

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

Steering Committee FOLLOW-UP AGENDA August 11, 2014

Attendees: Jim Goodhart (Chair, PVE), Jim Gazeley (1st Vice Chair, Lomita), Jim Osborne (Lawndale), David Lesser (Manhattan Beach), Jim Dear (Carson – 1:10 pm) Jacki Bacharach, Kim Fuentes, Wally Siembab & Steve Lantz (SBCCOG)

- I. **REPORT OF POSTING OF AGENDA**
 - **ACTION:** Received and filed
- II. **ANNOUNCEMENTS OF ANY CHANGES TO THE AGENDA - DOMINGUEZ CHANNEL ADMINISTRATION ACTION OSBORNE/LESSER - APPROVED**
- III. **PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE**
- IV. **OVERVIEW OF IMPORTANT CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - 12:05 pm**
- V. **CONSENT CALENDAR – action items noted, remainder are receive & file - 12:10 pm**
 - A. Steering Committee – July 14, 2014 meeting minutes attached
 - **ACTION:** Approve
 - B. Appointments to Outside Agencies
 - Letters of Commitment Metro Service Council appointees – English outstanding (2nd notice sent 7/1/14; Franklin asked to assist 7/21/14) – **received 8/12/14**
 - C. Grant Opportunities
 - SGC grant – scope and budget preparation underway
 - Geothermal with UC Davis – submitted. Awards posted September 9
 - SBESC services to DWP – negotiating over budget and scope through Councilman Buscaino's office
 - D. Transportation Issues
 - Monthly Transportation Update from Steve Lantz – attached
 - **Article on Automated vehicles on highways not attributed**
 - E. South Bay Environmental Services Center Activities Report – attached
 - **\$14,000 in partnership funds for Build It Green training for August (@ request of city of Torrance)**
 - **Example from Redondo Beach reviewed re: savings found from EEMIS work to city energy bills.**
 - F. Dues & Assessment Receipts - **UPDATED**
 - **4 Dues and assessment outstanding of 8/9/14** – Carson, Inglewood, L.A. City, Lomita
 - Dues only – Rolling Hills
 - G. Finance Committee 1st meeting date is scheduled for Thursday, August 28 from 3-5 (prior to SBCCOG Board meeting)
 - H. Board meeting agenda development
 - August – draft attached
 - **THE DROUGHT!!!** – Member of State Water Resources Control Board confirmed and WBMWD speaker for local perspective - **EJ Caldwell and Fernando Paludi will be attending the BOC meeting on August 28th to provide information on how West Basin will assist our South Bay cities respond to the state water regulations.**
 - Requests made at July Board meeting
 - Gas Company Trunk Line installation
 - On the Move Riders' Club – invited to speak at Senior Services Working Group meeting in lieu of Board meeting – **CONFIRMED**

- **ADDING CALL FOR PROJECTS APPLICATION DEVELOPMENT FOR TORRANCE & REDONDO BEACH APPROVALS**
- September - Cost of Power Supply in the South Bay, cost and interconnections & SONGS effect & Future Energy Needs for the South Bay
- Other:
 - LA City Mayor & New Metro Chair Eric Garcetti would like to come to one of our Board meetings – **October 23 – 5:45 pm to 6:15 pm confirmed**
 - Presentation on Air Toxics by Dr. Wallerstein
 - **CHRIS CAGLE SHOULD SPEAK ABOUT EMPLOYING PEOPLE FOR FREE TO CITY MANAGERS – TELL TONY DAHLERBRUCH – *emailed Cagle & copied Dahlerbruch 8/12/14***

I. Special Events

- Under development
 - Space X – August 20 - FULL
 - Tour of Gas Company facilities near Ballona Wetlands – plan for October
- November 20 – Thank You Reception for our Volunteers
- **TOUR OF AQMD LABS- HOW MANY ALLOWED?**
- **DECEMBER 11 – ELP CITY STAFF RECOGNITION LUNCH WITH GUEST SPEAKER CPUC Commissioner Mike Florio - CONFIRMED**

J. Status of Work Program Presentations to City Councils

- Lawndale, Lomita, Carson & Rolling Hills Estates completed
- **AUGUST – HAWTHORNE, REDONDO BEACH, ROLLING HILLS**

VI. ACTION ITEMS - ADMINISTRATION

K. Monument Sign – 12:20 pm

- Memo attached
- **ACTION: APPROVED – GAZELEY/OSBORNE**

L. Meeting Agency Novelty – 12:25 pm

- **JIM PRESENTED HIS GOALS FOR THE YEAR WHICH ARE:**
 - **Strategic Plan**
 - **Work Plan**
 - **Newly elected**
 - **Succession plan**
 - **Annual review**
 - **By-laws update**
 - **Budget – Ad Hoc Committee review**
 - **City Manager relationships**
 - **Evaluation of Steering Committee & Board meetings**
 - **Attendance**
- **In agendas - SOMETHING/SENTENCE OR 2 ABOUT THE SBCCOG/SBESC to be added to a memo – WHEN FOUND, E-MAIL CONTACT AND FIRST 5 PEOPLE will be part of a DRAWING FOR 5 SCRATCHERS at the board meeting**
- **CONSIDER WHERE THE INFORMATION IS SO IT DOESN'T APPEAR TO BE A TYPO IN A PUBLIC DOCUMENT**
- **WHO CAN WIN? RESTRICTED ONLY TO DELEGATES & ALTERNATES? ANYONE CAN WIN – must be present to attend**
- **ACTION: JIM WILL INTRODUCE IT AT THE NEXT BOARD MEETING AND TRY IT ONCE IN SEPTEMBER**

VII. ACTION ITEMS – WORK PROGRAM

N. Integration of Natural Gas Strategies into Climate Action Plans – 12:40 pm

- Memo attached
- **KUDOS TO KIM FOR FINDING THE FUNDS AND MAKING IT HAPPEN**

- **ACTION:** Recommended **OSBORNE/LESSER** that the Board amend the contract with Atkins North America, Inc. to include natural gas strategies at an additional cost not to exceed \$20,000 – **LEGAL REVIEW COMPLETED -**
 - **ADD SOLE SOURCE JUSTIFICATION for board meeting**
 - **ADD CITY MOBILE SOURCE EMISSION NATURAL GAS USE TOO**
- O. Metro ExpressLanes Contract – **12:45 pm**
- Memo attached
 - **ACTION:** Recommended that the Board approve the contract with Metro to provide revenues in the amount of \$40,000 – **To DECEMBER, 2015 – GOODHART/GAZELEY - APPROVED**
 - **BE SURE THAT THERE ARE NO LIMITATIONS TO ADVOCACY**
 - **BRISTOL FARMS.COM – AND FIND OUT IF THERE ARE OTHERS**

JIM DEAR ARRIVED

- P. West Basin Municipal Water District new 2014-15 Contract – **12:50 pm**
- Memo attached
 - **ACTION:** Recommended that the Board approve the contract with West Basin to provide revenues in the amount of \$175,000. – **OSBORNE/GAZELEY**
 - **VECTOR CONTROL BOARD DIRECTOR IS AGAINST RAIN BARRELS RE: MOSQUITO ATTRACTION**
- Q. SBHP Measure R - Funding Agreements for Technical Assistance – **12:55 pm**
- At their July meeting, SBCCOG Board of Directors delegated to the SBCCOG Steering Committee the approval of agency funding agreements for technical support for the development of PSRs for Metro Call for Projects submissions.
 - List of agencies that requested funding agreements by Aug. 8 (available at the meeting)
 - **ACTION:** Approved Call for Projects technical support funding agreements submitted by lead agencies in the Preparation of 2015 Call for Projects Applications – **MANHATTAN BEACH APPROVED BASED ON THEIR APPROVAL TOMORROW NIGHT – LESSER/OSBORNE**
- R. General Assembly – **1:00 pm**
- **Sponsorships vis a vis the Holiday Light Exchange**
 - **FOR ANY GA SPONSORSHIP OF \$2500 OR THAT ADDS AT LEAST \$500 BY OCTOBER 1, THEY BECOME A HOLIDAY LIGHT EXCHANGE SPONSOR TOO**
 - **ALCOA IN CARSON COULD BE THERE FOR LIGHT EXCHANGE – GIVE JIM LIST OF WHO DONATES TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY**
 - **ACTION: NO REDUCTIONS or packages approved**
- S. Homeless Initiative Update – **1:05 pm**
- **START WITH THE GENESIS – WARONEK AND SAMMARCO**
 - **WALK THROUGH THE PROPOSAL AND THE GATEWAY EXPERIENCE**
 - **VISIT TO PATH & KNABE, RICCIETIELLO INFORMED**
 - **KNABE WANTS TO KNOW THAT CITIES WANT THIS**
 - **HOW DOES IT FIT OUR MISSION, VISION & GUIDING PRINCIPLES:**
 - **6/11/14 – EMAIL FROM MATT KILROY**
 - We have 2 brand new hotels right next to the 405 Fwy, just north of the Inglewood Avenue off ramp. The area between the hotels and the freeway has been a haven for the homeless for quite some time. The area is part of the freeway right-of-way and the City of Redondo Beach does not have jurisdiction there. Cal Trans will make infrequent sweeps of the encampments but after a few weeks they spring back up.
 - The homeless have also found a new place to build their mini-cities, under the elevated portion of the metro line. Next to the railroad tracks

and under the concrete abutment at the Redondo Station of the Green line another encampment has sprung up. Evidently the homeless are using the hotel's spa as a bath tub and taking advantage of the free breakfasts. Again, this area is not in an area that the City of Redondo Beach has control over, it is in the Metro right-of-way.

- It took a long time to get these hotel built and it seems a shame that government can't do more to protect businesses from the abuse of the homeless. It is a hassle to constantly have to get these other agencies to literally clean up their own backyard and remove the squatters.

■ **6 CITY MANAGER RESPONSES:**

- **Torrance** is very interested in this. Our Community Development Dept had been approached about the use of some space for housing homeless but they were unaware that the group also provides these other services. Please keep us in the loop.
- **“Redondo Beach will be supportive of this approach and we very much appreciate the resources and experience that the County and PATH would bring to this complicated issue.”**
- **PVE:** In response to your question and from a general, collective, social, and societal perspective, the proposal and concept seem good and sound; more can be done to assist homeless throughout the County and in the South Bay as there are homeless problems that should be addressed. However, as PVE staff, we don't see a homeless situation in PVE and, as such, would not see a program (the proposal) as a core municipal service that is necessary for PVE. I say this because, I am not confident or reassured that the a) the County has and will always have the \$\$ to pay for the proposal, and b) the Supervisor that succeeds Supervisor Knabe will find it a priority to allocate his/her discretionary funds for this purpose. If the money goes away, the COG member agencies will be in an awkward position of stopping the program, seeking other grants, or self-funding the program; and this isn't an issue directly affecting PVE. I would not be supportive of the program without a dedicated and on-going long-term commitment of funds. Maybe if this comes to fruition, there could be a long term contract with performance measures that if met, would keep the county funding it.
- **Lawndale:**
 - At face value, the PATH program to assist homeless individuals in the South Bay could provide a benefit to the homeless population.
 - Lawndale has on-going homeless encampments along the 405 Freeway embankments - it would be good if PATH would help them find permanent housing or address the issues which have caused them to be homeless.
 - The South Bay cities all have different homeless challenges and differing policies will be needed to address them.
 - As such, the COG and PATH will need to understand that that the individual South Bay Cities will most likely *not* want a single area wide policy or approach to addressing their needs of the homeless in their respective city.
 - In the proposal, there is a great deal of mention about “critical support services” but no specific mention of funding health services and mental health services for the homeless.
 - Outside/non-city funding is critical – Lawndale's budget, which has undergone numerous layoffs and reductions in recent years, is balanced with absolutely no excess for new programs. We could not

fund a new program/more outside staff without reducing staff at the City – this would not be acceptable – it would devastate our remaining services.

- **Inglewood**
 - I think this is a well thought out and comprehensive program. I can't imagine any city not supporting the program. I will share the program outline with my staff and ask them if there are any additional tasks that they think should be included in the program.
- **Hawthorne**
 - How is this project and subsequent contract to be funded? If buy the cities what is my cost?
 - **My response:** Gateway COG has had the program several years funded 100% by the county. There is a request that your city designate a liaison for meetings to discuss the program and your city's needs periodically. I have confirmed this with Gateway COG.
 - With that understanding, what are your feelings on the proposal?
- **Gateway COG:**
 - The COG is divided into four geographic sectors, which we call Local Coordinating Alliances (LCAs), and PATH subcontracts with a local service provider in each LCA that is familiar with that region of the COG. PATH still provides overall coordination and operates its own outreach team, throughout the COG, which responds to a "hot line" number that is widely distributed. In addition, each city has identified a staff member as its homeless program liaison. Each LCA holds periodic meetings which involve the homeless program liaisons from the cities, the local service provider, and PATH. Those meetings, in particular, provide opportunities for cities to express their individual concerns and preferences; but cities are free at any time to contact PATH outside of these meetings.
 - As for the cost, the program is 100% funded through a contract between the COG and the County of Los Angeles. The cities do not pay anything for the program.
 - Concerned with Supervisor Knabe leaving office - A lot will depend on how much influence the CEO's Office will have with the new supervisor, whoever it is. Right now the CEO's staff is very happy with the program.
- **MARK WARONEK – 8/10/14.** I cannot be there / in the desert with the family. I think we need to make sure cities know there are monies out there that are not getting accessed for their communities. The issue is not just homeless but the hungry too in the South Bay. Many nonprofits will be able to benefit.
- **ALONDRA PARK HAD HOMELESS SERVICES MEETING SEVERAL YEARS AGO. ASK RIDLEY-THOMAS WHAT THAT WAS. OSBORNE WILL FIND OUT UNDER WHOSE AUSPICES IT WAS.**
- **LESSER – WEST LA ORGANIZATION HAD WORKED WITH MB RE: THIS A WHILE AGO. NON-PROFIT.**
- **OSBORNE – PROBLEM IS GROWING – EVERYWHERE. TRYING SOMETHING IS BETTER THAN NOTHING.**
- **DEAR – CARSON HAS THE PROBLEM GROWING. MOST OF HOMELESS SLEEP IN WEST CARSON UNINCORPORATED AREA. PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUE, MENTALLY ILL CA. 30%. AFFECTS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. BEGGING AT FREEWAY ON-RAMPS AND OFF-RAMPS. GOOD TO HAVE AN ORGANIZATION THAT KNOWS WHAT THEY ARE DOING. COUNTY HAS TO GET INVOLVED.**
- **GAZELEY – WHERE DO YOU HOUSE THEM? PEOPLE LIVING IN MOTOR HOMES. NEED TO WORK WITH THE COUNTY.**

- **GOODHART – NAPOLITANO TALKED TO HIM. RE: MISSION – WE SHOULD INCLUDE DEALING WITH HOMELESS IF WE DO THIS BY AMENDING THE MISSION STATEMENT. PVE HAS NO HOMELESS ISSUE THAT THEY WOULD ACKNOWLEDGE.**
- **NAPOLITANO WANTS TO KNOW WHY PATH CAN DO IT BETTER THAN THE COUNTY. SUPERVISOR IS NOT SUPPORTIVE OF THIS. WHEN KNABE LEAVES, NO GUARANTEE OF FUNDING. NEED LONG TERM FUNDING.**
- **RIDLEY-THOMAS IS FOCUSED IN CENTRAL LA – NOT SOUTH BAY AREAS**
- **POTENTIAL PILOT**
- **ACTION: BRING TO THE NEXT STEERING COMMITTEE WITHOUT A RECOMMENDATION – HAVE PATH BE THERE OR GATEWAY (STAFF RESOURCES – ROLE OF THE COG) AND NAPOLITANO & RICCIETELLO TO DISCUSS – PATH, GATEWAY, NAPOLITANO & RICCIETELLO INVITED 8/14/14**

T. Legislative Advocacy – 1:15 pm

■ SoCal ROC update by Chair Goodhart – **ATTENDED MEETING WITH CATHY MCBRIDE, DEPUTY SECRETARY OF THE GOVERNOR, SO CAL ROC, HAYWARD, STATE BOARD OF EDUC, DEPT OF FINANCE, 2 TORRANCE LOBBYISTS & SUZANNE FUENTES. RESULTS SEEM TO BE ANOTHER MEETING IN NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS. THIS THURSDAY, MEETING HERE WITH MURATSUCHI'S STAFF ON NEXT STEPS – MORE SUPPORT AND STRATEGIES. WE NEED TO IDENTIFY THE PROBLEM DIFFERENT THAN CATEGORICAL PROGRAM AND YET SCHOOL DISTRICTS DON'T WANT TO FUND IT. WHY ISN'T SO ROC CONSIDERED CATEGORICAL.**

- **Legislative Matrix – attached**
 - **CHANGES IN STATUS – AB 2711 REQUEST FOR SUPPORT**
 - **ACTION: Recommended Board approval on legislative matrix – OSBORNE/LESSER**

ADDED ITEM - DOMINGUEZ CHANNEL

- **WHY NOT CARSON, GARDENA?**
- **TORRANCE NOT IN THE SHED**
- **GATEWAY CITIES DOES THIS IN A SEPARATE GROUP**
- **3% ADMINISTRATION**
- **NEW IS PRIVATE INDUSTRY WHICH WILL START TO INCLUDE THOSE PLANS**
- **FOLLOW-UP BEFORE BOARD MEETING**

M. Approval of Invoices – available at the meeting – 12:35 pm

- **ACTION: Approved invoices for payment – GAZELEY/LESSER**

VIII. STRATEGIC POSITIONING ITEMS/ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES

U. Renewal of SCE/SCG Partnership Updates – 1:25 pm

- **Kim Fuentes' report - NOTHING**

V. ELECTRICAL Reliability Issues Update – 1:30 pm

- **Discussion of possible next steps at the request of Members Lesser & Knight – DEFER**
 - **BUT BECAUSE OF SBCCOG AND MURATSUCHI EFFORTS – PRESSURE ON SCE AND MORE GOING ON IN MB – WILL RAISE THE HEIGHT OF WIRES.**
 - **CARSON AND PVE STILL AN ISSUE – SUBCONTRACTORS AREN'T VERY GOOD – IMPLEMENTATION NOT GOOD – LOTS OF EXCUSES.**

- HOW TO USE THE SBCCOG IN REGIONWIDE APPROACH – MEET WITH PUC STAFF RE: OUR ISSUES
- CARSON – SOME AEROSPACE CONTRACTORS HAVE IMPORTANT MATERIALS DESTROYED FROM POWER OUTAGES. SCE STOCKHOLDERS DON'T WANT TO SPEND THE MONEY.
- ASK CITY MANAGERS ABOUT THE POWER OUTAGES AND AT THE IWG ASKING PW DIRECTORS
- ASK PUC HOW SCE IS DOING ON THEIR PLAN

JIM GAZELEY LEFT

- W. Sustainability update – **1:40 pm**
 - Wally Siembab's report – **METRO IS HOLDING A COMPLETE STREETS WORKSHOP NEXT WEEK. WE ARE FORMULATING A POSITION TO BROADEN THE DISCUSSION – TALKING ABOUT SPEED AND NOT PROPULSION AS OPPOSED TO DEDICATED BIKE LANES. COMMENTS TO BE BROUGHT BACK.**
- X. Senior Services Working Group Update – **1:50 pm**
- Y. Other updates since agenda distribution – **1:55 pm**
 - **COMPLAINT FILED IN APRIL WITH STATE DFEH RE: SBCCOG HIRING PRACTICES – LAWYER CHECKED AND IT IS STILL UNDER REVIEW.**
 - **COMPLAINT BY FORMER EMPLOYEE – TWEETING AND CONTACTING KCET REPORTER. REQUEST UNDER PUBLIC INFORMATION RECORDS ACT – WE RESPONDED WITHIN THE TIMELINE WITH JENKINS REVIEW**

NEXT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING – September 8, 2014 @ 12:00 pm

PLEASE CONSULT WEBSITE IF YOU ARE NOT SURE ABOUT THE MEETING SCHEDULES

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