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**SBCCOG MEETINGS: ATTENDANCE 2014 - 2015**

City	March - 15	April - 15	May - 15	June - 15	July - 15	Aug - 15
Carson		Davis-Holmes	Davis-Holmes			
El Segundo	Fuentes	Fuentes	Fuentes			
Gardena		Medina	Medina	Medina	Medina	
Hawthorne	Valentine	Valentine	Valentine	Valentine	Valentine	
Hermosa Beach		Fangary	DiVirgilio	DiVirgilio	Fangary	
Inglewood	Franklin	Franklin	Franklin	Franklin Butts		
Lawndale	Osborne Pullen-Miles	Osborne	Osborne	Osborne Pullen-Miles	Osborne	
Lomita	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	
Los Angeles	X	Buscaino				
Manhattan Beach	Burton	Lesser	Lesser	Lesser	Howorth	
Palos Verdes Estates	Goodhart	Goodhart	Goodhart	Goodhart Vandever	Goodhart	
Rancho Palos Verdes	Knight	Knight	Knight	Knight	Knight	
Redondo Beach		Aust	Aust	Horvath		
Rolling Hills	Dieringer	Dieringer	Dieringer		Dieringer	
Rolling Hills Estates	Huff	Huff	Huff Addleman	Addleman	Huff	
Torrance	Weideman	Weideman	Weideman	Weideman	Weideman	
County of Los Angeles			Napolitano	Riccitiello		

Number of Active Agencies	16	17	17	17	17	
Quorum Required (50% +1)	9	9	9	9	9	
Number of Agencies Attending	11	16	16	13	11	

SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2015  
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 6:03 pm.

**II. INTRODUCTIONS**

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

Dan Medina, Gardena	Jim Goodhart, Palos Verdes Estates
Olivia Valentine, Hawthorne	Jim Knight, Rancho Palos Verdes
Hany Fangary, Hermosa Beach	Bea Dieringer, Rolling Hills
Jim Osborne, Lawndale	Britt Huff, Rolling Hills Estates
Jim Gazeley, Lomita	Kurt Weideman, Torrance
Amy Howorth, Manhattan Beach	

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

Tom Brewer, Assemblyman Hadley	Marcy Hiratzka, SBCCOG
Alan Clelland, Iteris	Rosemary Lackow, SBCCOG
Howard Choy, LA County	Steve Lantz, SBCCOG
Pamela Manning, LA County	Chris Cagle, South Bay Workforce Investment Board
Jeff Kiernan, League of CA Cities	Ray Pok, Southern California Edison
Mike Bohlke, Metro	Mike Lemyre, Ygrene Energy Fund CA, LLC
Danielle Valentino, Metro	Olivia Rose, Ygrene Energy Fund CA, LLC
Jacki Bacharach, SBCCOG	James Ross, Ygrene Energy Fund CA, LLC
Natalie Champion, SBCCOG	
Kim Fuentes, 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 for Item VI.E (MOU Regarding Participation in the Ygrene PACE Financing Program and Recommendation to Cities to Participate), the contract terms have been extended from three to five years, since the July 13 SBCCOG Steering Committee meeting.

**V. PUBLIC COMMENT** – Ray Pok of Southern California Edison took this opportunity to officially invite the Board to attend a three-day workshop at Edison's Big Creek facility in the High Sierras. The original date was September 24, 2015, but as this conflicted with the SBCCOG Board meeting, the date is being changed to early October and remains undetermined. There is space for 19 participants and pick up locations may be customized. Jacki Bacharach encouraged Board Members to attend, as she attended this workshop before and found it to be a very valuable experience.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION:** Chair Gazeley presented Board Member Goodhart with a certificate of appreciation for serving as SBCCOG representative on the League of California Cities' Los Angeles Division Executive Committee from 2011-2015. This vacancy has been filled by Board Member Dieringer.

## **VI. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A. June Board Meeting Minutes (attachment) – Approved**
- B. Nomination of Christian Horvath to fill vacant At Large Steering Committee seat – PULLED**
- C. Metro Service Council Vacancy Recommendation (attachment) – Approved**
- D. South Bay Measure R Highway Program Consultant Selection for 2015 Implementation Plan Update (attachment) – Approved**
- E. MOU Regarding Participation in the Ygrene PACE financing program and Recommendation to cities to participate (attachments) – Approved**
- F. Status of Legislation of Interest to SBCCOG (attachment) – Approved**
  - 1. Support SB 786 & AB 907 – SoCal ROC funding
  - 2. Oppose AB 718 – Sleeping in motor vehicles
- G. Monthly Transportation Report (attachment) – Received and filed**
- H. South Bay Environmental Services Center Report (attachment) – Received and filed**
- I. June AQMD Report from Judy Mitchell (attachment) – Received and filed**

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

## **PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR**

**B. Nomination of Christian Horvath to fill vacant At Large Steering Committee seat**~~(attachment)~~ — Board Member Fangary pulled this item from the Consent Calendar, saying that he was objected to the SBCCOG’s process of selecting the candidate to fill the vacancy on the Steering Committee. Board Member Fangary said that he was unaware that there was a vacancy on the Steering Committee, and that he would have made an effort to be present for the Steering Committee meeting, had he known. Board Member Howorth agreed with Board Member Fangary. Chair Gazeley said that Board Member Horvath was present for the the July 13 Steering Committee meeting, and volunteered to fill the vacancy. It was acknowledged that none of the other three at large Steering Committee members were from the Beach Cities, and no other Board Members from the Beach Cities were present, so the Steering Committee unanimously nominated Board Member Horvath to fill the vacant seat. Jacki Bacharach clarified that there is no seat particularly designated for any part of the SBCCOG territory and that anyone on the Board may be nominated to fill a vacant seat. She also clarified that any Board Members may attend and vote at the Steering Committee meetings, even if they are not at large members, but there is only one vote per city represented at the Steering Committee meetings. Board Member Howorth moved to open nominations from the floor for the vacant at large seat. Board Member Fangary nominated Board Member Howorth and Board Member Dieringer seconded. Chair Gazeley said that in his opinion, it was inappropriate to reopen nominations and override the original appointment of Board Member Horvath as newly-appointed at large seat on the Steering Committee. Ms. Bacharach proposed that she, on behalf of the Nominating Committee, send an email to the Board, clearly stating that there is a vacancy for an at large seat on the Steering Committee.

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION** by Board Member Weideman, seconded by Board Member Medina, to reopen nominations for the vacant at large seat on the Steering Committee to any SBCCOG Board Member. No objections; so ordered.

## **VII. PRESENTATIONS**

**Community Choice Aggregation** - Howard Choy, General Manager of LA County’s Office of Sustainability, gave a presentation on Community Choice Aggregation (CCA), under which, local governments have the ability to purchase publicly-managed green power on behalf of their constituents, and investor-owned utilities continue to provide transmission and distribution service. Cities would be able to opt out if they wished to continue paying Edison directly for their electricity, but ideally, CCA programs offer their customers lower rates than what a private utility company would charge. CCA was adopted into California law in September 2002. The Governor mandated that 30% of the electricity supplied to retail customers must come from clean and renewable energy sources no later than 2020, and proposed legislation seeks to increase that level to 50% by 2030. Costs for renewable energy are currently low and many people see this as a favorable opportunity. Other California jurisdictions, one of which is the City of Lancaster, have implemented this program successfully. The

established CCA programs in California indicate that the demand for cleaner power is diminishing clean power costs, and that the rates to generate and deliver local clean power are competitive. Mr. Choy believes that the LA County Board of Supervisors will direct his office to implement a CCA program in LA County. In March 2015, the county Board of Supervisors passed a motion to explore the potential benefits of a CCA program in LA County and asked staff to identify up to \$150,000 in funding for conducting a feasibility study. The LA County Office of Sustainability has a task force in place to discuss what the governance model would look like, the purchasing of consumption data for each city, the building a cost model, and putting the model through different scenarios to make sure that it would work. Mr. Choy said that a CCA program is extremely expensive to get running and operational, and that LA County *will not* be financing the cities' purchasing of the consumption data. He credited South Bay Clean Power with helping cities get resolutions passed regarding this initiative. Assuming that the Board of Supervisors greenlights this program in two to three weeks, cities will be asked to sign a document confirming their participation, and pay for the consumption data, but it is inexpensive. Board Member Gazeley asked what happens if a city ops out as an Edison customer and there is a power outage. Mr. Choy said that Edison would still run the lines and remain legally obligated to fix outages, regardless of who supplies the power. He added that, because state law requires private utilities to deliver the CCA electricity through their transmission and distribution system, and because California's law and accompanying regulations from the CPUC prevents private utilities from working against any move by municipalities to create a public power program, SCE has announced that its position is neutral on CCA programs. Board Member Medina asked what would happen to the cities that were in the process of/interested in buying their streetlights from Edison and the Board of Supervisors greenlighted this program. Mr. Choy said that Edison would still own the poles; the process of purchasing of poles by cities would not change. Jacki Bacharach said that the South Bay City Managers discussed this issue and had two concerns. Will the feasibility study include all cities even those that didn't pass the resolution if a city that has not passed the resolution may sit on the task force. Mr. Choy said that the cities that will be included in the study are those that purchase their consumption data and make it available regardless of whether or not they passed the resolution. He also said that he is concerned about all of the County's 88 cities sitting on the task force, and instead will probably encourage the participation of the COGs, laborers, and academia stakeholders. Ms. Bacharach said that the South Bay City Managers Association may select a Public Works Director to represent the SBCCOG. Board Member Dieringer asked how property owners with solar panels will be affected if a CCA program is implemented. Mr Choy said that there is no established price that a property owner will receive once they put power back into the grid, and that is why not everyone installs solar. CCAs may design their own retail rates without PUC oversight. CCA pays the power providers, not Edison.

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

- A. Homeless Initiative** – Jacki Bacharach reported that the SBCCOG has asked both Supervisors Knabe and Ridley-Thomas to contribute \$300,000 each to fund the South Bay Homeless Proposal that was submitted by PATH. While Supervisor Knabe's office has agreed, the SBCCOG is still waiting for a response from Supervisor Ridley-Thomas' office. Ms. Bacharach said that she was recently told that the Supervisor's staff has made a recommendation and will be notified within the next week. In the meantime, Ms. Bacharach implored that the South Bay cities to make phone calls to Supervisor Ridley-Thomas' office to emphasize the importance of funding this initiative in the South Bay, as statistics from the recent homeless count show that homelessness continues to increase.
- B. Green Building Challenge** - Jacki Bacharach reported that the South Bay Cities Green Buildings Challenge program goal is to accelerate adoption of sustainability initiatives in the business community by directly engaging them to take action on sustainable activities and achieve measurable results. It will occur over the next twelve months. This program is being funded equally by Edison and the Gas Company. The hard launch is scheduled for September 1, 2015 with the kick-off event on September 23, and businesses may register starting August 17. Ms. Bacharach asked anyone who knows property managers or businesses in the South Bay to ask them to sign up. This is the first Green Building Challenge in Southern California.
- C. Other** – 1) Jacki Bacharach reported that meetings – are being held with each city's staff on their Energy Efficiency Climate Action Plan. Next month, the Board will be given a presentation on the status of this program. 2) Ms. Bacharach also announced a workshop for Board Members, City Managers, and Public Works Directors that is to be held at the SBCCOG office on August 10 at 1:30pm. Topics to be discussed include the SBCCOG's positions on policies that will be part of Metro's upcoming Long-Range Transportation Plan, and Metro's proposed sales tax measure and how it will affect the future of the South Bay Measure R Highway Program. Because Metro has asked the subregions to submit their

transportation project priorities by September, and all of these issues are related, it was decided that a two-hour workshop was needed.

## **IX. METRO TRANSPORTATION REPORTS**

- A. Metro Board Report** - Danielle Valentino was introduced as Metro's Municipal & Community Relations Manager for the South Bay. Mike Bohlke reported that at the July 23 Metro Board meeting, the Board approved a grant agreement with the SBCCOG to implement a two-year ride share demonstration project for events (amount of funding to be granted to SBCCOG is not to exceed \$250,000.) The Board also awarded a seven-year contract to Gruen Associates for the architectural, engineering, and design services for the Airport Metro Connector 96th Street Transit Station. Board Member Valenitne asked if a long term parking lot will be part of the 96<sup>th</sup> Street station, and both Mr. Bohlke and Mr. Lantz said that, while a parking lot is not in the scope for this station, there will be a bus depot and a passenger drop-off area at the station.
- B. Service Council Report** – Board Member Goodhart reported that the South Bay Service Council (SBSC) was given a presentation on Metro's FY 2016 work plan, which includes the process and targets for monitoring transit service regarding service quality and safety. Board Member Goodhart also reported that four SBSC members attended Metro's 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Metro Rail on July 13.

## **X. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Board members **Fangary, Valentine, and Howorth** announced that the cities of Hermosa Beach, Hawthorne, and Manhattan Beach are participating in the 2015 Special Olympics World Games as host towns from July 21 – 24. Five other South Bay cities are host towns as well.
- **Medina** – Gardena will host a Free Concert on the Lawn & Ice Cream Social on August 8 at 5pm at the Nakaoka Community Center.
- **Huff** - Rolling Hills Estates' 37th Annual Tracy Austin Tennis Tournament was held from July 17-19.
- **Goodhart** - In an effort to promote involvement in crime prevention activities, police-community partnerships, neighborhood camaraderie, the City of Palos Verdes Estates is holding its annual Night Out program in neighborhoods around the city on August 4, 2015, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

## **XI. AGENCY REPORTS**

- A. League of California Cities** –Jeff Kiernan reported that the Legislature is currently out of session: but the Governor has called special sessions regarding health care funding and transportation funding. Mr. Kiernan said that he emailed the City Managers to announce that the League has joined with other organizations to form California's "Fix Our Roads" Coalition. He distributed an informational sheet on the coalition, which listed the coalition's seven principles, as well as a support sheet for agencies and organizations that wish to become involved. Mr. Kiernan urged the cities and SBCCOG to pass resolutions supporting the coalition's efforts. He reported that Assemblyman Hadley will be a key player in the 2/3rds vote, and that local chambers of commerce and laborers have gotten involved. Board Member Goodhart added that the objective is to get letters and resolutions to the Legislature before August 17. Mr. Kiernan also announced that the League's LA County Division's Annual Installation Ceremony & Dinner is being held on August 6 at the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts.
- B. South Coast Air Quality Management District** – Not Present
- C. SCAG & Committees**
- 1. Energy and Environment** – Nothing to report
  - 2. Transportation** – Board Medina reported that SCAG's Transportation Committee held a special meeting this morning to discuss regional aviation forecasts and ground access analysis. Board Member Valentine reported that SCAG announced its support for regionalization, and with the proposed models emphasizing the growth of LAX, some cities and subregions are concerned that a policy is needed to equalize growth of other airports.
  - 3. Community, Economic, & Human Development** – Nothing to report.
  - 4. Regional Council** – Chair Gazeley said that from this point forward, he plans to submit a written report of the Regional Council's actions, eliminating the need for the SCAG Committee reports.
- D. Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission** – Board Member Knight reported that the Commission passed the comprehensive Bay Restoration Plan, which improves water quality, but was met with much opposition from residents.
- E. South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce** – Board Member Valentine reported that the International Council of Shopping Centers Foundation has presented the U.S. Community Support Awards to four regional properties, and the Western Regional Winner was the South Bay Pavilion in

Carson. The South Bay Pavilion partnered with the Gardena-Carson YMCA to launch the “Keep Your Mall-Mentum” campaign, which addressed the prevalent issue of obesity. The campaign was designed to help motivate residents to become more physically active by offering a wide range of healthy living options, and fosters healthier lifestyle choices by offering weekly exercise programs and dynamic partnerships with local organizations that offered affordable health resources and services. Board Member Valentine also reported that the SBACC supports AB 866, AB 1506, and SB 254.

- A. South Bay Workforce Investment Board** - Chris Cagle announced that as of July 1, 2015, the SBWIB is officially representing the Cities of Torrance and Lomita. A new one-stop business and career center has also been opened in Torrance. The SBWIB has really begun to focus on layoff aversion and business retention. The SBWIB identifies businesses in distress and works with local partners to provide assistance with training, cost reduction, financing and other services that will enable success and help avert closure or layoff. For over ten years, the Intrastate Training Resources and Information Network (I-TRAIN) has served as the local eligible training provider list for the several Southern California local workforce investment areas offering a variety of features. The SBWIB is preparing to launch an updated version of I-TRAIN, which builds upon the current system to provide a more effective far-reaching tool that will serve as a resource to assist workforce development systems in not only managing training, but in tracking performance, providing case management and serving business customers. Real-time dashboard reporting, a self-service client portal, paperless service templates and a Chatter component are all cutting edge features of the new system. Mr. Cagle acknowledged Board Member Knight for pointing out the employment development opportunities due to the expansion of Silicon Valley into Silicon Beach in West Los Angeles. The South Bay continues to be a strong draw to those considering advancement and new opportunities within the surge of high-tech business in Silicon Beach, and there are currently several federal grants available for IT job related initiatives.

## **XII. UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Jeffrey Prang, LA County Assessor, will speak at the August 27<sup>th</sup> SBCCOG Board meeting.

## **XIII. AUGUST 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 7:47 pm to Thursday, August 27, 2015 at 6:00 pm.

Marcy Hiratzka  
Recording Secretary