

JANUARY 11, 2018

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Commissioner Vaughn called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL:**
  - a. **Present:** Alice English, Larry Gamino, Benjamin Grover, Tim Silva, Sheetal Ohri, Alvin Vaughn
  - b. **Absent:** None
  - c. **Staff Present:** Brian MacDonald, Parks & Recreation Dept. Director; Ed Lovell, Management Analyst II; Deborah DeWolf, Administrative Assistant
  - d. **Recorded By:** Deborah DeWolf, Administrative Assistant.
3. **ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE:** Dave Anderson, President, Tracy Airport Association, provided information on Tracy Airport "Pilot Lounge" Dedication, ceremony hosted by The Tracy Airport Association and the Welcome Home Heroes Foundation, to honor two local Marines who were killed in Action.
4. **APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 14, 2017**
  - a) **Motion to Approve:** Commissioner Gamino
  - b) **Second:** Commissioner Silva
  - c) **Abstain:** None
  - d) **Vote** Approved with unanimous vote
5. **CORRESPONDENCE:** Ed Lovell introduced Deborah DeWolf, Parks and Recreation Administrative Assistant and Brian MacDonald, Parks and Recreation Director. Brian MacDonald provided a brief introduction and expressed his interest in serving the City and Tracy community.
6. **OLD BUSINESS:**
  - a. **Provide Updates on Commission Goals and Objectives for FY 2017/18:** Staff recommended Commission create subcommittees to work on the various goals. Staff will provide dates on upcoming events. Commissioner Silva will be creating the bikeway survey; he requested assistance in distributing the surveys. He enquired the status of the bikeways grant opportunities he submitted to staff; he is willing to commit an hour to assist staff with the grant. Commissioner Vaughn asked for Short Range Transit Plan update, staff informed RFP has been posted, will provide an update on the number of proposals received at the next Commission meeting. Commissioner Gamino suggested TRACER offer students' free rides in summer and to increase the frequency of Saturday service.

**7. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION:**

Commissioner Gamino: shared information on a City in China that has all its buses electric. He also provided benefits having electric buses.

Commissioner Silva: enquired why bikeway projects, especially bike lane improvement projects are not brought to this Commission for inputs. He suggested City Engineering bring to the Commission any projects that would be of TAC's interest to ensure public

concerns are taken into consideration. He asked if a consultant will be working on the Bikeway Masterplan, suggested the Engineering Dept. bring to this Commission for input. He recommended a program for grants to assist students from lower income families with bus fare students. He also suggested better marketing to target students to ride TRACER and also promote City activities and programs to public.

Commissioner English: Agreed with Commissioner Silva on Commission not aware of projects that could benefit from Commission input.

Commissioner Gamino: enquired about Tracy Airport Coordinator's attendance at the TAC is optional. He recommended that the City, a large employer, should make bus service available to the staff.

Commissioner Grover: Commented on the current route service, does not meet the demand, a study should be in place to identify the traffic patterns to provide better service. He also commented on students not aware of the free rides.

### **ITEMS FROM STAFF**

- a. **Airport Updates**: Ed Lovell informed there are no major updates on Tracy Airport construction project. AWOS and PAPI installation, there are no updates, still waiting for equipment. Commissioner English enquired if anyone monitoring to confirm the twelve week waiting period for equipment arrival. Commissioner Gamino asked if the airport improvements will attract more jet airlines, what service will increase jet airline service at the airport and if the residential development around the airport impact service. Richard Ortenheim, SkyView Aviation and Dave Anderson, Tracy Airport Association, responded to Commissioner Gamino's questions regarding airport service. Michael T provided his input on improving service and increase revenue at the airport with T- hangars. Commission and staff discussed on other airport service improvement and the Airport Masterplan. Dave Anderson, Tracy Airport Association, provided information on AWOS and PAPI.
- b. **Transit Updates**: Staff provided Transit updates and addressed ridership increase in December. He informed new GM, Mark Frailey is working on improving service. Commissioner Vaughn enquired about the new software; staff responded prior to obtaining the new software agreement, service contractor has to end the current software agreement, requires 90 days. Commissioner Silva expressed his disappointment on the on time performance. Staff informed Commission on Commissioner Kaur's resignation from TAC and her new position on the Planning Commission.

### **8. ITEMS FROM AUDIENCE:**

Richard Ortenheim, SkyView Aviation: addressed the safety concern and appearance of the road to the Tracy Airport. He urged city to maintain the road. He suggested adding a bus stop at the airport would increase bus ridership.

Trina Anderson, Tracy: informed she is reaching out to the Youth Commission and schools for students interested in Community service. She provided Young Eagle event dates at the airport are May 12, July 14 and September 8, 2018.

George Riddle, Tracy, suggested an airport maintenance plan, so there is an oversight on completion of various maintenance items. He also enquired about how Caltrans inspection discrepancies are handled. Staff recommended utilizing the App GoRequest to submit any service request.

**9. ADJOURNMENT TO NEXT REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 8, 2018**

- a. **Motion to Approve:** Commissioner Gamino
- b. **Second:** Commissioner Silva
- c. **Vote:** Approved by unanimous vote
- d. **Time:** 8:46PM