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ABOUT

The Regional Council is the governing board of the Southern California Association of Governments and consists of 86 elected officials representing 191 cities, six counties, county transportation commissions, transportation corridor agencies, tribal governments and air districts in Southern California.

AGENDA

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE MEETING



INFORMATION

SCAG HONORS OUTGOING RC AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

SCAG's Regional Council today recognized and thanked outgoing board members for their service. Those pictured include, from left, Councilmember John Sibert, City of Malibu; Councilmember Carl Morehouse, City of San Buenaventura; Councilmember Keith Millhouse, City of Moorpark; Second Vice-President Alan Wapner; Mayor Steven Choi, City of Irvine; First Vice-President Margaret Finlay; Supervisor Jack Terrazas, Imperial County; Executive Director Hasan Ikhata; President Michele Martinez; Mayor John Nielsen, City of Tustin; Mayor Ray Musser, City of Upland; and Mayor Jim Katapodis, City of Huntington Beach. Also honored were Supervisor Michael Antonovich, Los Angeles County; and Councilmember Felipe Fuentes, City of Los Angeles.

INFORMATION

SCAG REGION AWARDED \$61 MILLION IN ATP GRANTS

In his Executive Director's report to the Regional Council, Hasan Ikhata gave an update on funding awards from the California Transportation Commission's statewide Active Transportation Program. The SCAG region was awarded about 46 percent of the available funding receiving approximately \$61 million. SCAG was also one of the grant recipients, earning a \$1.15 million award to fund the Southern California Disadvantaged Communities Planning Initiative. This initiative will develop six active transportation plans in disadvantaged communities and pilot an innovative planning methodology to deliver low-cost, local plans across the region by leveraging regional planning tools and the *Go Human* campaign's engagement resources.

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Regional Council meeting
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INFORMATION

SGC AWARDS \$75M FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN SCAG REGION

Today's staff report included an update on the California Strategic Growth Council's (SGC) announcement on funding recommendations for the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) program. The SCAG region received \$75 million, out of a total of \$289 million awarded, to support six projects that will construct more than 600 affordable housing units and essential transportation infrastructure. The AHSC grants are funded through the state's cap-and-trade program and invests in projects that achieve greenhouse gas and vehicle miles travelled reductions. SCAG has previously expressed concern to the Strategic Growth Council that AHSC funding is not being equitably distributed to Southern California, considering the region's size, overall air quality and sheer number of disadvantaged communities. SCAG will continue to collaborate with the SGC and provide technical assistance to potential applicants to further increase the region's number and share of successful funding applications.



SCAG EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

At today's RC meeting, SCAG recognized members of the staff team in charge of the Employee Appreciation Event, held on July 28 in Santa Monica. Tasked with developing a fun, educational and spirit-filled event for to celebrate a year of major achievements at the agency, the planning team demonstrated outstanding cooperation and communication and produced a very successful program. From left: Executive Director Hasan Ikhata, Second Vice-President Alan Wapner, Alek Bartrosouf, Kimberly Clark, First Vice-President Margaret Finlay, Linda Jones, Jennifer Martinez, Lijin Sun and President Michele Martinez.

NEWS FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



At an official ceremony on Nov. 2, Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti handed over the symbolic key for the Ontario International Airport to City of Ontario Mayor Pro tem and SCAG Second Vice-President Alan Wapner. At the Regional Council meeting today, Wapner was recognized for championing local control of the airport, which will help further advance SCAG's strategies for regionalizing air service.

HOUSING SUMMIT CONVENES OVER 400 TO ADDRESS HOUSING CRISIS, SOLUTIONS

More than 400 local leaders from throughout California gathered in downtown Los Angeles on Oct. 11 for SCAG's California Housing Summit, "The Cost of Not Housing." The event was a huge success, bringing together government, business and community leaders to address the affordability crisis happening across the region and the state. The summit opened with a panel of experts, who provided background on why California is experiencing a housing deficit and the extent of its economic, environmental and social costs. Breakout sessions explored different avenues for mitigating the housing shortage, such as funding strategies, integrating housing into planning at all levels and public engagement to demonstrate community benefits of housing projects. SCAG also released its new report, "Mission Impossible? Meeting California's Housing Challenge," now available on the Housing Summit website:

<http://bit.ly/2dZCbrW>.

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ECONOMIC SUMMIT

On Thursday, Dec. 1, SCAG, in partnership with the Southern California Leadership Council, will be hosting the annual Southern California Economic Summit at the L.A. Hotel Downtown in Los Angeles. Now in its seventh year, the summit brings together local civic and business leaders to assess the state of the region's economy and discuss opportunities for job growth and prosperity. This year's program will also highlight the growing innovation economy in Southern California and feature Lieutenant Governor Gavin Newsom as keynote speaker. Elected officials, public and private sector CEOs, business and labor representatives, non-profit leaders and city managers are invited to attend. Registration for the Economic Summit is complimentary, but capacity is limited. Please visit

www.scag.ca.gov/economicsummit to register and for updates on the event.

EVENT AD



UPCOMING MEETINGS

November

- 15th** Legislative/Communications & Membership Committee
- 17th** Technical Working Group
- 23rd** Modeling Task Force
- 24th-25th** Thanksgiving Holiday, SCAG Offices Closed
- 29th** Audit Committee

December

- 1st** The 7th Annual Southern California Economic Summit
- 6th** Transportation Conformity Working Group
- 15th** Technical Working Group
- 20th** Legislative/Communications & Membership Committee
- 26th** Christmas Holiday Observed, SCAG Offices Closed



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