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SBCCOG MEETINGS: ATTENDANCE 2014 - 2015

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

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

SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2015
SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THEATER
20285 S. WESTERN AVENUE, 1ST FLOOR, TORRANCE, CA 90501

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Goodhart called the SBCCOG Board of Directors meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

II. INTRODUCTIONS

In attendance were the following voting elected officials:

Dan Medina, Gardena	Jim Goodhart, Palos Verdes Estates
Olivia Valentine, Hawthorne	Christian Horvath, Redondo Beach
Michael DiVirgilio, Hermosa Beach	Jim Knight, Rancho Palos Verdes
Ralph Franklin, Inglewood	John Addleman Rolling Hills Estates
Jim Osborne, Lawndale	Kurt Weideman, Torrance
Jim Gazeley, Lomita	David Riccitiello, LA County SD2
David Lesser, Manhattan Beach	

Non-voting elected officials:

Jim Butts, Inglewood
Robert Pullen-Miles, Lawndale
Jennifer King, Palos Verdes Estates
Jim Vandever, Palos Verdes Estates

Also in attendance were the following persons:

Lara Larramendi, Congresswoman Hahn	Tony Dahlerbruch, Palos Verdes Estates
Lauren Pizer Mains, Senator Allen	Wayne Windman, Redondo Beach
Avelino Valencia, Senator Hall	Natalie Champion, SBCCOG
Chris Wilson, Assemblyman Gipson	Suzanne Charles, SBCCOG
Tom Brewer, Assemblyman Hadley	Kim Fuentes, SBCCOG
David Howden, Corp. for Supportive Housing	Marcy Hiratzka, SBCCOG
Jack Gabig, Gardena	Rosemary Lackow, SBCCOG
Victoria Locke, Lawndale	Steve Lantz, SBCCOG
Jacob Haik, Los Angeles	Nancy Wilcox, SBCEH
Mike Bohlke, Metro Director Butts	

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

Kim Fuentes confirmed that the agenda was properly posted in the City of Torrance.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF ANY CHANGES TO THE AGENDA – Kim Fuentes announced that Item V-1.C should have been titled “Contract with Adam Cohen for Strategic Growth Council Work” because the contract is solely with Adam Cohen.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT – Jack Gabig, Former Transportation Director of G-Trans (formerly known as Gardena Municipal Bus Lines) thanked the South Bay Cities and SBCCOG for supporting his membership with Metro’s South Bay Service Council and officially announced his retirement. The SBCCOG had presented Mr. Gabig with a certificate of appreciation for his service on the SBSC the week before, but Board Member Franklin, Chair of the SBSC, reiterated Mr. Gabig’s specific contribution to the SBSC as a transit operator.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. May Board Meeting Minutes (attachment) – Approved**
- B. 2015-2016 Operating Budget Adoption (attachment) – Approved**
- C. Contract with Adam Cohen, ~~Susan Shaheen & Elliot Martin (UC Davis team)~~ for Strategic Growth Council work (attachment) – Approved**
- D. Contract with Stephen H. Lantz for Transportation Advisory Services (attachments) – Approved**
- E. Contract with Michael Bohlke for Metro Deputy Services (attachment) – Approved**
- F. Appointments to Outside Agencies (attachment) – Approved**
- G. South Bay Highway Program Implementation Plan Update (attachment) – Received and Filed**
- H. Monthly Transportation Report (attachment) – Received and Filed**
- I. South Bay Environmental Services Center Report (attachment) – Received and Filed**
- J. May CARB Report from Judy Mitchell (attachment) – Received and Filed**

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

VII. PRESENTATIONS

Homeless Services Presentation - David Howden gave a presentation on the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH), a national non-profit organization that is partnered with local organizations to end homelessness and increase housing opportunities in the South Bay. CHS lends funding for the construction of supportive housing of the homeless via capital funds, specialty loan products, systems reform, policy collaboration and reform, and advocacy. Supportive housing is affordable housing where supportive services providers actively engage tenants in flexible, voluntary and comprehensive services and work with property and housing management to support tenant stability and ensure that the housing remains a positive community asset for the long-term. People who are eligible for supportive housing include those who are chronically homeless, cycle through institutional and emergency systems, are at risk of long-term homelessness, and who cannot make effective use of treatment and supportive services. CHS collaborates with communities to introduce housing solutions that promote integration among public service systems. Providing supportive housing saves public tax dollars by shifting resources from costly emergency services toward long-term solutions and preserves affordability of and diversity within communities. Statistics of South Bay homeless trends showed that there are many more individual homeless people than homeless families or unaccompanied children, and that the homeless count in 2015 exceeded the count that took place in 2013. Renderings of existing and future buildings throughout LA County were shown. The construction of new buildings, as well as the rehabilitation of existing buildings, is funded through CSH. Board Member Knight asked if areas that lack a homeless population are approached by CSH, and Mr. Howden said that CSH only offers supportive housing where it is needed. Board Member Lesser asked what CSH's funding sources are and Mr. Howden said that much of the funds come from tax credit funding, a subset of affordable housing. This is getting more competitive, and the need for local funding sources is apparent. Other funding is provided through Proposition 41, the California Veterans Housing and Homeless Prevention Bond Act. Board Member Riccitiello noted that LA County will be increasing funding towards homelessness, due to the results of the 2015 homeless count. He encouraged people of all income levels to live in the same buildings and suggested that cities that have land that is underutilized might consider donating it to developers for this purpose. Board Member Franklin acknowledged Nancy Wilcox from the South Bay Coalition to End Homelessness for bringing this presentation to the SBCCOG Board.

VIII. SBCCOG ACTION ITEMS, REPORTS, AND UPDATES

- A. Election of Officers (attachment) - Approved** – Chair Goodhart read the recommendations of the Nominating Committee, which proposed the nominations of the July 2015-June 2016 SBCCOG Chair, 1st Vice Chair, 2nd Vice Chair, Immediate Past Chair, and four at large Steering Committee members. He then asked for any additional nominations, and none were made. For the record, Board Member Lesser reiterated that other Manhattan Beach Councilmembers may compete for a SBCCOG Board Member position, which could affect his nomination as an at large Steering Committee member.

MOTION by Board Member Franklin, seconded by Board Member Weideman, to close nominations and **approve** the Nominating Committee's recommendations for all offices as submitted. No objection. So ordered.

At this time, the Chairman-Elect, Board Member Gazeley, asked that city and agency offices present their recognitions to Chair Goodhart for his service from July 2014-June 2015. The SBCCOG also acknowledged Chair Goodhart's achievements during his year as Chair, and Chair Goodhart also made departing remarks.

B. Contract Extensions – Chair Goodhart opened up Items VIII-B.1 and VIII-B.2 for discussion; no comments were made.

1. SCE for Water-Energy Nexus Project (attachment) – Approved - Extends the term of the original agreement from June 30, 2015 through March 31, 2016 with all implementation work completed by December 31, 2015. This amendment will allow our participating cities to benefit from some of the programs that SCE anticipates offering later this year using the remaining contract funds of \$79,908.

2. Express Lane Contract with Metro – Approved pending legal counsel review

MOTION by Board Member Knight, seconded by Board Member Addleman, to **approve** both contract extensions (Items VIII-B.1 and VIII-B.2) as submitted. No objection. So ordered.

C. Status of Legislation of Interest to SBCCOG (attachment) – Approved -

1. AB 779 (Garcia) – SBCCOG Board to Oppose – Steve Lantz explained that this bill would allow the State Office of Planning and Research to determine that transportation impacts for residential mixed-use projects in transit priority areas do not meet the threshold of significance to require an Environmental Impact Report. A “transit priority area” is an area within one-half mile of a major transit stop that exists or is planned, if the planned stop is scheduled to be completed within the planning horizon included in a Transportation Improvement Program. The transit priority zone definition used by the Office of Planning and Research requires a fifteen-minute headway for transit service in peak hours, rather than all day. Travel demand is spread throughout the day, seven days a week, so focusing on commuter trips in peak periods does not address the majority of trips. The SBCCOG is concerned that in areas like the South Bay higher density development could be built without mitigation under this legislation. Also, the SBCCOG is also concerned that neighborhood-oriented development will be ignored as a funding opportunity.

MOTION by Board Member Osborne, seconded by Board Member Valentine, to send a letter to Assemblywoman Garcia, **opposing** SB 779 (Garcia). Motion opposed by Board Members Medina and Riccitiello. So ordered.

D. Green Building Challenge Project Update – Kim Fuentes reported that while Southern California Edison and the Southern California Gas Company have agreed to fund this program, the SBCCOG is reaching out to water agencies for additional funding as well. Commercial properties are now being contacted for their participation, in addition to local businesses. The soft launch of this program will take place in August.

E. Homeless Services Proposal Update – Ms. Fuentes reported that the SBCCOG has received letters directed to Supervisor Ridley-Thomas supporting the South Bay Homeless Proposal from the Cities of Inglewood, Lawndale, Hawthorne, and Carson in his district.

IX. METRO TRANSPORTATION REPORTS

A. Metro Report by Board Member Butts – Metro (and SBCCOG) Board Member and Inglewood Mayor, James Butts, described his first four months as a Metro Board Member. He noted that he was also appointed to serve on Metro's Finance, Budget and Audit Committee and Ad Hoc Transit Policing Oversight Committee. He acknowledged his appreciation of Mike Bohlke as his Board Deputy and said they have been working well together. Board Member Butts said that it is important for him to know what the South Bay Cities' transportation needs are. Chair Goodhart said that the SBCCOG is concerned about the lack of transit funding that Metro allocates to the South Bay, even though the South Bay ridership is great. Steve Lantz said that the ten percent that Metro gives the South Bay subregion is based upon population share, and not based on service or sales tax generated in the South Bay. Board Member Butts said that he noticed that some cities that lack transit infrastructure do not consider themselves as “rail centric” cities and perhaps that needs to change, considering the

development of the Crenshaw/LAX and Green Line extensions. Chair Goodhart mentioned that the Metro Green line is only funded to extend to the Galleria, and extending to Torrance will require additional funds. Board Member Osborne said that his city is worried about potential noise that may come with the Green line extension through Lawndale. Board Member Butts said that it may be more realistic to fund and build only what can be maintained. Board Member Knight asked if Metro has funds for operation and maintenance and Board member Butts said that a new sales tax measure would be required, as Metro will run out of current Measure R funds in 2017.

- B. South Bay Service Council Report** – Board Member Franklin reported that the Service Council voted to reelect him as the Chair, and elected Board Member Addleman as the Vice Chair. The new SBSC Board will be sworn in at the July Service Council meeting. Elaine Jeng's service as a previous SBSC member was recognized, as she was not nominated to serve another term. Ms. Jeng was appointed in June 2014 and had the distinction of having a family with young children who used transit on a regular basis. The safety tips of not running to catch a bus or train, and not being on the phone while boarding or exiting were discussed. Board Member Franklin also reported on boarding activity in the South Bay cities: the average *daily* boardings based on Line Allocations (M-F) exceeds 322,000 riders, which is thirty percent of Metro's boardings, system-wide. Board Member Valentine asked if Board Member Franklin had statistics from previous years, and Board Member Franklin said that he would provide that information at a later date.

X. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Osborne:** Thanks to Jeff Kiernan from the League of California Cities for presenting on AB 718 (Chu) - Removal of Regulatory Authority: Vehicles Used For Human Habitation to the Lawndale City Council. The City of Lawndale will be hosting 100 athletes from the Special Olympics from July 21-24.
- **Gazeley:** Founder's Day will be celebrated with a fireworks display at Lomita Park on June 27.
- **Medina:** On July 8, the City will hold a ribbon-cutting ceremony to honor the completion of a Measure R project (Rosecrans Ave Street Improvements) on July 8, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Normandie Casino Parking Lot
- **Horvath:** The Redondo Beach Independence Day Celebration at Seaside Lagoon starts at 2pm and the fireworks show will begin at 9pm.
- **Butts:** The City of Inglewood is hosting the Jamaican contingent for the Special Olympics. The Hollywood Park racetrack and grandstand was demolished and will be replaced by a development project that is expected to bring a massive multi-use facility to the location, near the intersection of Century Boulevard and Prairie Avenue. This new regional attraction is anticipated to rival The Grove an LA Live and will include a football stadium, 2,500 residential units, 1 million square feet of retail space, public parks, 1 million square feet of office space, a 6,000-seat performing arts theater, a movie theater, and hotel.
- **Addleman:** The City of Rolling Hills Estates activated Stage 2 Water Use Restrictions of its Water Shortage Contingency Plan.
- **Goodhart:** The City of Palos Verdes Estates will hold its 54th Annual 4th of July event at 9:30am at Malaga Cove School.

XI. AGENCY REPORTS

- A. League of California Cities** – Chair Goodhart distributed a list of bills that the League's LA Division voted on at the last LA Division meeting: AB744 (Chau) Planning and Zoning: Density Bonuses, SB 239 (Hertzberg) Local Services: Fire Protection Contracts, and AB 799 (Garcia) Environmental Quality: Transportation Issues. The League's Annual Conference will be held on September 30 in San Jose.
- 1. LA Division Legislative Committee** - Not present
- B. South Coast Air Quality Management District** - Not present
- C. SCAG & Committees**
- 1. Energy and Environment** – Board Member Osborne reported that the Committee was given a presentation on the Cap-and-Trade Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: Affordable Housing & Sustainable Communities Program and State Expenditure Plan Update.
 - 2. Transportation** – Board Member Medina reported that there was some dissention regarding parliamentary procedure dealing with Orange and Riverside Counties.
 - 3. Community, Economic, & Human Development** – Board Member Gazeley had no report.
 - 4. Regional Council** – Board Member Gazeley reported that, after much discussion and a failed substitute motion, the Regional Council passed a motion to remove the \$25,000 limitation on any bonus, merit or cost of living increase of the Executive Director of SCAG.

- D. **Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission** – Board Member Knight reported that the Commission passed the comprehensive Bay Restoration Plan, which was met with much opposition from residents.
- E. **South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce** – Board Member Valentine had no report.
- F. **South Bay Workforce Investment Board** - Not present

XII. UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- July 7 Presentation on the Homeless Count (*attachment*)

- July 9 Quarterly Legislative Briefing and Breakfast (*attachment*)

- July 14 5-year Los Angeles County Strategic Plan for Economic Development, 2016-2020
Presentation by Bill Allen, President, LA Economic Development Corporation (*attachment*)

XIII. JULY SBCCOG COMMITTEE MEETINGS & WORKING GROUPS

Consult website for specific times and places for other meetings – www.southbaycities.org

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Goodhart adjourned the meeting at 7:37 pm to Thursday, July 23, 2015 at 6:00 pm.

Marcy Hiratzka
Recording Secretary