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 X: inactive (missed last 3 in a row)  
 Inactive Membership is automatically re-instated by attending a meeting

**SBCCOG MEETINGS: ATTENDANCE 2013**

City	Nov- 12	Jan- 13	March- 13	April- 13	May- 13	June - 13	July - 13	August - 13
Carson				X	X	Davis-Holmes	Davis-Holmes	
El Segundo		Fuentes	Fuentes	Fuentes	Fuentes	Fuentes	Fuentes	
Gardena			Medina	Medina	Medina	Medina	Medina Terauchi	
Hawthorne	Juarez	Valentine		Valentine		Juarez Valentine	Juarez Valentine	
Hermosa Beach	Duclos	Duclos	Duclos	DiVirgilio	DiVirgilio	Duclos		
Inglewood	Franklin	Franklin	Franklin	Franklin	Franklin	Franklin Butts	Franklin	
Lawndale	Osborne	Osborne	Osborne		Osborne	Osborne	Osborne	
Lomita	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	
Los Angeles	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Manhattan Beach	Howorth	Howorth	Burton	Burton		Burton	Burton	
Palos Verdes Estates	Perkins	Goodhart	Perkins Goodhart	Perkins Goodhart	Perkins Goodhart	Perkins Goodhart	Perkins	
Rancho Palos Verdes		Knight		Knight	Knight	Knight		
Redondo Beach	Aust Kilroy	Aust Kilroy		Aust	Aust	Aust	Aust	
Rolling Hills	X	X	X	X	Dieringer	Dieringer	Dieringer	
Rolling Hills Estates	Mitchell Seamans	Zerunyan	Zerunyan Seamans	Seamans Mitchell	Seamans	Seamans	Seamans	
Torrance	Brewer	Brewer	Rhilinger	Rhilinger	Rhilinger Brewer	Rhilinger Brewer		
County of Los Angeles		Napolitano Rosenfeld	Rosenfeld		Napolitano	Rosenfeld Napolitano	Napolitano	

Number of Active Agencies	15	15	15	14	15	16	16	
Quorum Required (50% +1)	8	8	8	8	8	9	9	
Number of Agencies Attending	10	13	11	12	13	16	13	

SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
THURSDAY, JULY 25, 2013  
SOUTH BAY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES CENTER THEATER  
20285 S. WESTERN AVENUE, 1ST FLOOR, TORRANCE, CA 90501

**CALL TO ORDER – INTRODUCTIONS**

Chair Medina called the SBCCOG Board of Directors meeting to order at 6:04 pm.

**In attendance were the following voting members:**

Suzanne Fuentes, El Segundo	Mark Burton, Manhattan Beach
Dan Medina, Gardena	Ellen Perkins, Palos Verdes Estates
Daniel Juarez, Hawthorne	Pat Aust, Redondo Beach
Ralph Franklin, Inglewood	Bea Dieringer, Rolling Hills
Jim Osborne, Lawndale	Susan Seamans, Rolling Hills Estates
Jim Gazeley, Lomita	Steve Napolitano, LA County SD4

**Other Elected Officials:**

Terry Terauchi, Gardena  
Olivia Valentine, Hawthorne  
Bill Brand, Redondo Beach  
Steve Sammarco, Redondo Beach  
Pam O'Connor, Santa Monica (MTA Board)

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

Maurice Lyles, Senator Boxer's Office	Andy Winje, Redondo Beach
Bill Orton, Senator Wright's Office	Jacki Bacharach, SBCCOG
Ellen Moy, Assemb. Mitchell's Office	Sabrina Bornstein, SBCCOG
Julia Denney, Assemb. Muratsuchi's Office	Natalie Champion, SBCCOG
Timothy Lippman, Assemb. Muratsuchi's Office	Suzanne Charles, SBCCOG
Julio Gonzalez, Carson	Kim Fuentes, SBCCOG
Greg Stevens, GSE Solutions, LLC	Marcy Hiratzka, SBCCOG
Boytrese Osias, Inglewood	Rosemary Lackow, SBCCOG
Barmeshwar Rai, Inglewood	Catherine Showalter, SBCCOG
Lance Grindle, LA County DPW	Steve Lantz, SBCCOG Consultant
Nasser Abbaszadeh, Lawndale	Ray Tahir, TECS Environmental
Jeff Kiernan, League of CA Cities	Craig Bilezerian, Torrance
Mike Bohlke, Metro Director O'Connor	John Dettle, Torrance
Alan Patashnick, Metro	
Sam Unger, RWQCB	
Wisam Altowaiji, Redondo Beach	

**CONFIRM POSTING OF THE AGENDA BY THE CITY OF TORRANCE**

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS OF ANY CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

Jacki Bacharach announced that Sam Unger (from the CA Regional Water Quality Control Board) was also in attendance to present alongside John Dettle (from the City of Torrance) on the MS4 Permit Update.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**- none

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A. June Board Meeting Minutes (attachment) – Approved**
- B. Agreement Regarding Participation in the Figtree PACE financing program (attachment) – Approved**
- C. Legislation the SBCCOG is following (attachment) – Received and filed**

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

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### **A. Clarifying the New MS4 Permit Guidelines (attachments)**

John Dettle, Engineering Manager for the City of Torrance, gave a presentation on the LA County “MS4” permit reissuance that went into effect on December 28, 2012. Slides covered the permit’s background, permit program elements, compliance alternatives, project maps from the City of Torrance, early action requirements, deadlines, the permit’s monitoring system and associated costs, and action items for the cities. Cities are regulated by the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination Program (NPDES) permit. This is required under the Federal Clean Water Act and public work city staff members need to be familiar with the new regulations. The Federal Clean Water Act requires that states make a list of waters that are not attaining standards after technology-based limits are put into place. For waters on this list states are to develop total maximum daily loads (TMDLs.) TMDLs have been implemented in California at different times and this new permit encompasses them all. TMDLs are established at the level necessary to implement the applicable water quality standards. A TMDL requires that all sources of pollution and all aspects of a watershed's drainage system be reviewed, not just the pollution coming from discrete conveyances (known as point sources), such as a discharge pipe from a factory or a sewage treatment plant. Almost every city in LA County has submitted a Notice of Intent to comply with these new regulations. The monitoring program will look at multiple areas and ALL pollutants, as opposed to having separate monitors looking at one component. Monitoring plans are meant to be flexible. Public education is no longer handled by LA County Flood Control District because the cities have to pay the district, so city staff is now responsible for outreach. Reporting is mandatory (cities are being asked to submit online now instead of submitting to the County.) Mr. Dettle also commented on Board member Jim Knight’s report regarding MS4 permits that was included in the Board packet. Board member Knight listed three City Options on page two of his report; the third option **should** say, “Compliance timelines are extended 12 months beyond the WMP option but THE ONE PROJECT projects must be identified early on and funds allocated within 30 months.”

Sam Unger from the CA Regional Water Quality Control Board, and a co-author of this permit, supplemented Mr. Dettle’s presentation with additional slides focusing on the permit’s key requirements, benefits of enhanced watershed plans, and reported South Bay expenditures from FY11-12.

## **TRANSPORTATION REPORTS**

### **A. Metro Report by Board member Pam O’Connor**

Director O’Connor reported that Mayor Garcetti became 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair of the Metro Board and appointed Mike Bonin, Jackie Dupont-Walker, and Paul Krekorian to the Board as well. She reported that the Board voted to approve two options to a contract with Kinkisharyo International for 97 new light rail vehicles to be used on the Crenshaw/LAX Line and to replace older vehicles in Metro’s rail car fleet. The cost of the options is \$396,650,000. The Board also approved the Ridley-Thomas motion for Metro to explore a small business mitigation program to help merchants during construction of the Crenshaw/LAX Line. The opening of the Crenshaw line will occur in 2019 and the Expo line opening in Santa Monica is only 2 years away. Jacki Bacharach added that on August 22, Stephanie Wiggins will give a presentation on Metro’s ExpressLanes pilot program.

### **B. Service Council report by Ralph Franklin, Chair**

Board Member Franklin recognized MTA Director O’Connor and Mike Bohlke for leading the SBCCOG in achieving its tremendous accomplishments last month and protecting the integrity of its highway program

funds. He reported that the Metro Board approved the SBCCOG recommendations of Jack Gabig and Patricia Hachiya to the South Bay Service Council. The service council is still advocating for the Rosa Parks name to be included on Willowbrook station signage and on MTA regional maps. The service council was also given a presentation on Metro's obligations to comply with TITLE VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, prohibiting racial discrimination by recipients of federal funding.

**C. Monthly Transportation Report from Steve Lantz** (attachment) – Received and filed

Steve Lantz reported on misinformation that was included in the section of the report entitled *Metro Kills Congestion Mitigation Fee, Seeks to Alter State Congestion Management Program*. Mr. Lantz clarified that this program was not eliminated by the MTA Board, but has been postponed until February 2014. He also added an update that surfaced after the report was completed: the northbound 405 off-ramp at Sunset will be shut down for 120 days, and this will greatly impact traffic on the Westside. The fifth page of this report summarizes Metro's Actions on South Bay funding issues, which would have never been accomplished without Pam O'Connor, Don Knabe, Mike Bohlke, Steve Lantz, and the South Bay cities coming together to protect the sub-region's interests for the future. Mr. Lantz also mentioned that the SBCCOG's Measure R Oversight Committee may need to change its meeting time from 10:30am to 3:00 pm, and asked again for a consensus from Board members who were present. Chair Medina asked for a show of hands from the Board to indicate whether or not the proposed time change was preferable. As neither response was in the majority, Jacki Bacharach decided to leave the time at 10:30am for the time being. Jacki Bacharach also reiterated that Supervisor Mike Antonovich, in one of his last actions as Chairman of the Metro Board, sent a letter to the each of the LA County Councils of Governments requesting their sub-region's priority projects to be considered for inclusion in a potential sales tax measure for transportation in 2014. The Councils of Governments are to provide their responses to Metro by September 4, 2013. The SBCCOG will present this item to its Measure R Oversight and Steering Committees on August 12. Board Member Juarez asked what the difference is between the projects that Supervisor Antonovich is asking for, versus the projects on the current South Bay Highway Program list. Steve Lantz said that the Supervisor is not necessarily asking for specific projects, but for large conceptual areas of work.

### **SOUTH BAY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES CENTER UPDATES**

Catherine Showalter made the following announcements:

**A. Update on programs and activities** – Catherine Showalter made the following announcements:

- Lomita was the first city in the South Bay to have passed a resolution for the HERO program, the MOU of which the SBCCOG board approved last month.
- The most recent list of community events that the SBESC will be attending was distributed.
- The SBESC could use everyone's help with spreading the word about a free lunch and learn in Spanish on irrigation basics. This is a training intended for landscape professionals. The PDF will be emailed to Board members. This event will be held on August 6 in the SBCCOG Theater at 11:00am.

**B. 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter report on Energy Savings** – Greg Stevens, SBCCOG Engineer, gave a quarterly update that described where each South Bay city stood in energy-saving activity. The City of Lomita is the first in the South Bay to reach the Platinum status in Southern California Edison's Energy Leadership Program, which the SBESC helps administer. "At a glance" sheets were distributed to Board members, listing the individual accomplishments for each city. Mr. Stevens also discussed the SCE Street Lights Initiative in the South Bay, an opportunity for cities to purchase utility-owned poles from Edison, and retrofit them to save energy. Board Member Juarez: asked what the target day is for bulk-purchasing the poles, and Mr. Stevens said that since not all 15 South Bay cities want to pursue retrofits at the same time, lighting suppliers are trying to find a way for cities who **are** ready to buy them at a special price. Board member Valentine asked if there will be energy cost increases due to the closure of the plant at San Onofre. Mr. Stevens said that prices have already increased as high as 59% in some areas.

### **SBCCOG ISSUES AND REPORTS**

Jacki Bacharach made the following announcements:

- The SBCCOG will post the SCAG city profiles on its new website. She passed out several of the city profiles on behalf of SCAG Regional Council member Judy Mitchell.

- The SBCCOG was recognized in an article published on July 11, in California City News “for recognizing the importance of a beautiful, easy-to-use website!” Kim Fuentes, SBCCOG Deputy Executive Director of Administration was responsible for the website project and was thanked by Bacharach. The article can be found at <http://www.californiacitynews.org/2013/07/south-bay-cog-announces-website-revamp.html>
- Elected Officials interested in vacant SCAG committee appointment opportunities should let Jacki Bacharach know. There needs to be more South Bay representation in this organization made up of over 70 cities.
- The SBCCOG held a quarterly Legislative Briefing on July 11. It was well attended and some of the issues discussed were MAP-21, economic development opportunities, and helicopter noise mandates.

### **BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Franklin- Inglewood District 4 Town Hall meeting on July 27 from 10am-12pm at the Hollywood Park Casino (Breeder’s Cup Room).
- Medina- The city of Gardena and the Gardena Beautiful Committee will host an ice cream social from 5-7 p.m. on July 27 on the grounds of the Nakaoka Community Center, 1670 W. 162nd St.

### **AGENCY REPORTS**

- A. League of California Cities-** Jeff Kiernan distributed the following documents: an overview on the Water Quality Improvement Act, a fact sheet on “A Call for Adequate Funding for the Capture and Reuse of Stormwater and Urban Runoff,” the League’s 2013 Hot Bill list, and the registration information and itinerary for the League’s 2013 Annual Conference to be held on September 18-20 in Sacramento. He announced that SBCCOG 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair, Mayor Jim Goodhart, will soon be an at-large member on the State Board representing the League’s LA Division, pending approval. Jacki Bacharach said that Board Member Goodhart informed her that LA Mayor Garcetti has reached out to other mayors in LA County for a special meeting. South Bay mayors who are contacted by Mayor Garcetti are requested to let Board Member Goodhart or Jeff Kiernan know.
- B. South Coast Air Quality Management District-** Not present
  - 1. Local Government and Business Advisory Group- Not present
- C. SCAG & Committees-** Board Member Gazeley reported that all SCAG committees were dark this month.
- D. Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission-** Board Member Perkins said that the commission is dark this month as well but will be celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary on October 17. Congressman Waxman and Senator Pavley will be in attendance and acknowledged.
- E. South Bay Cities City Managers’ Association-** Not present
- F. South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce-** Board Member Valentine reported that Diego Alvarez, Regional Transportation Coordinator for Los Angeles World Airports, said that LAX improvements are not part of an expansion plan. The SBACC Government Relations Committee says that it is looking to have a joint session with the SBCCOG as it thinks that the SBACC and SBCCOG have common interests. SBACC is also planning a trip to Sacramento. Jacki Bacharach said that she and Chair Medina met with SBACC Board Chair, Joe Ahn, to discuss co-hosting an event on October 30, starting with a mixer and then having a speaker. Jacki Bacharach will keep everyone posted.
- G. South Bay Workforce Investment Board-** Not present

### **UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Jacki Bacharach promoted the SBCCOG’s event that is to be held on July 29, “The Challenge of Short Trips in the Vehicle Marketplace: Results of the Neighborhood Electric Vehicle Demonstration.” Representatives of the automotive industry and agency officials will gather to join a conversation about how to satisfy consumer demand for personal mobility over short distances – too long to walk and too short for transit. The results of a 3 year demonstration of zero emission neighborhood vehicles will start the conversation.
- Jacki Bacharach reminded Board members that the SBCCOG needs City Councilmembers to attend the Measure R Oversight Committee meetings. The next meeting will be held on August 12 at 10:30am.

**AUGUST SBCCOG COMMITTEE MEETINGS & WORKING GROUPS**

**July 29** LUV Final Report Release Event

**August 12** Measure R Oversight Committee  
Steering Committee

Consult website for specific times and places for other meetings – [www.southbaycities.org](http://www.southbaycities.org)

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Medina adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m. to Thursday, August 22, 2013, at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marcy Hiratzka  
Recording Secretary