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SBCCOG MEETINGS: ATTENDANCE 2017 - 2018

City	July - 17	Aug - 17	Sep - 17	Oct - 17	Nov - 17	Jan - 18	Mar - 18
Carson		Santarina				Hicks	
El Segundo		Boyles Brann		Fuentes		Brann	
Gardena	Medina	Medina	Medina	Medina	Medina	Medina	
Hawthorne	Valentine	Valentine		Valentine	Valentine	Valentine	
Hermosa Beach	Fangary	Fangary	Duclos	Fangary	Fangary	Fangary Campbell	
Inglewood		Franklin		Franklin		Franklin Butts	
Lawndale	Osborne		Osborne Pullen-Miles	Suarez	Osborne Suarez	Suarez	
Lomita	Gazeley		Gazeley		Gazeley	Gazeley	
Los Angeles		X	X	X	X	X	X
Manhattan Beach	Hersman	Hersman	Lesser	Hersman		Hersman	
Palos Verdes Estates		Kao	Kao	Kao	Kao	Kao	
Rancho Palos Verdes	Misetich	Misetich	Misetich	Misetich	Misetich	Alegria	
Redondo Beach	Emdee	Horvath	Horvath	Horvath	Horvath	Horvath	
Rolling Hills	Dieringer	Dieringer	Dieringer	Dieringer	Dieringer	Dieringer	
Rolling Hills Estates	Huff	Huff	Huff	Huff	Huff Zerunyan	Huff Zuckerman	
Torrance	Weideman	Weideman	Weideman	Weideman	Weideman	Weideman	
County of Los Angeles-2 nd District			Riccitiello	Sausedo		Sausedo	
County of Los Angeles- 4 th District		Velazquez			Velazquez		

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	11	14	12	14	12	16	

**SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 2018
SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THEATER
20285 S. WESTERN AVENUE, 1ST FLOOR, TORRANCE, CA 90501**

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

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

Cedric Hicks, Carson	Kenny Kao, Palos Verdes Estates
Don Brann, El Segundo	Eric Alegria, Rancho Palos Verdes
Dan Medina, Gardena	Christian Horvath, Redondo Beach
Olivia Valentine, Hawthorne	Bea Dieringer, Rolling Hills
Hany Fangary, Hermosa Beach	Britt Huff, Rolling Hills Estates
Bernadette Suarez, Lawndale	Kurt Weideman, Torrance
Jim Gazeley, Lomita	Robert Sausedo, LA County District 2
<i>Nancy Hersman, Manhattan Beach (updated)</i>	

Other elected officials in attendance:

Mary Campbell, Hermosa Beach
Jim Butts, Inglewood
Steve Zuckerman, Rolling Hills Estates

Also in attendance were the following persons:

John Jones, Torrance	David Leger, SBCCOG
Michael Jackson, SBACC	Natalie Champion, SBCCOG
Connie Turner, SCE	Rosemary Lackow, SBCCOG
Isidro Panuco, Metro	Steve Lantz, SBCCOG
David Mieger, Metro	Jacki Bacharach, SBCCOG
Meghna Khanna, Metro	Grace Farwell, SBCCOG
Mark Dierking, Metro	Cierra Washington, SBCCOG
Greg Farr, Caltrans	Kim Fuentes, SBCCOG
Jeff Kiernan, League of CA Cities	Ray Tahir, TECS Environmental
Tina Cox, SCAQMD	Ted Hofman, Hofman & Son
Michael Schwartz, Charter Communications	Doris Hofman, Hofman & Son

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**V. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ray Tahir gave a brief update on the Gardena/MS4 Permit litigation that is ongoing. Mr. Tahir reported that in December, a state appellate court ruled that any MS4 Permit requirement that is not explicitly or expressly required by federal law is considered an unfunded mandate subject to reimbursement under the California Constitution. For more detail, Mr. Tahir's presentation is available online at:

http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board_directors/meeting/PRESENTATION_MS4%20Ray%20Tahir%20Public%20Comment.pdf

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. November Meeting Minutes (attachment) – Approved**
- B. Contract with GSE Solutions for Engineering Services (attachment) – Approved**
- C. Equipment Replacement Schedule (attachment) – Approved**
- D. Actions Approved by the Steering Committee (attachment) – Received and Filed**
- E. Monthly Reports – Received and Filed**

1. **South Bay Environmental Services Center Report** (*attachment*)
2. **Transportation Report** (*attachment*)

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

VII. PRESENTATIONS

1. Face of the Program

Grace Farwell gave the inaugural “SBCCOG: Face of the Program” presentation, aimed at introducing SBCCOG staff and their program responsibilities to the Board of Directors. Ms. Farwell touched on her current responsibilities at the SBCCOG, her prior professional career, as well as personal interests. Her presentation can be viewed on the SBCCOG’s website at:

http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board_directors/meeting/PRESENTATION_SBCCOG-Face%20of%20the%20Program_GF.pdf

2. Southern California Aerospace Alliance

Michael Jackson, of the South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce (SBACC), briefly presented on the Southern California Aerospace Alliance (SCAA). Mr. Jackson explained that the SCAA formed as a result of years of work by the SBACC. The goal of the SCAA is to bring together key players in the South Bay region to help secure and protect the LA Air Force Base from the threat of future closures as part of cost-saving measures by the Federal Government. The LA Air Force Base is a crucial economic driver in the area and has faced possible closure during prior Base Alignment and Closure or “BRAC” cycles. Mr. Jackson is hoping to get as many cities involved as possible to show the interconnectedness of the LA Air Force Base and the surrounding communities.

3. Green Line Alignment for South Bay Extension

David Mieger and Megna Khanna, both of Metro, reviewed the status of the Green Line Extension to Torrance and the possible route alignments currently being considered. The Green Line Extension is currently in an alternatives analysis. This is Metro’s second round of outreach, building upon outreach done in Fall 2017. There are currently 4 route alignments being studied based on discussions with the residents in the cities of Lawndale, Redondo Beach, and Torrance. Ms. Khanna reviewed the route alignments and explained the cost differences associated with each, but noted that overall ridership would be approximately the same no matter which alignment is ultimately selected.

For more information and further detail, Metro’s presentation is available online at:

http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board_directors/meeting/PRESENTATION_Metro%20South%20Bay%20Light%20Rail%20Extension%20Presentation.pdf

4. Status on the Measure A Implementation Steering Committee

Torrance Community Services Director and SBCCOG Park and Recreation Directors’ Chair, John Jones, gave a brief update on the status of the Measure A park bond that was approved by LA County voters in November 2016.

Mr. Jones explained that Measure A is a funding source for park/open space needs through both an annual formula allocation as well as a grant program. The Measure A Steering Committee has been working on a final implementation document that will guide the awarding of grants. Mr. Jones believes that the Measure A Steering Committee is deviating from the initial intent of the Measure by opening the grant applications to a wide array of possible community-based organizations. Mr. Jones asked for cities to send the Board of Supervisors letters of support, urging them to enact Measure A as promised to the voters.

5. Update on Stormwater Funding Committees

Board Member Fangary announced that there are efforts underway to get a measure on the November 2018 ballot that would provide a revenue source to address the stormwater needs of the region. Further updates will be provided via a written report to the Board of Directors.

VIII. Transportation Reports

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

Board Member Butts provided an update on the Metro Board of Directors' actions. The Metro Board recently approved an advertising policy that would put advertising kiosks at various stations. Board Member Butts also announced that Metro CEO Washington will be providing more frequent reports to the Board, covering things such as change orders/contract amendments to help increase the CEO's accountability to the Board. Board Member Butts then asked the SBCCOG Board if they were aware of the video on the news showing the interaction between the LAPD officer removing a Metro passenger from a Metro train car. Several SBCCOG Board Members raised their hands. Board Member Butts gave a brief background on the situation and provided information from the law enforcement point of view, as a result of his many years as a police officer and Police Chief. Board Member Butts explained that Metro has a Code of Conduct that all passengers agree to when purchasing their tickets and explained that Metro recently contracted with LA County Sheriff, LAPD, and LBPD to police Metro lines. There was discussion among the Board regarding the actions of the police officer and the passenger.

B. Service Council report by Ralph Franklin, Chair

Board Member Franklin provided a written update.

C. Transportation Committee Report

1. 2018-19 Measure R SBHP Metro Budget Request

Board Member Horvath gave a brief report on the January Transportation Committee meeting, noting that the Metro Budget Request was recommended to the Board for approval and recommendation to Metro.

MOTION by Board Member Sausedo, seconded by Board Member Gazeley, to **APPROVE** the 2018-19 Measure R SBHP Metro Budget Request. No objection. So ordered.

2. Development of Measure M Guidelines Update

Ms. Bacharach reported that the Administrative Guidelines are being approved by Metro's CEO and that the next step will be for the sub-regions to develop their sub-regional programs. Mr. Lantz explained that the SBCCOG and its cities, along with other possible stakeholders, must now develop project selection criteria and project performance measures. Ms. Bacharach encouraged the Palos Verdes Peninsula cities to participate in the development of these programs, particularly because they have been largely ineligible for funding through the Measure R South Bay Highway Program due to their lack of state highways.

3. ExpressLane Operations and Net Revenue Use

Mr. Lantz briefly reminded the Board that Metro is interested in borrowing Net Toll Revenues from the I-110 and I-10 ExpressLanes to help fund the construction of additional ExpressLanes throughout the County. The SBCCOG is opposed to this and believes that this policy is not keeping with State law that requires the funds be spent in the corridor in which they are collected.

IX. SBCCOG PROGRAM ACTION ITEMS, REPORTS AND UPDATES

A. Mid-Year Budget Adjustment and Forecast

Board Member Dieringer, seconded by Board Member Kao, made a motion to review this item after reviewing Agenda Item 9C, the Review of the Dues Formula. The motion did not pass.

Ms. Bacharach explained that at the beginning of the fiscal year there was an approximate \$60,000 deficit in the SBCCOG budget. Ms. Bacharach was pleased to note that budget deficit was eliminated, and the budget is now balanced.

MOTION by Board Member Gazeley, seconded by Board Member Franklin, to **APPROVE** the mid-year budget adjustment and forecast.

B. General Assembly Planning

Ms. Bacharach reported that Larry Kosmont is assisting in development of the program. He will be speaking as well, addressing the changes in retail industry.

C. Review of Dues Formula

Ms. Bacharach began the discussion by informing the Board that there was not much participation in the Ad Hoc Dues Formula Committee. A proposal was developed that would create a \$.37 per capita dues formula (based off the 2010 census) with a \$3,500 minimum/base, which would be effective July 2019.

Chairman Weideman explained that the Steering Committee, which was attended by 10 jurisdictions, considered the proposal. Chairman Weideman reported that the Steering Committee decided to keep the dues formula the same and not recommend a change at this time. He also pointed the Board to a letter from Board Member Valentine and the City of Hawthorne on this issue. The letter is available here: http://southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board_directors/meeting/HANDOUT_Hawthorne%20Letter%20.pdf

Board Member Valentine explained that her letter expressed Hawthorne's concern that a purely population-based formula is unfair to cities because it was overly simplistic, indicating that a large population does not mean a large revenue source.

There was considerable discussion amongst the Board of Directors as to what formula is fair, their goals of keeping the SBCCOG united, as well as services received from the SBCCOG, while still hearing the concerns of cities.

MOTION by Board Member Hersman, seconded by Board Member Alegria, to return the issue to the Ad-Hoc Dues Committee for additional input from as many cities as possible, and to bring options to the Steering Committee.

Board Member Sausedo asked for an amendment to the motion to stipulate that any new formula be introduced after the completion of the five-year dues increase plan. The amendment was not accepted.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION by Board Member Sausedo, seconded by Board Member Fangary, to **RETURN** the issue to the Ad-Hoc Dues Committee for additional input from as many cities as possible, and that any recommended changes be implemented after the completion of the five-year dues increase plan. Ayes: Carson, Gardena, Hawthorne, Hermosa Beach, Inglewood, Lawndale, Redondo Beach, Torrance, and LA County District 2. Nays: Lomita, Manhattan Beach, Palos Verdes Estates, Rancho Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills, Rolling Hills Estates. The motion **PASSES**.

D. Climate Action Planning

The Forum took place on December 13th and was very well attended. Handouts were made available to the Board. They are available online at: http://southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board_directors/meeting/HANDOUT_CAP%20Forum%20Information%20Documents.pdf

E. Homeless Services

Ms. Bacharach reported that there are performance metrics in the agenda packet and noted that the SBCCOG is working on extending PATH services funding.

F. Broadband

Ms. Bacharach noted that Supervisor Hahn will not be providing funding for the project, but that the SBWIB will be getting funding from Supervisor Ridley-Thomas. Work on the RFP will begin in about a week.

G. Short Term Rental Task Force

The last meet was very informative. Ms. Bacharach asked for additional participation by Council Members as their attendance is important in the discussion.

H. Grant Opportunities

Ms. Bacharach reported that she was recently in Sacramento meeting with CARB and the CEC. The SBCCOG is working with those agencies as well as the AQMD on a possible neighborhood electric vehicle buy-down program.

There are efforts underway to bring in funding to provide educational services for Coyote Management.

I. Other

Ms. Bacharach informed the Board that there is a CALCOG conference in Monterey. There will also be a request for nominations to various SCAG and Metro Service Council committees.

X. AGENCY REPORTS

A. League of California Cities & LA Division Legislative Committee

Jeff Kiernan reported that Governor Brown released his proposed budget earlier in the month. The State of the State took place today. Mr. Kiernan reported that the League is supporting ACA 5, which will protect SB1 dollars from the Legislature, ensuring that the money goes towards its intended purposes. Mr. Kiernan also warned the Board of several housing bills being considered, particularly SB827, which would require transit-oriented development along major public transportation routes. This could dramatically affect the South Bay.

Board Member Dieringer announced that the League's Women Caucus will be hosting a free sexual harassment prevention training at a date to be determined.

B. South Coast Air Quality Management District – No report given.

C. SCAG & Committees

1. **Energy and Environment** – No report given.

2. **Transportation**

Board Member Medina reported that SCAG has moved in to a new office building.

3. **Community, Economic, & Human Development** – No report given.

4. **Regional Council** – No report given.

Board Member Medina reported that Judy Mitchell was reappointed to the SCAQMD Board.

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

E. LA County Community Choice Aggregation Task Force – No report given.

F. County Water Resilience Working Group – No report given.

G. South Bay Workforce Investment Board – No report given.

H. South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce – No report given.

I. California Association of Councils of Governments

Ms. Bacharach reported that there will be a Leadership Conference in March.

XI. UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Huff (Rolling Hills Estates): The SBCCOG Senior Services is working with Metro to encourage seniors to attend a February 12th event in Hawthorne to teach seniors how to ride Metro.

Franklin (Inglewood): Encouraged the consideration of a wall or room dedicated to the memory of SBESC Volunteer Ingrid Nugent.

XII. FEBRUARY & MARCH SBCCOG COMMITTEE MEETINGS & WORKING GROUPS

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

XIII. ADJOURNMENT IN MEMORY OF SBESC VOLUNTEER INGRID NUGENT

MOTION by Chair Weideman, seconded by Board Member Campbell (Board member Fangary was no longer present), to adjourn the meeting in memory of SBESC Volunteer Ingrid Nugent. No Objection. So ordered. The meeting was adjourned at 9:04 pm to Thursday, March 22, 2018 at 6:00 pm.

David Leger
Assistant Board Secretary