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SBCCOG MEETINGS: ATTENDANCE 2016 - 2017

City	Sept - 16	Oct - 16	Nov - 16 NO QUORUM	Jan - 17	Mar - 17	Apr - 17	May - 17
Carson	Santarina	Davis-Holmes					X
El Segundo	Boyles	Fuentes		Fuentes	Fuentes	Fuentes	
Gardena	Medina	Medina		Medina	Medina	Medina	
Hawthorne	Valentine	Valentine	Valentine	Valentine		Valentine	
Hermosa Beach	Fangary			Fangary	Fangary		
Inglewood	Franklin	Franklin			Franklin	Franklin	
Lawndale	Osborne Pullen-Miles Suarez	Osborne	Osborne Suarez	Osborne	Osborne	Osborne	
Lomita	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	
Los Angeles		Buscaino				Buscaino	
Manhattan Beach	Howorth	Howorth	Howorth	Powell			
Palos Verdes Estates	Goodhart	Goodhart	Vandever	Goodhart	Vandever		
Rancho Palos Verdes	Misetich	Misetich				Misetich	
Redondo Beach	Horvath	Horvath	Horvath	Emdee	Horvath	Horvath	
Rolling Hills	Mirsch	Dieringer	Mirsch	Mirsch		Dieringer	
Rolling Hills Estates		Huff	Huff	Huff	Huff	Huff	
Torrance	Weideman	Weideman		Weideman	Ashcraft	Weideman	
County of Los Angeles-2nd District	Riccitiello	Riccitiello		Riccitiello	Riccitiello		
County of Los Angeles- 4th District				Velazquez			

Number of Active Agencies	18	18	18	18	18	18	17
Quorum Required (50% +1)	10	10	10	10	10	10	9
Number of Agencies Attending	15	16	8	14	11	12	

**SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2017
SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THEATER
20285 S. WESTERN AVENUE, 1ST FLOOR, TORRANCE, CA 90501**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Osborne called the SBCCOG Board of Directors meeting to order at 6:01pm.

II. INTRODUCTIONS

In attendance were the following voting elected officials:

Suzanne Fuentes, El Segundo	Joe Buscaino, Los Angeles
Dan Medina, Gardena	Anthony Misetich, Rancho Palos Verdes
Olivia Valentine, Hawthorne	Christian Horvath, Redondo Beach
Ralph Franklin, Inglewood	Bea Dieringer, Rolling Hills
Jim Osborne, Lawndale	Britt Huff, Rolling Hills Estates
Jim Gazeley, Lomita	Kurt Weideman, Torrance

Also in attendance were the following persons:

Phil Fine, SCAQMD	Allen Meyer, Sherpa Fiber
Tina Cox, SCAQMD	James Lee, Torrance Transit
Wayne Nastri, SCAQMD	Gregory Farr, Caltrans
Mark Rodgers, Ygrene Energy Fund	Ray Tahir, TECS Environmental
Monica Garcia, Ygrene Energy Fund	Linda Rickey, Public
Javiera Cartagena, SCAG	Stan Myles, Public
Joe Hoefgen, City of Redondo Beach	Kim Fuentes, SBCCOG
Josie Gutierrez, LA County Dep. of Public Works	Natalie Champion, SBCCOG
Morgan Decker, Cerrell Associates	David Leger, SBCCOG
Nathan Holmes, Office of Councilman Buscaino	Rosemary Lackow, SBCCOG
Jacob Haik, Office of Councilman Buscaino	Steve Lantz, SBCCOG
Jeff Kiernan, League of California Cities	Jacki Bacharach, SBCCOG
Chris Cagle, SBWIB	

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

There were no changes to the agenda.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ray Tahir (TECS Environmental) gave public comment on pending legislation in Sacramento that would alter state law regarding the classification of stormwater. Mr. Tahir stated that SB 231 is being debated in Sacramento and would allow stormwater to be considered a "utility" which would then allow local governments and taxing agencies to pass fees without requiring a 2/3 vote. It would allow districts such as the LA County Flood Control District or LA Sanitation District to pass a fee on a simple majority vote. Mr. Tahir wanted to make the SBCCOG Board of Directors aware of this legislation and stated that the League of California Cities is neutral on the bill. Jeff Kiernan from the League of California Cities clarified that the League is not neutral, it has yet to take a position.

Mark Rodgers (Ygrene Energy Fund) gave an update on the work being done in the South Bay. Mr. Rodgers reported that Ygrene finances energy efficiency projects for homeowners and businesses, and has helped finance over \$8 million in the South Bay so far. They have worked with almost 300 homeowners and businesses, reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 9900 metric tons, which is equal to removing 2900 cars off the roads. These projects have helped save over 35M gallons of water, 54M kWh of electricity, and provided more than \$20M in economic stimulus to the region.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. March Board Meeting Minutes (*attachment*) – Approved**
- B. Measure R Cooperative Agreement Amendment No. 1 (*attachment*) – Approved**
- C. Metro South Bay Service Council Selection Recommendation (*attachment*) – Approved**
- D. LAHSA Resolution re: retaining federal funds for homeless services (*attachments*) – Approved**
- E. Participation and endorsement of a HERO mailing to South Bay residents – Approved**
- F. Status of Legislation of Interest to SBCCOG (*attachment*) – Approved**
- G. Actions Approved by the Steering Committee – Received and Filed**
- H. Monthly Reports – Received and Filed**
 - 1. South Bay Environmental Services Center Report (*attachment*)**
 - 2. Transportation Report (*attachment*)**

MOTION by Board Member Weideman, seconded by Board Member Franklin, to **APPROVE** the Consent Calendar. No objection. So ordered.

VII. PRESENTATIONS

A. Recognition of Stan Myles retiring from AQMD

Chair Osborne presented Stan Myles with a certificate of appreciation for his dedicated work with the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) upon his retirement from the agency after a decade of service. Jacki Bacharach shared some words as well, thanking Mr. Myles for the close working relationship between the SBCCOG and SCAQMD. Mr. Myles thanked Chair Osborne, Ms. Bacharach, and the SBCCOG/SBESC and noted that he looks forward to hopefully volunteering for the SBESC.

B. Update on Air Quality Management Plan

1. Wayne Nastri, AQMD Executive Director

Mr. Nastri gave the Board of Directors an update on the AQMD's current work as well as the status of the Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP).

Mr. Nastri reported that the California Air Resources Board (CARB) approved the AQMD's 2016 AQMP at their March meeting. Mr. Nastri explained that the AQMD and CARB have some differences in approach to the "Indirect Source Rules". The AQMD decided to work with the ports in a more collaborative manner based on their prior efforts to reduce their emissions, meeting their earlier emission reduction goals faster than originally planned. CARB ordered their staff to review a rulemaking/regulatory approach. The difference between the CARB vision and the AQMD approach means that they need to come to an agreement on the best way to approach the issue. Mr. Nastri added that since everyone wants the same emission reductions, from his perspective, getting there collaboratively or through rule-making is essentially the same process. AQMD is going to move in a way that will get everyone to the table to develop the plan. CARB will incorporate the AQMP into their state plan, which will then go to the EPA for approval.

As part of that, there is a tremendous amount of incentive funding in the AQMP (roughly \$1 Billion/year for the next 10-14 years). The challenge is finding these funds. The AQMD is looking at several different sources to locate these funds.

Mr. Nastri also briefly touched on the issues surrounding the Torrance refinery. Mr. Nastri stated that the February 2015 accident was a near-miss, adding that the hydrofluoric (HF) acid unit that was almost compromised contains a very dangerous compound. Mr. Nastri explained that upon investigation, there were clearly several deferred maintenance issues that led to the incident. AQMD staff has gone out to the refineries in their jurisdiction and urged them to invest in the infrastructure at their sites. Mr. Nastri informed the Board that the AQMD is looking at a package of rules that would touch on the recurring flaring incidents at the refinery, as well as refinery and community monitoring, Regional Clean Air Incentives Market Program (RECLAIM), and the use of HF acid. He added that the state is also looking at laws to ensure more refinery safety consistency throughout the state. Regarding HF acid use, Mr. Nastri commented that most people agree that HF needs to go, but nobody is sure when it can happen. It is very costly to switch over to sulfuric acid and other emerging technologies aren't quite ready for use yet. Mr. Nastri added that a refinery in the UK is beginning a transition to solid ion technology which could offer a safe alternative to HF and/or sulfuric acids.

Mr. Nastri then reviewed the AQMD's ongoing work surrounding the hexavalent chromium contamination in Paramount, explaining that improved monitoring technology has provided a better gauge of the contamination. A multi-agency task force was formed and is currently working on cleaning up the pollution.

Mr. Nastri briefly touched on some legislation that the AQMD is currently pursuing in Sacramento. AB 1132 would provide emergency authority to air pollution control officers, so in the event of an imminent and substantial threat to the community, the AQMD would have the ability to stop work at a given pollution source (such as in the businesses in Paramount releasing the hexavalent chromium). Mr. Nastri added that there are due process protections in the legislation as well. AB 1274 (the "smog abatement fee") is legislation that would shift smog-checking requirements on vehicles. Currently, vehicles must get their first smog check when they are 6 years old. Data shows that the fail rate for 6-year-old vehicles is somewhere between 3% and 5%. If passed, the legislation would require smog checks on vehicles beginning at year 8. The legislation would: assess an annual smog abatement fee of \$24 on motor vehicles that are 7 or 8 model-years old; require the fee be deposited into the Air Pollution Control Fund; and be available for expenditure, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to fund the Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program. This funding would then be used to get older, worse polluting vehicles off the road. The AQMD estimates a 4-6 times benefit if these changes are enacted.

Board Member Weideman asked Mr. Nastri when the AQMD would be awarding applicants for the Exxon-Mobil flaring incidents grants. Mr. Nastri told him that in the coming months the winners will be announced, adding that some of the delay was due to the AQMD's efforts to coordinate some of the proposed projects.

Board Member Horvath asked Mr. Nastri if the status of state legislation to address Torrance Refinery issues would impact the AQMD's efforts. Mr. Nastri answered that they wouldn't.

Chairman Osborne asked Mr. Nastri if there were any comparisons between local refineries and others in the state regarding their safety procedures, safety records, etc. Mr. Nastri explained that it is difficult to compare them because reporting methods aren't uniform and that the AQMD's approaches are often more advanced than others' methods.

Board Member Buscaino asked Mr. Nastri to explain the difficulty the AQMD faces when they are tasked with reducing air pollution, even though most emissions come from mobile sources over which the AQMD has no jurisdiction. Mr. Nastri explained that it is extremely challenging, considering 88% of NOX emissions come from mobile sources. He added that the AQMD was considering a "fleet rule" but that the rule did not make it out of committee.

VIII. SBCCOG Action Items

A. SBCCOG 3rd Quarter Strategic Plan & Annual Work Program- Successful Collaborations and Plans for 2017-2018

Jacki Bacharach presented the SBCCOG's 3rd Quarter Strategic Plan & Annual Work Program. Ms. Bacharach began by reviewing the SBCCOG's mission, vision, guiding principles, and strategic plan goals.

Ms. Bacharach highlighted three areas of success: security of continued funding for enhanced Homeless Services for South Bay cities; partnership with the SBWIB for a regional broadband network feasibility study; and the leveraging of dues with outside funding, raising 10 times the amount of funds from dues.

Ms. Bacharach then reviewed SBCCOG collaborations which include: energy efficiency (e.g. Energy Leader Program and Municipal Direct Installation); water conservation (e.g. Cash for Kitchens and rain barrel giveaways); transportation (e.g. Measure R South Bay Highway Program and Measure M); current issues in the South Bay (e.g. homeless services, regional broadband, short term rentals, and regional coyote management); Climate Action Planning; Electric Vehicles; and workshops, trainings, and networking opportunities.

Ms. Bacharach then addressed major initiatives looking ahead. These initiatives include a series of SBESC programs; transportation programs such as Measure R South Bay Highway Program and the impact of autonomous vehicles on cities; sustainability/climate action planning; and technology, specifically the regional broadband network.

For more in depth detail, Ms. Bacharach's presentation can be viewed online at:

http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board_directors/meeting/PRESENTATION_4.17%20Work%20Program%20Presentation.pdf

Motion by Board Member Horvath, seconded by Board Member Valentine, to **APPROVE** the SBCCOG Annual Work Plan. No objection. So ordered.

IX. SBCCOG PROGRAM REPORTS AND UPDATES

A. Homeless Initiative

Ms. Bacharach reported that the Measure H Revenue Planning Committee is working on a proposal for the Board of Supervisors to vote on.

Joe Hoefgen, Redondo Beach City Manager and the South Bay's representative on the Measure H Revenue Planning Committee, reported that the plan would allocate approximately \$355M annually over the next 10 years to prevent homelessness, provide rent subsidies, among many other proposals and programs. Mr. Hoefgen noted that the first year will consist mostly of planning and preparation as they ramp up for year two.

Ms. Bacharach added that they may be looking to work more directly with COGs throughout the county.

Ms. Bacharach also handed out the current figures for each city and program from PATH's efforts in the South Bay. The handout can be viewed online at:

http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board_directors/meeting/HANDOUT_Monthly%20Data%20Report%20and%20Success%20Stories.pdf

B. Broadband/Brown Bag Lunches

Ms. Bacharach announced that the first brown bag lunch will take place on May 24th at the SBCCOG office.

C. Workshop on Sustainable South Bay Strategy – April 27

Ms. Bacharach reported that there was good attendance at the workshop preceding the Board Meeting. Board Member Weideman added that he was glad he had attended.

D. Short Term Rental Task Force

Ms. Bacharach announced that the next meeting will take place in June.

E. Coyote Management

Ms. Bacharach announced that the next meeting will take place June 7th, and that Culver City will be presenting on their efforts. She added that she would like each city to invite their neighborhood watch captains.

F. Social Media Working Group – Rumor page

Ms. Bacharach reported on the successful Social Media Working Group meeting with representatives from the City of Burbank, who spoke about their Rumor Page. Palos Verdes Estates modeled their page after Burbank's, choosing to address rumors publicly and supported by facts.

G. Other

No other updates given.

IX. TRANSPORTATION REPORTS

A. Metro Report by Board member James Butts/Mike Bohlke

Mike Bohlke reported that the Metro Board approved the South Bay Highway Program project list. Regarding the Measure M guidelines, Mr. Bohlke stated that the Metro Board will most likely give the Policy

Advisory Council more time to develop the framework guidelines, and that the in-depth guidelines will take Metro closer to two years to develop.

B. Service Council report by Ralph Franklin, Chair

Board Member Franklin reported that there was a presenter from On The Move Riders Club, which aims to match seniors with other Metro riders, to help teach the seniors how to ride the Metro system. He also reported that there was a presentation on sustainability demonstration projects such as slow-speed modes and that there were concerns about sharing the roads with these slower vehicles.

C. Transportation Committee by Christian Horvath

1. Comment letter on Measure M Guidelines – discuss and authorize Transportation Committee to approve letter on May 8.

Board Member Horvath reported on items discussed at the Transportation Committee. He announced that the Board had approved the amendment to the Measure R SBHP cooperative agreement on the consent calendar, which extends the SBCCOG's role in the program through 2022. Board Member Horvath also reported on the new Annual Performance Evaluation requirement in the cooperative agreement.

Board Member Horvath briefly reviewed the Caltrans Improvement Strategy, which aims to encourage cities to work early and collaboratively with each other and Caltrans to develop a corridor plan for a state highway so that when they are ready to apply for permits, Caltrans has already approved the original designs. This can possibly help address some of the delays that SBHP projects have experienced during the permit approval process.

Jacki Bacharach added that the draft letter to Metro before the Board has not yet been sent to Metro because more comments from the Board and the Policy Advisory Council will be added prior to submitting it. The letter addresses issues the SBCCOG (and other COGs) feel should be revised in the Measure M guidelines as they were proposed with suggested ways to fix the issues.

Motion by Board Member Horvath, seconded by Board Member Weideman, to **AUTHORIZE** the Transportation Committee to finalize and approve the letter for sending to Metro after the May 8th Transportation Committee meeting. No objection. So ordered.

X. BOARD MEMEBR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Medina (Gardena): Gardena's Cinco de Mayo parade is taking place on Saturday.

Horvath (Redondo Beach): On April 29th, the City turns 125 years old with celebrations taking place all day. Springfest is also taking place now through Sunday.

Franklin (Inglewood): Board Member Franklin participated in a webinar on short-term rentals that touched on the burdens and opportunities.

Huff (Rolling Hills Estates): The annual Mayor's Breakfast Ride is taking place on Saturday, May 6th.

Fuentes (El Segundo): There was a going away party for the outgoing Chief of Police today. There is also a groundbreaking ceremony for the new El Segundo Aquatics Center on the Da Vinci Campus.

XI. AGENCY REPORTS

A. League of California Cities & LA Division Legislative Committee

Jeff Kiernan reported that there is a budget trailer bill that would codify and clean up provisions in Proposition 64 regarding the Medical Marijuana form bill that was passed last term.

Mr. Kiernan also reported that ACA 5 will be on the next state-wide ballot. ACA 5 will mandate the legislature spend gas tax funds on road repairs and transportation needs.

Board Member Dieringer thanked the League and the California Contract Cities Association for taking positions on public safety issues and suggested the SBCCOG take positions on more of these issues as well.

Board Member Buscaino added that after the passage of Props 47 and 57, savings by the State Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation were supposed to flow to local municipalities to help address crime, but those funds have yet to be seen.

B. South Coast Air Quality Management District – No report given.

C. SCAG & Committees

1. **Energy and Environment –No report given.**
2. **Transportation –No report given.**
3. **Community, Economic, & Human Development –No report given.**
4. **Regional Council – No report given.**

D. Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission

Board Member Fuentes reported that the Executive Director announced he is leaving as of July 1st.

E. LA County Community Choice Aggregation Task Force

Board Member Horvath reported that Board of Supervisors voted to move forward with CCA and that the City of Redondo Beach and others are still reviewing options.

F. Stormwater Funding Options Committee – No report given.

G. County Water Resilience Working Group – No report given.

H. South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce

Board Member Huff reported that the SBACC reviewed the package of refinery safety bills proposed by Assemblyman Muratsuchi and decided to monitor those bills until they could get a full review.

I. South Bay Workforce Investment Board

Chris Cagle delivered the 2nd Quarterly Report and announced that the SBWIB had a job fair for high schoolers earlier in the day. 963 students and 80 employers attended the job fair, where 235 students were hired on the spot. Another 280 students were invited back for a second interview.

J. Base Retention Advisory Council

Board Member Fuentes reported that there was a meeting with Mark Waronek (Supervisor Hahn's Office). Supervisor Hahn presented a "White Paper" to the Pentagon on the importance of the LA Air Force Base during her recent visit to Washington, DC.

XII. UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jacki Bacharach announced that the SBCCOG will be honoring former Board Member and PVE Council Member Jim Goodhart at the May Board of Directors meeting. Ms. Bacharach also announced that LA County Sheriff Jim McDonald will be presenting at the same meeting.

XIII. APRIL SBCCOG COMMITTEE MEETINGS & WORKING GROUPS

Consult website for specific times and places for other meetings – www.southbaycities.org

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Osborne adjourned the meeting at 8:06 pm to Thursday, May 25, 2017 at 6:00 pm.

David Leger
Assistant Board Secretary