Christison; George Russell; Charles Willard.
Absent: Commissioner Ross Turner. Also present: Barbara O'Keeffe, Transit Manager; Doti Watkins, Transportation Planner.

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Gary Strack at 8:30 a.m.
2. Approval of Minutes: Motion by Commissioner Russell and second by Commissioner Willard to approve the October 18, 2005 minutes. Motion carried 5-0 with 1 absent.
3. Public Comment: Commissioner Robert Christison representing the City of Tehama was welcomed to the Commission.
4. GIS Update: Doti Watkins updated the Commission on the variety of agencies who have benefitted through the GIS program. California Highway Patrol, California Department of Forestry and developers such as Sun City are among the users.

Doti Watkins commented on the recently released Opinion #04-1105 from the State Attorney Generals Office regarding electronic assessor data, and in most cases is GIS data. Advice from County Counsel has confirmed the program is in order.

Commissioner Strack questioned the cost of this service. Doti Watkins answered that cost for copies is the fee charged.

Commissioner Willard remarked on the copied material, and if it can be copyrighted. Doti Watkins answered that essentially the material is public record. A disclaimer has been discussed with County Counsel and accompanies the copied material. A log, as provided in the packet, is kept for all requests.

5. Approval of 2006 Meeting Schedule for TCTC and Transit Board: Motion by Commissioner Houghton and second by Commissioner Russell to approve the meeting schedule for Tehama County Transportation and Transit meetings. Motion carried 5-0 with 1 absent.
6. Caltrans Request Regarding 2003 Bikeways Plan Adoption: Barbara O'Keeffe presented the housekeeping item requested by Caltrans Headquarters. Draft resolutions have been prepared and correspondence will be presented to the Cities and County for adoption by all jurisdictions for the 2003 Bikeways Plan.
7. Update 2006 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP): Barbara O'Keeffe updated the Commission on the California Transportation Commission (CTC) 2006 RTIP draft. The CTC adopted in September \$1.8 billion in fund estimates for the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The funding sources are made up of two areas of monies. The larger share goes to Public Transportation Account (PTA) used for transit projects. The smaller, non-PTA funds, \$455 million can be used for highway projects. Available funding is problematic. \$7.791 million is available for the next five-years and this will be programmed over projects consistent with the CTC allocation plan. The existing CTC allocation plan was explained to the Commission showing the State Highway Operations & Protection

Program (SHOPP) receiving funds first. Transportation Enhancement Projects (TE), which are downtown beautification projects enhancing the current transportation facilities, are next, followed by Public Transportation Account (PTA), Programming Planning Monitoring (PPM) and Highway Bridge Rehabilitation and Replacement Program (HBRR).

The second tiered funding, Barbara O’Keeffe continued, goes to capacity increasing, interregional roads, and operational improvements such as interchanges, intersections, signals and turn lanes. The third tier, which will not have funding available, is road rehabilitation, bicycle facilities, landscaping, and sound walls.

Commissioner Christison added the City of Tehama will not be funded, but citizens who travel Aramayo Way on bicycles to Chico endanger their lives.

Barbara O’Keeffe understood concerns, but the TAC, City and County officials are familiar with the CTC Allocation Plan. Transportation improvement projects are our priority and the dollars will only go towards them. The goal is to work with Cities and the TAC to develop a list of projects that will meet the CTC Allocation Plan.

As added information, Barbara O’Keeffe announced that when reauthorization of the TEA-21 occurred, now called the Safe-TEA LU, will have a benefit to the Highway Bridge Rehabilitation Program. Under the new adopted act, there is a 7-1 match of dollars. The City of Tehama bridge is programmed under the 2004 STIP.

8. Correspondence: No comment.
9. Claims: Motion by Commissioner Willard and second by Commissioner Houghton to approve the October 2005 Transportation Claims in the amount of \$21,585.25. Motion carried 5-0 with 1 absent.
10. Adjourn: With no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:54 a.m.