

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

Steering Committee

August 14, 2023

REVISED Agenda

In Person Attendees: Cedric Hicks (Carson), John Cruikshank (Rancho Palos Verdes), Rodney Tanaka (Gardena – attended virtually non-voting), Alex Monteiro (Hawthorne) Alfonso Ruiz-Delgado (LA County D2), Barry Waite (Lomita – attended virtually due to being sick), Bernadette Suarez (Lawndale), Holly Osborne (South Bay resident), Ray Hollar (South Bay resident), Wally Siembab, Jonathan Pacheco-Bell, Ronson Chu, Lara Gerges, Cathy Hetzer, Andrey Mulligan, David Leger, Jacki Bacharach, Natalie Champion (SBCCOG)

Added as emergency items– MONTEIRO/CRUIKSHANK:

VI.E. support in concept SB 326 to Legislative matrix

VI.G1. Employment agreement with Jacki Bacharach

VI.H. Local Travel Network moved to action item

VII.H. Client aid monthly report included

I. CONFIRMED THE QUORUM – 12:00 noon

II. REPORT OF POSTING OF THE AGENDA

- **ACTION:** Received and filed

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF ANY CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT – No public comment. The recording of the meeting is available using this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bLgwPh2uOFM>

V. CONSENT CALENDAR – action items noted, remainder are receive & file – 12:05 pm

A. Steering Committee July 10, 2023 meeting minutes attached

- **ACTION:** Approved CRUIKSHANK/MONTEIRO

B. Third Amendment to MOU with McGowan Consulting, LLC for SBCCOG services to maintain Webpage re: environmentally friendly landscaping, gardening, pest control & rain harvesting

- Amendment attached
- Not to exceed \$10,000 funding to the SBCCOG for additional year starting July 1, 2023
- **ACTION:** Recommended Board approval

C, Third Amendment with Siembab Corporation for their services for REAP funded projects

- Amendment attached
- Not to exceed \$25,000 funding to Siembab Corporation for additional year starting July 1, 2023
- **ACTION:** Recommended Board approval

D. City Attendance at SBCCOG Meetings – attached

E. Media Report – attached

VI. ACTION ITEMS

F. Legislative Matrix – **12:10 pm**

- Attached – ADDING SB 326
- **ACTION:** Approved – no time for Board approval – legislature adjourns end of August

- Environment - support AB 1567; support if amended SB 867 **MONTEIRO/CRUIKSHANK APPROVED – CRUIKSHANK NO, DELGADO – ABSTAIN – VOTE - 5/1/1**
- Governance - Governance – support AB 557 - **MONTEIRO/CRUIKSHANK – APPROVED; DELGADO ABSTAIN – VOTE – 6/0/2**
- Health – support AB 531, AB 43, SB 326 IN CONCEPT – **CRUIKSHANK/HICKS – APPROVED; DELGADO ABSTAIN – VOTE – 6/0/2**
- Housing – support AB 1657 – **HICKS/MONTEIRO – APPROVED; DELGADO AND CRUIKSHANK ABSTAIN – VOTE – 5/0/2**

G. General Assembly Topic for 2024 – **12:20 pm**

- Memo attached
- **ACTION:** Discuss and. provide direction
- **HICKS – AUTOMATION OF THE PHONES – NEVER TALKING TO A PERSON**
- **CRUIKSHANK – CITIES STEALING PERSONNEL FROM EACH OTHER – SHORTSTAFFED SO CITIES WILL HAVE TO RELY ON AI. – LA COUNTY HAS HUGE CYBERSECURITY – INVOLVE THEM. SAN PEDRO HAS COMMUNITY GARDENS.**
- **HICKS – GREEN TRASH CANS AND WASTE HAULERS – MOM AND POP STORES CONCERNED THAT HOMELESS ARE TAKING THE FOOD FROM THE GREEN TRASH CANS - EDCO, WASTE RESOURCE IN GARDENA FOR POSSIBLE BOARD MEETING SPEAKERS**
- **HUFF – LIEU FOR CYBERSECURITY SPEAKER**

H. Approval of Invoices – to be sent separately **12:30 pm**

- **ACTION:** Approved invoices for payment **CRUIKSHANK/SUAREZ**

H.1. Employment Contract with Jacki Bacharach – attached - **12:35 pm**

- Issue is there is no sick leave in the contract for 30 days. Request to start with 3 ays
- **HUFF – 5 DAYS; CRUIKSHANK – 3 DAYS SINCE THAT IS REQUEST**
- **ACTION: ADD 3 DAYS – CRUIKSHANK/HUFF - APPROVED**

I. Local Travel Network – 1:05 pm – MOVED TO ACTION ITEM - **12:45 pm**

- Memo and Work Order #2 attached
- Update at the meeting
- **ACTION: APPROVED – INFORM THE BOARD – CRUIKSHANK/MONTEIRO**
- **LETTER TO CALTRANS RE: MICROMOBILITY. RESPONSE they agreed to add micromobility as another travel mode to one of their planning documents**

VII. INFORMATION ITEMS

J. Homeless Services report – **12:55 pm**

- Virtual field trip to BeWell facility in Orange County re: homeless services (flyer attached)
- Homeless count update
- Client Aid report - attached
- Blue Ribbon Commission on Homelessness (BRCH) Update – COG'S SHOULD HAVE REPRESENTATIVES ON A NEW OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE BEING FORMED
- **INTRODUCED CATHY HETZER**
- **CENTURY BLVD LENNOX ENCAMPMENT CLEAN UP**

K. South Bay Fiber Network – **1:05 pm**

- Update on SBFN progress and LATA grant and other infrastructure grants
 - **RESILIENCE CENTERS – USING STATE FUNDS (SEVERAL MILLION DOLLARS AVAILABLE) COMBINES ECON DEV, SUSTAINABILITY, MICROGRID AND DIGITAL ACCESS**
 - **LOOKING IDEALLY FOR AN UNDERUTILIZED GOVERNMENT FACILITY –OR POSSIBLY A PRIVATE ONE**
 - **CRUIKSHANK - SENIORS ARE THE MOST VULNERABLE RIGHT NOW. NO CARETAKERS AND VERY EXPENSIVE FACILITIES. NO GOOD ANSWERS. WE SHOULD KNOW WHAT WE**

ARE DOING FIRST BEFORE WE FIND A LOCATION. RESPONSE – GRANTS REQUIRE WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY AT LOCATION TO SEE WHAT THEY WANT FIRST.

- MONTEIRO – HAWTHORNE MEMORIAL CENTER/SENIOR CENTER – SPACE ON THE BACK. THEY HAVE \$5 MILLION TO RENOVATE THE CENTER
- HICKS – HOW MUCH SPACE – 3000 – 20,000 SQ. FT.

L. SCAG REAP 1.0 and 2.0 Update – **1:10 pm**

- REAP 1.0 – final reports in progress
- REAP 2.0
 - Subregional Partnership option
 - Regional Housing Trust formation and Commercial Redevelopment into Housing under review by SCAG staff – **RE-SUBMITTED TO SCAG THIS WEEK. FINAL DETERMINATION IN SEPTEMBER**
 - Metro Partnership option
 - Award received for Neighborhood Mobility Hubs analysis – **PREPARING AN RFP/ DOING METRO TEMPLATE**
- Regional planner update – **HELPED LOMITA WITH MURAL ORDINANCES**

M. RHNA Reform comments – **1:15 pm**

- Reminder – SCAG CEHD meeting on Wednesday, August 16 will discuss RHNA reform recommendations for SCAG to make

N. Update on South Bay Environmental Services Center Activities – attached – **1:20 pm**

- 20th Anniversary plans
- **CivicSpark Fellows coming on mid-September**
- **Worked on two grants with SoCalREN - community outreach for resiliency centers and direct install**
- **20th Anniversary - should have received the invite and PLEASE COME**

O. Update on Senior Services - **1:30 pm**

- New staff members
- **TY PARTY FOR LAURIE JACOBS WAS GREAT – THANKS TO RONSON**

GREEN LINE UPDATE RE: NOT COMING BACK UNTIL IT'S READY

P. Board Meeting Agenda Development – **1:35 pm**

- August – draft attached
 - Vic Nol, Director of Venue Cities Relations, LA28 Olympic and Paralympic Games –
 - Baldwin Hills Conservancy requested time – confirming
 - Before Board meeting – 4 pm – virtual tour of BeWell
- September
 - 20TH anniversary celebration before Board meeting
 - Justin Erbacci, LAX General Manager – confirmed
 - Final Report on ADU & Commercial Redevelopment REAP project - HOUSING POLICY, RHNA
- October
 - Stephanie Wiggins, Metro CEO
 - Draft Housing Trust JPA document from City Managers
- November
 - Supervisor Mitchell – confirmed
 - **Jeff Prang re: Proposition 19 –confirmed**
- Future meeting possible speakers invited – waiting on responses:
 1. Mayor Karen Bass, City of Los Angeles
 2. Jose Solache, Lynwood Councilmember, AQMD representative for South Bay

3. John Mirisch, Beverly Hills Councilmember, Los Angeles County Housing Solutions Agency (LACAHS) representative for South Bay
 4. President of CSUDH
 5. Rob Katherman, Water Replenishment District re: Water Quality
- Special meeting opportunities – dates to be determined
 - Tour of Green Line extension right of way in Lawndale and Gold Line - **OCTOBER**
 - Day at the County with Metro Art Tour – **EARLY JANUARY**
 - Harbor Tour – **MARCH/APRIL**
 - **MEETING OF CITY CLERKS – WHAT THEY DO FOR ELECTEDS – ELECTIONS, CONTRACTS, BIDS – SEPTEMBER – sent e-mail re: interest 8/22/22**
 - **GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

VIII. **STRATEGIC POSITIONING ITEMS/ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES** – 1:45 pm

AUGUST 26 – RHE PLAQUE DEDICATION -CELEBRATION FOR 19TH AMENDMENT CENTENNIAL GIVING WOMEN THE RIGHT TO VOTE

SHARP 2 YEAR CONTRACT INSTEAD OF 3 YEARS – **REFLECT IN MID-YEAR BUDGET**

IX. **NEXT STEERING COMMITTEE – Monday, September 11, 2023 @ 12:00 noon – SBCCOG office**