

**SAN MATEO COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT
1250 SAN CARLOS AVENUE, SAN CARLOS, CALIFORNIA**

**CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING – OCTOBER 3, 2012**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: K. Adler, L. Chow, T. Collette, D. Cruz, K. Gilbert, S. Koya, P. Loranger, J. McKie, M. Pye, P. Ratto (Chair)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: A. Chow, S. Curry, M. Hall, T. Miller. S. Price

SAMTRANS STAFF PRESENT: J. Averill, K. Cheema, N. McKenna

Chair Peter Ratto called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Halperin, Redwood City, said he does not have a car and relies on the bus. He said after reviewing the SamTrans Service Plan (SSP) the service west of El Camino Real between San Carlos and Menlo Park is going to be decimated with almost no bus service. He said there will be limited service proposed for Routes 271 and 295 and there has been insufficient outreach. Mr. Halperin said none of the outreach materials he has seen state Route 271 will essentially be eliminated and Route 295 will be eliminated south of San Carlos. He said he rides Routes 295 and 271 frequently and there is no information on the buses that these routes will be eliminated next year. He said if Route 271 is eliminated then the new Route 275 should be modified so it is a loop and goes up and down Madison by the senior center. Mr. Halperin asked the CAC to lean on staff to publicize these meetings and the SSP more.

Chair Ratto encouraged Mr. Halperin to attend the public meetings and said he has seen advertisements for the SSP meetings. He said service is being added in the North County because that is where the highest ridership is. Chair Ratto said in the South County, although local ridership is growing in this area, there is not nearly as much ridership which often results in a reduction in service. He encouraged Mr. Halperin and the CAC members to attend the public meetings. Chair Ratto said during the last service cuts in 2009, Route 295 was slated for elimination and based on public comments the route was saved.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The Committee (Koya/Pye) approved the minutes of September 5, 2012 (McKie and Collette abstained).

SAMTRANS STAFF UPDATE

None

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be held November 7, 2012, at 6:30 p.m., 1250 San Carlos Avenue, Bacciocco Auditorium, 2nd Floor, San Carlos, California 94070.

Adjourned at 6:45 p.m. for fieldtrip to South Base.

SamTrans CAC Meeting
September 5, 2012

CAC attendees on the tour included Kris Adler, Daniel Cruz, Kathy Gilbert, Sonny Koya, Margaret Pye and Chair Ratto. Staff attending the tour included Assistant District Secretary Josh Averill and Superintendent, Bus Operations Cheema Karambir. The bus departed South Base for Central at 8:15 p.m.