

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

Transportation Committee
February 12, 2018
Notes – No Quorum

COMMITTEE VICE CHAIR WEIDEMAN NOTED THAT THERE WAS NO QUORUM BUT BEGAN INFORMATIONAL REPORTS AT 10:30 AM

I. Welcome / Self-Introductions

In attendance were the following voting SBCCOG Board Members:

Christian Horvath, Chair (Redondo Beach) (late arrival)
Kurt Weideman, Vice Chair (Torrance)
Olivia Valentine (Hawthorne)

Non-Voting Representatives

Stephanie Katsouleas, IWG (Manhattan Beach)

Also in attendance were the following persons:

David Leger (SBCCOG)	Leslie Scott (Beach Cities Transit)
Jacki Bacharach (SBCCOG)	Philbert Wong (Metro)
Steve Lantz (SBCCOG)	Ayda Safaei (Metro)
Michael Ervin (Supervisor Hahn's Office)	Mike Bohlke (Metro)
Maria Slaughter (Carson)	Isidro Panuco (Metro)
Orlando Rodriguez (El Segundo)	Mark Dierking (Metro)
Frank Senteno (Lawndale)	Linda Hunter (Rincon Consultants)
Peter Puglese (Inglewood)	Chris Hansen (Rincon Consultants)

II. Consent Calendar

A. Minutes of January 8, 2018 meeting

B. February 2018 Transportation Update

No action was taken on the Consent Calendar due to the lack of a quorum.

III. SBCCOG Transportation Working Group Updates

A. Transit Operators Working Group Update – No report given.

B. Infrastructure Working Group Update – No report given.

Jacki Bacharach noted that there was a meeting between Public Works staff and utility company staff to discuss the differing trenching policies in each of the cities. Utility company staff are hoping to establish a uniform policy. Local jurisdictions agreed to develop a draft policy to share with the utilities. There will be further discussions on this topic with the local jurisdictions.

IV. Caltrans South Bay Projects Update

Isidro Panuco reported that there will be a meeting on Wednesday, February 14th to review the Caltrans ITS project in the South Bay (PCH and major arterials). Mr. Panuco also reported that the I-110 auxiliary lane project will be going into construction within a few months and that the I-405/Crenshaw Blvd project will be at the 60% design stage by November 2018.

V. Caltrans I-110 Auxiliary Lane Update

Isidro Panuco presented an update on the Caltrans I-110 auxiliary lane project which is funded by the Measure R South Bay Highway Program. Mr. Panuco noted that the PAED phase (project approval/environmental document) was funded by the Measure R SBHP for approximately \$1 million. Caltrans funded the design and construction phases using state funds. The construction phase is expected to cost about \$35-40 million and should be completed by 2020. The full presentation can be viewed online at:

http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/transportation_committee/PRESENTATION_I-405%20I-110%20Improvements.pdf

VI. Measure M Guidelines Development and Metro Policy Advisory Council Updates

A. Metro Measure M Administrative Guidelines Update

Ms. Bacharach reported that the Administrative Guidelines are now signed. The next step is to review the draft funding agreement required to receive funding to create and administer the initial 5-year plan of projects in the sub-regional programs. Each of the four South Bay sub-regional programs will require its own funding agreement.

Mr. Lantz added that the SBCCOG must now develop the project selection criteria and performance measures, and must do so in consultation with all potential grantees as well as community based organizations that may partner with a grantee. The project selection criteria must be chosen from the performance measure themes which include: mobility, sustainability/quality of life, safety, economic development, and accessibility.

Several Committee Members asked who will be developing these criteria and when they will be approved. Mr. Lantz explained that there will be a workshop during the March Infrastructure Working Group meeting, as well as a workshop prior to March Board of Directors meeting. During these meetings, the topic will be discussed and reported upon. The Board of Directors will approve the project selection criteria at an upcoming meeting.

B. SBCCOG Multi-Year Sub-Regional Programs (SB MSP) Public Participation Plan

Mr. Lantz reviewed the proposed Public Participation Plan, explaining that there are opportunities for public participation at many parts of the process.

No action was taken on the recommendation due to the lack of a quorum.

Ms. Bacharach and Mr. Lantz then reviewed a new Metro “Equity” platform that will serve as a framework and possible future policy for L. A. Metro investments. In summary, the framework suggests that when making policy decisions and financial investments, Metro should use “access to opportunity” as a core element of the decision-making process. This would ask Metro to think about how investments create access in areas that don’t currently have such access. Metro will have community meetings and collaborative discussions to help further define the framework. Mr. Lantz stated that it would be important to not only create access for underserved communities, but also create opportunities for access. Mr. Panuco added that to his understanding, this framework will be used first to guide the Long-Range Transportation Plan update.

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

Mr. Lantz reviewed the APE report with the Committee. The report is available online at:

http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/transportation_committee/HANDOUT_January%202018%20APE%20Report.pdf

VIII. Metro ExpressLanes Surplus Revenue Allocation Update

Ms. Bacharach explained that there was a meeting between Metro Board Members Butts, Hahn, and Fasana and representatives of several COGs that included SBCCOG staff. Metro staff had proposed borrowing funds being generated by existing ExpressLanes to develop new ExpressLanes. Ms. Bacharach reported that the I-10 was historically a busway and not a carpool lane so the communities served by the I-10 are less concerned about the potential loss of carpool lanes than the South Bay would be. However, there was consensus that surplus revenue generated from an ExpressLane should be invested in that ExpressLanes catchment area to ensure the lanes are functioning properly and to fund adjacent mobility projects prior to expanding the network throughout other parts of the county with the revenue generated. Another meeting is in the process of being scheduled.

IX. Metro I-105 ExpressLanes Update

Philbert Wong, Project Manager at Metro, gave a brief update on the I-105 ExpressLanes project. Mr. Wong explained that the project is currently in the PAED phase to study the possible implementation along the proposed I-105 from the I-605 west to the I-405. There will also be a series of public scoping meetings to discuss the alternative design options. The full update can be viewed online at:

http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/transportation_committee/HANDOUT_I-105%20ExpressLanes%20Project%20update.pdf

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

No update was provided.

Committee Vice-Chair Weideman reported that there was a meeting between Supervisor Hahn and representatives from the cities of Lawndale, Redondo Beach, and Torrance to review the Green Line extension and for the cities to express any concerns they may have.

XI. Announcements / Adjournment - The Next Transportation Committee is scheduled March 12, 2018 at 10:30a.m.

Leslie Scott announced that there was a community meeting on the Beach Cities Health District's Living Streets study for Aviation Blvd. There will be another meeting on April 23rd from 6:00-7:30pm at the Hermosa Beach City Council Chambers. This meeting will focus on the design recommendations for the project.

Committee Chair Horvath adjourned the meeting at 11:44 am.