

Transportation and Aging in Community Notes

Date: 01/12/2023

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

The meeting was recorded.

Committee members present: Marita Leh, Monica Lee, Irene Liana, Liz Taylor, Kathy

Uhl

Committee members absent: none

Staff: Cristina Ugaitafa, Suki Ho

Public: Tina Dubost, Sam Trans

1. Committee Chair Kathy Uhl called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

- 2. Note taking: Commissioner Liana agreed to take notes.
- 3. Public Comment: Tina Dubost stated that bus ridership on Sam Trans is making a positive comeback better than Para Transit. Tina also talked about a future SamTrans Micro Transit Project to begin 6/23/23 which is like Uber (individuals call for rides) and it will service East Palo Alto (from 6AM -8PM) and Half Moon Bay (from 8AM-5PM). More information to follow, as well as discussions on how to get information out to the public.

Commissioner Taylor brought up the absence of a bus in Colma with her observed need for 68 Vets in Mercy Housing who must navigate a number of hurdles to get where they are going. Commissioner Taylor said she would follow-up at the Supervisors meeting and make this community need known. Tina commented about a study done a few years ago indicating there was not enough usage for this line to continue. Commissioner Leth also commented on a need for a more accessible bus stop on Fairway Drive and Highway 1 in HMB. Tina Dubost said she would check with Sam Trans for more details on both the Colma and HMB requests. (Tina followed up and reported that SamTrans had been notified of the Colma need and was in discussions already regarding this issue. She will keep us informed.)

- 4. New Goals and Work Pan Discussion
  - a. The three new goals, as stated in the agenda, were reaffirmed for the committee.

## 5. Member Reports

- a. Commission Lee shared information and income requirements for the CA Home Rehab Program. Follow-up directly to the county was suggested. She also shared a county website as a resource. The Help At Home Guide is a good current resource.
- b. Commissioner Uhl commented on Aging in Place with further discussion on ADUs, home sharing and the risks seniors feel in opening their homes to renters. Kathy will speak to HIP Housing for help and invite a representative to our next meeting. The local libraries were cited as a resource for seniors. The report on CID was tabled until next month.
- c. Commissioner Liana shared info on a newsletter publication on 09/22 from the SCACC highlighting senior services in San Carlos. Report on available transportation in San Carlos tabled until next month's meeting.

## 6. New Business

- Tabling Event in Millbrae on 01/20 was discussed. Commissioners were encouraged to attend if available. Details will be emailed to commissioners.
- b. The Help at Home Guide was discussed regarding update as the current one has 2022 on the cover. Updates will be made on the website, current inventory used and possible new publication later this year.
- 7. The meeting was adjourned at 3:43PM. The next meeting is on February 9.