## **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-01**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION APPROVING UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS FINDINGS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026

## I. THE VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION DOES HEREBY FIND THE FOLLOWING FACTS AND DECLARE THAT SAID FACTS ARE MATERIAL TO ITS DETERMINATIONS MADE HEREIN:

- A. The Ventura County Transportation Commission, hereinafter referred to as VCTC, has been designated as the Regional Transportation Planning Agency; and
- B. VCTC shall allocate monies in the Local Transportation Fund and State Transit Assistance Fund in accordance with the rules and regulations which implement the Transportation Development Act of 1971 as amended; and
- C. The Public Utilities Code, Section 99401.5, requires VCTC to hold a public hearing to determine whether there are any Unmet Public Transportation Needs prior to allocations for streets and roads; and
- D. VCTC, on December 1, 2023, reaffirmed methodology and definitions for noticing and conducting the annual Unmet Needs Hearings; and
- E. The said Public Hearing was duly noticed and advertised in conformance with these procedures by means of publication of public hearing notices in the major newspapers in the region; press releases, agency web posting; and written notices to interested organizations and individuals; and
- F.VCTC has given specific consideration to the following factors in the planning process pursuant to Public Utilities Code 99401.5
  - Established a Social Services Transportation Advisory Committee (SSTAC) by including social services and users' representatives as well as transit operators in conformance with Public Utility Code 99238;
  - b. In consultation with the Social Services Transportation Advisory Committee, conducted a transit needs assessment including an assessment of the size and location of identifiable groups likely to be transit dependent or transit disadvantaged and an analysis of the adequacy of existing an alternative public transportation services in meeting the demand; and
- G. VCTC, after a review of these factors, considered public testimony at said advertised Public Hearing held on February 7, 2025; and
- H. VCTC directed staff in conjunction with its advisory committees to evaluate and determine whether requests received by February 15, 2025 are "unmet transit needs" and are "reasonable to meet" based upon adopted definitions and criteria; and
- I. Staff and input from the CTAC/SSTAC advise that there are no regional and community public transit needs within the Cities of Santa Paula, Fillmore, Moorpark, Camarillo and/or Thousand Oaks that are be reasonable to meet at this time, based upon adopted definitions.

- **II. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** VCTC, acting as the Regional Transportation Planning Agency, makes the following determinations and findings that there are no "unmet transit needs," which are "reasonable to meet" for FY 2025-2026.
  - A. The Chair shall execute this Resolution on behalf of VCTC and the Clerk of the Board shall attest to her signature and the adoption of this resolution.
  - B. The Executive Director shall before August 15, 2025 forward to the Department of Transportation on behalf of VCTC all of the following:
    - a. A copy of the notice of hearing and proof of publication and a description of the actions taken to solicit citizen participation pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 99238.5;
    - b. A copy of the Resolution or minutes documenting VCTC's definitions of "unmet transit needs" and "reasonable to meet", as determined pursuant to Public Utilities Code (use the symbol) 99401.5; and
    - c. A copy of this Resolution adopted as required by Public Utilities Code § 99401.5(d).

Executed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May 2025.

MIKE JUDGE, CHAIR, VCTC

ATTEST:

Roxanna Ibarra, Clerk of the Commission

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Steven T. Mattas, General Counsel

Date