

**South Bay Cities Council of Governments  
Infrastructure Working Group Meeting Notes – June 21, 2017**

**Attendees:** Chair Stephanie Katsouleas (Manhattan Beach); Vice Chair Rob Beste (Torrance); William Mendoza (Gardena); Akbar Farokhi & Alan Leung (Hawthorne); Paul Hiney (Lawndale); Ted Semaan & Didar Khandker (Redondo Beach); Josie Gutierrez, Andres Narvaez, William Johnson (LA County DPW); Isidro Panuco & Mark Dierking (Metro); Steve Lantz & David Leger (SBCCOG)

Chair Stephanie Katsouleas called the meeting to order at 12:06 pm.

**I. Self-Introductions and Approval of June 21, 2017 Meeting Notes**

Motion by Rob Beste, seconded by Ted Semaan to APPROVE May 17<sup>th</sup> meeting notes. No objection. So ordered.

**II. Agency & Other Reports**

- **SBCCOG:** Steve Lantz gave the following update on behalf of Jacki Bacharach:
  - Homeless Services: The funding for PATH services from Supervisors Hahn and Ridley-Thomas was extended. This is in addition to funding for COGs for coordinating services in their areas and funding for local police departments through Measure H. Please send ideas to Jacki Bacharach on how to best utilize the Measure H funds.
  - Broadband: the South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB) has asked Supervisors Hahn and Ridley-Thomas for \$90,000 to match the SBWIB's contribution to the Broadband feasibility study. If received, these funds, in addition to the additional \$15,000 from the SBWIB, will help get the study through the RFP process and will allow for the continuation of the educational classes being offered at the SBCCOG. The next Brown Bag workshop will take place August 23<sup>rd</sup>.
  - The Master Measure M Guidelines were adopted by the Metro Board at the end of June. Metro Staff is working on administrative guidelines and hopes to release draft guidelines for each of the funding categories over the next six months to two years.
  - Renewable South Bay: Information on HERO PACE projects in the South Bay will be distributed at an upcoming meeting.
  - There will be a Cannabis Regulations workshop on August 24, prior to the Board of Directors meeting.
  - The SBCCOG Short Term Rental Task Force will meet on August 30.
  - At the next SBCCOG Board of Directors meeting, there will be two presentations, the first by Glendora Councilwoman Judy Nelson on a COG coalition on stormwater followed by a presentation by the LA County Sanitation Districts on the Clearwater Tunnel Project.
- **South Bay Traffic Forum, LA County DPW:** Andres Narvaez gave an update on the status of the County's ITS projects, which include the South Bay CCTV & Fiber Project, Centracs System for Cities of Carson and Hawthorne, and IEN for Cities of Torrance and Redondo Beach. For details on specific projects and project statuses, the full report can be found on the SBCCOG website at:  
[http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/infrastructure/HANDOUT\\_July%20South%20Bay%20Traffic%20Forum%20Report.pdf](http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/infrastructure/HANDOUT_July%20South%20Bay%20Traffic%20Forum%20Report.pdf)
- **Caltrans:** Isidro Panuco updated the group on the status of Caltrans projects. Project #MR312.11 (DCCM) is complete, with construction finished at the end June 2017. Construction on project #MR312.24 (405/110 interchange) should begin November 2018. Caltrans is initiating a Funding Agreement with Metro for Project #MR312.25 (405/182<sup>nd</sup> Street), design is expected to begin August 2017. Project #MR312.29 (PCH ITS) was awarded on May 17<sup>th</sup> and is expected to have the contract approved by the end of June.

Rob Beste noted that there was recently a PCH Corridor meeting between Caltrans and the cities along PCH from El Segundo to Wilmington. There will be a coordination effort to integrate city projects into the larger PCH resurfacing plans Caltrans has set for 2020.

**L. A. Metro Updates**

- **L.A. Metro Board** – Isidro Panuco reported that the Metro Board approved the Measure M master guidelines which are available at [www.metro.net/theplan](http://www.metro.net/theplan).
- **Metro TAC & Streets and Freeway Subcommittee** – no report given.

**III. Transportation Committee Update**

- **SBHP Project Progress – Financial Risk Report** – Received and filed.  
The current Financial Risk Report was handed out at the meeting. The report can be viewed online at:

[http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/infrastructure/HANDOUT\\_June%20Risk%20Report.pdf](http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/infrastructure/HANDOUT_June%20Risk%20Report.pdf)

– **Playa del Rey Traffic Calming Projects Update**

Mr. Lantz provided an overview of the issue and the SBCCOG’s role in the ongoing discussions. The South Bay has advocated that the affected streets are a regional thoroughfare, not local neighborhood streets. Mr. Lantz announced that LADOT will be holding an “open house” on the project at Loyola Marymount University on July 29th.

– **Measure M Master Guidelines Changes** – Received and filed.

IV. **Measure R SBHP Reporting / Oversight Changes**

– **Measure R SBHP Project De-obligation / Extension Recommendations** – Received and filed.

– **Annual Program Evaluation Tool and Summary Table**

Mr. Lantz brought everyone’s attention to the template for the draft APE report that will replace the monthly risk report. No comments or suggested improvements were received. The template can be found online at:

[http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/infrastructure/HANDOUT\\_Draft%20sample%20APE%20report.pdf](http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/infrastructure/HANDOUT_Draft%20sample%20APE%20report.pdf)

V. **Spotlight Presentation**

– **South Bay WPCP Effluent Tunnel – Carson to San Pedro Project**

Glenn Acosta, of the Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts (LACSD), presented on the LACSD’s Clearwater Tunnel Project. Mr. Acosta began by giving a brief overview of the LACSD. He then explained that in 2006, LACSD began looking at the main sewer system serving the region and identified improvements that would ensure reliability and capacity through 2050. After this analysis, it was decided that a new tunnel replacing two smaller tunnels was necessary to meet the region’s needs. Mr. Acosta noted that the current system has come dangerously close to capacity during heavy rainstorms and that if capacity is reached, treated water could flow into Machado Lake and untreated sewage could possibly flow into the Dominguez Channel in a worst-case scenario. The LACSD Clearwater Tunnel Project will construct an 18-foot-diameter tunnel from the Joint Water Pollution Control Plant in Carson and join the existing tunnels’ outfall at Royal Palms in San Pedro. This new 7-mile-long tunnel, scheduled to be completed in 2025, will be built under streets and not under individuals’ homes. After completion of the new tunnel, the existing tunnels, which date back to the 1930’s and 1950’s, will be shut off and inspected for possible future uses. Mr. Acosta’s full presentation can be viewed online at:

[http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/infrastructure/PRESENTATION\\_Clearwater%20Tunnel%20Project.pdf](http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/infrastructure/PRESENTATION_Clearwater%20Tunnel%20Project.pdf)

VI. **Three-Month Look Ahead** – Received and filed.

VII. **Announcements & Adjournment**

Chair Katsouleas adjourned the meeting at 1:28 pm until August 9, 2017 (public meeting). To include an item on the agenda, please email Steve Lantz ([lantzsh10@gmail.com](mailto:lantzsh10@gmail.com)) by August 1, 2017.