



Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission's  
**Elderly & Disabled Transportation Advisory Committee**  
(Also serves as the Social Service Transportation Advisory Council)

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## FINAL MEETING MINUTES

**1:30pm - 3:30pm**  
**Tuesday, June 11, 2024**

**1. Roll Call** – Chair Veronica Else called to order at 1:38 p.m.

*No quorum present. The committee continued the meeting only to receive information.*

***Members Present, in person:***

Veronica Elsea, Chair, Third District  
Jesse Leyva, Santa Cruz METRO

***Members Remote, Not Voting:***

Elizabeth Byrd, Social Services Provider- Seniors (County)  
Jesus Bojorquez, Consolidated Transportation Services Agency (Lift Line)  
Michael Pisano, Potential Transit User (60+)

***Excused Absences:***

Tara Ireland, Social Services Provider – Persons of Limited Means  
Caroline Lamb, Potential Transit User (Disabled)  
Janet Edwards, First District

***Unexcused Absences:***

Clay Kempf, Social Services Provider – Seniors  
Alex Weske, Social Services Provider – Disabled  
Paul Elerick, Second District  
Patricia Forhrman, Fourth District  
Patty Talbott, Social Services Provider-Seniors  
Alicia Morales, Social Services Provider-Seniors  
Phil Kipnis, First District

***RTC staff present:***

Rachel Moriconi, Johnny Estaban, Brianna Goodman, Sarah Christensen

***Guests online:***

Regina Valentine, AMBAG  
Portia Raymer  
Miguel

**2. Introductions:** Introductions were made

3. Consider AB 2449 request(s) to participate in the meeting remotely: None due to lack of a quorum
4. Oral communications - None
5. Additions or deletions to consent and regular agenda
  - a. Item 7 – Minutes from the May 14, 2024 meeting and Item 9 – Chair and Vice Chair elections to be considered at the next meeting

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

6. Information Item: FHWA's Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment
7. Minutes from May 14, 2024

*No action taken.*

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

8. Program Updates:
  - a. Santa Cruz METRO: Jesse Leyva reported that METRO has had 23% increase in ridership and is starting the Reimagine METRO -second wave service changes.

*No action taken.*

9. E&D TAC Chair and Vice Chair Elections – postponed to August 2024

*No action taken.*

10. AMBAG's Draft 2024 Title VI Program

Regina Valentine, Senior Planner, AMBAG presented AMBAG's draft 2024 Title VI program

Regina presented AMBAG's approach to the draft Title VI Program, specifically strategy to include the Limited English Proficiency (LEP) populations. Attendees were able to comment on the identified determined LEP populations and how elderly and disabled within those LEP populations might be considered.

*No action taken.*

11. Zero Emission Passenger Rail and Trail Project Conceptual Alignment and Vehicle Types

Sarah Christensen provided an overview of potential alignments and rail transit vehicle types. Attendees discussed accessibility of different transit vehicle options and access to stations.

*No action taken.*

**12.** Climate Adaptation Vulnerability Assessment and Priorities Report (CAVA) – Draft Prioritization

Brianna Goodman presented an overview of the draft prioritization GIS map for the CAVA project. Attendees discussed certain elements of infrastructure that would be particularly affected by increased climate risk and how that would impact elderly and disabled usage.

*No action taken.*

The next E&D TAC meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 13, 2024 at 1:30 located at the SCCRTC office at 1101 Pacific Ave, Suite 250, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

*Meeting Minutes prepared by RTC Staff*

<https://rtcsc.sharepoint.com/sites/Planning/Shared Documents/E&D TAC/2024/06-11/Minutes-E&D TAC-June2024.docx>