

South Bay Cities Council of Governments Infrastructure Working Group Meeting Notes – January 18, 2016

Attachment A

Attendees: Chair Stephanie Katsouleas (Manhattan Beach); Ken Berkman (El Segundo); Eloy Castillo (Inglewood); Nicole Jules (Rancho Palos Verdes); Ted Semaan, Andy Winje, & Didar Khandker (Redondo Beach); Josie Gutierrez, Robert Torres & Patrick Smith (LA County DPW); Isidro Panuco (Metro); Jimmy Shih (Caltrans); George Wentz, David Pelser & Dave Zelenok (HR Green); Steve Lantz & David Leger (SBCCOG)

Chair Stephanie Katsouleas called the meeting to order at 12:15 pm.

I. Self-Introductions and Approval of November 16, 2016 Minutes

Minutes approved as submitted.

II. Agency & Other Reports

- **SBCCOG:** Steve Lantz gave the following update on behalf of Jacki Bacharach
 - 2017 General Assembly: *“Driving the South Bay’s Digital Future”* will be taking place on February 24th. A flyer was made available at the sign-in table. Please RSVP.
 - Homeless Initiative: The SBCCOG is working with LA County Supervisors Hahn and Ridley-Thomas to partner with PATH to locate homeless individuals and provide them with services and housing options. The program will be extended through June 2017. Supervisor Ridley-Thomas will be holding a Landlord Workshop on March 22 in the South Bay so landlords can learn what they can and cannot do in regards to this issue.
 - LA IMPACT: “Los Angeles Interagency Metropolitan Police Apprehension Crime Task Force” may be holding a meeting on March 23rd to inform South Bay city council members, city managers, and staff about LA IMPACT. The meeting would provide an opportunity to learn about current narcotic trends impacting local communities.
 - Sustainability: SBCCOG Environmental Services Center staff will be meeting with City staff over the next couple months working on their Climate Action Plans.
 - Regional Coyote Management Plan: the SBCCOG hosted a well-attended meeting on this issue on January 5th. Presentations were made on approaches to reduce the number of coyote-human incidents. The next meeting will be scheduled for some time in March and will focus on the largely successful efforts Torrance has undertaken.
 - Short Term Rental Task Force: Another “full-house” meeting with speakers from Host Compliance and Newport Beach. The next meeting will be held in March.
 - Senior Transportation: Uber is interested in working with the SBCCOG on a pilot project for transportation for seniors. The goals for this partnership would be to lower costs for cities who are subsidizing senior transportation as well as create more freedom in destinations for seniors.
 - South Bay Net: On-line surveys for businesses are being solicited to get more information to complete the South Bay fiber optic network feasibility study. Links to the surveys are on the SBCCOG website.
 - Special Projects: The California Energy Commission Micro-Grid Project in Carson is underway. Analysis is proceeding to develop the data to apply for Phase 2 funding at the end of this year. CEC EPIC Biomass Energy Grant applications for the Phase 2 Anaerobic Food Digester project have been submitted by the SBCCOG for work in the cities of Hermosa Beach and Inglewood.
 - Storm water: San Gabriel Valley COG is going to make a presentation on their stormwater efforts at the January Board Meeting.
- **South Bay Traffic Forum, LA County DPW:** Patrick Smith distributed the South Bay Traffic Forum Status Report for January 2017 and reported that work is wrapping up on two projects, with several other projects set to enter design phases in 2017, details of which can be found in the handout on the SBCCOG website at: http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/infrastructure/HANDOUT_South%20Bay%20Traffic%20Forum%20Status%20Report%20January%202017.pdf
- **Caltrans:** Jimmy Shih briefly updated the group on the status of Caltrans projects. MR312.11 is currently in construction and is on schedule; MR 312.24 (110/405 interchange) PAED will be 95% complete by the end of this month. Caltrans hopes for PAED completion and to list a contract for design and construction in February 2017; MR312.25 PAED is complete and ready to begin design; MR312.29 is also ready to be listed by February 2017.
- **L. A. Metro Updates**
 - **L.A. Metro Board** – Isidro Panuco reported that the Metro Board will be reviewing a proposal for a new ExpressLanes Strategic Plan for LA County which will categorize the highways in tiers based on when these ExpressLanes may be implemented. Approval of this item would also allow studies to be conducted. Metro is also working with SCAG to update the Long Range Transportation Plan background data in preparation for an

update of the plan later this year.

Mr. Panuco also announced that the Board approved amendments for the SBHP projects that needed time extensions and that he will be working with those agencies to sign the amendments and check on project status. Mr. Panuco will also be reviewing the 2017-18 Metro Budget Request and should hopefully have it to the Metro Board in April 2017.

- **Metro TAC & Streets and Freeway Subcommittee** – Ted Semaan reported that an Advisory Council is being created to review/create Measure M guidelines. The goal is to have these guidelines approved by the Metro Board by the end of this fiscal year (June 30, 2017). Mr. Panuco added that the proposed Advisory Council would consist of 27 individuals from three categories (Agencies, Local Jurisdictions, and Consumers). The SBCCOG and all other COGs will have a non-elected member and alternate that will represent local jurisdictions in their sub-regions.

III. **Measure R / Measure M Updates**

- **SBHP Project Progress – Financial Risk Report** – Received and filed.

The Financial Risk Report was handed out at the meeting. The report can be viewed online at:

http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/infrastructure/HANDOUT_December%20Risk%20Report.pdf

- **Measure M Board Workshop – January 26, 4pm, SBCCOG Theater**

Steve Lantz reminded everyone to RSVP for the workshop and informed them that it would provide as much information and detail about the status of Measure M implementation as possible, with the understanding that certain policies and procedures will be unclear until the draft guidelines are released in April. The SBCCOG wants to understand its role in the sub-regional programs and understand what role it will be playing in administering these programs - in the same way as under Measure R?

IV. **Three-Month Look Ahead** – Received and filed.

V. **Spotlight Presentations**

- **Use of Signal Systems for Local Broadband Networks**

George Wentz, David Pelser, and Dave Zelenok of HR Green, made a presentation to the IWG on the leveraging of municipal assets to deliver broadband service. They began by briefing attendees on telecom advancements over the past decades and how broadband networks are crucial to cities to remaining competitive in the fast-changing digital world. Mr. Zelenok then reviewed some case studies of how cities are leveraging their municipal infrastructure (such as streetlights and traffic signals) to create a broadband network. Mr. Zelenok followed up by reviewing different “business” models that might fit a city’s needs in order to facilitate the development of a broadband network. Mr. Zelenok concluded by describing strategies that might be useful to a city in creating a “roadmap” to achieve their broadband goals. For more details, HR Green’s presentation can be viewed online at:

http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/infrastructure/PRESENTATION_HR%20Green.pdf

VI. **Announcements & Adjournment**

Chair Katsouleas adjourned the meeting at 1:46 pm until February 15, 2017 (public meeting). To include an item on the agenda, please email Steve Lantz (lantzsh10@gmail.com) by February 3, 2017.