



**X: Inactive (missed last 3 meetings in a row)**  
**Inactive Membership is automatically re-instated by attending a meeting**

**SBCCOG MEETINGS: ATTENDANCE 2020**

| City  | May - 20              | June - 20         | July - 20          | Aug - 20          | Sep - 20         | Oct - 20   | Nov-20 |
|---|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------|--------|
| <b>Carson</b>   | Hicks                 | Hicks             | Hicks              | Hicks             | Hicks            | Hicks      |        |
| <b>El Segundo</b>                                     | Boyles                | Boyles            | Boyles             |                   | Boyles           | Boyles     |        |
| <b>Gardena</b>  | Tanaka                | Tanaka            | Tanaka<br>Francis  | Tanaka            | Tanaka           |            |        |
| <b>Hawthorne</b>                                      | Valentine             | Valentine         | Valentine          | Valentine         | Valentine        | Valentine  |        |
| <b>Hermosa Beach</b>                                  | Armato                | Armato            | Armato             | Armato            | Armato<br>Massey | Armato     |        |
| <b>Inglewood</b>                                      | Franklin              | Franklin<br>Butts | Franklin<br>Butts  | Franklin<br>Butts | Franklin         | Franklin   |        |
| <b>Lawndale</b>                                       | Suarez                |                   |                    | Suarez            | Suarez           | Suarez     |        |
| <b>Lomita</b>   | Gazeley               | Gazeley           | Gazeley<br>Waronek |                   | Gazeley          | Gazeley    |        |
| <b>Los Angeles</b>                                    | Buscaino              | Buscaino          |                    | Buscaino          |                  |            |        |
| <b>Manhattan Beach</b>                                | Stern                 | Stern             | Stern              | Stern             | Stern            | Stern      |        |
| <b>Palos Verdes Estates</b>                           | Kao                   | Kao               | Kao                | Kao               | Kao              | Kao        |        |
| <b>Rancho Palos Verdes</b>                            | Cruikshank<br>Alegria | Cruikshank        | Cruikshank         | Cruikshank        | Cruikshank       | Cruikshank |        |
| <b>Redondo Beach</b>                                  | Horvath               | Horvath<br>Emdee  | Horvath            | Horvath           | Horvath          | Horvath    |        |
| <b>Rolling Hills</b>                                  | Dieringer             | Dieringer         | Dieringer          | Dieringer         |                  |            |        |
| <b>Rolling Hills Estates</b>                          | Huff                  | Huff              | Huff               | Huff              | Huff             | Huff       |        |
| <b>Torrance</b>                                       | Chen                  | Chen              | Chen               | Chen              | Chen             | Chen       |        |
| <b>County of Los Angeles-2<sup>nd</sup> District</b>  | Johnson               |                   |                    |                   | X                | X          | X      |
| <b>County of Los Angeles- 4<sup>th</sup> District</b> | LaMarque              | LaMarque          | LaMarque           |                   |                  | LaMarque   |        |

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|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>Number of Active Agencies</b>    | <b>17</b> | <b>17</b> | <b>17</b> | <b>17</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>16</b> |
| <b>Quorum Required (50% +1)</b>     | <b>9</b>  | <b>9</b>  | <b>9</b>  | <b>9</b>  | <b>9</b>  | <b>9</b>  | <b>9</b>  |
| <b>Number of Agencies Attending</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>15</b> | <b>14</b> | <b>14</b> | <b>14</b> |           |

**SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2020  
HELD VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Valentine called the SBCCOG Board of Directors meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**II. VERIFY QUORUM**

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

|                              |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| Cedric Hicks, Carson         | Hildy Stern, Manhattan Beach (6:03 arrival) |
| Drew Boyles, El Segundo      | Kenny Kao, Palos Verdes Estates             |
| Olivia Valentine, Hawthorne  | John Cruikshank, Rancho Palos Verdes        |
| Stacey Armato, Hermosa Beach | Christian Horvath, Redondo Beach            |
| Ralph Franklin, Inglewood    | Britt Huff, Rolling Hills Estates           |
| Bernadette Suarez, Lawndale  | George Chen, Torrance                       |
| Jim Gazeley, Lomita          | Jennifer LaMarque, SD-4                     |

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

|                                    |                              |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Stephano Padilla, AQMD             | Jacki Bacharach, SBCCOG      |
| Aksel Palacios, LA CD-15           | Kim Fuentes, SBCCOG          |
| Dr. Eric Daar, Lundquist Institute | Steve Lantz, SBCCOG          |
| Jeff Kiernan, League of CA Cities  | David Leger, SBCCOG          |
| Sarah Patterson, SCAG              | Natalie Champion, SBCCOG     |
| Mark Dierking, Metro               | Colleen Farrell, SBCCOG      |
| Grace Peng, League of Women Voters | Grace Farwell, SBCCOG        |
| Stephen Sawyer, Charter/Spectrum   | Karen Kanda, SBESC Volunteer |

**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 a report on the KHHR (Hawthorne Airport) Report was mailed out separately prior to the today's meeting.

**V. PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment was received.

**VI. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A. September Board Meeting Minutes (attachments) – Approved**
- B. Memorandum of Understanding with Torrance for Innovation Funds for Homeless Services (attachments) – Approved**
- C. SBCCOG Appointment to SCAG Energy & Environment Committee (attachment) – Approved**
- D. Status of Legislation of Interest to SBCCOG (attachment) – Received and Filed**
- E. Monthly Reports – Received and Filed**
  - 1. South Bay Environmental Services Center Report (attachment)**
  - 2. Transportation Report (attachment)**
  - 3. Reports from Outside Agencies (attachments for each at end of the agenda)**
    - a. League of California Cities & LA Division Legislative Committee (Bea Dieringer & Jeffrey Kiernan)
    - b. Metro Service Council Report (Don Szerlip)
    - c. SCAG Regional Council (Drew Boles, Mark Henderson, James Gazeley)
    - d. SCAG Community, Economic, & Human Development (Mark Henderson, Drew Boyles, Frank Zerunyan & Mark Waronek)

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

## **VII. PRESENTATIONS**

### **A. Coronavirus Vaccine Development – Activities in the South Bay**

Dr. Eric Daar, Division Chief at Harbor UCLA Medical Center, provided the Board of Directors an update on COVID-19 vaccine development efforts taking place in the South Bay. Dr. Daar provided current information on the pandemic including case numbers, infection rates, and routes of transmission. Dr. Daar went on to give an overview of the federal government's Operation Warp Speed and its goal of accelerating COVID-19 therapeutic interventions and vaccines. Dr. Daar explained the normal vaccine development process, the accelerated process being used to develop the COVID-19 vaccine. Dr. Daar concluded by touching on the variety of vaccines currently in development and the overall goal of the Phase III trial.

For more detail, Dr. Daar's presentation is available online here:

[https://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board\\_directors/meeting/PRESENTATION\\_COVID-19%20vaccine.pdf](https://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board_directors/meeting/PRESENTATION_COVID-19%20vaccine.pdf)

## **VIII. TRANSPORTATION REPORTS**

### **A. Metro Report**

Mr. Lantz reported the following items from the Metro Board meeting: The Metro Board approved the NextGen bus plan that will be implemented in 3 phases (December 2020, June 2021, December 2021). Supervisor Hahn expressed concern about staff's recommendation to truncate the Silver Line at the Harbor Gateway Transit Center caused by electrification plans for that line; The Metro Board also approved a pilot microtransit project.

### **B. Transportation Committee report**

Mr. Lantz reported that after consultation with Metro staff and the IWG Chair, SBCCOG staff will no longer provide a monthly project monitoring for Measure R projects. SBCCOG staff will focus on program oversight and programming, a role more consistent with the Measure M program. Ms. Bacharach added that staff hopes to take some time to evaluate and discuss the SBCCOG's reduced role in Measure R and what exactly the new role should be.

## **IX. SBCCOG PROGRAM ACTION ITEMS, REPORTS AND UPDATES**

### **A. Metro I-110 ExpressLanes Contract Extension (*attachment*) – APPROVED**

Ms. Bacharach reported that the contract was not included on the Consent Calendar because it had not been received in time for the Steering Committee meeting earlier in the month. The contract is a simple extension of the existing contract for funding for one additional year of outreach.

**MOTION** by Board Member Horvath, seconded by Board Member Franklin, to **APPROVE** the contract. No objection. So ordered.

### **B. Advocacy re: housing legislation**

Ms. Bacharach explained that several cities had provided their Sacramento lobbyists to consult with the SBCCOG on a strategy to lobby Sacramento legislators to consider housing legislation that not only builds housing but also maintains local control and works towards other State and SBCCOG priorities such as greenhouse gas reduction. The lobbyists had recommended a forum that gathered Sacramento representatives and SBCCOG Board Members at an event to discuss proposals. After discussion at the Steering Committee, the Committee recommended against that concept because it could be too large of a group and not allow for the focus and discussion that is needed. A subcommittee is being formed to develop a plan and volunteers are encouraged to contact Ms. Bacharach.

### **C. South Bay Fiber Network**

Ms. Bacharach reported that Assemblymember Muratsuchi has been checking in regularly on the status of the project and encouraged the SBCCOG to work with local school districts to study potential network connections. Staff met with the school district network provider to discuss collaborative opportunities. SBCCOG staff submitted comments to the California Broadband Council in response to an action plan being developed per an Executive Order by Governor Newsom. A subcommittee of IT, Public Works, and Community Development staff along with a handful of local elected officials was formed to discuss application development. Lastly, the SBCCOG will be holding a virtual celebration "switching on" to commemorate the completion of the ring network and the majority of lateral connections. The event will take place on November 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am. Board members were encouraged to attend.

**D. SCAG Regional Early Action Program funds to accelerate housing**

Ms. Bacharach explained that SCAG will be working with the COGs to fund ideas to help promote housing. Ideas were solicited from the cities. SCAG will make approximately \$600,000 available to the SBCCOG over the next three years. She and Mr. Siembab continue to work with Community Development/Planning Directors on project proposals. Proposals being considered include a Redondo Beach-led project on SB330 compliance; a SBCCOG study on ADUs and their impact thus far on housing stock and other issues; a SBCCOG-led project on the conversion of underutilized commercial property into housing; and an education and training curriculum to educate elected officials, commissioners, and more on the housing mandates being considered and passed by Sacramento. All projects must help accelerate the development of housing.

**E. Local Travel Network**

Ms. Bacharach announced that SBCCOG staff is currently working on conducting virtual stakeholder outreach meetings that are replacing the large outreach events and exhibits that have been canceled due to the pandemic. The final report for the project is being drafted and will likely be presented to the Board in early 2021. Ms. Bacharach added that Wally Siembab had recently been on a statewide webinar where a CalSTA Board Member expressed interest in the project and requested additional information.

**F. Senior Services**

Board Member Huff announced that the working group will be meeting again in early December.

**G. Homeless Services**

Ms. Farwell provided the Board an overview on HomeShare South Bay program that just launched. The program aims to match those who may have “extra home” with those who may be facing homelessness. The program is being funded through the LA County Homeless Innovation Funds. Staff is currently working with city staff and local organizations to help spread the word about the program and to encourage potential homeowners to participate. Ms. Farwell added that SBCCOG staff is also working on educational modules that will be shared with city staff and will serve as a “myth buster” type of document to help educate city staff on the reality of the homelessness problem.

Board Member Horvath shared that Redondo Beach is moving forward with a 15-shelter Pallet Shelter site to primarily handle Project Roomkey individuals who have not yet found housing and those participating in the city’s Homeless Court program.

**H. Police Operations and Public Safety in the South Bay**

Ms. Bacharach noted that she has not yet received any copies of responses to the questions being asked to Police Chiefs. Multiple Board Members noted that they have been in communication with their chiefs with the questions and have found it helpful thus far. The subcommittee will meet again to further discuss next steps and the option for additional meetings.

**I. Regional Coyote Management survey**

Ms. Bacharach reported that Torrance was interested in polling the other South Bay cities to determine if they were also having coyote issues. Most respondents noted that they were having issues, but that given the COVID-19 impacts on city operations and budgets, the issue is not currently a high priority, and none expressed interest in moving forward on any initiatives since there were no identified funding sources.

**J. General Assembly**

Board Member Horvath updated the Board on 2021 General Assembly planning and explained that the program will largely be similar to the 2020 one that was canceled. An RFP was issued to provide the SBCCOG assistance on putting together a 100% virtual event. More information will be provided at upcoming meetings.

**K. Other**

Ms. Bacharach asked city representatives to provide the SBCCOG with a framed photo of a landmark in their city or an image that represents their city as an “office warming” gift to the SBCCOG. The new office space has a large amount of empty wall space available and SBCCOG staff thought it would be fitting to display images representing SBCCOG cities.

## **X. AGENCY REPORTS**

**NOTE: Oral reports are only made to clarify or amplify written attachments. All reports that were submitted or handed out are available online here: <https://www.southbaycities.org/committees/board-directors/board-directors-meeting-65>**

- A. South Bay Workforce Investment Board** – No report given.
- B. SCAG Committees** – No meetings in August
  - 1. **Energy and Environment** (Judy Mitchell, Jim Osborne)
  - 2. **Transportation** (James Gazeley, Drew Boyles)
- C. Air Quality Management District** (Judy Mitchell, Joe Buscaino & Denny Shaw)
- D. Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission** (Bill Brand/Kenneth Kao) – No report given.
- E. Stormwater Funding**
  - 1. CCCA/LCC Stormwater Funding Options Committee – No report given.
- F. South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce** (Olivia Valentine)
- G. South Bay Aerospace Alliance** (Olivia Valentine/Rodney Tanaka)
- H. KHHR (Hawthorne Airport) Committee re: Community Impacts**
- I. California Association of Councils of Governments** – No report given.

Mr. Kiernan reported that Sacramento just enacted budget trigger cuts that were required due to lack of additional federal funding for COVID-19 response efforts. These initial cuts largely affect the education system currently. Additional federal relief will help prevent further cuts.

## **XI. UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Ms. Bacharach reminded the Board of the November 17<sup>th</sup> SBFN celebration event.

## **XII. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Valentine adjourned the meeting at 7:38 pm to Thursday, November 19, 2020 at 6:00 pm. The meeting will be held virtually via Zoom until further notice.

David Leger, Assistant Board Secretary