

SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 2013
SOUTH BAY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES CENTER THEATER
20285 S. WESTERN AVENUE, 1ST FLOOR, TORRANCE, CA 90501

CALL TO ORDER – INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Franklin called the SBCCOG Board of Directors meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Newly-elected Councilmembers were introduced: Hon. Mark Burton, Manhattan Beach & Hon. Bea Dieringer, Rolling Hills. Hon. Jim Goodhart and Hon. Ellen Perkins were congratulated for being selected as Mayor and Mayor Pro Tempore of Palos Verdes Estates.

In attendance were the following voting members:

Suzanne Fuentes, El Segundo
Dan Medina, Gardena
Jeff Duclos, Hermosa Beach
Ralph Franklin, Inglewood
Jim Osborne, Lawndale
Jim Gazeley, Lomita

Mark Burton, Manhattan Beach
Ellen Perkins, Palos Verdes Estates
Frank Zerunyan, Rolling Hills Estates
Susan Rhilinger, Torrance
Dan Rosenfeld, LA County, 2nd District

Other Elected Officials:

Jim Goodhart, Palos Verdes Estates
Bea Dieringer, Rolling Hills
Susan Seamans, Rolling Hills Estates
Pam O'Connor, Santa Monica/Metro Board

Also in attendance were the following persons:

Stan Myles, AQMD
Trish Pietrzak, Indep. Cities Assoc.
Greg Spiker, Indep. Cities Assoc.
Jeff Kiernan, League of CA Cities
Jacob Haik, LA Councilman Buscaino's office
Mike Bohlke, Metro Director O'Connor
Alan Patashnick, Metro
Jacki Bacharach, SBCCOG

Suzanne Charles, SBCCOG
Kim Fuentes, SBCCOG
Marcy Hiratzka, SBCCOG
Rosemary Lackow, SBCCOG
Lisa Rodriguez, SBCCOG
Catherine Showalter, SBCCOG
Steve Lantz, SBCCOG Consultant
Matt Horton, SCAG

CONFIRM POSTING OF THE AGENDA BY THE CITY OF TORRANCE

Jacki Bacharach confirmed that the agenda was properly posted in the City of Torrance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF ANY CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

The agenda was revised before the meeting to reflect 2 changes: **CHANGE OF PRESENTERS FOR ITEM VII.A-** 405 San Fernando to Orange County Corridor Transportation Studies; **CANCELLED PRESENTATION FOR ITEM VII.B-** Property Assessed Clean Energy Financing Program.

PUBLIC COMMENT- none

CONSENT CALENDAR

Matters listed under Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.

A. January Board Meeting Minutes (attachment) – Approved

- B. **Resolution 2013-#1 on Boundaries for the SBCCOG** (*attachment*) – **Approved**
- C. **Sick Leave and Vacation Policies for SBCCOG employees** (*attachment*) – **Approved**
- D. **Employee Merit Salary Pool** (*attachment*) – **Approved**
- E. **Rancho Palos Verdes Sub-Metering Proposal Development MOU** (*attachment*) – **Approved**
- F. **Legislation of Interest** (*attachment*) – **Approved support for AB 66**
- G. **Measure R Quarterly Report for 2nd Quarter** (*attachment*) – **Received and filed**
- H. **2011-2012 Audit** (posted @ www.southbaycities.org) – **Received and filed**
- I. **Report of Time Critical Actions Taken by Steering Committee** (*attachment*) – **Received and filed**

MOTION by Board Member Zerunyan, seconded by Board Member Rhilinger, to **approve** the Consent Calendar as submitted. No objection. So ordered.

PRESENTATIONS

405 San Fernando to Orange County Corridor Transportation Studies

Steve Lantz, Transportation Consultant to the SBCCOG, gave this presentation in the place of Rob Beste, Infrastructure Working Group Chair. Earlier in 2013, the IWG discussed how disconnected the transportation projects/studies are along the I-405, and wanted to have a coordination meeting/dialogue between all of the affected agencies/cities. The IWG decided to host "Connecting the Planning Dots on the I-405" on April 23, and invited Caltrans, Metro, Public Works Directors, city engineers, and contractors who are working on projects/studies adjacent to the I-405 between Orange County and the Sepulveda Pass. Representatives from SCAG, LAWA, and The Port of LA have been invited and confirmed as well. Each agency or city that has anything to present will be allotted 15 minutes total. Elected officials need to remind their Public Works Directors to contact Marcy Hiratzka or Steve Lantz, if they have not already confirmed their attendance. List of confirmed presentations included: Sepulveda Pass PPP Feasibility Study, Westside Mobility Plan, Manchester/La Cienega 405 Interchange, LAX/Crenshaw Line, LAX/Green Line, South Bay ITS Plan, Crenshaw/182nd St, Modification to interchanges at Avalon Blvd and Wilmington Ave, Gateway Cities COG projects, Metro toll lane project from OC line to LAX, 405 widening controversy. Board Member Osborne asked if the cutback on maintenance (weeds, trash and cosmetic issues of ramps) is ever addressed at various transportation meetings. Mr. Lantz explained that other cities have also been concerned about the state of Caltrans-owned infrastructure but said that Caltrans does not currently have the resources to repair or beautify state highways and ramps. We need to help direct Caltrans to fund this sort of maintenance. Caltrans needs to bring the highways up to a state of repair before they turn them over to the cities. Jacki Bacharach added that the SBCCOG was told that Caltrans only has 2 people to maintain the highways for all of District 7 (LA County) and there is no money for such activities. Board Member Rhilinger added that the City of Torrance offered to clean 182nd Street at Crenshaw Blvd. but Caltrans, who owned the property, did not allow it.

ITEM CANCELLED BEFORE THE MEETING- HERO – (Home Energy Renovation Opportunity) Property Assessed Clean Energy Financing Program by Rick Bishop, Executive Director of Western Riverside Council of Governments

TRANSPORTATION REPORTS

Metro Report by Board member Pam O'Connor- At today's Metro Board meeting, the Board had planned to issue the appropriate notices to enable an amendment to the Measure R Expenditure Plan to advance "Funds Available Beginning" dates for transit corridor projects as shown in the Proposed Measure R Expenditure Plan. However, Metro staff asked for more time before presenting this to the Board. In January 2013, the Board was directed to proceed with the planning and environmental analysis of all Measure R projects including those scheduled for delivery in the second and third decades, with the assumption that non-Measure J finance strategies could be secured to deliver these projects earlier than scheduled in the adopted 2009 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). The LACMTA Board of Directors further directed that, before any suggested strategies are placed into action or are further

articulated, Metro staff was to return to the Board in March 2013 with the following analysis as part of the financial strategy:

- A strategy for keeping all second and third decade projects in shelf-ready condition for federal funding on an accelerated schedule on an equal footing; including funding plans consistent with the L RTP
- Identification and funding requirements for state of good repair and major rehabilitation through the second and third decades
- More detail on cash flow requirements to fund operations, state of good repair, call for projects, and other programs in an accelerated environment that includes bonding against Proposition A and Proposition C revenues
- Detail on the proposed "financial and process paths" to pursue with the FTA on the South Bay Green Line Extension, Eastside Gold Line Phase II Extension, West Santa Ana Branch, Gold Line Foothill Extension and Airport Metro Connector
- Develop funding plans for the remaining 12 highway initiatives that are in the planning stage or not under consideration for Public/Private Partnerships. These plans should include anticipated Master Credit Agreements and Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) programming commitments
- Estimate of the public investment required to support Public/Private investment (environmental review, right-of-way, and other costs).

Regarding the issue of eliminating the maintenance fee for ExpressLane accounts, the Metro Board agreed to hold a motion for 60 days by Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky that proposes to eliminate the \$3 monthly maintenance fee on FasTrak accounts that use the ExpressLanes three or fewer times per month. This will give Metro staff time to collect more data about the number of infrequent users of the ExpressLanes. Jacki Bacharach asked if Metro plans to defer it or charge it. Director O'Connor said that this issue will come back to the Metro Board in April. Mike Bohlke added that the Metro Board received a report only just last night (upsetting the maker of the motion). Mr. Bohlke suspects that one of the Board Members will motion to waive the fee for residents of LA County. Jacki Bacharach reminded everyone that the SBCCOG sent a letter to Metro, expressing its support of waiving the fee and opposing the "dropping" of a participant with a transponder who does not use it for 6 consecutive months. This is not supposed to be a burden on residents, but something to allow the free-flow of traffic.

South Bay Service Council Report- Chair Franklin reported that the South Bay Service Council is in complete support of the maintenance fees being waived, and other community organizations have gone before the service council to express their concern as well. The Harbor Gateway Transit Center is undergoing major maintenance improvements (including signage and Sheriff sub-station) and reports show that with the increase in gas prices, ridership at the HGTC has increased. Regular riders are concerned that fees will go up since there are so many more users now. LA County bus lines have the cheapest fares in the world, according to a Metro study. The fares will need to be reassessed, with such a large increase in public transit riders. In March 2013, all 5 of Metro's service councils were presented with the FY10-12 Triennial Performance Review of LA County Operators and Review of Metro as a Regional Planning Entity. One concern is deferred maintenance- how long should a bus be in operation before it is serviced, and the frequency of stops for each line. Art Leahy has made it a priority to improve the efficiency, effectiveness, and functionality of transit operations. Chair Franklin also mentioned that the South Bay service council held a public hearing on Metro bus lines 210 and 710 (routes, schedules, on-time performance, customer complaint statistics, safety, etc). While the cleaning of train and bus stations sometimes falls under the city's responsibility, in most cases, it is Metro's responsibility. The service council welcomes comments from constituents who may notice a lack of cleanliness at a train or bus station.

Measure R Oversight Committee Report- Board Member Goodhart reported that:

Metro advised that it had come to an agreement with Caltrans on the boilerplate for the MOUs (many of the Caltrans projects are behind schedule); The Draft Final of the South Bay Highway Program Implementation Plan was reviewed a second time, and in April, the final version will be admitted to the SBCCOG Board for approval; The Committee was given a presentation on the Strategic Transportation Element draft plan (traffic monitoring network of corridors). This is not yet finalized.

1. **5-year Metro/SBCCOG Funding Agreement Amendment Scope and Funding Allocation (attachment) – Approved-** Steve Lantz said that the SBCCOG has a

cooperative agreement with Metro to manage and administer the Measure R program. With that cooperative agreement comes a funding agreement. The first funding agreement was signed 3 years ago when the program started and the SBCCOG has now negotiated the funding agreement between FY 2013-2019. 2019 is when the projects that were approved for Metro's 2013 Call for Projects will actually be funded. The SBCCOG needs to have its funding commitments in place so it will know how much money will be needed for the local match for the approved Call projects and how much is left over for new programming between 2013 and 2019. The SBCCOG is also changing the way it will administer the program. Iteris' 3-year contract of managing the program is up at the end of June 2013 and the SBCCOG has decided to allocate more administrative tasks to Steve Lantz and Marcy Hiratzka. This will relieve the consultants so that they may concentrate on technical tasks.

MOTION by Board Member Osborne, seconded by Board Member Gazeley, to **approve** the FY 13-19 SBHP Funding Agreement Amendment #2 Scope of Work, Quarterly Expenditure Estimates, and Authorize Execution of Amendment #2 as submitted. No objection. So ordered.

2. **Attendance at meetings-** Jacki Bacharach wanted to emphasize how important it is that elected officials attend Measure R Oversight Committee meetings, especially the cities with Measure R projects. The SBCCOG is willing to alter the meeting time and dates in order to accommodate any new elected officials that are interested in attending. Board Member Osborne said he would be able to attend lunch meetings. Board Members Rhilinger and Perkins said that Public Works Directors should attend in case their staff are not submitting their monthly reports to Metro, and the Committee is wondering what a project's status is. Iteris is calling the cities and not getting any reports from some cities. Public Works staff needs to let elected officials know what it going on in their own city. Board Member Perkins suggested (to the elected officials that were present) communicating with fellow Councilmembers who are not SBCCOG Board Members about this program. Board Member Rhilinger emphasized the importance of attending this meeting on a regular basis, as transportation language can be difficult to follow if one is not an engineer. Steve Lantz said that he frequently orients private firms and consultants about the SBHP/Measure R Program, and would be happy to orient city staff as well.

Monthly Transportation Report from Steve Lantz (attachment) – Received and filed. Steve Lantz highlighted two items in particular from his latest transportation update: the Delay of Metro's I-405 widening in Sepulveda Pass, and the reference to an article called "Millennials Would Give Up Their Cars Before Computers or Cell Phones."

SOUTH BAY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES CENTER UPDATES

Catherine Showalter gave the following updates:

- UCLA Extension's Strategic Marketing class has chosen the SBESC project proposal request as their capstone project for the 2013 winter quarter. The request is twofold: 1) SBESC marketing plan; and 2) Packaging of climate action planning efforts for South Bay cities. Student group presentations were given to SBESC staff on March 25. One student inquired about an internship and will be working at the SBESC for 75 hours between April and June.
- SBESC Staff has completed a proposal in response to Southern California Edison's RFP for strategic plan support. The SBESC is asking for almost \$1 million for technical staff support needed for completing climate action plans. The proposal is due on April 1. Ms. Showalter thanked the Board Members who helped procure letters of support for the SBESC's proposal.
- West Basin's educational program called *Water Reliability 2020* brings tabletop presentations to local organizations and companies who want to learn about water conservation. Part of the SBESC's contract with West Basin is to help procure letters of support for West Basin's efforts from major employers and this is progressing nicely. Ms. Showalter thanked those Board Members who have given leads to the SBESC.
- A media advisory sheet was distributed, featuring the Green Idea House's Dedication Ceremony in Hermosa Beach on April 6. This event marks the completion of the carbon-neutral house. The SBESC is assisting with registration for this event. Board Member Duclos added

that the green idea house project has gone through various phases over the years and is a major demonstration in Hermosa Beach.

- Jacki Bacharach highlighted one event in particular on the event list that Catherine Showalter distributed. On April 4 at the SBESC office, there will be a Revolving Loan Funds and Street Lighting Projects Workshop for city staff, commissioners, and elected officials.

BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Perkins: The University of Vermont is hosting a summer program (National Summer Transportation Institute) for high school students with an interest in careers in transportation. This program is entirely funded by a grant from the Federal Highway Administration. The event flyer was distributed. July 20 to Aug 10. Steve Lantz expressed interest in sending a letter to the FHWA, requesting to hold this event in Southern California in the near future.
- Zerunyan: Registration for 6 courses on May 10-11 for the Spring Session of the Local Leaders Program at USC's Price School of Public Policy is open to City Councilmembers and City Managers. Topics vary (including CA demographics, municipal bonds, housing policy, sustainability, economic development, and effective governance and public administration.) Those interested may let Board Member Zerunyan know.
- Bacharach: On behalf of Board Member Olivia Valentine, Ms. Bacharach promoted "The Taste of Hawthorne Food Festival" on May 19th at the Hawthorne Airport from 10am – 6pm. This is the City's first food festival.
- Franklin: The San Gabriel Valley COG, Gateway Cities COG, and SBCCOG held a Tri-COG event on March 26 in West Covina. Various topics were discussed, including transportation, housing, economic development, and the environment. Chair Franklin gave opening remarks. The event was far away, yet there were several South Bay city staff members present.
- Franklin: Jan Vogel, Executive Director of the SBWIB, was awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award this evening at the 2013 Annual Spring Conference for Workforce Development Professionals.
- Franklin: Thanks to the SBESC for helping Inglewood to complete its Climate Action Plan.
- Duclos: The Santa Monica Bay Restoration Committee has a Rainwater Harvesting Pilot Program that is worth exploring (Culver City's experience was a success story.) It is very popular and might be something the SBESC can do with the South Bay cities. The City of Hermosa Beach is also installing an Ocean-Friendly Garden.

SBCCOG UPDATE AND COMMITTEE REPORTS by Jacki Bacharach

Dues and Assessment for FY 13-14 (attachments) – FAILED. Jacki Bacharach explained that this item was discussed by the SBCCOG Steering Committee. The SBCCOG has had the same dues for last 10 years. The City of Rolling Hills pays \$3500 (smallest amount). Half of the amount of a city's dues are based on the city's general fund and half are based on the city's population. The SBCCOG has an operating deficit. For the last few years, the SBCCOG's budget has not been balanced and the SBCCOG has not had to dip into its reserves because it has received unexpected funds over the years. This year, the SBCCOG WILL have to dip into its reserves especially due to the state deficit. Chair Franklin created an Ad Hoc Finance Committee, which decided to raise the dues to \$300,000 over 2 years under the same formula that the SBCCOG currently uses. The City Managers discussed the Ad Hoc Committee's recommendation at their February meeting. The consensus after their discussion was to keep the dues at the current level for now and to spend this coming year looking at the SBCCOG work program working more closely with the members of the Board to assess the range of services that the SBCCOG provides to its members and then to determine the dues. The formula for the dues calculation was also questioned and they felt that it should be re-evaluated. The City Managers like the idea of the individualized invoices. Taking into consideration both the Ad Hoc Committee and City Managers reviews, the Steering Committee is recommending that the Board increase the dues for fiscal year 2013-2014 starting in July 2013 by \$35,000 so that the SBCCOG can begin to address the deficit and that in the next year, Board members will work with the City Managers to review the SBCCOG work program, dues amount and dues formula. The additional dues will be allocated using the existing formula and the assessment will stay the same as it was last year as defined in the attached worksheet. This issue needs to be voted upon this month. The sections of LA County and City within the SBCCOG's boundaries are currently matched with the City of Torrance's amount (since Torrance is largest city in the South Bay) but based on population after the 2010 census, those dues probably need to be altered. Suzanne Charles, bookkeeper for the

SBCCOG, said that it is difficult to put the LA County and City portions in the formula since they are such small geographic areas of the County and LA city. Budget expenditures are also unknown. Jacki Bacharach said that the amount of County territory within the SBCCOG boundaries is less than Torrance's population. Board Member Rosenfeld said that the 2010 census data should be analyzed, to be fair. The LA County portion of the budget can be prorated from that data. The county does a lot of things that cities do not do. Board Member Zerunyan asked when the dues were last raised and Jacki Bacharach answered that it was in 2002.

MOTION by Board Member Perkins, seconded by Board Member Zerunyan, to **approve** the Steering Committee's recommendation to increase the dues by \$35,000 for fiscal year 2013-2014 starting July 2013 to address the deficit and in the next year, allocate additional dues using the existing formula and keeping assessment the same as last year's as submitted. **Of 10 voting members present out of 15 member cities, the vote results were as follows: Ayes: 8; Nays: 2 (Rosenfeld and Burton); Abstain: 0. This vote did not reach the two-thirds majority needed in order to pass.**

Jacki noted to the Board the SBCCOG's bylaws states, "If an increase in dues is proposed from the previous year, an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the total voting membership of the Governing Board is required to set the new dues." To pass, this motion required a two-thirds vote so it DID NOT pass.

South Bay Sustainable Strategy

1. **LUV, BEV and other EV issues-** Jacki Bacharach said that cities are not ready for electric vehicles but UCLA's Luskin Center anticipates that electric vehicles will be flourishing in the South Bay by 2020. LA County is buying the 2 remaining vehicles from the SBCCOG's Local-Use Vehicle program. BEV test-drivers can only use 110 volt-charging at home for 2 weeks. Board Member Duclos expressed an interest in testing one of the BEVs.
2. **Update on car2go-** Jacki Bacharach said that 9 of the 16 SBCCOG member cities are participating in this program. Gardena and Lomita are approved. Hawthorne and El Segundo need final approval. Torrance will discuss on April 9 and is highly publicizing it. Manhattan Beach and Redondo Beach will discuss on April 16. Hermosa Beach will hopefully consider for final adoption on April 23 and Lawndale on May 6. Once cities are well enough along the way, Car2go will look for offices in the area. Seattle approved car2go in December 2012 and just approved 100 more cars and 10 more square miles. Every city that uses this has told the SBCCOG that they love it, even the police departments.
3. **Economic Development activities-** Jacki Bacharach reported that this group meets every other month. Recently, Gurbax Sahota, President and CEO of California Association for Local Economic Development (CALED), attended and presented about the organization. CALED is the premier statewide professional economic development organization dedicated to advancing its members' ability to achieve excellence in delivering economic development services to their communities and business clients. CALED's membership consists of public and private organizations and individuals involved in economic development: the business of creating and retaining jobs. Ms. Bacharach added that the SBCCOG's Economic Development Group has come together as the former South Bay Economic Development group disbanded. The representatives from CALED were glad to see multiple cities working together instead of fighting over resources.

General Assembly Lessons Learned- Jacki Bacharach asked for feedback from attendees of the SBCCOG's 14th Annual General Assembly in February. Board Member Medina said that many people asked questions about the presentations and some were not addressed due to lack of time, Board Member Seamans was not present, but heard from her City Manager that it was the best he'd ever been to and he thoroughly enjoyed the speakers. Board Member Goodhart commended the improvement of the logistics since last year (especially A/V issues.) He suggested that SBCCOG staff walk the plaques to sponsors, so that process does not take as long. Board Member Perkins said she noticed how most people stayed after lunch to hear the remaining speakers and attributed the good structure to the legislative staff and representatives being in the exhibit hall in the morning. Chair Franklin was glad to see so many participants speaking with the legislative staff and representatives and liked how having them there in the morning did not upstage the speakers' time. Jacki Bacharach announced that February 28, 2014 is next year's date!

Metro service council elections- Jacki Bacharach announced that several emails have gone out regarding the openings on the Metro South Bay Service Council. Anyone in the community who is interested must ride the local public transportation systems and attend the service council meetings (2nd Fridays in Inglewood.) Board Member Seamans clarified that there are three elected vacancies and one non-elected vacancy. Those interested need to let Jacki Bacharach know.

AGENCY REPORTS

League of California Cities- Board Member Goodhart reported that the League's LA Division had a board meeting last Wednesday and the Legislative Committee report relayed that Sacramento County Superior Court denied the League's petition challenging the constitutionality of the Legislature's 2011 decision to fund the realignment program concerning vehicle license fees. AB443 (Lowenthal) is being proposed (looks at delinquent parking citation collections.) The DMV removes fees on vehicles if an owner transfers the ownership or sells the car. If everyone paid their fines, CA would have another \$70 million. Jeff Kiernan announced that the LA Division just updated its Legislative Platform for the first time since 2008 and it includes 7 board policy statements. The Division's Treasurer was not reelected so the nominations committee has opened the vacancy to applicants until March 29. Please speak to Jeff Kiernan immediately if interested in serving on the LA Division as Treasurer. Mr. Kiernan attended a meeting with Assemblymember Muratsuchi on Monday and he released AB810 (this bill would require the Attorney General to examine the feasibility of an inter-county criminal offender database that would be accessible to local law enforcement agencies, including municipal police departments, for the purpose of facilitating and enhancing local law enforcement operations by ensuring readily available information on criminal offenders. The bill would require the Attorney General to report its findings by July 1, 2014, as provided). Councilmember Dieringer clarified that this is just a study, at present. The League's free Legislative Action Days is scheduled for just April 24 Sacramento. Please let Mr. Kiernan know if you are planning to register! April 4 is the next LA Division meeting and annual pension reform discussion. Major bill of interest is SB7 (Steinberg). (This bill would prohibit a charter city from receiving or using state funding or financial assistance for a construction project if the city has a charter provision or ordinance that authorizes a contractor to not comply with prevailing wage provisions on any public works contract. The bill would, except as specified, prohibit a charter city from receiving or using state funding or financial assistance for a construction project for up to 2 calendar years if the city has, after January 1, 2014, awarded a public works contract without requiring the contractor to comply with prevailing wage provisions. This bill would authorize charter cities to receive or use state funding or financial assistance if the city has adopted a local prevailing wage ordinance that includes requirements that are equal to or greater than the state's prevailing wage requirements, as specified. This bill would exclude contracts for projects of \$25,000 or less for construction work, or projects of \$15,000 or less for alteration, demolition, repair, or maintenance work. This bill would require the Director of Industrial Relations to maintain a list of charter cities that may receive and use state funding and financial assistance for their construction projects).

South Coast Air Quality Management District- Stan Myles brought lawnmower exchange flyers (May 4 in Long Beach).

1. **Local Government and Business Advisory Group-** Jacob Haik brought distributed copies of the information, action & discussion items from the group's February 8 meeting. Mr. Haik will email them to Jacki Bacharach for further distribution. Some of these include: 2015 AQMP, Status of AQMD Near Roadway Monitoring Network, and Annual Report on AB2766 Funds from Motor Vehicle Registration Fees for FY 2010-2011.

SCAG & Committees- Matt Horton announced that SCAG's Annual General Assembly will be held on May 2 at the Palm Desert Marriott. Each member city is entitled to send a delegate or alternate (free registration.) Register online or let Mr. Horton know if you plan to attend. SCAG will roll out updates to online member profiles soon. Each city gets this as a benefit. This is in draft form right now. Anyone who wishes to see the draft early should also let Mr. Horton know. There is a new SCAG-sponsored videoconferencing unit at the SBCCOG. Jacki Bacharach added that the equipment is ready to be used but SCAG has not yet sent the SBCCOG any meeting dates. Mr. Horton said that he would follow up with Ms. Bacharach about this. The SBCCOG may use this equipment for any non-SBCCOG meetings and anyone who is interested should let Ms. Bacharach know.

1. **Energy and Environment-** Board Member Duclos had nothing to report.
2. **Transportation-** Board Member Medina said that the Committee is waiting for a report from the Public Health Subcommittee regarding the modes of transportation that SCAG is reviews.
3. **Community, Economic, & Human Development-** Board Member Gazeley had nothing to report.
4. **Regional Council-** Board Member Medina had nothing to report.

Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission – Board Member Perkins reported that one of the main issues at the last meeting was the Ballona Wetlands Restoration Project (scope includes public access improvements, walking trails, boardwalks, overlooks, picnic areas, and visitor facilities.) The next step is a scoping document for the EIR and collecting public comments. The Draft EIR will be released this summer. The Board also needs to fill one At-Large position on the Governing Board that is now vacant due to the resignation of former Santa Monica Mayor and City Council member Richard Bloom, who was recently elected to the California State Assembly. The remainder of this position's term runs through December 2013. SBCCOG Board Members Duclos and Knight are 2 of the 3 candidates for this seat. 2013 Annual Report was distributed. 5-year plan was also discussed.

South Bay Cities City Managers' Association- Jacki Bacharach recapped on one of the main issues discussed at the last meeting: reliability of Southern California Edison infrastructure. Edison is not living up to its performance standards and there are too many power outages. The City Managers in attendance were especially intrigued. Ms. Bacharach reminded everyone of the consultant who approached Board Members Knight and Goodhart at the recent CPUC meeting in Irvine. He proposed a fee of \$25,000 dollars for 3 months to the SBCCOG for learning how to talk to the CPUC so it understands what the South Bay needs. Ms. Bacharach collected proposals from similar contractors in Oregon and Washington State who have already dealt with this issue and showed them to the City Managers. They appointed a committee of City Managers and Public Works Directors (Rob Beste from Torrance is Acting Chair.)

South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce- Board Member Rhilinger had nothing to report.

South Bay Workforce Investment Board- Not present

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Bacharach: April 11- Legislative Briefing (*attachment*)
- Bacharach: May 1- Water 101 Class for Councilmembers and City Staff (*attachment*)
- Bacharach: May 2- California Manufacturing Technology Consulting and the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development is hosting a brown bag seminar for small businesses (\$25 at holiday inn in Torrance on Vermont at 11:30am.) The SBCCOG is co-sponsoring this event. (*attachment*)
- Bacharach: *What Does the SBCCOG Do For Our Members?* (*attachment*) was distributed with meeting materials this evening.
- Bacharach: There is a vacancy on SCAG's Transportation Committee.
- Bacharach: Board Members, please submit copies of your Form 700s to the SBCCOG.
- Medina: The City of Gardena is holding its Cinco de Mayo parade on April 30 from 12-4pm.

APRIL SBCCOG COMMITTEE MEETINGS & WORKING GROUPS

Consult web site for specific times and places – www.southbaycities.org

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Franklin adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m. to Thursday, April 25, 2013, at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marcy Hiratzka
Recording Secretary