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**SBCCOG MEETINGS: ATTENDANCE 2015 - 2016**

City	July - 15	Aug - 15	Sept - 15	Oct - 15	Nov - 15	Jan - 16	March - 16
<b>Carson</b>		Davis-Holmes		Davis-Holmes		Davis-Holmes	
<b>El Segundo</b>			Fuentes	Fuentes			
<b>Gardena</b>	Medina	Medina	Medina	Medina	Terauchi	Medina	
<b>Hawthorne</b>	Valentine				Valentine		
<b>Hermosa Beach</b>	Fangary	Fangary		Fangary	Fangary	Fangary	
<b>Inglewood</b>		Butts	Franklin	Franklin Butts	Franklin	Butts	
<b>Lawndale</b>	Osborne	Osborne	Osborne		Osborne Pullen-Miles	Osborne	
<b>Lomita</b>	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	
<b>Los Angeles</b>		Buscaino		Buscaino			
<b>Manhattan Beach</b>	Howorth	Howorth	Howorth			Howorth	
<b>Palos Verdes Estates</b>	Goodhart	Goodhart	Vandever	Goodhart			
<b>Rancho Palos Verdes</b>	Knight	Duhovic	Knight	Knight	Knight	Misetich	
<b>Redondo Beach</b>		Emdee Horvath	Emdee	Horvath	Emdee	Horvath Emdee	
<b>Rolling Hills</b>	Dieringer	Dieringer		Dieringer		Dieringer	
<b>Rolling Hills Estates</b>	Huff	Huff	Huff	Huff	Huff	Huff	
<b>Torrance</b>	Weideman	Weideman	Weideman	Weideman		Weideman	
<b>County of Los Angeles</b>		Napolitano				Riccitiello	

<b>Number of Active Agencies</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	
<b>Quorum Required (50% +1)</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	
<b>Number of Agencies Attending</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>14</b>	

SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 2016  
SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THEATER  
20285 S. WESTERN AVENUE, 1ST FLOOR, TORRANCE, CA 90501

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Gazeley called the SBCCOG Board of Directors meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

**II. INTRODUCTIONS**

**In attendance were the following voting elected officials:**

Lula Davis-Holmes, Carson	Anthony Misetich, Rancho Palos Verdes
Dan Medina, Gardena	Bea Dieringer, Rolling Hills
Hany Fangary, Hermosa Beach	Britt Huff, Rolling Hills Estates
James Butts, Inglewood	Kurt Weideman, Torrance
Jim Osborne, Lawndale	David Riccitiello, LA County, SD 2
Jim Gazeley, Lomita	
Amy Howorth, Manhattan Beach	
Christian Horvath, Redondo Beach	

**Non-voting elected officials**

Mark Waronek, Lomita  
Laura Emdee, Redondo Beach

**Also in attendance were the following persons:**

Tom Brewer, Assemblyman Hadley	Aaron Baum, SBCCOG
James LaFourche, Senator Hall	Natalie Champion, SBCCOG
Susan Burton, Beach Cities Health District	Suzanne Charles, SBCCOG
Lauren Nakano, Beach Cities Health District	Grace Farwell, SBCCOG
Greg Stevens, GSE Solutions	Marcy Hiratzka, SBCCOG
Alan Leung, Hawthorne	Rosemary Lackow, SBCCOG
Jeff Kiernan, League of California Cities	Steve Lantz, SBCCOG
Mike Bohlke, Metro	Chris Cagle, SBWIB
Danielle Valentino, Metro	Javiera Cartagena, SCAG
Jacki Bacharach, SBCCOG	

**III. CONFIRM POSTING OF THE AGENDA BY THE CITY OF TORRANCE**

Jacki Bacharach confirmed that the agenda was properly posted in the City of Torrance.

**IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF ANY CHANGES TO THE AGENDA** – Jacki Bacharach announced that two items on the agenda were updated since the agenda's first electronic release:

- **Item VIII (SBCCOG Action Items, Reports & Updates)** – Four additional updates were added to this item at the meeting, VIII-G, H, I, and J.
- **Item XI-B (Agency Reports, South Coast Air Quality Management District)** – As the South Coast Air Quality Management District Representative on the California Air Resources Board (CARB), Board Member Judy Mitchell sent a report of the CARB meeting that was held on January 21, 2016 in Sacramento. This was not included in the original Board packet, but distributed separately at the SBCCOG Board meeting.

**V. PUBLIC COMMENT** – None

**VI. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- November Board Meeting Minutes (attachment) – Approved**
- Resolution 2016-1 Designating the SBCCOG Treasurer (attachment) – Approved**

- C. **Resolution 2016-2 Authorizing Investment of Monies in the Local Agency Investment Fund** (*attachment*) – **Approved**
- D. **Extension of Vanpool Funding Agreement with Metro** (*attachment*) – **Approved**
- E. **Appointments to South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce, SCAG Community Economic & Housing Committee and Storm Water Funding Advisory Committee** (*attachment*) – **Approved**
- F. **2014-2015 Audit can be found at** <http://southbaycities.org/about-us/financial-documents>
- G. **Mid-Year Budget Report** (*attachment*) – **Received and Filed**
- H. **Report of Time Critical Actions Taken by Steering Committee** (*attachment*) – **Received and filed**
- I. **Monthly Reports – Received and Filed**
  - 1. **South Bay Environmental Services Center Report** (*attachment*)
  - 2. **Transportation Report** (*attachment*)

**MOTION** by Board Member Osborne, seconded by Board Member Medina, to **APPROVE** the Consent Calendar as submitted. No objection. So ordered.

## **VII. PRESENTATIONS**

- A. **Blue Zone Project Status Report** - Beach Cities Health District Executive Director, Susan Burden, gave a brief history of the BCHD, which has been a special district for sixty years. Its territory includes Redondo Beach, Hermosa Beach, and Manhattan Beach and the goal of the BCHD is to prevent disease and unhealthy lifestyles by promoting healthy options in the community. Ms. Burton said that the BCHD currently has twenty-five community initiatives and one of them is the Blue Zone project, a partnership of the BCHD with Healthways. Using research and policy changes, this project encourages beach city residents to incorporate healthier lifestyles, using nine “power” principles. Ms. Burton introduced Lauren Nakano, Blue Zones Project Director. Ms. Nakano explained the nine principles in detail and said that work performance, mood, drive, and physical health can all be affected by things like one’s purpose, caring for others, belonging to groups, making healthy food choices, movement, and self-reflection. The Blue Zones project offers various ways for residents, businesses, restaurants, grocery stores, and schools to get involved and create permanent changes that improve people’s well-being. A community becomes a Blue Zones one when it meets certain benchmarks in each of these sectors. The BCHD uses volunteers to promote the Blue Zone pledge that people can sign, and holds workshops to educate the public about this program. Examples of ways that restaurants, businesses, schools, have participated in this program were shown. Ms. Nakano also referenced Complete/Living Streets, which show that changes in environmental policy and offering a variety of choices helps to implement the goals of this project. Innovative sustainability policies specific to each of the three beach cities were listed.
  
- B. **South Bay Cities Energy Efficiency Program Quarterly Update** – Greg Stevens reported the South Bay Cities’ municipal energy savings for 2015, including quantifiable kWh and therm savings, projected kWh and therm savings, cost savings in dollars, and GHG reduced. 34% of the 2015 kWh goal was met, but the 2015 therm savings goal was exceeded by 40%. Each South Bay City’s status in Edison’s Energy Leader Partnership (ELP) Program was shown, and Chair Gazeley congratulated the City of Gardena for reaching the Silver tier. As a city moves up to the next tier in the ELP program, the incentives increase. “At a Glance” sheets specific to each city were distributed at the meeting and will also be sent to all City Councils and Managers. Mr. Stevens showed each city’s participation in Edison’s Direct Install program, in which free equipment is installed for qualifying measures in eligible buildings. Plug load occupancy sensor controls are a new qualifying measure in this program. Special initiatives were listed, including bulk purchase arrangement for LED lighting in city parks, upgrading of city-owned streetlights to LED lights, the SBCCOG’s new Energy Manager’s Working Group, and Edison’s Upstream HVAC program. Mr. Stevens also talked about Edison and the Gas Company’s On-Bill Financing programs, which fund eligible energy efficiency projects at zero interest with no fees (bill neutral.) A City repays Edison or the Gas Company in monthly installments added as a line item on the City’s utility bill. Four South Bay cities are currently taking advantages of this program. A project in Torrance that was completed in October 2015 was featured. Exterior lighting at twelve municipal buildings was upgraded to LED lighting, which yielded \$82,095. It is estimated that the City will be able to repay Edison in less than three years. Mr. Stevens said that cities should let the SBCCOG know about

municipal energy efficiency upgrades so that the SBCCOG can assist with the oversight (at no cost) in order to maximize the incentive and ensure that savings are not overlooked.

### **VIII. SBCCOG ACTION ITEMS, REPORTS, AND UPDATES**

- A. Nominating Committee Report for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chairs** (*attachment*) – **Approved** – Jacki Bacharach reported that a Nominating Committee consisting of Chair Gazeley and Immediate Past Chair Goodhart met to fill the vacant seat of the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair which resulted from Rancho Palos Verdes Mayor Knight not being re-elected. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair Osborne agreed to accept the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair vacancy, and nominations for 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair were opened December and closed on January 8. The nominations received were from Redondo Beach Councilman Horvath, Rolling Hills Estates Councilwoman Huff, and Torrance Councilman Weideman. The Nominating Committee, recommended that Councilman Weideman fill the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair vacancy.

**MOTION** by Board Member Horvath, seconded by Board Member Medina, to **close the nominations and APPROVE** the Nominating Committee's recommendation as submitted. Board member Dieringer objected to the process and asked how the recommendation had been made. Chair Gazeley responded. Jacki Bacharach explained that the committee did have the names of previous officers by city, geography and year in office. The vote was all in favor with the exception of Councilman Dieringer who voted no. So ordered.

- B. Regional Transportation Plan Comments – Approved** – Jacki Bacharach explained that this item involves two separate letters to SCAG; one regarding the SBCCOG's comments on SCAG's 2016 Draft Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainability Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS), and another regarding SCAG's 2020 RTP/SCS. Both letters were submitted as drafts to the Steering Committee, and were not finalized until just before the Board meeting, when they were distributed.

**MOTION** by Board Member Horvath, seconded by Board Member Weideman, to **APPROVE** the language and mail both letters to SCAG as submitted. No objection. So ordered.

- C. Homeless Initiative** – Ms. Bacharach said that PATH has received the final version of the contract with LA County and that both parties will sign it soon. South Bay city staff will meet on February 3 to learn about the new Homeless Services for the South Bay, and the first Committee meeting for elected officials will be held on February 10 chaired by Board Member Buscaino. Participation by city staff was encouraged for the February 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting, as not every South Bay city has yet confirmed their attendance.
- D. Green Building Challenge** – Ms. Bacharach referred to the Green Building Challenge "Enrollment by City" sheets that were distributed at the meeting. Torrance, El Segundo, and Redondo Beach have experienced the most business enrollment in the program thus far. The SBCCOG has a goal of 270 businesses by August 2016. 88 are presently enrolled in the program. Ms. Bacharach reiterated that this is a free program to participants and that benefits can include Direct Install and energy audits.
- E. General Assembly** – Ms. Bacharach referenced both a countdown calendar to the SBCCOG's 17<sup>th</sup> Annual General Assembly on February 26, as well as a sample invitation for Board Members to send to their City Councils, Commissioners, and city staff. Ms. Bacharach requested that Board Members send her a copy of any letters (invitations) they send to people in their community. She also said that she is accepting contributions on behalf of the SBCCOG for a gift for Supervisor Knabe, who is terming out this year and will make an appearance at the General Assembly. The funds raised will be primarily donated to the Supervisor's "Safe Surrender" program foundation.
- F. Certificate of Appreciation for Patsy Chavez** – Ms. Bacharach explained that Patsy Chavez, former Lomita Administrative Services Director who was appointed as the SBCCOG's Treasurer in March 2015, recently retired. Ms. Chavez was unable to attend the meeting to receive her certificate of appreciation. The new SBCCOG Treasurer is Lomita Accounting Manager, Olga Gutierrez.
- G. NEW ITEM:** Jacki Bacharach explained that 2 consulting teams approached the SBCCOG to work with several jurisdictions in the South Bay on potential grant proposals for solar micro grid community feasibility studies funded through the California Energy Commission. The first phase of the grant is a study. The 2<sup>nd</sup> phase, if the proposal qualifies would provide funds for solar paneling installation on a municipal building and the adjacent homes around it, and all buildings would share the power. One grant would cover a study in Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, and the Beach Cities Health District, and the other grant would cover a study in Carson, which qualifies as a disadvantaged area.

- H. **NEW ITEM:** Ms. Bacharach announced that Form 700s are due.
- I. **NEW ITEM:** Board Member Huff gave a report on the SBCCOG Senior Services Working Group meeting that was held on January 26. The group was given a presentation from Uber, which now offers services for seniors; uberASSIST (for passengers that may need extra assistance getting in and out of vehicles) and uberWAV (for passengers that require wheelchair accessibility.) grandPad has partnered with Uber and will be proposing a pilot program in which 500+ seniors will use grandPad to order subsidized Uber rides to their daily destinations. grandPad is a simplified tablet with enlarged font and buttons that allows seniors to order a ride. It can have a list of pre-set destinations that family members, caregivers, and grandPad customer service representatives can help set up and access. The SBCCOG would need to provide certain data to grandPad and Uber beforehand and the participants would be required to buy an all-inclusive grandPad subscription, which includes: the grand Pad simple senior tablet, LTE Internet connectivity, Device insurance against damage and theft, U.S. based customer support, video calling, emailing, games, and music. This pilot program will hopefully result in seniors being less isolated and living longer, happier lives. Jacki Bacharach said that while the official proposal is not available yet, city staff members that attended the meeting were excited about this pilot program. All South Bay Cities will be encouraged to participate.
  - Board Member Howorth asked if the grandPad is available on a proprietary platform, and Ms. Bacharach confirmed that it is.
  - Board Member Horvath asked if the users would be trained on how to operate the grandPad and Board Member Huff said that grandPad will set up each tablet customized to the user. Grace Farwell added that live customer service is available over the phone and Steve Lantz added that the grandPad is not connected directly to internet, so it is not corruptible, eliminating scams.
  - Board Member Medina asked if the pads need to be returned after the pilot program concludes and that would not be necessary if the user wants to keep it but the cost might change.
- J. **NEW ITEM:** Chair Gazeley said that the Jacki Bacharach & Associates management services contract is up for renewal. Comments on her performance should be submitted to the Evaluation Committee, comprised of Board Members Huff, Osborne, Goodhart, and Chair Gazeley.

## **IX. TRANSPORTATION REPORTS**

- A. **Metro Report** – Board Member Butts reported on a motion (Item 58) that went before the Metro Board earlier in the day called *Metro Line to Goal Line Task Force: Optimizing Public Transit to Support Football in Los Angeles*. Copies of the motion, which is based off of the fact that the “City of Champions Revitalization Project” will be built in Inglewood, were distributed, along with a subsequent, related, amended motion (Item 58.1.) Board Member Butts explained that the NFL voted to have a new football stadium in Inglewood for the Rams, which will be part of a large new development in Inglewood, including office space, dining, a hotel, movie theater, and residential units. Until the new football stadium in Inglewood is ready, the Rams will be using the LA Memorial Coliseum in Exposition Park, which is accessed by Metro’s Expo line. The large revitalization project in Inglewood, in conjunction with the fact that Metro’s Expo rail line will be impacted, as well as the ongoing development of the Crenshaw/LAX Line, presents an opportunity for Metro to reconsider the transportation of a large volume of transit users and spectators. Item 58 recommended that a task force be created to identify and address various transit-related issues and opportunities associated with the arrival of the Rams to Los Angeles for access to the new stadium with potential future sales tax funds. Item 58.1 considers the prospect of north/south aligned transit route starting on Florence Avenue along Prairie Avenue in Inglewood, linking the Green and Crenshaw/LAX lines to the new revitalized area in Inglewood and extending south to Torrance. This amended motion recommends the development of a feasibility study (and SEIR) on the Prairie Avenue corridor. Board Member Butts made the amendment that potential alternatives in and around the Prairie Corridor be examined. Supervisor Knabe made the amendment that this research does not impact the Metro Green Line extension to the Torrance Transit Center.
  - Board Member Horvath reiterated Supervisor Knabe’s concern that the Green Line extension should not be delayed or deterred by new developments in Inglewood. Board Member Butts said that the potential development of the Prairie Corridor does not supersede the Green Line extension to Torrance because there is no implementation date for the latter.
- B. **South Bay Service Council Report** – Jacki Bacharach reported that on February 4, Metro will hold a public hearing on South Bay service adjustments at the Carson Community Center at 6pm. Danielle Valentino had event flyers for those who were interested.
- C. **South Bay Measure R Highway Program Quarterly Report** – Steve Lantz announced that the SBCCOG had released a Request for Proposal for technical assistance in the development, presentation and evaluation of a Project Management Course for city staff and an SBHP Orientation

Workshop for South Bay Elected Officials. Eligible firms may submit proposals for one or both courses. Mr. Lantz asked the Board if they preferred to attend a special workshop at the SBCCOG office or have a study session presented to individual City Councils, which would ensure that more Council Members who are not on the SBCCOG Board would learn about the SBHP. No official vote was taken, but the general consensus among the Board Members was that individual study sessions would result in more Council Members learning about the South Bay Highway Measure R Program. Jacki Bacharach said that she would speak to the South Bay City Managers about this. Mr. Lantz said that the SBCCOG is currently recruiting for two separate task forces from Public Works staff; one will address Measure R SBHP projects that are being delayed due to protracted negotiations with Caltrans about a required encroachment permit, and the other will address the South Bay's Restructuring of Metro's Call for Projects process.

- D. Consideration of Opposition to AB 620 (Hernandez) re: Metro ExpressLanes (attachment) – Approved** - Steve Lantz introduced a letter drafted by SBCCOG staff which opposes AB 620, which would require Metro to grant hardship exemptions from tolls to low-income commuters in Metro's ExpressLanes program. The SBCCOG is concerned that this bill does not recognize the comprehensive way in which the ExpressLanes and the Low Income Assistance Program address the needs of all commuters. No other ExpressLanes or toll project in California or the nation have implemented a Low Income Assistance program to address the needs and priorities of the communities the ExpressLanes serve. Therefore, the SBCCOG believes that this bill is unnecessary and will significantly reduce Metro's ability to operate the ExpressLanes program and re-invest toll-revenues in transit. Metro is also opposed to this bill and has requested this action.

**MOTION** by Board Member Dieringer, seconded by Board Member Huff, to **APPROVE** the language and mailing of this opposition letter to Assemblyman Hernandez as submitted. No objection. So ordered.

#### **X. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **Gazeley** – The City of Lomita hired Ryan Smoot as its new City Manager.

#### **XI. AGENCY REPORTS**

- A. League of California Cities & LA Division Legislative Committee** – Jeff Kiernan reported that the League's LA Division Board approved its Strategic Goals for 2016, which mirror the League's statewide goals: integrate water management plans, educate city officials and identify fundraising and resources to address homelessness, support policies and funding for further crime-prevention and enforcement, and work towards additional funding for LA County transportation needs. He announced that AB 21 (Wood, cultivation licenses for medical marijuana) was passed at the Assembly and is now on the Governor's desk. Mr. Kiernan said that City Managers are being kept in the loop about this issue. SB 876 is similar to SB 608; both were written by Senator Liu and both address rights of the homeless. There is no movement on SB 876 yet but the League will most likely oppose it. Board Member Dieringer said that the League's LA Division made a request to Metro to allocate dedicated funds for green streets programs in the new sales tax ballot measure. This does not mean that the League's LA Division is in favor of the potential sales tax ballot measure. Board Member Dieringer announced that on April 7, there will be a Media & Communications Training on Emergency Preparedness from 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM, and that the LA Division's 6<sup>th</sup> Annual City Economic Development Conference will take place at USC on June 15 from 9am-3pm.
- B. South Coast Air Quality Management District (UPDATED ITEM)** – Board Member Mitchell's CARB January report was submitted separately as a Receive and File item.
- C. SCAG & Committees (attachment) Note: Oral Committee Reports will include new information not in the attachment.**
1. **Energy and Environment** – No new information
  2. **Transportation** - Board Member Medina spoke about SCAG's 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Southern California Economic Summit that was held on January 7, 2016. He said that he viewed a panel on trucks, cars, and electric vehicles, at which the possibility of a new tax on *mileage*, versus the *type of vehicle*, was discussed.
  3. **Community, Economic, & Human Development** – No new information
  4. **Regional Council** – No new information
- D. Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission** – Not present
- E. Storm Water Funding Options Committee** – This seat is vacant. Staff gave no report.

- F. **South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce** – Board Member Huff reported that the SBACC held its first meeting of 2016 on January 4 at the Tesoro refinery in Carson. The main speaker was Fred Bruning, owner of CenterCal Properties, the developer selected to develop the Redondo Beach Pier.
- G. **South Bay Workforce Investment Board** - Chris Cagle reported that the new development at the former Hollywood Park site is generating jobs, as this will include multi-use, NFL stadium, movie theater, retail, housing, and hotel venue. Turner Construction is hiring at the SBWIB's one-stop center in Inglewood. Please let the SBWIB know if constituents are looking for construction jobs. Smart & Final recruited 85 people for its Redondo Beach location and upcoming recruitment will occur for one of the Torrance Smart & Final locations. Latest SBWIB recruitment information may be found at [www.southbayjobs.org](http://www.southbayjobs.org). Mr. Cagle reported that the SBWIB is exchanging preliminary concepts with Uber and Northrop Grumman regarding transportation assistance for potential college-aged interns at Northrop Grumman. The SBWIB currently receives grants to offset room and board costs and for rental cars at other companies' internship programs. Using the SBCCOG's recent connection to Uber, the SBWIB is exploring the possibility of having grants provide Northrop Grumman interns under 25 years old with Uber rides to get to their internships. Mr. Cagle also reported that the LA Airforce Base is interested in forming a community partnership in workforce and education regarding after-school programs. This would involve providing existing resources for military families.

**XII. UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Ms. Bacharach announced that due to the SBCCOG's 17<sup>th</sup> Annual General Assembly on February 26, 2016, the SBCCOG Board will be dark in February. The next Board meeting is scheduled for March 24, 2016.

**XIII. FEBRUARY AND MARCH SBCCOG COMMITTEE MEETINGS & WORKING GROUPS**

Consult website for specific times and places for other meetings – [www.southbaycities.org](http://www.southbaycities.org)

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Gazeley adjourned the meeting at 7:45 pm to Thursday, March 24, 2016 at 6:00 pm.

Marcy Hiratzka  
Recording Secretary