

SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS- MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, MAY 28, 2012
SBESC THEATER
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SELF-INTRODUCTIONS

FLAG SALUTE - LED BY CHAIR ELLEN PERKINS

Chair Perkins called the South Bay Cities Council of Governments to order at 6:00pm. In attendance were the following voting members:

Suzanne Fuentes, El Segundo
Daniel Juarez, Hawthorne
Jeff Duclos, Hermosa Beach
Ralph Franklin, Inglewood
Robert Pullen-Miles, Lawndale
Jim Gazeley, Lomita

Ellen Perkins, Palos Verdes Estates
Jim Knight, Rancho Palos Verdes
Pat Aust, Redondo Beach
Judy Mitchell, Rolling Hills Estates
Susan Rhilinger, Torrance
Steve Napolitano, LA County 4th District

Other Elected Officials

Jim Goodhart, Palos Verdes Estates
Mike Gin, Redondo Beach
Matt Kilroy, Redondo Beach
Susan Seamans, Rolling Hills Estates

Also in attendance were the following persons:

Bobbi Buescher, Assemblymember Butler
Stan Myles, AQMD
Alan Clelland, Iteris, Inc.
Viggen Davidian, Iteris, Inc.
Jeffrey Kiernan, League of California Cities
Alan Patashnick, Metro
Paul Taylor, Metro
Mike Bohlke, Metro Director O'Connor
Claudette Moody, Parsons Brinckerhoff
Jacki Bacharach, SBCCOG

Suzanne Charles, SBCCOG
Marcy Hiratzka, SBCCOG
Rosemary Lackow, SBCCOG
Steve Lantz, SBCCOG Transportation Consultant
Catherine Showalter, SBCCOG
John Parsons, SBWIB
Scott Gobble, SCE
Dr. Shelley Luce, SMBRC
Jessica Hernandez, Tripepi & Smith
Lynda Davis

CONFIRM POSTING OF THE AGENDA BY THE CITY OF TORRANCE

Jacki Bacharach confirmed that the agenda was properly posted in the City of Torrance.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ANY CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

– Jacki Bacharach noted that the Transportation Report would be moved to right after the Consent Calendar and that Paul Taylor, Metro Deputy CEO would provide a brief presentation on the Measure R proposed legislation and answer questions.

PUBLIC COMMENT– None

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION by Board Member Mitchell, seconded by Board Member Franklin, to **approve** the Consent Calendar as submitted. No objection. So ordered.

A. April Board Meeting Minutes (attachment) – Approve

- B. Recommendations from Steering Committee - Approve**
 - 1. **Metro Contract with SBCCOG for Deputy for Southwest Corridor Board Member** (*attachment*)
 - 2. **Metro South Bay Service Sector Governance Council Nomination Letter** (*attachment*)
 - 3. **Contract Renewal with Stephen Lantz for Transportation Advisory Services** (*attachment*)
- C. Revision to Conflict of Interest Code** (*attachment*)- **Approve**
- D. 3rd Quarter Financial Report** (*attachment*) – **Receive and file**

PRESENTATIONS

A. Metro- Extending Measure R

Measure R is due to expire in mid-2039; an extension could allow Metro to bond against future revenues to build projects quicker. Metro Deputy CEO, Paul Taylor, gave a presentation which explained that with this change, Measure R would continue until taxpayers decide to eliminate the sales tax. He listed Measure R projects that are under construction or completed, the types of infrastructure that this measure funds, and the benefits of Measure R. He ended by saying that, based on LA County preliminary polling results, there is 71-76% support for the extension as written, with a 78% of support in the South Bay (when broken down into regions.) State authorization is required before a countywide sales tax ordinance can be placed on the ballot. AB 1446 (by Assemblyman Feuer), still needs to be approved by the State Senate and signed by Governor Brown. A majority of the Metro Board of Directors also needs to approve an ordinance to place the issue on the Los Angeles County ballot, possibly in November. Voters would have to approve the measure by a two-thirds majority. Board Member Knight asked if what is being proposed would include adequate budgets for ongoing maintenance of current projects. Mr. Taylor responded that 25% of the funding pie is dedicated to operation of the bus and rail systems. There is no funding for freeway maintenance per se. There is limited funding for maintenance of street systems in the 15% local city improvements. Chair Perkins asked, with there being no specific provisions for maintenance, what is Metro's strategy to ensure that there will be funding for maintenance of existing and new projects in the future? Mr. Taylor said that Metro has not come to a decision about this yet, as there are more pressing and time-sensitive issues to address first. He suggested that he would be forming an Ad-Hoc Committee to address the ordinance language and the South Bay would be a participant that would work with Metro on a bi-weekly basis until the July deadline. That way, the SBCCOG may participate in deliberations directly in addition to being represented by and Metro Director Pam O'Connor and our two South Bay Supervisors.

B. Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission (SMBRC)

1. Executive Director, Dr. Shelley Luce, was introduced by Redondo Beach Mayor Gin. She explained that the SMBRC is proposing to meet its cash flow needs by collecting dues from members of the North and Central Watersheds. Obtaining \$600,000 in 5 years is the goal. A donation letter and spreadsheet, listing the request breakdown, were distributed. Between \$500 and \$2500 is needed from each city. Board Member Mitchell asked what the needs are, and Dr. Luce answered, a cash reserve. Awarded grant funds will not qualify for a cash reserve. The USEPA gives the SMBRC an annual grant but that can only be used for certain things. A cash reserve would free up their operational funding for other projects and assist with cash flow. Dr. Luce would like to schedule as many one-on-one meetings with cities as possible. Board Member Franklin said that there might be an exposure of liability per city, when cities have to pay stipends or dues for pollution issues. Board Member Knight asked how the SMBRC came up with their donation request figures for each city, since they vary. Dr. Luce said that \$500 is the minimum per year, and the amount increases based on the city's population. Board Member Pullen-Miles asked if the dues would come directly from cities or from the SBCCOG and Dr. Luce said that the SMBRC preferred that the payment comes from the cities. Chair Perkins commented that it could be difficult for the cities to approve what is requested of them.

C. Draft 2012-2013 Budget (*attachments*)

1. For review – to be adopted at the June meeting. Chair Perkins remarked that the dues really help the SBCCOG's budget. Board Member Franklin commented that the City of Inglewood is reassessing the organizations that it is affiliated with, based on the dues, but he thinks that the

SBCCOG membership should remain as is. He added that cities need to understand what a disservice it would be to their communities by declining SBCCOG membership. Jacki Bacharach said that the SBCCOG would be happy to attend City Council meetings for further explanation of this issue, if needed. Chair Perkins announced that this item will return to the Board in June for approval.

D. Nominating Committee Report (*attachment*)

1. The Nominating Committee (Board Members Mitchell, Rhilinger, and Perkins) presented the following slate of officers for the 2012-2013 fiscal year: Board Member Franklin as Board Chairman, Board Member Medina as 1st Vice Chair, and Board Member Duclos as 2nd Vice Chair. The recommended at large nominees to the Steering Committee are: Board Member Aust (continuing), Board Member Kilroy, Board Member Knight, and Board Member Lesser. Nominations from the floor and election of officers and at large Steering Committee members will occur at the June Board meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

MOTION by Board Member Franklin, seconded by Board Member Juarez, to **approve** the Action Items as submitted. No objection but Board Member Napolitano announced that the 4th Supervisorial District is abstaining from voting (on Item. A2.) So ordered.

A. Legislation of Interest: (*attachment*) (6:45 pm)

1. **SB 1066 (Lieu) - Coastal resources: climate change - SUPPORT.** Jacki said that a fax was sent today in support of this legislation to the Senate Appropriations Committee.
2. **AB 1446 (Feuer) - Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority: transactions and use tax. – RATIFY SUPPORT BY STEERING COMMITTEE.** Jacki reported that the Metro Board did not vote on this item today, but it will be addressed in July.
3. **AB 2404 (Fuentes) - California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: Local Emission Reduction Program – EXPRESS CONCERNS.** JB said that cap and trade is the new pot of gold that everyone is going after. The Global Warming Act (AB32) authorizes this funding and it will be raising money for GHG emission reductions. It is a new source of revenue. Jacki asked the Board for permission to send a letter to express its concerns.

TRANSPORTATION REPORTS

A. Metro Report

Nothing to report from Director O'Connor or Deputy Mike Bohlke.

B. Service Council Report

Nothing to report from Board Member Franklin.

C. Measure R Oversight Committee Report

Steve Lantz said that the SBCCOG is in the process of asking cities to update their current project status and to request new projects for the 2017-2019 timeframe. Caltrans' projects are also being reviewed. Steve gave a recap of the ITS and Program/Risk Management workshops that were recently held at the SBESC office. A Best Practices workshop will be held in July. Jacki Bacharach added that the SBCCOG is using this opportunity to provide workshops on the skills of project management because if cities manage their Measure R projects correctly, it will go farther and be spent most efficiently. She explained that, although not every SBCCOG member city has Measure R projects, they are all invited to attend these workshops to learn the basics of project management.

SOUTH BAY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES CENTER UPDATES

Catherine Showalter gave the following updates:

- The SBESC job announcement for Administrative Assistant for Communications was distributed.
- Update on the SBESC's Program Implementation Planning with SCE/SCG for years 2013-2014, as well as on the energy/water nexus with UC Davis and West Basin Municipal Water District.
- The SBESC's list of upcoming exhibits and workshops and list of upcoming trainings for City Staff were both distributed.
- Torrance cable interviewed the SBESC and highlighted staff members and their programs.
- Catherine acknowledged nine businesses in the City of El Segundo for their participation in West Basin MWD water conservation programs.

- The SBESC has a new 3-month intern, Chandler Sheilds, previously an intern at West Basin MWD.
- Catherine and Suzanne Charles talked about the potential signage that will be added to the tenant sign in front of the Maritz building.

BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Board Member Duclos: The City of Hermosa Beach now has 4 EV charging stations available to residents (2 on Pier Ave and 2 at City Hall.) The first 6 months are free. The City is still assessing how much it will charge after 6 months. Southern California Edison does not charge Hermosa Beach for the power; there is a credit card system and the city is credited. Standard voltage.
- Board Member Knight: A city employee owns an EV but charges it at Rancho Palos Verdes City Hall for free, and a resident who also owns one complained because they have to pay but the employee doesn't.
- Board Member Aust thanked Jacki Bacharach and her staff for finding the new Torrance office location.
- Board Member Juarez: One of the Hawthorne homeowners associations had a meeting yesterday and they had an electric motorcycle which was silent. The Hawthorne Police Department has one as well.

SBCCOG UPDATE AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. South Bay Sustainable Strategy

1. LUV, BEV and other EV issues.

Jacki gave a recap of the electric charging stations for municipal fleets workshop that was given earlier today for city staff. She also mentioned a seminar for city staff about California codes and standards on June 13. The facilitator has graciously volunteered to pay for this normally expensive workshop, and tailor the presentation from 8 hours to 4 hours. The seminar will begin at 8:00am and end at noon at the SBESC office in Torrance. There will also be test-driving opportunities. The attendees have commented that they value anecdotes shared among cities and agencies that are purchasing electric vehicles for their fleets and charging stations. Patricia Kwon, one of the speakers from the May 24 EV workshop, suggested that the AQMD Fleet Manager hold a workshop for City Fleet Managers in July.

2. Economic Development activities.

Jacki announced that on May 31, the SBCCOG and Los Angeles Economic Development Corporation will host a roundtable discussion for South Bay Cities ED Directors. We will discuss how the SBCCOG can add value and how we can help. We do not want to duplicate efforts. Jacki requested that elected officials ask city staff if the trainings the SBCCOG is offering are topics that they want covered.

AGENCY REPORTS

A. League of California Cities

Jeff Kiernan reported that Redevelopment Successor Agencies are battling the Department of Finance and need local governments' support to retain their funds. He asked for cities to report to him if the state has reclaimed their successor agency's money so that he can make sure they take the proper legal steps. Once the money is taken away and given to someone else, it cannot be reclaimed. Jeff will send a memo to all the South Bay City Managers.

B. South Coast Air Quality Management District

Stan Myles reminded everyone of the Lawnmower Exchange in Long Beach on June 23. Additionally, the Air Quality Management Plan will hold a series of meetings away from the District. Locations are being selected but the first workshop will be held on July 12, followed by a hearing on August 7.

C. SCAG & Communities

1. Community, Economic, & Human Development

Board Member Gazeley said he had lunch with the new SCAG President, who said that he would assist economic development strategies and increase cities' revenues over the next two years.

2. Energy and Environment Committee

Chair Perkins announced that Board Member Duclos was selected to represent the SBCCOG on this SCAG Committee. He has replaced Board Member Medina, who is now serving on SCAG's Transportation Committee and Regional Council.

3. **Regional Council**

Board Member Mitchell reported that at the last Regional Council meeting, the new officers were presented. She also said that SCAG will hold its annual General Assembly on June 7, at which, changes in the bylaws will be considered.

D. **Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board Report (*attachment*)**

Mary Ann Lutz submitted a written report electronically, which was included in the packet. Three upcoming events were mentioned:

- Next LARWQC Board meeting in Simi Valley on June 7.
- Infrastructure Funding Fair at LA County Public Works Dept in Alhambra on June 12.
- MS4 Permit Workshop in El Monte on June 22.

E. **Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission**

Redondo Beach Mayor Gin reported that the work plan for the upcoming year was approved. He also thanked the cities in advance for their consideration of Dr. Luce's presentation and request. Chair Perkins and Board Member Knight announced that they attended the Watershed Advisory Council meeting and enjoyed it very much.

F. **South Bay Workforce Investment Board**

John Parsons reported that the SBWIB is reviewing its strategic planning process. Their Board meets quarterly. The SBWIB has a new software system that will be uploaded soon, which can be accessed remotely, and is mandated by the state. Mr. Parsons also mentioned a new way of delivering services, which is learning labs. This was the first grant proposal that he had ever written and it resulted in the SBWIB being awarded an \$800,000 grant to help put people back to work. Board Member Knight acknowledged the business resource center in San Pedro, which helps small businesses and start-up companies. While this is an excellent model for cities to help small businesses, the SBWIB is not connected to this effort.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Jacki Bacharach and Steve Lantz announced that, as part of Metro's sustainability efforts, Metro has been issuing rounds of grants for transit-oriented development and regulatory development. This is the work that cities must do before Metro approves its regulatory programs and processes. One of Metro's available small grant opportunities was awarded to these three South Bay Cities: Lawndale, Redondo Beach, and Hawthorne. They had applied for a joint \$79,000 grant. Lawndale is the lead City and the grant will go towards a model of ordinance for regulatory planning. These three cities will set the example if other cities also want to apply as a group.
- Jacki announced that the Measure R Oversight Committee will not be meeting in June.

JUNE SBCCOG COMMITTEE MEETINGS & WORKING GROUPS

Consult web site for specific times and places – www.southbaycities.org

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was ordered adjourned by Chair Perkins at 7:57 p.m. until June 28, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,
Marcy Hiratzka, Recording Secretary

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**EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
JUNE 21, 2012**

SUBJECT: MEASURE R EXTENSION

ACTION: APPROVE ORDINANCE, RESOLUTION AND BUDGET

RECOMMENDATION

- A. Adopt the Ordinance, including Expenditure Plan and Ballot Language (Attachment A);
- B. Adopt the Resolution requesting the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors to place the Ordinance on the ballot for the November 6, 2012 countywide general election (Attachment B); and
- C. Amend the FY13 budget to add \$10 million to fund election costs and public information materials.

ALTERNATIVES

In developing the staff recommendation, three alternatives were considered:

Option 1: Voter-Determined Extension – This option extends the sales tax until the voters decide to eliminate it and is the basis of the staff recommended Ordinance, Expenditure Plan and ballot language. It allows acceleration of transit and highway capital projects in the first decade, continues the Operations, Local Return and other Subfunds, and allows LRTP funding gaps in key projects to be addressed after the year 2050, to the extent that they are not already addressed through alternate, non-Measure R sources prior to 2050. This option also allows for a broad range of new Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) projects to be funded beyond those currently funded through Measure R after the year 2050.

Option 2: Fixed 30-Year Extension - This option would enable Metro to implement the project acceleration assumed in the staff recommendation, a 30-year continuance of the Operations, Local Return and other Subfunds, address some of the current funding gaps after the year 2050 and would fund a limited range of new LRTP projects after

2050. However, the risk with this option is that initial research suggests that a fixed-term extension garners less support than the voter-determined option.

Option 3: Pay as You Go - This option proposes to continue Measure R in its current form. No projects would be accelerated, and opportunities to fill funding gaps and implement new projects would be greatly reduced.

As noted above, Option 1 was the basis of the staff recommendation.

ISSUE

At the May 2012 meeting, staff recommended Principles to guide development of the proposal to extend Measure R, as well as a draft Ordinance and Resolution for review and comment. The item was referred to the June Executive Management and Full Board meetings and staff was directed to provide a Draft Expenditure Plan so a more comprehensive discussion could take place. In response, a Draft Measure R Extension Expenditure Plan, revised Draft Ordinance and proposed authorizing Legislation (AB 1446 (Feuer)) were distributed to the Board on June 5, 2012. These documents were based on the Principles contained in the May 2012 staff report. This report presents for adoption a revised Ordinance that includes a revised Expenditure Plan and ballot language, a Resolution requesting a measure be placed on the November 2012 ballot, and a budget amendment to fund election and public information costs. The Board also requested that staff conduct extensive outreach to the Council of Governments and other stakeholders. This report also presents an update on the various outreach efforts underway.

DISCUSSION

Guidelines

The documents being presented for adoption are predicated on the following key guidelines:

- The Measure R Sales Tax is continued until Los Angeles County voters decide to eliminate it;
- The Measure R transit and highway project schedules are accelerated, consistent with the 30/10 and the Accelerated Highway Program Board Initiatives. The Expenditure Plan funds available dates are modified accordingly;
- Existing Measure R commitments are preserved including:
 - funding for projects and program categories;
 - restrictions on transferring funds between projects and funding categories;
 - oversight;
- Geographic equity is preserved;

- The Board may use Measure R funds for new LRTP projects after the funded and then unfunded phases of the Measure R Expenditure Plan projects are complete; and
- The Board must vote for specific financing plans for project acceleration.

The current Measure R Expenditure Plan contains baseline funding levels for the Measure R projects. A limited number of the projects have unfunded phases. Extension revenues will be used to complete first the Measure R baseline funded project phases, then the unfunded project phases and finally new LRTP projects.

In addition, the projected Measure R transit and highway project schedules are to be based on estimates of project scope, cost and revenues developed using best transportation industry practices and information available at this time.

Ordinance

In drafting the Ordinance, the goal was to maintain the original Measure R provisions and draft new sections to address the Measure's extension, project acceleration and new revenues generated by the extension. As a result, the proposed Ordinance adds the following provisions:

- References new authorizing legislation (AB 1446);
- Extends the termination date until voters decide to end it;
- Allows for Measure R project acceleration;
- Replaces the existing Expenditure Plan with an updated version that has several modified funds available and expected completion dates needed to accelerate several of the projects;
- Preserves all Subfunds and requirements;
- Allows new projects to be funded;
- Includes new ballot language; and
- Includes a January 2013 effective date.

The existing Measure R Ordinance created four Subfunds: 1) Transit Capital Subfund; 2) Highway Capital Subfund; 3) Operations Subfund; and 4) Local Return Subfund. The projects and programs, proportional funding shares and amendment restrictions related to these Subfunds are proposed to continue in the Measure R Extension Ordinance. Once the Expenditure Plan projects are completed, the Board may add new projects by a majority vote.

Resolution

The proposed Resolution requests that the County place the Measure R Extension Ordinance on the November 6, 2012 ballot. The form of the Resolution is almost identical to the Measure R Resolution enacted in 2008. The main differences are that it includes the new Ordinance ballot language and the updated Expenditure Plan. Once executed, this document will be submitted to the Clerk of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk.

Expenditure Plan

The proposed Expenditure Plan presents how the one-half cent sales tax for transportation purposes will be allocated once Measure R is extended. Differences between the existing and proposed Expenditure Plans are very limited in scope and are meant only to reflect project acceleration and the new revenue that would be made available through the extension. The new Expenditure Plan encompasses the existing Measure R revenues plus modifies several funds available and expected completion dates to allow project acceleration made possible through authorizing legislation (AB 1446).

Strategic Financial Plan

While the proposed Expenditure Plan is limited in scope, a detailed Strategic Financial Plan has been developed to present the funding assumptions and outcomes of the Measure R Extension proposal. The Financial Plan, presented in Attachment C, incorporates the following:

- Enables optimal construction schedules in the first decade for:
 - Seven transit corridor projects by closing a \$4 billion funding gap that was identified during the 30/10 Initiative development process; and
 - Up to eight highway corridor projects by providing \$3.7 billion in Measure R funding that would not otherwise be available.
- The remaining Measure R transit (five) and highway (eight) projects are already funded or programmed on their optimal schedules.
- Incorporates L RTP financial assumptions for project costs approved by the Board April 2012 (Project costs are shown in inflated year-of-expenditure dollars);

It is important to note that the acceleration dates are dependent on the passage of the federal transportation authorization bill, which includes the enhanced Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) loan program, a funding mechanism being sought through America Fast Forward. If this program does not become available, staff has developed a fallback plan that would push out completion of the Sepulveda Pass (I-405 Corridor Connector) Transit Corridor Project past the accelerated timeframe assumed in the Strategic Financial Plan and would reduce the amount available for the highway projects by \$1.7 billion.

Outreach

Staff has been reaching out to local jurisdictions to gain feedback on extending Measure R. Presentations have been made by either the Chief Executive Officer or the Deputy Chief Executive Officer and high level executive staff. The presentations contain a review of the current Measure R provisions, and the goals and impacts of extending Measure R. To date, presentations have been made to the following groups:

- The Valley Industry and Commerce Association Transportation Committee
- North County Transportation Coalition
- South Bay Cities Council of Governments

- Las Virgenes/Malibu Council of Governments
- Westside Cities Council of Governments
- San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments
- Gateway Cities Council of Governments
- City of Long Beach

Presentations have been scheduled for all five Metro Service Councils, as well as the Central City Association, BizFed and the Citizen's Advisory Council during the month of June. Staff is continuing to coordinate presentations with other stakeholder groups such as the Antelope Valley Chambers of Commerce and Trade Associations. Staff will also be meeting with several groups that have requested that staff return to discuss the issue further. While many groups are still analyzing the potential impacts to their areas, most have indicated questions regarding fair share, regional equity and duration of the sales tax. Several groups have provided early indication of positions. Responses have ranged from support predicated on securing additional funding for new projects in the future to opposition unless additional funding is made available to complete existing Measure R projects that are not fully funded.

In addition, several stakeholder groups have taken support positions on the proposed authorizing legislation, AB 1446 (Feuer), including:

- South Bay Cities Council of Governments
- City of Santa Monica
- American Council of Engineering Companies
- California Chamber of Commerce
- California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO
- Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce
- Los Angeles Business Council
- Los Angeles County Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO
- Move LA
- Southern California Contractors Association
- State Building and Construction Trades Council of California, AFL-CIO
- The Associated General Contractors

DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT

A ballot measure to extend Measure R has no negative impact on system safety, and might have a significant positive impact on regional transportation system safety overall. In fact, since transit corridor projects would be accelerated by up to 24 years, the substantial safety benefits of transit travel versus highway travel for the period of accelerated service availability could be substantial, according to the National Safety Council website:

"Injury Facts® compares four modes of transportation: scheduled airlines, railroad passenger trains (including Amtrak and commutation), buses, and light duty vehicles (includes passenger cars, light trucks, vans and sports utility vehicles regardless of wheelbase). In general, buses, trains and airlines have much lower death rates than light duty vehicles when the risk is expressed as passenger deaths per passenger mile of travel. (Light duty vehicle drivers are considered passengers but operators and crew of planes, trains and buses are not.) In 2009, the passenger death rate in light duty vehicles was 0.53 per 100 million passenger-miles. The rates for buses, trains and airlines were 0.04, 0.02, and 0.01 respectively."

For highway improvements, newer projects have modern safety features that may also have a net safety benefit for users.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The financial impact of the staff recommendation is limited to the cost of putting the measure before the voters of Los Angeles County. The FY13 budget will be amended and the funding of \$10 million for this effort will be reserved pending passage of AB 1446 (Feuer).

The FY13 budgeted amount of \$10 million will be under the direction of the CEO. Eight million dollars will be placed in Board Office Cost Center 1010, under the Governmental and Oversight Activities Project #100002, Election Costs task, and \$2 million in the Chief Executive Office Cost Center 2010, under the Governmental and Oversight Activities Project 100002, Election Costs task.

Impact to Bus and Rail Operating and Capital Budget

The proposed source of funds for this action is interest earnings on Metro's State Repayment of Capital Project Loans Fund balance account. These funds are available for use on bus and rail capital projects.

NEXT STEPS

Staff will submit the Resolution, the proposed ballot measure language and back-up documentation to the offices of the County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk and County Board of Supervisors by the August 10, 2012 deadline. The letter R will be requested as the letter designation (with J and A as alternatives). The public informational materials on the proposed measure will be finalized and sent to all Los Angeles County registered voters. All materials developed will be reviewed closely by County Counsel to ensure that the information included is educational in nature and does not advocate for the proposed measure. We will also continue to work with legislative staff to monitor the progress of AB 1446.

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Measure R Extension Ordinance
- B. Measure R Extension Resolution
- C. Measure R Extension Strategic Financial Plan

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South Bay Cities Council of Governments

June 28, 2012

TO: SBCCOG Board of Directors

FROM: Steering Committee

RE: 14th Annual General Assembly – February 22, 2013

The Carson Community Center has been reserved and it is now time to focus on the topic for the next General Assembly. Evaluation responses continue to indicate that having the event on a Friday and making it morning through lunch is the best time.

A list of the topics of the previous General Assemblies is as follows:

- 1st – About the SBCCOG, Speaker from Governor’s Office & Panel re: Internet Sales
- 2nd – Cooperative Law Enforcement Efforts & Law Enforcement Technology in the South Bay
- 3rd - Designing Places for People – Livable Communities in the South Bay
- 4th - Hometown Security
- 5th - Partnerships – Building Better Communities
- 6th - Facing the Future: Energy Use & Supply in the South Bay
- 7th – The South Bay’s Digital Future: How It Will Change Everything
- 8th – Mobility Options for the South Bay
- 9th - Bracing for the Boom: Are Cities Ready for Their Aging Population?
- 10th – Funding City Services in the Future – House of Cards?
- 11th – A Vibrant Economy: Jobs Keep the South Bay Strong
- 12th –The South Bay in 2040: Out of the Box and Into the Future
- 13th - Being Prepared: Preventing Disasters/Planning for Recovery

TOPIC

A goal of the General Assembly is to bring elected officials, staff, city commissioners, community leaders and the public together to discuss issues of importance to the South Bay that aren’t being discussed otherwise or extensively elsewhere. This has kept the forum unique and yet timely.

In keeping with that goal, the Steering Committee has recommended the topics of:

1. *City Services/Revenues in the Future* – What are the viable funding sources of the future? What are the services that our constituents will be looking to city government to provide? UUT, TOT, ???
2. *Unintended/unexpected Costs of cutting city services* – While cities have to make cuts in services, where will they see other issues surface. More crime? More graffiti from children without activities? Costs of closing programs and start-up again? Speakers

could include academics, city managers – current and retired, League of California Cities, etc.

These topics will need to be narrowed to fit into our event time constraints but staff will start to look for interesting speakers who can cover them as thoroughly as possible. Your suggestions would be much appreciated.

In addition, 2013 marks the 20th year that the GIS Working Group has been together – networking and doing projects for the South Bay so this event might also be a good time to honor them for their work on our behalf.

While it may seem early to decide on a topic, we know that the earlier we choose the General Assembly topic the more we can maximize participation from partners and sponsors which helps us to put together a dynamic program for the day.