

**SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 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 6:07pm.

II. INTRODUCTIONS

In attendance were the following voting elected officials:

Cedric Hicks, Carson	Kenny Kao, Palos Verdes Estates
Dan Medina, Gardena	Eric Alegria, Rancho Palos Verdes
Hany Fangary, Hermosa Beach	Bea Dieringer, Rolling Hills
Ralph Franklin, Inglewood	Britt Huff, Rolling Hills Estates
Jim Osborne, Lawndale	Kurt Weideman, Torrance
Jim Gazeley, Lomita	Robert Sausedo, LA County District 2
David Lesser, Manhattan Beach	

Other elected officials in attendance:

Robert Pullen-Miles, Lawndale	Geoff Rizzo, Torrance
Pat Furey, Torrance	Tim Goodrich, Torrance

Also in attendance were the following persons

Connie Turner, SCE	Jacob Haik, Office of Joe Buscaino
Faviola Ochoa, SoCal Gas	Chris Cagle, SBWIB
Hamilton Cloud, Rep. Waters' Office	Jacki Bacharach, SBCCOG
Javiera Cartagena, SCAG	Grace Farwell, SBCCOG
Andrew DeBlock, Asm. Muratsuchi's Office	David Leger, SBCCOG
Aurelia Friedman, Rep. Lieu's Office	Natalie Champion, SBCCOG
Jeff Kiernan, League of CA Cities	Rosemary Lackow, SBCCOG
Mark Dierking, Metro	Steve Lantz, SBCCOG
David Gamboa, CSUDH	Marilyn Lyon, SBCCOG
Tina Cox, SCAQMD	Kim Fuentes, SBCCOG

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

No changes to the agenda.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment received.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. May Board Meeting Minutes (*attachment*) – Approved**
- B. SBCCOG Alternate Appointment of Hermosa Beach Mayor Jeff Duclos to the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission (*attachment*) – Approved**
- C. Integrated Pest Management Outreach Services Contract Renewal (*attachment*) – Approved**
- D. Contract with Agnes Walker for finance & budget related services (*attachment*) – Approved**
- E. Status of Legislation of Interest to SBCCOG (*attachment*) – Approved**
 - 1. Oppose AB 2890, AB 3194, SB 831, SB 10**
 - 2. Oppose November ballot measure to repeal SB 1 gas tax**
- F. Monthly Reports – Received and Filed**
 - 1. South Bay Environmental Services Center Report (*attachment*)**
 - 2. Transportation Report (*attachment*)**

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

VII. PRESENTATIONS

1. Face of the Program

David Leger gave his “SBCCOG: Face of the Program” presentation, which introduces SBCCOG staff and their program responsibilities to the Board of Directors. Mr. Leger touched on his educational background as well as his career path that led him to the SBCCOG. Mr. Leger also reviewed his duties at the SBCCOG and his interests outside of work. Mr. Leger’s presentation can be viewed on the SBCCOG’s website at: http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board_directors/meeting/PRESENTATION_Face%20of%20the%20Program%20David%20Leger.pdf

VIII. SBCCOG PROGRAM ACTION ITEMS, REPORTS AND UPDATES

A. Election of Officers (*attachment*) - APPROVED

MOTION by Board Member Osborne, seconded by Board Member Gazeley, to **APPROVE** the new slate of officers and at-large Steering Committee members as presented by the Nominating Committee. No objection. So ordered.

Board Member Huff followed this item by thanking Chair Weideman for his service to the City of Torrance and SBCCOG, as well as reviewing some of the accomplishments made during his term as Chair. Members of the Board, representatives of legislative offices, and elected officials from the City of Torrance presented Chair Weideman with certificates of recognition and thanked him for his dedication to public service and his collegial leadership style.

Chair Weideman thanked everyone for their kind remarks and reiterated his belief that the SBCCOG is a great organization because of its reputation and ability to bring cities together. Chair Weideman thanked his colleagues for the opportunity to serve as Chair.

B. 2018-2019 Budget (*attachments*)

Ms. Bacharach shared that there were some changes to the budget since it was shown last month, specifically \$25,000 funding for the SBCCOG from the PATH services contract where the budget formerly had \$15,000 and information on the JB&A subcontractor pay.

Board Member Dieringer asked a question about the estimated deficit. Ms. Bacharach explained that the SBCCOG is always searching for new grants and sources of funding, adding that the deficit has already been reduced by approximately \$30,000.

MOTION by Board Member Osborne, seconded by Board Member Franklin, to **APPROVE** the 2018-2019 budget. No objection. So Ordered.

C. Regional Broadband Network Initiative

Ms. Bacharach reported on the mandatory bidder’s conference that was held earlier in the day. She noted there were 33 attendees from 17 companies, which exceeded expectations. Ms. Bacharach explained that bidders can now submit questions in writing until July 9th and that the SBCCOG has until July 27th to answer the questions.

D. Homeless Services

Ms. Bacharach reported that the next Homeless Services Committee meeting will take place in July. She also announced that the homeless count figures are expected to be released next month. It appears the rate of increase in homeless individuals in the South Bay has slowed down. There will also be new PATH postcards that have a new phone number that directs individuals into a larger coordinated entry system. The SBWIB and PATH are now working together through an agreement to have a PATH worker at the SBWIB’s One Stop Center. Ms. Bacharach also noted that a first responders training is still being planned.

E. Short Term Rental Task Force

Chair Weideman began by noting this was one of the best Short-Term Rental meetings he has attended because the Executive Director of the Coastal Commission was there to present their view of the issue. Ms.

Bacharach explained that Christi Hogin, City Attorney for Lomita and Palos Verdes Estates was also in attendance to give a city's perspective.

F. Grant Opportunities

Ms. Bacharach announced that the SBCCOG did not receive the second coyote grant that was applied for, but that additional funding sources are still being sought. Ms. Bacharach also reported that several cities joined the SolSmart grant application but noted that there has been no announcement made yet regarding awardees.

G. Special Events

1. Bike Expo

Ms. Bacharach reported that there was a Bike and E-Mobility expo in the SBCCOG parking lot that gave attendees opportunities to speak with representative of 6 bike/e-scooter sharing companies. A test track was also set up to give opportunities for test rides. City staff attended and were appreciative of the opportunity it afforded.

2. General Assembly Planning

No report given.

H. Other

Ms. Bacharach noted that there was also a volunteer training workshop earlier in the day that was attended by 21 current and potential volunteers.

Board Member Huff reported that the Senior Services Working Group meets again on July 24th.

IX. Transportation Reports

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

Steve Lantz reported that there were several South Bay elected officials – Torrance Mayor Pat Furey, Hermosa Beach Councilman Hany Fangary and Manhattan Beach Councilman David Lesser - in attendance at the Metro Board meeting that commented on the proposed Green Line/Crenshaw-LAX operating plan. Metro staff had proposed two potential operating plans that will takeaway direct Green Line service into the South Bay from Norwalk or Expo. Riders would have to ride into the LAX station and then transfer to a shuttle train down to the South Bay Green Line stops. Mr. Lantz noted that the Metro Board voted to table the item and asked Metro staff to do community outreach over the next 60 days and to return in September. In a meeting with Metro Operating staff, Steve Lantz and Jacki Bacharach also saw 9 additional operating plan alternatives that should be reviewed in more detail.

Board Member Lesser thanked Supervisor Hahn and her staff for understanding the issue but noted that the issue is not over yet.

Board Member Fangary thanked Mr. Lantz and Ms. Bacharach for discovering the issue and writing a letter to Metro. He also asked that this item be discussed at the July Transportation Committee meeting.

Ms. Bacharach added that Mr. Lantz' background in operations was incredibly valuable in this process as well as thanking Assembly Member Muratsuchi's office for their efforts to table the item for further analysis. She also thanked Kim Turner of Torrance Transit for her comments to the Metro Board that touched on the lack of communication from Metro on the issue by pointing out the municipal operators were not even informed of this plan.

Board Member Franklin asked for information on the issue, so it can be agendized at an upcoming South Bay Service Council meeting.

B. Service Council report by Ralph Franklin, Chair

Board Member Franklin provided a written update in the agenda packet.

C. Transportation Committee Report

1. Measure R and Measure M Updates

Mr. Lantz explained that the SBCCOG has been negotiating with Metro on the Funding Agreement for the Measure M Multi-Year Sub-Regional Programs. The Funding Agreement is with Metro legal counsel for final review. After the agreement is signed, work can begin on implementing the programs.

X. AGENCY REPORTS

A. South Bay Workforce Investment Board

Chris Cagle reported that the SBWIB is working on a Blockchain study with CSUDH to study the software and inform students of the technology. Mr. Cagle also gave a brief update on the Telework study, noting that a special training may be planned to inform businesses on how to manage remote workers.

B. League of California Cities & LA Division Legislative Committee

Jeff Kiernan reported that the Secretary of State announced the 12 ballot initiatives appearing on the November ballot. Mr. Kiernan noted that the proposed tax approval measure that would require a 2/3 vote by voters to approve any new tax was removed by the proponents. The Legislature made an agreement to ban any new city taxes on soda to stop the proponents from continuing with the initiative. Mr. Kiernan also announced that the budget provides \$500 million for homeless services and that the Rainy-Day Fund is fully funded.

Mr. Kiernan and Board Member Dieringer both reported that the League's LA County Delegation installation event conflicts with the SBCCOG Board's August meeting. Board Member Dieringer proposed changing the date of the meeting because Palos Verdes Estates Councilmember Jennifer King is being installed as President.

A straw vote was taken and 3 people favored changing the meeting date while 6 people wanted to keep it the same. But, the Board agreed to agendaize the potential meeting date change for discussion at the Steering Committee meeting.

C. South Coast Air Quality Management District

Ms. Cox announced that the application deadline for MSRC funding is August 2nd. This funding provides matching funds for projects that could include EV chargers and electric vehicle purchases. Nominations for the Clean Air Awards are open now as well.

D. SCAG & Committees

1. **Energy and Environment** – No report given.
2. **Transportation** – No report given.
3. **Community, Economic, & Human Development** – No report given.
4. **Regional Council**

Board Member Gazeley reported that the meeting was cancelled due to lack of quorum. The next meeting will take place in September.

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

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

G. Stormwater Funding (*attachment*)

1. CCCA/LCC Stormwater Funding Options Committee – no report given.
2. LA Flood Control Stormwater Funding Measure Stakeholder Advisory Committee
Board Member Fangary reported that information is being heard by the Board of Supervisors on July 10th, after which the Board of Supervisors can choose to put the funding measure on the November ballot. Bizfed decided to oppose the measure because they felt it was not ready yet for a vote.
3. County Water Resiliency Working Group – No report given.

H. South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce

Board Member Huff reported that there were no presentations this month but noted that she provided information on the Cash for Kitchens program and the Telework study. Also discussed was the transition of the Aerospace Advisory Council to the Aerospace Alliance.

I. South Bay Aerospace Alliance

No report given.

J. California Association of Councils of Governments

Board Member Huff reported that there was a Board meeting on May 30th that focused on the importance of SB1.

XI. UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gazeley (Lomita): Founders Day Event is taking place this Saturday and will have a performance by Board Member Osborne's band.

Lesser (Manhattan Beach): the free Concerts in the Park program begin this Sunday at Pollywog Park.

Alegria (Rancho Palos Verdes): The City's 4th of July event is taking place at Point Vicente on Saturday from 11am-5pm.

Weideman (Torrance): The City will have its Wilson Park fireworks display on the 4th of July.

Sausedo (LA County, 2nd District): LA County will be hosting a workshop to hear from residents about their vision for the eminent domain land at Vermont and Manchester. Supervisor Ridley-Thomas will also be holding an event focusing on the next recession that aims to prepare businesses during the next recession.

Franklin (Inglewood): the football stadium's roof will be installed over the next few months.

Medina (Gardena): The City's 4th of July fireworks display will be held at 132nd Street and Van Ness. The City's Concerts in the Park and Ice Cream Socials will be beginning as well.

XII. JULY SBCCOG COMMITTEE MEETINGS & WORKING GROUPS

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

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Weideman informed the Board that Metro Board Deputy Mike Bohlke's wife – Diane Bohlke passed away suddenly and asked that the meeting be adjourned in her memory.

Chair Weideman gave a few closing remarks, thanking previous Chairs for their support and suggested Board Member Huff lean on them when needed during her term as Chair. He handed 1st Vice Chair Huff the gavel and she adjourned the meeting at 7:57 pm to Thursday, July 26, 2018 at 6:00 pm.

David Leger
Assistant Board Secretary