# CALIFORNIA VANPOOL AUTHORITY

#### **Board of Directors**

1340 North Drive \* Hanford, California 93230 (559) 852-2711

Meeting Date: August 20, 2015

Time:

10:00 AM

Place:

Kings County Association of Governments

CalVans office at 1340 North Drive, Hanford, CA 93230

This meeting may also be attended at the following locations:

- Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments, 147 Fourth Street, Community Room, Gonzales, CA 93936
- Fresno Council of Governments, Huron City Hall, Council Chambers, 36311 Lassen Avenue, Huron, CA 93234
- Imperial County Transportation Commission, 1405 N Imperial Ave, Suite 1, El Centro, CA 92243 and 128 Heffeman Ave, Calexico, CA 92231
- Kern Council of Governments, Conference 1401 19th Street, Board Room, Bakersfield, CA 93301, and 3000 W Cecil Avenue, Delano, CA 93216
- Madera County Transportation Commission, Citizens Business Bank, Room 101, 2001 Howard Road, Madera, CA 93637
- Merced County Association of Governments, Conference Room, 369 West 18<sup>th</sup> Street, Merced, CA 95340
- Santa Barbara County Association of Governments, Board of Supervisors Room, 105 E. Anapamu St., Fourth Floor, Santa Barbara, CA 93101
- Tulare County Association of Governments, Porterville City Hall, 291 North Main, Porterville, CA 93257
- Ventura County Transportation Commission, Conference Room, 950 County Square Drive, Suite 108, Ventura, CA 93003

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#### AGENDA

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Item #

Description

<u>Action</u>

1. CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call – Clerk of the Board

2. PUBLIC COMMENT (Unscheduled Appearances)

The public may address the Committee on any item relevant to the Authority. To comment on an agenda item, speakers should notify the Staff member at the meeting location, when the agenda item is announced. The Staff member will indicate whether speakers are to make their comments before or after any staff comment or report. Public comment shall precede discussion of the item by the Committee. Comments by individuals and entities will be limited to five minutes or as may be reasonable as determined by the conducting officer.

3. Consent Items

Action

A. Minutes of June 11, 2015

4. System Update

Information

- A. Report prepared by Rachel Golden with the Goldman School of Public Policy
- 5. Review and award bid for 15-passeneger vans

Action

6. Adjournment

#### Attachments:

Item Page Description

A. 5 Board Minutes of June 11, 2015

B. 10% List of vendors

C 11 Rachel Golden's Report

### STAFF REPORT

### 3. Consent Items

### A. Minutes of June 11, 2015

The attached minutes from the last meeting are ready for approval, pending any changes from the members.

### 4. System Update

### B. Report prepared by Rachel Golden with the Goldman School of Public Policy

Mrs. Golden contacted Staff stating she had been asked to prepare a report on ways of improving the use of ZEVs (Zero-emission vehicles) in the San Joaquin Valley. One part of the report focuses on CalVans' farmworker drivers and the possibilities of providing them an electric-powered vehicle. It was felt that electric vehicles going to vanpool users in these communities would benefit both the CalVans program and members of the community at large. Staff provided information as the report was being prepared.

Staff has been in conversation with the Governor's Staff as well as Staff involved in the Cap and Trade funded programs. In the Governor's May revise, the Air District Staff recommended 3 million dollars for funding of electrical vehicles for agricultural vanpools. It is anticipated that this funding, which is identified in a separate bill, will be approved within the next several months.

Page 9 of the report speaks to the CalVans program, and page 10 includes a recommendation that California should invest in the expansion and electrification of the CalVans fleet.

### 5. Review and Award bid for 15-passenger vans

Staff has received a project award letter for funding under the AHSC (Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities) Program. The funds are being used to purchase up to 80 15-passenger vans for replacement and expansion. Staff published a Request for Proposals on July 20<sup>th</sup> and sent a bid package to 28 vendors; see attached list. The bid contained two options, one for vans used by general vanpool riders and one for the agricultural worker. The main difference is Option 1 has cloth seats and carpeting, while Option 2 has vinyl seats and flooring.

A letter of introduction was included with time set aside for call-in questions. No one took advantage of the time to call-in. However, four vendors did call and three of them submitted bids. A summary of the quotes submitted by the three bidders follows:

Vendor	Option-1	Option-2
Three-way Chevrolet	\$32,158.00	\$31,704.00
Motor City Buick GMC	\$32,110.71	\$31,656.63
Kellers Motors	\$31,524.85	\$31,561.18

The bid was close with the lowest bid from Keller Motors being \$585.86 and \$95.45 under the next lowest bidder.

Staff is recommending that the purchase of up to 80 vehicles with option 2 be made from Kellers Motors for the price quoted in their bid.

Staff is moving quickly on this item to avoid a repeat of last year when all orders were closed in early October due to lack of capacity at the GM plant. Staff is working to get in the front of the order line this year.

# California Vanpool Authority

(CalVans)

### Minutes of Board Meeting

A regular meeting of the California Vanpool Authority was called to order by Joe Neves, Board member at 10:00 a.m. on June 11, 2015 in the conference room of CalVans, 1340 North Drive, Hanford, CA. 93230

### California Vanpool Authority Members

AMBAG - Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments

Fresno COG - Fresno Council of Governments

ICTC - Imperial County Transportation Commission

KCAG - Kings County Association of Governments

Kern COG - Kern Council of Governments

MCTC - Madera County Transportation Commission

MCAG - Merced County Association of Governments

SBCAG - Santa Barbara County Association of Governments

TCAG - Tulare County Association of Governments

VCTC - Ventura County Transportation Commission

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call - Clerk of the Board

Directors present:

Fresno COG Sylvia Chavez

KCAG Joe Neves MCAG Jerry O'Banion

SBCAG Jim Richardson TCAG Cameron Hamilton

VCTC James White (joined later?)

Directors absent:

Kern COG Cheryl Wegman

AMBAG Scott Funk

MCTC Robert Poythress ICTC Maritza Hurtado

Counsel present: Zack Smith

Staff/Visitors in attendance:

Ron Hughes, Georgina Cardenas, Baldev Randhawa, Susie Nava and Temo Ortiz from CalVans.

# 2. UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES:

No unscheduled appearances.



# 3. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A), MINUTES 5/14/2015
- B). AUTHORIZE RFP FOR UP TO 100 GMC 15 PASSENGER VANS
- C). AUTHORIZE THE LEASE/PURCHSE OF UP TO 10 MERCEDES 12-PASSENGER SPRINTERS

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D). AUTHORIZE THE LEASE/PURCHASE OF UP TO 15-TOYOTA SIENNA 8-PASSENGER VANS

A motion was made by Commissioner O'Banion and seconded by Commissioner Chavez to approve:

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AYES:

Commissioners Chavez, Neves, O'Banion, White

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Commissioners Wegman, Funk, Poythress, Hurtado

RECUSED: Commissioners Nickell, Richardson

# 4. SYSTEM UPDATE

# A. Use of the H2A program by Growers/Contractors

The H2A program is a program where growers use vouchers to provide transportation for their workers using CalVans. The program has been used for three years. The local Region 9 office was stating that CalVans was not allowed and that was in conflict with what the Chicago office of the FDOL (Federal Department of Labor) had stated. There was a challenge last fall of Region 9's ruling. Last month, their ruling was overturned and the use of CalVans for H2A workers was approved. This will have a major impact on the CalVans program as the use of CalVans for H2A in the CalVans drivers are insured, licensed and have a physical on file, therefore growth is anticipated due to the favorable ruling from the Chicago office.

# B. Additional funding identified in ARB FY 2015-16 Funding Plan

The proposed budget for 2015-16 includes \$3 million in funding for farmworker vanpool. In addition, Staff is looking at additional Cap and Trade monies. The goal is to identify and purchase electric vehicles that can be used by farmworkers.

C. FY 14/15 5307 funds generated through NTD reporting

Historically, staff has made money through the general formula for the large UZAs like Bakersfield, FAX, Fresno, and Visalia and as well as STIC points for smaller UZAs. Staff decided to look at the small UZAs in the same fashion as the large UZAs to see if CalVans reporting was generating revenue in the same fashion. The amount generated is about \$7million in total and although it does not return any funds to CalVans, it does increase CalVans' bragging rights as it relates to how much it brings to member agencies and their respective transit operators.

D. Reporting by TCAG

TCAG (Tulare County Association of Governments) contacted staff as they were preparing their long range transit plan. They wanted include the CalVans program as part of their overall plan so that more transit options are open to residents. Staff is working with Visalia City Coach on

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funding another 75 vans for that area. Staff can provide ridership information to other member agencies, upon request.

E. **Driver Stories** 

Attached are driver stories that highlight those involved with the CalVans program. The stories highlight the customers of the programs and how the CalVans program serves them. Commissioner Chavez expressed that it is nice to hear drivers perspective about the program. Commissioner White states that he appreciates the stories, and feedback from the drivers.

# 6. TITLE VI PLAN

The Title VI Plan was set for approval last month, but was pulled so that staff could do further analysis on the minority populations served. Staff had originally identified Spanish as the only language that needed to be addressed in the plan. However, this left an undefined group of 7% which meant there was the potential for another subgroup of 5%. Staff looked at the next 4 language groups of Hmong, Chinese, Tagalog and Portuguese to reduce the undefined group to 4.3 %, eliminating the potential for a group of greater than 5%. There were other subgroups of Indian and no other large groups identified.

A motion was made by Commissioner Chavez and seconded by Commissioner O'Banion to approve:

AYES:

Commissioners Chavez, Neves, O'Banion, White

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Commissioners Wegman, Funk, Poythress, Hurtado

RECUSED: Commissioners Nickell, Richardson

# 7. FY 15/16 BUDGET

Staff recommended approval of the draft FY 15/16 budget.

A motion was made by Commissioner Chavez and seconded by Commissioner O'Banion to approve the FY 15/16 Budget.

AYES:

Commissioners Chavez, Funk, Neves, Poythress, O'Banion, Wegman

NOES:

ABSENT: Commissioners Hamilton, Hurtado, Richardson, White

# 8. MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

# 9. NEXT MEETING DATE.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for August 13, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:16 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald H. Hughes **Executive Director** 

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	Liberty Chevrolet 2755 Auto Mall Dr Selma, Ca 93662	Gill Buick GMC Cadillac 100 E 6th St Madera, CA 93638-3615	Delano Chevrolet Buick GMC 600 1st Ave Delano, CA 93215-2739	Kitahara GMC Buick 5515 N Blackstone Ave Fresno, CA 93710-5017	Sequoia Chevrolet Buick GMC 1028 Academy Ave Sanger, CA 93657-3154	Visalia Buick GMC 1313 E Main St Visalia, CA 93292-6642	
	Three Way Chevrolet Sales 4301 Wible Rd Bakersfield, CA 93313	West-Mark 29921 Greenwater Dr Tehachapi, CA 93561	Motor City Auto Lexus 5101 Gasoline Alley Dr Bakersfield, CA 93313	GMC Motor City 5800 Wible Rd Bakersfield, CA 93313	MOTOR CITY AUTO CENTER 3101 Pacheco Rd Bakersfield, CA 93313	Rio Vista Chevrolet 390 E Highway 246, Buellton, CA 93427	
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Graham Chevrolet 301 S Hope Ave. Santa Barbara, CA 93105

Sunset Auto Center 1300 N H St Lompoc, CA 93436

Home Chevrolet 1313 E Main St Santa Maria, CA 93454

Paradise Chevrolet 6350 Leland St Ventura, CA 93003

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Santa Paula Chevrolet 101 West Harvard Blvd Santa Paula, CA 93060

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Richard's Chevrolet 1126 King Ave Corcoran, CA 93212

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