



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

**SBCCOG MEETINGS: ATTENDANCE 2018 – 2019**

City	Aug - 18	Sept - 18	Oct - 18	Nov - 18	Jan - 19	Mar - 19	Apr - 19
<b>Carson</b>			Hicks	Hicks	Hicks		
<b>El Segundo</b>			Boyles	Boyles	Boyles	Brann	
<b>Gardena</b>	Medina	Medina	Medina			Medina	
<b>Hawthorne</b>	Valentine	Valentine		Valentine	Monteiro	Valentine	
<b>Hermosa Beach</b>	Fangary	Fangary	Fangary	Fangary	Fangary	Fangary	
<b>Inglewood</b>	Franklin	Franklin	Franklin		Franklin	Franklin	
<b>Lawndale</b>	Osborne Pullen-Miles	Osborne	Osborne	Osborne Suarez	Osborne Suarez Pullen-Miles	Suarez Osborne Pullen-Miles	
<b>Lomita</b>	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	
<b>Los Angeles</b>		<b>X</b>	Buscaino				<b>X</b>
<b>Manhattan Beach</b>	Hersman	Hersman	Hersman	Hersman	Hersman	Hersman	
<b>Palos Verdes Estates</b>		Kao	Kao	Vandever	Kao	Kao	
<b>Rancho Palos Verdes</b>	Alegria	Alegria	Alegria	Alegria	Cruikshank	Cruikshank	
<b>Redondo Beach</b>	Horvath	Horvath	Emdee		Horvath	Horvath	
<b>Rolling Hills</b>		Dieringer		Dieringer	Dieringer		
<b>Rolling Hills Estates</b>	Zuckerman	Huff	Huff	Huff	Huff	Huff	
<b>Torrance</b>	Rizzo		Rizzo			Herring	
<b>County of Los Angeles-2<sup>nd</sup> District</b>	Sausedo				Sausedo	Sausedo	
<b>County of Los Angeles- 4<sup>th</sup> District</b>	<b>X</b>	LaMarque		LaMarque		LaMarque	

<b>Number of Active Agencies</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Quorum Required (50% +1)</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Number of Agencies Attending</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	

**SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 2019  
SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THEATER  
20285 S. WESTERN AVENUE, 1ST FLOOR, TORRANCE, CA 90501**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Huff called the SBCCOG Board of Directors meeting to order at 6:04pm.

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

Don Brann, El Segundo	Kenny Kao, Palos Verdes Estates
Dan Medina, Gardena	John Cruikshank, Rancho Palos Verdes
Olivia Valentine, Hawthorne	Christian Horvath, Redondo Beach
Hany Fangary, Hermosa Beach	Britt Huff, Rolling Hills Estates
Ralph Franklin, Inglewood	Milton Herring, Torrance
Bernadette Suarez, Lawndale	Robert Sausedo, LA County D-2
Jim Gazeley, Lomita	Jennifer LaMarque, LA County D-4
Nancy Hersman, Manhattan Beach	

**Other elected officials in attendance:**

Jim Osborne, Lawndale	Bill Brand, Redondo Beach
Laura Emdee, Redondo Beach	Judy Mitchell, Rolling Hills Estates

**Also in attendance were the following persons**

Dorinne Jordan, LA County D-2	Chris Cagle, SBWIB
Nicole Rommero, LA County D-2	Jacki Bacharach, SBCCOG
Denny Shaw, SCAQMD	Kim Fuentes, SBCCOG
Danielle Soto, SCAQMD	Steve Lantz, SBCCOG
Philip Crabbe, SCAQMD	Wally Siembab, SBCCOG
Wayne Nastri, SCAQMD	David Leger, SBCCOG
Greg Farr, Caltrans	Natalie Champion, SBCCOG
Mark Dierking, Metro	Rosemary Lackow, SBCCOG
Jeff Kiernan, League of CA Cities	Aaron Baum, SBCCOG
Toniya Lockett, Charter Communications	Steve Collins, Resident

**III. CONFIRM POSTING OF THE AGENDA BY THE CITY OF TORRANCE**

Ms. 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 she would like to request Board approval of a letter to Metro regarding the SBCCOG's broadband project application under Item 9-E.

**MOTION** by Board Member Osborne, seconded by Board Member Gazeley, to **ADD** the letter under Item 9-E of the agenda. No objection. So ordered.

**V. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Collins addressed the Board regarding Bike and Scooter Sharing in the South Bay. Mr. Collins, an owner of a Hermosa Beach bicycle shop, who also serves on the South Bay Bicycle Coalition Board of Directors, urged the SBCCOG Board to allow other cities time to experiment with pilot programs to see how they function before allowing these companies in the South Bay. Mr. Collins explained that he felt the SBCCOG/South Bay cities survey that showed 50% interest in the programs does not equate to 50% of people using the services and cited a study that showed only 2-3 people per thousand utilized the dockless bikes in a high cycling city such as Seattle.

**VI. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A. January Board Meeting Minutes (attachment) – Approved**
- B. 60 Day Notice of Intention to Increase Dues (attachment) – Approved**

- C. **Contract Extension with Agnes Walker for Financial Services** (*attachment*) - **Approved**
- D. **Status of Legislation of Interest to SBCCOG** (*attachment*) – **Approved**
  - 1. Support AB 147, AB 245, and SB 5
  - 2. Oppose SB 50 (Wiener)
- E. **Actions Approved by the Steering Committee** (*attachment*) – **Received and Filed**
- F. **Monthly Reports – Received and Filed**
  - 1. **South Bay Environmental Services Center Report** (*attachment*)
  - 2. **Transportation Report** (*attachment*)
  - 3. **February & March Service Council Reports by Ralph Franklin** (*attachments*)

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

**VII. PRESENTATIONS**

**1. Face of the Program**

Aaron Baum gave his “SBCCOG: Face of the Program” presentation, which introduces SBCCOG staff and their program responsibilities to the Board of Directors. Mr. Baum reviewed his path to the SBCCOG, including his educational background; his first connection with Wally Siembab; his small business; and reconnection with Mr. Siembab. Mr. Baum touched on his responsibilities at the SBCCOG including working on the EV studies, adaptation plans, fiber optic master plan, and local travel network project. Outside of work, Mr. Baum enjoys cooking, spending time in the desert, and spending time with his girlfriend and dog.

Mr. Baum’s presentation can be viewed on the SBCCOG’s website at:

[http://southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board\\_directors/meeting/Face%20of%20the%20COG\\_Aaron%20Baum%20-compressed.pdf](http://southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board_directors/meeting/Face%20of%20the%20COG_Aaron%20Baum%20-compressed.pdf)

**2. Update on Legislation Regarding Voting District Authorization**

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer of the SCAQMD provided the Board an update on legislative efforts to allow local funding measures to be placed on the ballot. The bill that has been introduced would give the community the opportunity to pursue local ballot measures, similar to cities, counties, and transportation agencies, and determine if they want to invest in clean air and address climate change. If funding was approved, it would significantly help achieve air pollution reductions to meet State and Federal requirements that the SCAQMD estimates would cost approximately \$1B per year to meet.

Board Member Kao asked Mr. Nastri if any other such districts exist and if they’ve been successful in getting a ballot measure passed. Mr. Nastri explained that no other air district currently has this authority, so the SCAQMD would be the first.

Board Member Fangary asked if the legislation has any sponsors at the moment. Mr. Nastri informed him that Senator Allen is sponsoring the legislation, but there have not been any co-sponsors up to this point.

Board Member Mitchell commented that SCAQMD has done initial polling for a potential ballot measure and found that there is close to 65% of residents in support.

More detail on the legislation is available in the handout available here:

[http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board\\_directors/meeting/10\\_Voter%20District%20Authorization%20Bill%20Fact%20Sheet%20LegalStakeholderOfficialpcdg%20pmf4pfbv2.pdf](http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board_directors/meeting/10_Voter%20District%20Authorization%20Bill%20Fact%20Sheet%20LegalStakeholderOfficialpcdg%20pmf4pfbv2.pdf)

**3. Impacts of Proposed State Legislation Regulating Land Use in the South Bay & Mounting Local Opposition**

Mayor Brand gave a presentation on the multitude of proposed State legislation that regulates land use and eliminates local control and also touched on mounting opposition to the bills. Mayor Brand explained that California needs 3.5M new homes in seven years and that existing zoning would only create 2.8M. There are over 200 new housing bills introduced this year, in addition to the 15 bills that were signed into law in 2017. Mayor Brand briefly touched on the most well-known bills including SB 50 which would override local planning near transit stops, high-frequency bus stops, and “job rich” areas. Although efforts to derail these bills within the legislature may not be as successful as in prior years due to changes in the legislature, Mayor Brand noted the

significant growth of a coalition of local elected officials lobbying against the bills. He also added that Huntington Beach counter-sued the State on the Constitutionality of two bills as they applied to Charter Cities.

Mayor Brand's presentation is available online at:

[http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board\\_directors/meeting/2\\_Brand%20COG%20Presentation\\_0.pdf](http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board_directors/meeting/2_Brand%20COG%20Presentation_0.pdf)

## **VIII. Transportation Reports**

### **A. Metro Report by Board Member James Butts/Mike Bohlke**

Mr. Lantz reported that the Metro Board postponed a BRT proposal on the agenda and requested staff consider adding a subway alternative to the study for the Vermont project.

### **B. SBCCOG Transportation Update by Steve Lantz**

#### **1. Approve Tier 2 South Bay Measure M MSP Projects (*attachment*) – APPROVED**

Mr. Lantz explained that SBCCOG staff is recommending approval of the listed Measure M MSP projects that were not ready to be included in the February 2019 Steering Committee action on the initial project list.

**MOTION** by Board Member Franklin, seconded by Board Member Horvath, to approve the list of projects. No objection. So ordered.

#### **2. Re-Imagining Metro Board Actions Related to Metro's 28 by '20 Initiative (*attachment*)**

Mr. Lantz briefly reviewed the item, noting that the Metro Board has funded 20 of the 28 projects on the 28 by '28 initiative, but must still identify funding for an additional 8. It is likely that the Metro staff will be unable to identify funding for all 28 projects on the list.

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

### **A. General Assembly Lessons Learned**

Ms. Bacharach reported that there were over 100 more attendees than in previous years, likely due to the change in day of the week and the keynote speech by Dr. Patrick Soon-Shiong who was very impressed with the SBCCOG's work, particularly the broadband project.

Board Member Mitchell commented that of all the GAs she has attended, this was by far the best and congratulated the SBCCOG staff for putting on such a successful event.

Board Member Brann added that he very much enjoyed the history aspect of the event.

### **B. EE Funding from Incentives**

Ms. Bacharach reported that one of the actions of the Steering Committee was approval of a 5% "fee" for the SBCCOG on incentives that a city receives from Edison/SoCalGas this year for their energy efficiency projects. A city will provide 5% of the incentive check to the SBCCOG to help cover Greg Stevens' contract as the budget from Edison has significantly shrunk and is not adequate to fund Mr. Stevens' full contract as the SBCCOG Energy Engineer. This funding will also allow the SBCCOG to assist cities on issues dealing with renewables.

### **C. Senior Services Working Group**

Chair Huff reported that a representative from Silvernest explained that Silvernest is a computer platform that facilitates homesharing by matching a home provider with somebody who needs a home. The working group also received updates from PATH on the homelessness efforts underway in the South Bay.

### **D. Homeless Services Working Group**

Ms. Bacharach reported that there was a presentation on transitional age youth by the Sanctuary of Hope founder. The "City Spotlight" was Inglewood whose staff focused on their outreach efforts and how city departments need to work together. There will also be showers available twice a month in Redondo Beach and San Pedro courtesy of Supervisor Hahn.

**E. Regional Broadband Initiative**

Ms. Bacharach reported that the top proposer has completed 58 site visits and is refining the capital costs. The SBCCOG has applied for the funding via the Measure M MSPs in the amount of \$4.4M to cover these costs. Ms. Bacharach explained that the letter that was added to the agenda is addressed to Metro CEO Washington, requesting he reconsider the Metro Highway Department’s denial of the project because it’s not an eligible project in their view. The SBCCOG significantly disagrees and is looking to identify other funding sources that may be able to cover the capitol costs.

The letter is available online here:

[http://southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board\\_directors/meeting/HANDOUT\\_3.19%20letter%20to%20Metro%20re%20broadband.pdf](http://southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board_directors/meeting/HANDOUT_3.19%20letter%20to%20Metro%20re%20broadband.pdf)

**MOTION** by Board Member Franklin, seconded by Board Member Horvath to send the letter to Metro. No objection. Abstentions from Board Members LaMarque and Sausedo. So ordered.

**F. Slow Speed/Local Travel Network Project**

Ms. Bacharach explained that the SBCCOG is looking to host an expo with the SCAQMD to show what slow speed vehicles truly are and how they can be used safely on the streets. This expo would be part of the SBCCOG’s Caltrans Local Travel Network project and would be no sooner than the fall.

**G. Other**

Ms. Bacharach announced a Save the Date for a May 10<sup>th</sup> housing forum that is hosted by the SBCCOG in partnership with the South Bay Association of Realtors. Senator Allen will be speaking and talking about the proposed housing legislation and what alternatives might work for the South Bay.

Lastly, Ms. Bacharach reported that the SBCCOG hosted a delegation of 17 individuals from Inner Mongolia who work in different municipal capacities. Adaption, transportation, data management and other topics were discussed.

**X. AGENCY REPORTS**

**A. League of California Cities & LA Division Legislative Committee**

Mr. Kiernan reported that the League hasn’t taken a position on many housing bills thus far because they are trying to work with Senator Wiener and the other authors on legislation that works for cities without opposing it outright from the beginning. Mr. Kiernan also reported that the League’s legislative action day is taking place October 24<sup>th</sup>. The League’s Division President, Jennifer King was not re-elected to the PVE City Council and stepped down as the League’s Division President. Juan Garza is now the Division President and will serve out the rest of her term in addition to his own term that begins in August 2019. The State League is also looking for a 2<sup>nd</sup> vice-president statewide as well as 6 at large Board positions.

**B. South Coast Air Quality Management District**

Board Member Mitchell reported that AB 617 is legislation that was passed a year ago and required air districts to pick communities that are environmentally impacted and work with them in a closer capacity to create air monitoring plans and then pollution reduction plans. CARB ultimately picked the communities, but in the SCAQMD region they are: West Long Beach, Wilmington, Carson, Boyle Heights, and San Bernardino near Colton. SCAQMD staff meet frequently with the communities. Each year additional communities are picked and added to the list.

Lastly, Board Member Mitchell explained that the Electrify America program (funded through the VW Diesel Pollution settlement) is funding the installation of EV charging infrastructure for cities who apply.

**C. SCAG & Committees – No reports given.**

1. Energy and Environment
2. Transportation
3. Community, Economic, & Human Development
4. Regional Council

Board Member Mitchell reported that SCAG is working on the 2020 Regional Transportation Plan. She also cited a demographic study that is part of the RTP that shows approximately 65% of South Bay residents being 65 yrs or older in the next 15 years. SCAG is hosting their annual General Assembly on May 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> at the Marriott Desert Springs.

Board Member Medina added that there was a presentation on the GoMonrovia program, similar to the presentation given to the SBCCOG Senior Services Working Group at a prior meeting.

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

**E. Stormwater Funding**

1. **CCCA/LCC Stormwater Funding Options Committee** – No report given.
2. **County Water Resilience Working Group** – No report given.

**F. South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce** – No report given.

**G. South Bay Aerospace Alliance** – No report given.

**H. South Bay Workforce Investment Board** – No report given.

Mr. Cagle passed out the SBWIB's 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2018-2019 information packet that profiles the SBWIB's work. He also reviewed the SBWIB's recent conference on blockchain that was held as part of the SBWIB's study of the uses of blockchain technology and what sectors may find value in it. The SBWIB also decided to continue funding the SBCCOG's telework efforts explaining that it is a layoff aversion effort in addition to a transportation demand management measure. There will also be a BioFlex apprenticeship program which was created via funding provided by Supervisor Ridley-Thomas. A job resources fair will be held on May 2<sup>nd</sup> in Carson and will include employers ready to hire individuals on the spot.

**I. California Association of Councils of Governments**

Chair Huff reported that CALCOG partnered with the Local Government Commission to host their annual meeting this month. Speakers included Senator Wiener as well as Kate Gordon who is a top advisor to Governor Newsom. Chair Huff added that she presented both of them with copies of the response to SB 50 housing white paper written by Mr. Siembab.

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

May 10 – Housing Forum (*attachment*)

## **XII. APRIL SBCCOG COMMITTEE MEETINGS & WORKING GROUPS**

Consult website for specific times and places for other meetings – [www.southbaycities.org](http://www.southbaycities.org)

## **XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Huff adjourned the meeting at 8:01 pm to April 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.

David Leger  
Assistant Board Secretary