

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

Transportation Committee  
January 8, 2018  
Minutes

**COMMITTEE VICE CHAIR WEIDEMAN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 10:32 AM**

**I. Welcome / Self-Introductions**

**In attendance were the following voting SBCCOG Board Members:**

Christian Horvath, Chair (Redondo Beach)	Olivia Valentine (Hawthorne)
Kurt Weideman, Vice Chair (Torrance)	Hany Fangary (Hermosa Beach)
Suzanne Fuentes (El Segundo)	Jim Butts (Inglewood)

**Non-Voting Representatives**

Donald Szerlip, Metro South Bay Sector Council  
Stephanie Katsouleas, IWG (Manhattan Beach)  
James Lee, Transit Operators (Torrance Transit)

**Also in attendance were the following persons:**

David Leger (SBCCOG)	Mike Bohlke (Metro)
Jacki Bacharach (SBCCOG)	Isidro Panuco (Metro)
Steve Lantz (SBCCOG)	Catherine Saint (Metro)
Michael Ervin (Supervisor Hahn's Office)	Mark Dierking (Metro)
Orlando Rodriguez (El Segundo)	Isaiah Ford (TRG)
Frank Senteno (Lawndale)	Glenda Silva (LAWA)
Craig Bilezerian (Torrance)	Natasha DeBenon (Ghirardelli Assoc.)
Godfrey Offoegbu (Torrance Transit)	Vic Nol (SCE)
David Mieger (Metro)	Chris Buscarino (WSP)
Meghna Khanna (Metro)	David Grethen (Hermosa Bch. Public Works Commission)
Frank Ching (Metro)	

**II. Consent Calendar - Approved Weideman/Butts**

**A. Minutes of December 11, 2017 meeting**

**B. January 2018 Transportation Update – received and filed.**

**MOTION** by Committee Member Butts, seconded by Committee Vice Chair Weideman, to **APPROVE** the Consent Calendar. Approved without objection.

**III. SBCCOG Transportation Working Group Updates**

**A. Transit Operators Working Group Update –** James Lee noted that there has been good discussion at the last several Transit Operators Working Group meetings.

**B. Infrastructure Working Group Update –** No report given.

**IV. Measure R South Bay Highway Program Annual Performance Evaluation (APE) Report**

Mr. Lantz reviewed the APE report with the Committee. Mr. Lantz clarified for Committee Members that even though a project milestone may be late today, there is still time to catch up by the end of the fiscal year on June 30. The report is available online at:

[http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/transportation\\_committee/HANDOUT\\_December%20APE%20Report.pdf](http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/transportation_committee/HANDOUT_December%20APE%20Report.pdf)

**V. Measure R South Bay Highway Program FY 2018-19 Metro Budget Request**

Mr. Lantz explained the difference between the one-year budget request (Exhibit A) that will get submitted to Metro and the five-year outlook (Exhibit B) that simply gives a projection of what current commitments will encumber during future year budget requests. Mr. Lantz noted that the SBCCOG

administrative costs are significantly lower this year than in previous years because no consultants are intended to be used in the upcoming fiscal year. Previously, consultants were hired to assist with the Metro Budget Request preparation and other related meetings. This year, the Metro Budget Request was updated only using SBCCOG staff resources.

Committee Vice Chair Weideman asked Mr. Lantz why the annual totals in Exhibit B decline over the five-year outlook. Mr. Lantz explained that the projection includes projects that started four or five years ago are in the construction phase now, which tends to be the costliest phase, and will be completing construction over the next few years.

**MOTION** by Committee Vice Chair Weideman, seconded by Committee Member Valentine, to recommend Board of Director approval of the FY208-19 Metro Budget Request. Motion approved without objection.

Exhibit A can be viewed online at:

[http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/transportation\\_committee/HANDOUT\\_Attachment%20C%2C%20Exhibit%20A%20-%20FY%2018-19%20MBR.pdf](http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/transportation_committee/HANDOUT_Attachment%20C%2C%20Exhibit%20A%20-%20FY%2018-19%20MBR.pdf)

Exhibit B can be viewed online at:

[http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/transportation\\_committee/HANDOUT\\_Attachment%20C%2C%20Exhibit%20B%20-%20FY%2019-23%20MBR.pdf](http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/transportation_committee/HANDOUT_Attachment%20C%2C%20Exhibit%20B%20-%20FY%2019-23%20MBR.pdf)

## **VI. Caltrans South Bay Projects Update**

Isidro Panuco reported that the I-405/Crenshaw Blvd project is currently in design and that monthly PDT meetings are being held. The I-110 auxiliary lane project is expected to begin construction by April. The I-110 ITS project is wrapping up. The PCH and arterials ITS project is currently in construction. Mr. Panuco will give a brief presentation on the I-110 auxiliary lane at the next Transportation Committee meeting.

## **VII. Measure M Guidelines Development and Metro Policy Advisory Council Updates**

### **A. Draft Measure M MSP Administrative Procedures**

Mr. Lantz reported that the administrative guidelines are expected to be released sometime in January which will allow the SBCCOG to sign a funding agreement with Metro to assist the lead agencies to develop a five-year list of projects for each of the four multi-year subregional projects (MSPs). There will be different project eligibility criteria for each of the programs. The South Bay project selection criteria and performance evaluation guidelines must be developed after Metro's administrative guidelines are finalized. The first step would be to create the project selection criteria. Ms. Bacharach noted that the selection criteria will only be developed for the programs that are known about, meaning all except for the Sub-Regional Equity Program. A MSP training session will be held during the March IWG meeting and an elected official briefing will be held immediately before the March 22<sup>nd</sup> Board of Directors meeting

Mr. Lantz added that the .5% administrative money that the SBCCOG will receive is intended to help develop the program as well as develop projects over the next five years, which means that PSRs could be partially funded using this money. However, this will reduce the amount of funding available to administer the programs, so the Board will need to approve a multi-year funding program that will be incorporated into the Metro / SBCCOG funding agreement.

### **B. SBCCOG Multi-Year Sub-Regional Programs (SB MSP) Implementation Plan Outline**

Mr. Lantz asked that any action on this item be deferred at this point. Mr. Lantz explained that he felt it was premature to spend staff time on this item until the Metro Administrative Guidelines are finalized.

**MOTION** by Committee Member Valentine, seconded by Committee Vice Chair Weideman to defer action on this item to a future date. No objection. So ordered.

## **VIII. Paid Parking Policy at Metro Rail Stations**

Frank Ching (Metro) presented on the Metro Parking Management Program, noting that the goal is to develop a program that ensures parking resources are available for transit patrons, to reduce increased commute time due to searching for a parking spot at transit stations, and to ensure that the new policy does not adversely affect ridership at the stations.

Paid parking will be instituted in all lots that are over 70% utilized on weekdays and in lots at adjacent stations to prevent deflection of overflows from the paid lots to other nearby lots. Metro will consider developing additional parking spaces if a paid lot continues to be more than 90% occupied on weekdays after the paid parking management program is implemented.

Parking will be paid via TAP card and inspected via a license plate photograph technology. License plate numbers will be tied to the patron's TAP card. Mr. Ching also noted that this policy has been in the works for approximately three years.

Committee Member Fuentes expressed her concerns with this policy because of its potential spillover impact on El Segundo neighborhoods. She explained that there is already significant overflow due to passengers arriving at LAX and parking for free in the neighborhoods surrounding the airport. Mr. Ching noted that it is possible to work on an enforcement plan with the City, including the option of the City giving Metro authority to do parking enforcement in the neighborhoods.

For more detail, Mr. Ching's presentation is available online at:

[http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/transportation\\_committee/PRESENTATION\\_Parking%20Management%20Program.pdf](http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/transportation_committee/PRESENTATION_Parking%20Management%20Program.pdf)

## **IX. Green Line South Study Updates**

David Mieger and Meghna Khanna presented an update on the Green Line South 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 detail, the presentation can be viewed online at:

[http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/transportation\\_committee/PRESENTATION\\_SB%20Light%20Rail%20Extension.pdf](http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/transportation_committee/PRESENTATION_SB%20Light%20Rail%20Extension.pdf)

## **X. Metro Green Line / Crenshaw LAX Line Operating Plan Update**

Committee Member Fangary expressed his frustration that it feels like Metro is giving the Committee the runaround by not providing an update. Mr. Lantz explained that Metro Operations staff feels it is premature to discuss the issue since staff has yet to develop the operating plans. The committee asked for the item to be placed on each future Transportation Committee agenda until Metro presents its plan to the Committee.

## **XI. Metro ExpressLanes Surplus Revenue Allocation Update**

Ms. Bacharach reported that a meeting is scheduled for this Friday with Mayor Butts, Supervisor Hahn, John Fasana and representatives from the relevant COGs to discuss the issue. An update will be provided at the next meeting.

## **XII. Announcements / Adjournment - The Next Transportation Committee is scheduled February 12, 2018 at 10:30 a. m.**

**MOTION** by Committee Vice Chair Weideman, seconded by Committee Member Fuentes, to **ADJOURN** the January 8<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Transportation Committee. Approved without objection.

Committee Chair Horvath adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a. m..