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SBCCOG MEETINGS: ATTENDANCE 2013 - 2014

City	January - 14	March - 14	April - 14	May - 14	June - 14	July - 14
Carson	Dear				Dear	
El Segundo		Fuentes	Fuentes		Fuentes	
Gardena	Medina	Medina	Medina	Medina	Medina Terauchi	
Hawthorne		Valentine	Valentine	Valentine	Valentine	
Hermosa Beach	DiVirgilio	Petty	DiVirgilio		DiVirgilio	
Inglewood	Franklin	Franklin		Franklin		
Lawndale			Osborne	Osborne	Osborne Reid	
Lomita	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	
Los Angeles			Buscaino			
Manhattan Beach	Burton	Burton			Burton	
Palos Verdes Estates	Goodhart	Goodhart Perkins	Goodhart	Goodhart Perkins	Goodhart Perkins	
Rancho Palos Verdes	Knight	Knight	Duhovic	Knight	Knight	
Redondo Beach	Aust	Aust	Aust	Aust	Aust	
Rolling Hills		Dieringer	Dieringer	Dieringer		
Rolling Hills Estates	Zerunyan	Huff		Huff	Huff	
Torrance	Brewer Weideman	Weideman			Weideman	
County of Los Angeles	Napolitano	Riccitiello Napolitano		Riccitiello		

Number of Active Agencies	17	17	17	17	17	
Quorum Required (50% +1)	9	9	9	9	9	
Number of Agencies Attending	12	14	9	11	13	

SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
THURSDAY, JUNE 26 2014
SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THEATER
20285 S. WESTERN AVENUE, 1ST FLOOR, TORRANCE, CA 90501

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

II. INTRODUCTIONS

In attendance were the following voting members:

Jim Dear, Carson	Mark Burton, Manhattan Beach
Suzanne Fuentes, El Segundo	Jim Goodhart, Palos Verdes Estates
Dan Medina, Gardena	Jim Knight, Rancho Palos Verdes
Olivia Valentine, Hawthorne	Pat Aust, Redondo Beach
Michael DiVirgilio, Hermosa Beach	Britt Huff, Rolling Hills Estates
Jim Osborne, Lawndale	Kurt Weideman, Torrance
Jim Gazeley, Lomita	

In attendance were the following non-voting elected officials:

Terry Terauchi, Gardena	Pat Furey, Torrance
Daniel Reid, Lawndale	Gloria Gray, West Basin Municipal Water District
Ellen Perkins, Palos Verdes Estates	

Also in attendance were the following persons:

Christian Daly, Assemblyman Bradford	Kim Fuentes, SBCCOG
Brooke Matson, Assemblyman Muratsuchi	Marcy Hiratzka, SBCCOG
Hamilton Cloud, Congresswoman Waters	Rosemary Lackow, SBCCOG
Bill Stracker, DR Consultants	Steve Lantz, SBCCOG
Jack Gabig, Gardena Municipal Bus Lines	Chris Cagle, SBWIB
Jeff Kiernan, League of CA Cities	Ron Wildermuth, West Basin Municipal Water District
Jacob Haik, Los Angeles District 15	Bettie Jamora
Mike Bohlke, Metro Director O'Connor	Susanna Medina
Renee Berlin, Metro	Andrea Reilly
Natalie Champion, SBCCOG	Winnie Smith
Suzanne Charles, SBCCOG	Jamie Watson

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

Kim Fuentes confirmed that the agenda was properly posted in the City of Torrance.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF ANY CHANGES TO THE AGENDA - None

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

Torrance resident, Andrea Reilly, reported two recent traffic incidents that caused extreme congestion and affected the Cities of Hawthorne, Redondo Beach, and Torrance. Ms. Reilly recommended the implementation of two solutions to address these kinds of issues in the South Bay and submitted her written commentary.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. May Board Meeting Minutes – Approved

- B. 2014-2015 Operating Budget Adoption – ITEM PULLED** - Goodhart pulled because the expenses and revenue totals do not match (more expenses than revenue recovery). He proposed that SBCCOG staff bring the budget back to the Steering Committee and Board in July or August, once it has been properly balanced. Kim Fuentes added that the new budget would go into effect on July 1, 2014.

MOTION by Board Member Goodhart, seconded by Board Member Osborne, to **tentatively approve** Item VI-B as amended. No objection. So ordered.

- C. Mobility Matrix Funding Agreement with Metro – ITEM PULLED** - Kim Fuentes announced that the version in this packet has been revised since it was sent out. There was a marked up version distributed at the meeting, showing sections of language removed at the request of SBCCOG legal counsel.

MOTION by Board Member Gazeley, seconded by Board Member Knight, to **approve** Item VI-C as amended. No objection. So ordered.

D. Agreement with the South Bay Workforce Investment Board – Approved

E. Office Lease Extension – Approved

F. Resolution supporting submission to California Energy Commission of Geothermal grant application with UC Davis – Approved

G. Legislation Recommended for Action – Approved

H. Monthly Transportation Report – Received and filed

I. South Bay Environmental Services Center Report – Received and filed

MOTION by Board Member Aust, seconded by Board Member Gazeley, to **approve** the Consent Calendar as amended. No objection. So ordered.

VII. SBCCOG ACTION ITEMS, REPORTS & UPDATES – Kim Fuentes

- A. Election of Officers – Approved** – Chair Medina presented the Nominating Committee's recommendation for 2014-2015 SBCCOG Officers and announced that all candidates have agreed to serve if elected. These included: Jim Goodhart (Chair); Jim Gazeley (1st Vice Chair); Jim Knight (2nd Vice Chair); Dan Medina (Immediate Past Chair); At-Large Steering Committee Members: Jim Osborne, Olivia Valentine, Michael DiVirgilio, and Britt Huff.

MOTION by Board Member Burton, seconded by Board Member Weideman, to **approve** all of the Nominating Committee's recommendations for 2014-2015 SBCCOG Officers. No objection. So ordered.

Board Member Goodhart, Chairman Elect, thanked Chair Medina for his contributions during his term as SBCCOG Board Chair, and acknowledged his accomplishments, which included: the pursuit of social media at the SBCCOG which lead to the highest attendance ever recorded for the SBCCOG General Assembly in 2014; energy infrastructure reliability issues and keeping the South Bay Cities in communication with the CPUC; flourishing Legislative Briefings, the development and implementation of the SBCCOG's Strategic plan; and sub-regional and ridership advocacy on Metro ExpressLanes. Cities, Federal & State Agencies, and SBCCOG Partnering Agencies presented commendations to Chair Medina.

- B. General Assembly Topic & Title for February 27, 2015 (attachment) – Approve** – Kim Fuentes announced that the Steering Committee recommended a title for the General Assembly but subsequent to that, the staff suggested that the topic might not be clear and recommended some alternatives for further discussion.

MOTION by Board Member Gazeley, seconded by Board Member Dear, to **approve** the Steering Committee's recommendation of, "A View From the Front Porch: Life in the South Bay", as the title of the SBCCOG's 16th Annual General Assembly. No objection. So ordered.

- C. Strategic Growth Council Grant** - Kim Fuentes announced that Metro, SBCCOG, SDSU, and UCLA's LARC program formed a partnership in order to apply for a grant from the State of California's Strategic Growth Council's Sustainable Communities Planning Grant and Incentives Program. The proposal, *Sustainable South Bay Transportation and Land Use Implementation Framework*, was written by SBCCOG staff with Metro committing to supply the local match. A grant of \$885,048 was awarded! These funds will be used to develop tools that will consist of Climate Action Plan transportation and land use chapters that identify GHG reduction strategies at the sub-regional and local levels, a Sub-Regional Implementation Toolkit to provide technical assistance for local level adoption of GHG reduction strategies and a Mobility Matrix for the South Bay, which includes evaluation and screening criteria for identifying priority projects.

VIII. TRANSPORTATION REPORTS

- A. Metro Report by Board Member Pam O'Connor** – Mike Bohlke reported that one of the items discussed at this morning's Metro Board meeting was the Airport Metro Connector. He distributed the presentation that was given at the Metro Board meeting, showing the different alternatives that were being considered as the best option to serve as the transfer point to an automated people mover that would take people to terminals at LAX from the light rail lines. He said that the Board unanimously approved Option A2, a new light rail station at Aviation Boulevard and 96th Street along the Crenshaw/LAX Line, as the locally preferred alternative. The Automated People Mover is being planned/will be built by LAWA; the decision on alignment and how to get into the central terminus at LAX will happen in December. Before this can happen, Metro must environmentally clear the station, design it, and identify the funding. The Crenshaw/LAX Line is currently under construction and the new station would be added to that project. That project is scheduled to be completed in 2019, and the people mover could be completed as early as 2022. Metro has \$200 million to spend on this. Metro staff is to report back at the September 2014 MTA Board meeting with a conceptual and station design approach plan and provide quarterly updates, in coordination with LAWA staff, on implementation progress thereafter. Board Member Perkins asked if entitlements are in place, and Mr. Bohlke said that Metro is moving forward with engineering, so the short answer is yes. Board Member Valentine asked which rail lines will go straight to LAX, and Mr. Bohlke clarified that no light rail will go directly to LAX. The Automated People Mover will meet the new Green Line station. Steve Lantz added that the Crenshaw Line will connect to the Automated People Mover as well. Board Member Burton asked if the airlines support LAWA's position and if LAWA has the funds to commit to this project. Renee Berlin answered that LAWA is committed, and went on to list LAWA's funding resources.
- B. Service Council** – Not Present
- C. Measure R Oversight Committee Report** – Board Member Goodhart reported that since he will be taking over as Board Chair, he will be stepping down as Measure R Oversight Committee Chair; Board Members Franklin and DiVirgilio will be assuming the roles of Chair and 1st Vice Chair. Steve Lantz added that Board Member Goodhart has been instrumental to the Measure R Oversight Committee since its inception, four and a half years ago. Board Member Goodhart reported that deobligation letters were distributed to cities whose projects are not making progress or are late in executing their Funding Agreements with Metro. Metro is concerned with the program cash flow and lack of project delivery in the South Bay. The letters caused concern, as this is the first time that deobligation has been exercised within the Measure R Oversight Committee, but the goal was to get the lead agencies' attention so that they could work with the committee to identify the projects whose funds could be reprogrammed for other projects that are ready to proceed. Steve Lantz said that the deobligation appeal process will take place at July 2nd Measure R Oversight Committee meeting. The committee also finalized the process and templates for the funding of technical assistance in preparation for Metro's 2015 Call for Projects. Any funds awarded for the 2015 Call will become available in 2020. PSRs need to be submitted to Caltrans by October 2014.

IX. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

- West Basin Municipal Water District Director, Gloria Gray, arrived late to give Chair Medina a certificate on behalf of West Basin. She also accepted Director Ed Little's retirement commendation from the SBCCOG on Director Little's behalf. Director Gray noted that Director Little has served on the West Basin

Board of Directors for 25 years and commended his leadership in water policy and wastewater recycling. As she also serves on the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, Director Gray also announced a reception honoring MWD Chairman of the Board, Randy Record, in Redondo Beach on July 8.

- Kim Fuentes announced that the SBCCOG will be having a private tour of the Space X Hawthorne facility for elected officials and city staff on August 20. Fliers were distributed.
- Kim Fuentes also acknowledged the SBCCOG list of upcoming community events.

X. AGENCY REPORTS

A. League of California Cities – Board Member Goodhart gave a recap of the League's LA County Division's 4th Annual City Economic Development Conference that was held in Long Beach on June 25. According to a survey taken by the LA County Business Federation, the top 5 concerns for employers in 2014 were: taxes and fees, energy and fuel costs, public infrastructure, affordable healthcare coverage, and government regulations & compliance. Jeff Kiernan announced that Governor Brown signed the FY 2014-15 budget of \$108 billion, the largest in the state's history. This is the fourth year in a row that the Legislature has passed an on-time and balanced budget and the first with a true surplus. He also reported that the Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee heard AB 1147 (Bonilla), the California Massage Therapy Act, and passed it on an 8-0 vote on June 23. This would reduce the CAMTC Board from 20 to 13 members. The bill now moves to the Senate Appropriations Committee, which will likely hear it in August following the Legislature's summer recess. Mr. Kiernan also announced that the Senate's Governance and Finance Committee has approved AB 2188 (Muratsuchi), establishing a streamlined permitting and inspection procedure for solar energy systems, and although the bipartisan vote of 6-1 moves the bill on to the full Senate, it is not too late to change the Senate's mind! It is expected to take AB 2188 up after it returns from summer recess in August. Mr. Kiernan also brought Annual Conference and Expo registration forms for September 3-5, 2014, noting that the event will be in Los Angeles this year.

1. LA Division Legislative Committee – Not Present

B. South Coast Air Quality Management District – Jacob Haik reported on behalf of Board Member Buscaino. Staff is initiating an early development process for the 2016 AQMP, which will be a comprehensive and integrated Plan primarily focused on addressing the ozone standards. The Plan will be a regional and multi-agency effort (SCAQMD, CARB, SCAG, and the EPA). State and federal planning requirements include developing control strategies, attainment demonstrations, reasonable further progress, and maintenance plans. The 2016 AQMP will incorporate the latest scientific and technical information and planning assumptions, including the latest applicable growth assumptions, Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy, and updated emission inventory methodologies for various source categories. Mr. Haik urged the Board to take advantage of the unusual fact that two of the AQMD Board members are in the South Bay. AQMD oversees four counties.

C. SCAG & Committees – Board Member Goodhart said that Matt Horton no longer works for SCAG. His replacement is currently being recruited.

1. Energy and Environment – Not Present

2. Transportation – Chair Medina reported that the Committee discussed the I-710 tunnel that will connect the current northern terminus of the 710 to the 210 in the San Gabriel Valley. Closing the gap and building a tunnel will reduce gridlock on surface streets and reduce commute times. Increased freeway capacity will address gridlock not just in the San Gabriel valley, but throughout Los Angeles County, in downtown Los Angeles and stretching as far east as the 605 freeway and on many arterials and highways within the radius. Each city in LA County was sent a letter from SCAG's Transportation Committee to rally support for this project.

3. Community, Economic, & Human Development – Board Member Gazeley reported that SCAG staff is continuing with its past practice of engaging in a bottom-up local input process for the 2016-2040 Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy, which employs a "local control - regional collaboration" strategy for the Plan update. To facilitate and assist in the local review of the draft socioeconomic and geographic datasets for the 2016 RTP/SCS, staff has conducted meetings with jurisdictions one-on-one to collect data changes, answer questions, and provide technical guidance, as needed. To date, staff has requested sessions with all 197 jurisdictions, and has completed meetings with 183 jurisdictions, or 93% of all cities and counties in the SCAG region. This effort has resulted in feedback from 63% of jurisdictions on all or a portion of SCAG's information requests in the current round of the Local Input Process (Round 2).

- 4. Regional Council** – Chair Medina reported that the Regional Council held its first ever electronic voting in order to decide on employee salary issues and holiday schedule issues.
- D. Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission** – Board Member Perkins reported that at last week’s meeting Tom Ford was ratified as the new Executive Director. The SMBRC is part of the National Estuary Program and the EPA was very impressed upon its site visit to the SMBRC two weeks ago. The Commission’s Adopted Work Plan will be available on the website.
- E. South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce** – Board Member Valentine reported that, after much consideration, the SBACC has supported the following pending bills: AB 2039, AB 2096, and AB 2188 (even though the League opposes it.)
- F. South Bay Workforce Investment Board** - Chris Cagle asked everyone to spread the word about the SBWIB’s One-Stop Centers, which offer free access to a wide array of services such as: training and job placement services, labor market information, and career workshops. The SBWIB also offers specialized services to assist local companies in meeting their hiring goals, lowering training costs, improving employee skill levels, reducing turnover rates and managing a more qualified workforce. Services are frequently customized to meet specific business and industry employment requirements. The SBWIB’s Traditional Subsidized Employment program offers employment assistance to residents by placing them from 6 to 12 months at a job site. The SBWIB acts as the employer of record and will perform payroll functions, pre-screen candidates, and absorb Workers Compensation liability. Employers are not taking as much advantage of this as was anticipated. Those living on public assistance are eligible.

XI. UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

July 2 – Measure R Oversight Committee

July 14 – Steering Committee

July 24 – Member Orientation to the SBCCOG and Regional Government

XII. JULY SBCCOG COMMITTEE MEETINGS & WORKING GROUPS

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

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Medina adjourned the meeting at 7:53 pm to Thursday, July 24, 2014 at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Marcy Hiratzka
Recording Secretary