

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

Transit Operators' Working Group

September 22nd, 2016

Meeting Notes

Attendees: Steve Lantz, David Leger (SBCCOG); Joyce Rooney, Amy, Leslie (Beach Cities Transit), James Lee (Torrance Transit), Joseph Loh (Gardena Transit); Mark Dierking (Metro)

1) Self-Introductions & Approval of the July 28, 2016 Meeting Notes

2) Transit Operator Issues and Concerns

Gardena Transit: currently pursuing zero emission busses and CNG busses, upgrading their facilities to be capable of maintaining CNG busses.

3) Metro Call for Projects Restructuring Deferral

Steve Lantz briefly discussed the deferral of the Call for Projects restructuring. He informed the group that Metro will be putting the restructuring on hold until the outcome of Measure M. Joyce Rooney added that she had not received much information, but that they would be delaying the proposal to allow for more input. Mr. Lantz informed the group that if they have positions they are advocating, they could bring them to the working group and ask for the SBCCOG Board to take a position and work with Metro Board Member James Butts to advocate on behalf of the South Bay transit operators. The Transit Operators generally support leaving the municipal operators section of the Call for Projects at the regional/countywide level and allow the other parts to be sub-regional or some other format.

4) SBCCOG Measure M Oppose Position Reconsideration

Mr. Lantz reviewed the SBCCOG Board of Director's oppose position on Measure M and the decision by the Steering Committee to not include a new position vote at the upcoming Board meeting. He also discussed the concerns that the SBCCOG Board of Directors has with Measure M (attachment).

5) Results of Lawsuit on Measure M Language

Mr. Lantz reported that the lawsuit was dismissed because Measure M is not an "initiative" and that the Measure would continue to be on the November ballot. Mr. Lantz reiterated that the SBCCOG is not a part of the lawsuit nor has it contributed funding for the opposition campaign.

6) Project Management Training Sessions

Mr. Lantz informed the working group of the upcoming Project Management Training Sessions and invited them to attend if they are interested.

7) South Bay Highway Program Implementation Plan Update

Mr. Lantz described the changes to the South Bay Highway Program Implementation Plan in the 2016 update, such as the local match requirement.

8) Announcements/Adjournment – Next Transit Operators Working Group meeting: November 17, 2016?

Due to a statewide conference, the next meeting is rescheduled to December 1, 2016.