## TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

## **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

## March 13, 2014

1. CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Frankel called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

a. Present: Ameni Alexander, Michael Carter, John Favors, Christina Frankel, Daniel

Ramey, Tim Silva, Alvin Vaughn

**b.** Absent: Bruce George, Shane O'Neill

c. Staff Present: David Ferguson, Public Works Director; Ed Lovell, Management Analyst

II; Jayne Pramod, Transportation Coordinator.

d. Recorded By: Jayne Pramod, Transportation Coordinator

3. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE: None

4. APPROVAL OF REGUALR MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRAUARY 13, 2014

a) Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rameyb) Second: Commissioner Alexander

c) Abstain: None

d) Vote Approved by unanimous vote

**5. CORRESPONDENCE:** Ed Lovell informed the Commission regarding recruitment for two Commission positions currently being held. The closing date is March 28, 2014.

# 6. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Receive Report on Tracy Municipal Airport AWOS: Ed Lovell gave a status on the AWOS system, stating City originally requested GWF Power Plant, as part of their new construction permit requirement, to provide a new AWOS system at the Tracy Airport. Due to discrepancy between the original owners and City, communication ceased between the builders of the Plant and the City. After construction the Plant was sold to a new owner. Staff recommendation is not to pursue GWF for a new AWOS, for FAA has a replacement AWOS on their current ACIP for Tracy. Staff responded to Commissions questions and concerns regarding the FAA funded AWOS, quality and time frame of the installation.

David Anderson, Tracy Airport Association, expressed his frustration regarding GWF's permit requirement not being met. He addressed the importance of having an AWOS system that can provide accurate information. He suggested City's portion of cost for AWOS should be held obligated to pay by the Power Plant. Commission requested to follow up and provide information if the Plant could be held responsible.

b. Receive Report on Privately Owned Hangars: Ed gave an update on the status of the privately owned ground lease hangars at the Tracy Airport. He informed the Commission, staff will bring back to the Commission on recommendations whether to continue with the privately owned ground lease hangars or any other options. A plan will be in place by May or June of 2014. Commission and staff discussed various concerns and questions regarding the ground lease hangars. David Anderson, Tracy Airport Association, commented on the new hangars built by the developers at Livermore Airport and suggested City of Tracy should explore similar ideas. Trina Anderson, Tracy, commented on enquiries

received from Amazon for corporate hangars at the Tracy Airport. Jeff Pelletier, Tracy, owner of the ground hangars at the airport, thanked City for allowing the lease and commented on the disadvantages of not having a City owned hangar, but requested City consider keeping the privately owned ground hangars. Staff and Commission further discussed about the hangars and fees, staff will update Commission regarding hangars as information becomes available.

c. Receive Report and Discuss Commission Goals and Objectives: Ed Lovell referred the Commission to the Staff drafted objectives and action steps for the Commission Goals. Commission decided to review the list and bring back their input at the next meeting. Commission assigned members to form subcommittees.

David Anderson, Tracy, suggested staff address issues and updates for future projects to the Transportation Commission for their input on safety concerns. He thanked City and Commission for the availability of fuel at a compatible price at the Tracy Airport. Trina Anderson, Tracy, suggested ideas for transporting people in a trolley utilizing the rail road tracks throughout the City. Bike pathway along the railroad is another idea.

7. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION: Commissioner Frankel requested Staff to email the Initial Draft Program EIR for the 2014 RTP/SCS - Notice of Availability and 45-day Public Comment Period to the Commission.

## 8. ITEMS FROM STAFF:

- **a. Airport Updates:** Ed Lovell referred the Commission to airport updates. He informed application for funding for Phase 1, reconstruction of runway 12/30 and associated taxiway, will be submitted to FAA. The project completion date will depend on FAA's application review and when funding is made available.
- b. Transit Updates: Transit Update on Year to Date Ridership for January was at 79,899 up 9,957 riders compared to Year to Date Ridership in January of FY12-13, an increase of approximately 14%. Staff gave an update on the newly installed electric vehicle charging station, in service to public for no charge for a year. Staff informed Commission the completion of the Security Camera Project at the Transit Station. Staff also addressed Commission's questions regarding bus shelter restructuring, shelters damaged in accidents, vandalized bus shelters and transit advertising.
- 9. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE: George Riddle, Tracy, referring to the electric charging station asked what account the expenses are charged, if charging station will be misused as parking space and how long to charge a car. Staff responded the expenses are paid from Transit funds, signage will indicate parking is for electric vehicle charging only and the charging time depends on the type of vehicle. David Anderson, Tracy, mentioned fixing Runway 12/30, would address a majority of all damages that result from the current seal coat. Trina Anderson, Tracy, compared Lake Tahoe's Nifty Fifty Trolley to her earlier suggestion regarding trolley to transport passengers.

# 10. ADJOURNMENT TO NEXT REGULAR MEETING THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2014

a. Motion to Approve: Commissioner Vaughn
b. Second: Commissioner Alexander
c. Vote: Approved by unanimous vote

**d. Time:** 8:48 p.m.