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## **ECOS Transportation, Air Quality & Climate Change Committee**

**Thursday, June 2nd, 2016, 6:00 pm**

**Mogavero Architects, 2012 K Street, Sacramento**

### **Meeting Notes**

*Attendance: Robert Coplin, Traci Canfield, Delphine Cathcart, Ralph Propper, Greg Thompson, Guy Hall, Betsy Weiland, Steven Bourasa, Lynne Goldsmith, Brandon Rose (ECOS President), Jon Ellison (Co-chair), John Deeter (Co-chair). Guest: Jeffery Spenser (STA).*

6:00 p.m. — Welcome, Introductions, Check-Ins, and Changes to Agenda

6:05 p.m. -- Proposed County-wide Transportation Tax Measure B (Sacramento Transportation Authority)

**ECOS's Position and Possible Actions -- All**

*Jeffery Spenser (STA) answered questions about the content of Measure B, and explained the reasons for the 70/30 percent split between roads/transit. He stated that some of the funds allocated to roads would also benefit transit, bus service in particular. After Jeffery left, there was a short discussion of the pluses and minuses of opposing Measure B if ECOS is legally permitted to do so. There continues to be very little enthusiasm for outright support of Measure B, so the alternative is to remain neutral. The STA Board still has to take another vote to put the measure on the November ballot, followed by a final action by the County BOS. John Deeter offered to make one more appeal to the STA Board to increase the transit allocation, at their meeting to reconsider Measure B (probably in July).*

6:25 p.m. -- Proposed service cuts by Regional Transit starting in January 2017  
**Comment or other action by ECOS -- All**

*John Deeter summarized the proposed service cuts, which are targeted to reduce the RT deficit by \$2 million but also reduce RT ridership by one million boardings per year. Short discussion about whether there are any feasible alternatives to service cuts. Sacramento Transit Advocates and Riders -- the fledgling advocacy group -- is tracking this issue, and ECOS probably has little to add to the discussion. Information about the service cuts will be available at the RT open house on June 8th (see event listing below).*

6:45 p.m. -- Progress report on updating the ECOS 50 Year Transportation Vision  
John Deeter (TAQCC co-chair), all

*Discussion of RT service cuts segued into a more general discussion of the future of transit as a possible topic to include in the Transportation Vision. Guy Hall offered to help set a framework for editing the Vision on-line using Google documents. John Deeter offered to help Guy in this effort. Brandon Rose suggested that the project needs a coordinator or supervisor to make sure it sticks to an adopted schedule, but that assignment can be deferred until the editing framework has been established.*

7:20 p.m. -- Other Business and Announcements / Possible topics for future meetings:  
Sacramento Regional Transit's plans for ESC service, Downtown  
Sacramento Transportation Plan (Grid 2.0), City of Sacramento  
Bicycle Master Plan, Tri-city proposed bike-share program

*It was suggested that TAQCC monitor the Climate Action Plans of the local jurisdictions, but no one volunteered to take the lead in this effort.*

7:30 p.m. -- Adjourn

*Meeting adjourned at approximately 8 pm.*

Next TAQCC meeting: Thursday, July 7th, 6:00 pm, at Mogavero Architects, 2012 K St.

Other upcoming events of interest:

June 8, 11 am, Tsakapolous Library Galleria -- RT Open House re proposed service cuts

June 10, 9 am, 1418 19th St. -- Sacramento Transit Advocates & Riders monthly meeting