

SunLine Services Group March 28, 2018 12:00 p.m.

AGENDA

Regular Board of Directors Meeting Board Room 32-505 Harry Oliver Trail Thousand Palms, CA 92276

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<u>ITEM</u> <u>RECOMMENDATION</u>

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. FLAG SALUTE
- 3. ROLL CALL
- 4. PRESENTATIONS
- 5. FINALIZATION OF AGENDA
- 6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

RECEIVE COMMENTS

NON AGENDA ITEMS

Members of the public may address the Board regarding any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board; however, no action may be taken on off-agenda items unless authorized. Comments shall be limited to matters not listed on the agenda. Members of the public may comment on any matter listed on the agenda at the time that the Board considers that matter. Each person's presentation is limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes.

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<u>ITEM</u> <u>RECOMMENDATION</u>

7. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS RECEIVE COMMENTS

8. <u>CONSENT CALENDAR</u> RECEIVE & FILE

All items on the Consent Calendar will be approved by one motion, and there will be no discussion of individual items unless a Board Member requests a specific item be pulled from the calendar for separate discussion. The public may comment on any item.

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9. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – APPROVE (PAGE 10-11)

10. APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 084 SETTING
SPECIAL MUSIC FESTIVAL VENUE FEE
(Robert Radi, Chair of Taxi Committee;

ACTION
(PAGE 12-15)

Staff: Peter Gregor, Taxi Administrator)

11. ADJOURN

CONSENT CALENDAR

DATE: March 28, 2018 RECEIVE & FILE

TO: Taxi Committee

Board of Directors

RE: SSG/SRA Checks \$1,000 and Over Report for January 2018

Summary:

The checks \$1,000 and over report lists all of the checks processed at the Agency with a value of over \$1,000 for a given month. Items identified in bold font represent "pass through" payments that were, or will be, reimbursed to SunLine under the provisions of specific grants or contracts. Items identified with underlines represent "shared" payments with SunLine and specific vendors/employees.

 For the month of January, one payment represents reimbursements made to SunLine Transit Agency (STA) for SunLine Regulatory Administration (SRA) employees paid through the regular payroll process. Additionally, it includes payment made to STA for allocation of overhead costs for SRA operations.

Recommendation:

SunLine Regulatory Administration Checks \$1,000 and Over For the month of January 2018

NOTE: 1). Bold check payments represent "pass through" payments that were, or will be reimbursed to SunLine under the provisions of specific grants or contracts. 2). Underlined check payments represent "shared" payments with SunLine and specific vendors/employees.

Vendor Filed As Name SUNLINE TRANSIT AGENCY SUNLINE TRANSIT AGENCY	Description Payroll Liabilities 1/26/18 & Jan 2018 Overhead Allocations Payroll Liabilities 1/12/18	Check # 90471 90466	Payment Date 01/29/2018 01/18/2018	Payment Amount 7,235.75 4,931.96
Total Checks Over \$1,000 Total Checks Under \$1,000 Total Checks	\$12,167.71 \$2,161.02 \$14,328.73			

CONSENT CALENDAR

DATE: March 28, 2018 RECEIVE & FILE

TO: Finance/Audit Committee

Board of Directors

RE: SSG/SRA Monthly Budget Variance Report for January 2018

Summary:

The budget variance report compares revenues and expenses to the respective line item budgets. The report identifies current monthly revenues and expenses as well as year to date (YTD) values. The current monthly budget values are calculated by taking 1/12th of the annual budget and the YTD budget values are calculated by dividing the yearly budget by the number of months progressed through the fiscal year.

- As of January 31, 2018, the organization's expenditures are \$8,038 under budget or 5.4% below the YTD budget.
- As requested at the February Finance/Audit Committee meeting, the budget variance reports for SSG and STA now include a column representing the percentage of budget remaining.

The percentage of remaining budget is derived using the following equation;

Budget Remaining=
$$\frac{\text{FY18 Budget - YTD Actual}}{\text{FY18 Budget}} \times 100$$

Recommendation:

SunLine Regulatory Agency Budget Variance Report January 2018

		_		Current Mont	h		Yea	ar to Date	
Description	FY 18 Total Budget	Act	tual	Budget	Favorable (Unfavorable)	YTD Actual	FY 18 YTD Budget	Favorable (Unfavorable)	Percentage Remaining
Revenues:									
Meter Readings	156,497		13,106	13,041	65	80,543	91,290	(10,747)	48.5%
Revenue Fines	2,000		206	167	40	2,176	1,167	1,010	-8.8%
New Driver Permit Revenue	4,000		1,080	333	747	5,580	2,333	3,247	-39.5%
Driver Transfer Revenue	850		200	71	129	850	496	354	0.0%
Driver Renewal Revenue	9,200		1,100	767	333	3,950	5,367	(1,417)	57.1%
Driver Permit Reinstatement/Replacement	150		5	13	(8)	15	88	(73)	90.0%
Vehicle Permit Revenue	80,900		18,675	6,742	11,933	33,975	47,192	(13,217)	58.0%
Other Revenue	-		0	0	0	15	0	15	100.0%
Total Revenue	253,597		34,372	21,133	13,239	127,104	147,932	(20,828)	49.9%
Expenses:									
Salaries and Wages	104,987		9,831	8,749	(1,082)	65,825	61,242	(4,582)	37.3%
Fringe Benefits	69,092		5,789	5,758	(32)	37,123	40,304	3,181	46.3%
Services	48,300		2,048	4,025	1,977	22,845	28,175	5,330	52.7%
Supplies and Materials	5,203		655	434	(222)	2,256	3,035	779	56.6%
Utilities	4,258		355	355	0	2,484	2,484	0	41.7%
Casualty and Liability	12,112		1,009	1,009	(0)	7,065	7,065	0	41.7%
Taxes and Fees	20		5	2	(3)	9	12	0	55.2%
Miscellaneous	9,625		854	802	(52)	2,288	5,615	3,327	76.2%
Total Expenses	253,597		20,546	21,133	587	139,894	147,932	8,037	44.8%
Total Operating Surplus (Deficit)	\$ -	\$	13,826			\$ (12,791)	_		

Budget Variance Analysis - SunLine Regulatory

Revenue - Unfavorable

• Taxi revenues are heavily influenced by the seasonal decline during the summer months. The surplus in the peak months will decrease the unfavorable balance. As of YTD fiscal year 2018 there is a decrease of 41,034 Taxi Trips compared to the YTD fiscal year 2017.

		Taxi Trips		
	FY17-Jan	FY18-Jan	Variance	%∆
Trips	37,596	26,213	(11,383)	-30.3%

		Taxi Trips		
	YTD-FY17	YTD-FY18	Variance	%∆
Trips	201,762	160,728	(41,034)	-20.3%

• Taxi franchises pay the full year's vehicle permits during the peak months of October through April.

Salaries and Wages - Unfavorable

• Allocated salary expenses have been higher October through January to assist with agency needs.

Fringe Benefits - Favorable

• Fringe benefit savings are attributed to lower balances for accrual expenses.

Services - Favorable

• The favorable variance is primarily attributed to actual legal and auditing service costs being lower than the budgeted amount.

Supplies and Materials - Favorable

- The favorable variance is mainly attributed to savings in office supply costs, and repair part expenses.
- The negative variance in January is due to an increase in office supply expenses. There was a \$310 cost for a new shredder.

Utilities - Favorable

• Utility expenses are within an acceptable range of the budget.

Casualty and Liability - Favorable

• Casualty and liability expenses are within an acceptable range of the budget.

Taxes and Fees - Favorable

• Taxes and Fees are within an acceptable range of the budget.

Miscellaneous - Favorable

- The favorable balance is mainly attributed to travel and training expenses not yet incurred.
- The negative variance in January is attributed to the renewal fee for the Annual International Association of Transportation Regulators (IATR).

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TO: Taxi Committee

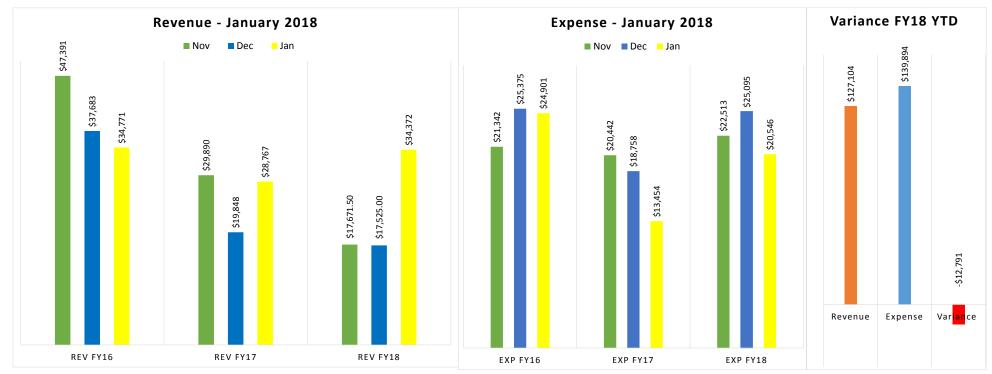
Board of Directors

RE: Taxi Vehicle/Rides Analysis February 2018

Summary:

The attached report summarizes the total number of taxi trips generated in the Coachella Valley for each month of the current fiscal year. A second graph shows the total taxi trips for the current fiscal year compared to the two previous fiscal years. A steady decline in taxi demand is illustrated by the graphs. February 2018 showed the greatest number of taxi trips generated in a single month of the current fiscal year

Recommendation:



Measuring the health of the FY18 SRA budget by monitoring expenses and revenues.

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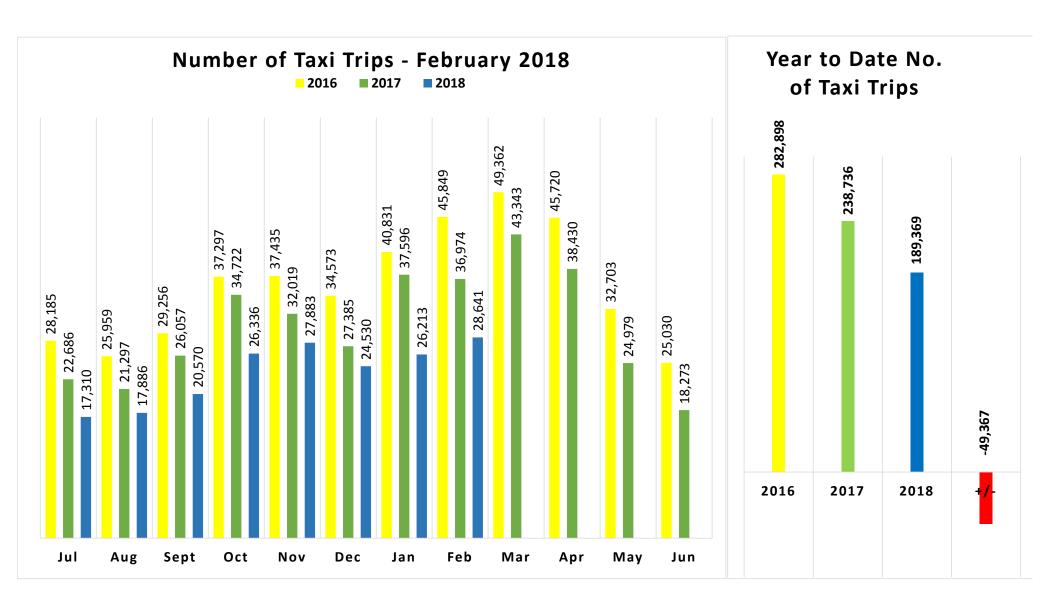
RE: Metric (Taxi Expense vs Taxi Revenue) January 2018

Summary:

The revenue graph displays both revenue generated by surcharge fees, vehicle permit fees and driver permit fees for the current month and two previous months. The expense graph displays the total operational costs for SunLine Services Group for the current month and two previous months. The variance graph displays the total variance between revenue and expense for the current fiscal year.

- Expenses for the current fiscal year are greater than revenue by \$12,791.
 The taxi industry in the Coachella Valley is seasonal. Previous years have shown increasing revenues during seasonal months balance out the negative variance created during off-season months.
- Revenue for the month of January 2018 was \$13,826 greater than expenses.

Recommendation:



Measures the total number taxi trips taken year to date for FY 2016, 2017 and 2018.

MINUTES

SunLine Services Group Board of Directors Meeting February 28, 2018

A regular meeting of the SunLine Services Group Board of Directors was held at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 28, 2018 in the Board Room at SunLine Transit Agency, 32-505 Harry Oliver Trail, Thousand Palms, CA 92276.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m. by Chairperson Russell Betts.

2. FLAG SALUTE

Board Member Peabody led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Russell Betts, Chair, SunLine Agency Board Member, City of Desert Hot Springs Troy Strange, Vice Chair, SunLine Agency Board Member, City of Indio Greg Pettis, SunLine Agency Board Member, City of Cathedral City Robert Radi, SunLine Agency Board Member, City of La Quinta Kathleen Kelly, SunLine Agency Board Member, City of Palm Desert V. Manuel Perez, SunLine Agency Board Member, County of Riverside Emmanuel Martinez, SunLine Agency Board Member, City of Coachella (Board Member Emmanuel Martinez arrived to the meeting at 12:09 p.m.) Ty Peabody, SunLine Agency Board Member, City of Indian Wells Lisa Middleton, SunLine Agency Board Member City of Palm Springs G. Dana Hobart, SunLine Agency Board Member, City of Rancho Mirage

4. PRESENTATIONS

None.

5. FINALIZATION OF AGENDA

No changes to the agenda.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments were made by:

Bill Meyers, Yellow Cab of the Desert

7. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Board member comments were made by:

(Chair) Russell Betts, City of Desert Hot Springs V. Manuel Perez, County of Riverside Robert Radi, City of La Quinta Dana G. Hobart, City of Rancho Mirage Kathleen Kelly, City of Palm Desert

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

- a) SSG/SRA Checks Over \$1000 issued December 2017
- b) SSG/SRA Monthly Budget Variance Reports December 2017
- c) Taxi Vehicle/Rides Analysis January 2018
- d) Metric (Taxi Expense vs Taxi Revenue) December 2017

SunLine Services Group Board Member Radi moved to approve the consent calendar. The motion was seconded by SunLine Services Group Board Member Perez. The consent calendar was approved by a unanimous vote of 9 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain

9. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

SunLine Services Group Board Member Peabody moved to approve the minutes of the January 24, 2018 Board meeting. The motion was seconded by SunLine Services Group Vice-Chair Strange. The motion was approved by a vote of 5 yes; 0 no; 4 abstain

16. NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING DATE

Wednesday, March 28, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. SunLine Transit Agency Board Room 32-505 Harry Oliver Trail Thousand Palms, CA 92276

17. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Brittney B. Sowell Clerk of the Board

DATE: March 28, 2018 ACTION

TO: Taxi Committee

Board of Directors

FROM: Peter Gregor, Taxi Administrator

RE: Approve Resolution No. 084 Setting Special Music

Festival Venue Fee

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors approve Resolution No. 084, which allows for a special event pick up fee of \$30 to be charged for taxicab pickups made at the Coachella and Stagecoach Music Festivals between April 13, 2018 and April 29, 2018.

Background

Since 2016, the Board has adopted resolutions allowing for an event pick up fee to be charged for the Coachella and Stagecoach Music Festivals. The fee was increased with approval by the Board from \$20 to \$30 in 2017. This increase was brought forth after it was discovered that even with the special event fee, costs to consumers choosing to use taxicab service over TNC's was significantly less. The fee provides incentive for drivers to wait at the taxi pick-up area, giving patrons the option of taking a taxi. By providing an incentive to drivers, staff will achieve the goal of having more taxicabs staged at the taxi pick-up area.

The fee shall be restricted to only those trips that originate from the area designated for taxicab pickups by the festival organizers. The \$30 fee will only be effective from the start of the first music festival, April 13, 2018 to April 29, 2018.

Financial Impact

No financial impact.

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RESOLUTION NO. 084

RESOLUTION ADOPTING SPECIAL MUSIC FESTIVAL VENUE FEE FOR THE PERIOD STARTING APRIL 13, 2018 AND ENDING AT THE LAST FESTIVAL APRIL 29, 2018

WHEREAS, SunLine Services Group is a local agency and its Board of Directors is authorized pursuant to Government Code Section 53075.5 to levy, by resolution, fees in an amount sufficient to pay for the cost of regulating taxicab services within the Coachella Valley; and

WHEREAS, the staff of SunLine Regulatory Administration presents a budget for Fiscal Year 2018; which has been approved by the board; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors hereby finds that the fees established herein are reasonable fees imposed solely to recover the actual costs of regulating taxicabs within the Coachella Valley;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of Sunline Services Group:

<u>Section 1.</u> That the following fee shall be charged for pick-up at the Coachella and Stage Coach Festivals.

The following fees are effective April 13, 2018 to the end of the last festival April 29, 2018.

Special Music Festival Venue Fee

\$ 30.00

ADOPTED THIS DAY OF Ma	rch, 2018	
ATTEST:		
Brittney B. Sowell Clerk of the Board SunLine Transit Agency	Russell Betts Chairman of the Board SunLine Transit Agency	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:		
General Counsel Eric Vail		

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)) ss. COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE)	
I, BRITTNEY B. SOWELL, Clerk of the Bagency, do hereby certify that Resolution No. meeting of the Board of Directors held on theby the following vote:	was adopted at a regular
AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSENT:	
ABSTAIN:	
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set m 20	y hand this day of
	Brittney B. Sowell Clerk of the Board SunLine Transit Agency