

**OPEN MEETING** 

# REPORT OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOLDEN RAIN FOUNDATION MOBILITY AND VEHICLES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, October 6, 2021 – 1:30 p.m. Laguna Woods Village Community Center Board Room 24351 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA 92637

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Tibbetts, Egon Garthoffner, Margaret Bennett,

Cush Bhada (Third Alternate), Elsie Addington, Craig

Wayne

**ADVISORS:** 

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** 

OTHERS PRESENT:

**Bunny Carpenter** 

STAFF PRESENT:

Chris Laugenour, Francisco Perez, Liz Cortez, Kelli

Newton, Dan Yost, Ian Barnette

1. Call to Order

Chair Tibbetts called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

2. Acknowledgment of Media

No media was present.

3. Approval of the Agenda

Agenda was approved by acclamation.

4. Approval of Meeting Report for

The regular meeting report of July 28, 2021 was approved by acclamation.

5. Chair's Remarks

None

6. Member Comments (Items Not on the Agenda)

No member comments.

7. Response to Member Comments

None

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#### Reports

#### 8. Director's Report

Staff provided the committee with a current overview of the Transportation ridership for the year 2021 in comparison to year 2020. Fixed Route ridership has been relatively steady over the last three months. Numbers are anticipated to increase as events begin to be reinstated and stores and businesses continue to open. The Wellness Route, for medical destinations, is being utilized the most by residents. Journey ridership has continued to steadily increase in number of rides since the beginning of 2021. Staff will begin discussion in a few months with Memorial Care to reinstate the approval process for the Journey program. BOOST ridership increased substantially in July and August 2021. Recently, in mid-June, hours have been extended to accommodate the opening of the Village. Staff highlighted the current issue with Lyft Inc. finding available local drivers.

Staff also provided a map of Laguna Woods Transportation boundaries. Staff is following guidance from County/State mandates for mask requirements in public Transportation as it relates to COVID-19 restrictions.

The committee was provided with an overview of the surplus GRF vehicles sent to auction. Half of the vehicles pending have brought in roughly \$82,000 dollars in vehicle sales.

Director Addington left the meeting at this time.

In addition, the committee was provided with a list of the newly delivered vehicles per 2020 and 2021 capital approved purchases which include two Hybrid Ford Escapes, four Ford Edges, a passenger bus and three Ford F250 crew cabs. The delay in new vehicle deliveries is a result of a worldwide chip shortage.

#### <u>Items for Discussion</u>

#### 9. GRF Vehicle Insurance Coverage (Dan Yost, Risk Manager)

Mr. Yost provided the committee with an overview of the GRF vehicle coverage. All GRF vehicles are covered under the Commercial Auto Liability policy for property damage and bodily injury for up to \$1,000,000 dollars per accident with no deductible. The total annual premium for the policy is approximately \$450,000 dollars. There are specific vehicles that have the physical damage coverage which include the Transportation buses and passenger vans, and electric vehicles.

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# **Items for Future Agendas:**

- Age Well Contract
- Alternative Fuel Vehicles

## **Concluding Business:**

# 10. Committee Member Comments

None

11. Date of Next Meeting - Wednesday, December 1, 2021 at 1:30 p.m.

## 12. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:11 p.m.

