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SBCCOG MEETINGS: ATTENDANCE 2019

City	Mar - 19	Apr - 19	May - 19	Jun - 19	Jul - 19	Aug - 19	Sept - 19
Carson		Hicks Hilton	Hicks		Hicks	Hicks	
El Segundo	Brann	Boyles	Boyles	Boyles			
Gardena	Medina	Tanaka		Medina	Medina	Medina	
Hawthorne	Valentine	Monteiro	Valentine	Valentine	Valentine	Valentine	
Hermosa Beach	Fangary	Campbell	Fangary		Massey	Massey	
Inglewood	Franklin		Franklin	Franklin			
Lawndale	Suarez Osborne Pullen-Miles	Suarez	Suarez Pullen-Miles	Suarez Osborne Pullen-Miles	Suarez	Suarez	
Lomita	Gazeley		Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	
Los Angeles		X	X	X	X	X	X
Manhattan Beach	Hersman	Hersman Hadley		Hadley	Stern		
Palos Verdes Estates	Kao	Kao	Kao	Kao	Kao		
Rancho Palos Verdes	Cruikshank	Alegria	Alegria	Alegria Cruikshank	Cruikshank	Alegria	
Redondo Beach	Horvath	Horvath	Horvath	Horvath	Horvath	Horvath	
Rolling Hills		Dieringer	Dieringer		Dieringer	Dieringer	
Rolling Hills Estates	Huff	Huff	Huff Zerunyan	Huff Zuckerman	Huff	Huff	
Torrance	Herring	Herring		Rizzo Herring	Rizzo		
County of Los Angeles-2 nd District	Sausedo			Johnson		Johnson	
County of Los Angeles- 4 th District	LaMarque	LaMarque		LaMarque		LaMarque	

Number of Active Agencies	18	17	17	17	17	17	17
Quorum Required (50% +1)	10	9	9	9	9	9	9
Number of Agencies Attending	14	13	12	14	13	12	

**ASOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 2019
KATY GEISSERT CIVIC CENTER LIBRARY
3301 TORRANCE BOULEVARD, TORRANCE, CA 90503**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Horvath called the SBCCOG Board of Directors meeting to order at 6:07pm.

II. INTRODUCTIONS**In attendance were the following voting elected officials:**

Cedric Hicks, Carson	Eric Alegria, Rancho Palos Verdes
Dan Medina, Gardena	Christian Horvath, Redondo Beach
Olivia Valentine, Hawthorne	Bea Dieringer, Rolling Hills
Justin Massey, Hermosa Beach	Britt Huff, Rolling Hills Estates (7:15 pm left)
Bernadette Suarez, Lawndale	Lacey Johnson, SD-2 (6:35 pm arrival)
Jim Gazeley, Lomita (7:25 left)	Jennifer LaMarque, SD-4

Also in attendance were the following persons:

Jeff Kiernan, League of CA Cities	Chandler Sheilds, SBCCOG
Chris Cagle, SBWIB	David Leger, SBCCOG
Jacki Bacharach, SBCCOG	Natalie Champion, SBCCOG
Kim Fuentes, SBCCOG	Karen Kanda, SBCCOG Volunteer
Steve Lantz, SBCCOG	Ashleigh McCurchin, Public
Carolyn Yvellez, SBCCOG	Joe Perri, Public

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

Ms. Bacharach announced that Item VII-C will be tabled until the September Board of Directors meeting.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment received.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. July Board Meeting Minutes (attachment) – Approved**
- B. Contract with Magellan Advisors (attachment) – Approved**
- C. Civic Spark Fellow Amendment to Agreement (attachment) – Approved**
- D. SBWIB Agreement for Temporary Employees (attachments) – Approved**
- E. I-405 Transit Corridor Study Scope Comment Letter (attachment) – Approved**
- F. Wildfire Liability Support Letter (attachment) – Approved**
- G. Future of Holiday Light Exchange (attachment) – Approved**
- H. ICLEI Membership Dues (attachment) – Approved**
- I. Status of Legislation of Interest to SBCCOG (attachment) – Approved**
 - 1. AB 315 – Oppose**
- J. Monthly Reports – Receive and Filed**
 - 1. South Bay Environmental Services Center Report (attachment)**
 - 2. Transportation Report (attachment)**
 - 3. Service Council Report by Ralph Franklin, Chair (attachment)**
- K. Torrance Green Business Certification (attachment) – Approved**

Board Member Dieringer noted that she felt Item C lacked specifics on what the Fellow would be working on such as the strategies to be developed. Ms. Fuentes explained that part of the Fellow's work will be to develop those strategies which will be presented to the cities for their input.

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

VII. PRESENTATIONS

A. Face of the Program

Steve Lantz gave his “SBCCOG: Face of the Program” presentation, which introduces SBCCOG staff and their program responsibilities at the SBCCOG. Mr. Lantz began by giving a background on his youth, including attending Pasadena High School and USC and playing in both schools’ marching bands. After college, Mr. Lantz served as the Founding Executive Director of the Century City Chamber of Commerce and Cultural Commission; the Founding Publisher and Managing Editor of the Century City News; and Founding Member/Chairperson of the LA County Transportation Commission’s Citizen Advisory Committee. Mr. Lantz then worked at LACTC/Metro for 17 years and served as the first Community Relations Manager, Multi-Modal Area Team Planning Director, and Metro’s liaison with private sector bus operators and Metrolink. From 2000-2010, Mr. Lantz served as the Director of Strategic Development and Communications at Metrolink. In 2010, Mr. Lantz began serving as the SBCCOG’s Transportation Director, responsible for the Measure R and M programs; rail development (Green Line and Crenshaw/LAX Line); SBCCOG Transportation-related committees; and other various transportation issue advocacy.

Mr. Lantz concluded by touching on his family, including his new granddaughter; and his family’s affinity for decorating for holidays, especially Halloween. Mr. Lantz’s full presentation is available online: http://southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board_directors/meeting/PRESENTATION_Steve%20Lantz%20Face%20of%20the%20COG-compressed.pdf

B. Subregional Adaptation Plan and City Vulnerability Assessments

Carolyn Yvellez presented the subregional adaptation plan and city vulnerability assessments that she worked on during her CivicSpark Fellowship at the SBCCOG. The program outcomes were to: develop a robust sub-regional vulnerability assessment and adaption plan to provide a strong starting point for adaptation planning and implementation throughout the South Bay, and to provide cities with a preliminary, city-specific vulnerability assessment that can be adopted into existing plans such as CAP, Local Hazard Mitigation Plan and/or other relevant planning documents.

The sub-regional adaptation plan uses climate projections to develop a social vulnerability analysis, leading to a sector analysis and adaptation strategies. Ms. Yvellez touched on each of those items in greater detail, as well as next steps which are: adoption of the sub-regional adaptation plan; integration of feedback from cities on their individual assessments; adaptation strategy development at the city level; and city adoption or incorporation of their individual adaptation plans. The full presentation, including specifics such as proposed strategies, is available online here:

http://southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board_directors/meeting/PRESENTATION_City%20Adaptation%20Presentation-compressed.pdf

Board Member Valentine asked Ms. Yvellez what happens after a city adopts a plan, particularly surrounding enforcement of the plan. Ms. Yvellez explained that the Governor’s office will be overseeing implementation but noted that there are no “sticks” for enforcement right now. However, having these plans in place will better position a city to received grant funding to help implement strategies laid out in their plan.

Board Member Medina suggested that Ms. Yvellez work with other special districts such as the Vector Control and Sanitation Districts to include additional data that they will be able to provide.

Board Member Dieringer asked Ms. Yvellez what the requirements are that the SBCCOG Board would be committing to upon adoption of the sub-regional plan. Ms. Yvellez explained that it’s simply a list of strategies that the SBCCOG would be an implementing agency for. Ms. Bacharach added that the commitments in the report also indicate potential funding sources to implement the strategies but clarified that no strategies would be implemented unless a funding source was identified.

Chair Horvath asked the Board if they would like to vote on approving the item at this meeting or wait to vote until the September Board of Directors meeting.

MOTION by Board Member Dieringer, seconded by Board Member Valentine, to table the item until the next Board of Directors meeting. No objection. So ordered.

VIII. SBCCOG PROGRAM ACTION ITEMS, REPORTS AND UPDATES

A. South Bay Fiber Network

a. Agreements with American Dark Fiber and Metro

Ms. Bacharach reported that SBCCOG staff is currently working with city staff to identify the sites to be included in the network, noting that some cities are even interested in 10GB service. Ms. Bacharach explained that the Measure M funding agreement language has been negotiated, noting that the retention amount was lowered to 5% (from 10%) and that certain provisions surrounding city control were removed. However, the Master Service Agreement with American Dark Fiber is not ready for Board action at this time due to some ongoing legal issues.

MOTION by Board Member Alegria, seconded by Board Member Valentine, to **APPROVE** the South Bay Fiber Network Measure M funding agreement. No objection. So ordered.

B. Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA)

Ms. Bacharach explained that RHNA is a hot issue at the moment and that on Tuesday, there will be a meeting of the Executive Directors of the COGs within the SCAG region to get comments from each subregion. Ms. Bacharach requested that any comments that cities are making be sent to her prior to the meeting. To provide background on the issue, Ms. Bacharach explained that the State just released SCAG's RHNA numbers, which will now be divided up for each city within SCAG's boundaries. SCAG is currently determining which allocation method will be used to divide the RHNA numbers and that the comment period closes September 13th. The final determination will be made by the Regional Council at the November 7th meeting.

Prior to the September Board of Directors meeting, the SBCCOG will be holding a special workshop to help determine what SBCCOG representatives at SCAG should be advocating.

Board Member Gazeley added that the State determines the numbers, not SCAG.

Chair Horvath reported that earlier in the day he attended a meeting in Orange County and noted how all of the cities spoke with one united voice against the methodologies being proposed for allocating the RHNA numbers.

C. Senior Services

Board Member Huff reported that the next meeting will be on September 24th at the SBCCOG office. There will be a speaker from the Affordable Living for the Aging program that helps seniors with home sharing. There will also be a presentation from SBCCOG staff on the local travel network project as well as an update on the Age Friendly region. SBCCOG staff is also researching funding opportunities to implement Age Friendly region work.

D. Homeless Services

Ms. Bacharach announced that next meeting will be held at the Redondo Beach library on September 4 with a spotlight on Hawthorne. She also announced that the cities of Hawthorne and Inglewood were recently awarded Measure H funding. Ms. Bacharach also reported that SBCCOG staff recently met with staff from Supervisors Hahn and Ridley-Thomas to propose a pilot project for the South Bay based off the Silvernest program which matches seniors with available housing with those that need to be housed. This could be a homeless prevention strategy. Ms. Bacharach explained that this project doesn't qualify for Measure H funding because all of the funds were already allocated but noted that the Supervisors may be willing to fund the project directly. Ms. Bacharach also requested that the Board members provide the SBCCOG a list of the various committees and commissions dealing with homeless issues in their cities so that SBCCOG staff can ensure coordination and information sharing with all relevant staff.

E. Slow Speed/Local Travel Network Project

Ms. Bacharach reported the technical consultant, Fehr and Peers, is working on a schematic/map that will identify some potential routes through the South Bay. SBCCOG staff will begin outreach to stakeholders to gather additional comments and data. SBCCOG staff is also working on a vehicle expo and test ride event that will showcase the various vehicles that may ultimately use the local travel network.

F. Office Move

Ms. Bacharach reported that the lease was signed and that SBCCOG staff is working with ADF and the new landlord to determine if the site can be connected to the SBFN. It appears as though the landlord will be allowing the connection. Ms. Fuentes added that now that the lease has been signed, construction work can begin. SBCCOG staff is also looking into IT related moving costs and overall moving costs (furniture/equipment).

G. Other

Ms. Bacharach announced that a tour of the Boring Company tunnel is being organized and a flyer will be shared when a date is finalized.

IX. TRANSPORTATION REPORTS

A. Metro Report

Mr. Lantz reported that the Metro Board was dark this month.

B. SBCCOG Transportation Committee Report

Chair Horvath reported that the new cycle of Measure R/M project requests has started and encouraged the Board to have their staff look into identifying projects. There was also a presentation by Metro on the Sepulveda Transit Corridor project.

X. AGENCY REPORTS

A. League of California Cities & LA Division Legislative Committee

Jeff Kiernan updated the Board on housing issues, including changes in how housing elements are approved which could lead to a “good or bad” list leading to more or less housing funding.

Board Member Massey noted that it seems as if the South Bay (and Southern California in general) have been playing defense when it comes to the housing crisis and asked if the subregion had a plan for how to solve the problem. Ms. Bacharach explained that the SBCCOG has submitted white papers that outline neighborhood oriented development strategies that have been developed over the years. Chair Horvath added that the SBCCOG’s work has also been focused on changing the conversation from only being about Transit Oriented Development. Board Member Massey acknowledged the work the SBCCOG has done on the issue but further explained that there needs to be solutions and that the region cannot simply say “no” to the State at every turn.

Mr. Kiernan added that the LA Division President, Juan Garza, has indicated that he wants to have the division focus on housing and wants the region to be a leader. He plans to bring together the League’s regional directors to get more information and to begin developing plans.

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.

Board Member Medina reported that there were presentations on the Sepulveda Transit Corridor project, LAX projects, and an update on RHNA.

D. Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission – No report given.

E. Stormwater Funding

1. CCCA/LCC Stormwater Funding Options Committee – No report given.

F. South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce

Board Member Valentine reported that the SBACC was dark in August.

G. South Bay Aerospace Alliance

Board Member Valentine reported that the Alliance meets again next month.

H. KHHR (Hawthorne Airport) Committee re: Community Impacts

Board Member Valentine reported that the KHHR Committee meets again next month.

I. South Bay Workforce Investment Board

Mr. Cagle reported on the SBWIB's \$12M grant from the Department of Labor in partnership with West LA College. It's a nation-wide project with partners throughout the country. The goal is to place 5,000 individuals into apprenticeships over a 4-year period. The SBWIB also received another \$100,000 from Supervisor Ridley-Thomas for the LA BioMed Biotech apprenticeship program. The SBWIB's annual alumni event will be taking place on October 10th at the Torrance Marriot.

J. California Association of Councils of Governments – No report given.

XI. UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Horvath announced that an email was sent out requesting volunteers to serve on the Ad Hoc Finance Committee and explained that he would like a participant from each city.

Board Member Massey (Hermosa Beach): Summer Concert Series on the Pier this weekend.

Board member Medina (Gardena): The City's jazz festival is taking place this weekend and is sold out.

Board Member LaMarque (SD-4): The County will be simulcasting the opera La Bohemme at Columbia Park in Torrance at 7:30pm on September 28th.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Horvath adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm to Thursday, September 26, 2019 at 6:00 pm at the Torrance Library.

David Leger
Assistant Board Secretary