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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	June - 13	July - 13	August - 13	September - 13	October - 13	November - 13
Carson	Davis-Holmes	Davis-Holmes				
El Segundo	Fuentes	Fuentes	Fuentes	Fuentes		
Gardena	Medina	Medina Terauchi	Medina	Medina	Medina	
Hawthorne	Juarez Valentine	Juarez Valentine		Valentine		
Hermosa Beach	Duclos		Duclos	Duclos		
Inglewood	Franklin Butts	Franklin		Franklin	Franklin	
Lawndale	Osborne	Osborne	Osborne	Osborne	Osborne	
Lomita	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley		Gazeley	
Los Angeles	X	X	Buscaino		Buscaino	
Manhattan Beach	Burton	Burton	Burton	Burton Lesser	Burton	
Palos Verdes Estates	Perkins Goodhart	Perkins		Perkins Goodhart		
Rancho Palos Verdes	Knight		Knight		Knight	
Redondo Beach	Aust	Aust	Aust	Aust	Aust	
Rolling Hills	Dieringer	Dieringer	Dieringer	Dieringer	Dieringer	
Rolling Hills Estates	Seamans	Seamans	Mitchell	Seamans	Seamans	
Torrance	Rhilinger Brewer		Brewer Weideman	Brewer Weideman	Brewer	
County of Los Angeles	Rosenfeld Napolitano	Napolitano	Riccitiello Napolitano	Riccitiello	Riccitiello	

Number of Active Agencies	16	16	17	16	17	
Quorum Required (50% +1)	9	9	9	8	9	
Number of Agencies Attending	16	13	13	14	12	

SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2013
SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THEATER
20285 S. WESTERN AVENUE, 1ST FLOOR, TORRANCE, CA 90501

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Medina called the SBCCOG Board of Directors meeting to order at 6:01 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Immediate Past Chair, Inglewood Councilman Ralph Franklin.

II. INTRODUCTIONS

In attendance were the following voting members:

Dan Medina, Gardena
Ralph Franklin, Inglewood
Jim Osborne, Lawndale
Jim Gazeley, Lomita
Joe Buscaino, Los Angeles
Mark Burton, Manhattan Beach

Jim Knight, Rancho Palos Verdes
Pat Aust, Redondo Beach
Bea Dieringer, Rolling Hills
Susan Seamans, Rolling Hills Estates
Tom Brewer, Torrance
David Riccitiello, LA County SD2

Also in attendance were the following persons:

Vijay Kopparam, Caltrans, District 7, Los Angeles
Greg Stevens, GSE Solutions, LLC
Jeff Kiernan, League of CA Cities
Jacob Haik, LA City District 15
Mike Bohlke, Metro Director O'Connor
Alan Patashnick, Metro
Claudette Moody, Parsons Brinckerhoff
Jacki Bacharach, SBCCOG
Sabrina Bornstein, SBCCOG
Natalie Champion, SBCCOG
Kim Fuentes, SBCCOG
Marcy Hiratzka, SBCCOG

Rosemary Lackow, SBCCOG
Marilyn Lyon, SBCCOG
Steve Lantz, SBCCOG Consultant
Priscilla Hsu, SBCCOG-assigned Coro Fellow
Matt Horton, SCAG
Paulo Morais, SCG
Frank Spasaro, SCG
Ann Teall, SCG
Amy Vulin, SCG
Ray Tahir, TECS Environmental Compliance Services

III. CONFIRM POSTING OF THE AGENDA BY THE CITY OF TORRANCE

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

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF ANY CHANGES TO THE AGENDA - None

V. PUBLIC COMMENT- none

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. September Board Meeting Minutes (*attachment*) – Approved**
- B. Letter to SCAG Declining to Accept Delegation of the Preparation of the SCS for the 2016 RTP (*attachment*) – Approved**
- C. Phase II Website Contract with Civic Resource Group (*attachments*) – Approved**
- D. Enterprise Energy Management Information System (EEMIS) Sub-metering Initiative – El Segundo MOU (*attachments*) – Approved** – Before the Board voted on the Consent Calendar, Board member Knight explained that the City of Rancho Palos Verdes declined to participate in sub-meter installations, not because the City did not think it was a worthwhile program, but due to security issues.
- E. Training Agreements (*attachments*) - Approved**
 - 1. Association of Energy Engineers (AEE) for CEM course**

2. Budget to develop and deliver workshops for Advanced Lighting System Repair Maintenance and Embedded Energy Savings

F. Letter to Metro re: Possible Sales Tax Measure Project List (attachment) – Received and filed

G. Legislation (attachment) – Received and filed

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

VII. PRESENTATIONS

A. Southern California Gas Company Recognition – Frank Spasaro, Energy Efficiency Partnerships Manager for the Southern California Gas Company, acknowledged the 70,000 therm-savings achievement in the South Bay, as well as the Cash for Kitchens program, which has been recognized by the CPUC. Mr. Spasaro presented the SBCCOG with a plaque, and then Chair Medina acknowledged Amy Vulin of the Gas Company, who was instrumental in the therm-savings, and who has been promoted to another department.

B. MS-4 Permit Presentation

Ray Tahir, Principal at TECS Environmental Compliance Services, discussed storm water permit issues, concerns, and actions to be taken in the South Bay, due to the new MS-4 Permit requirements. The new permit was designed to be more stringent and costly than previous permits because LA County and LA Water Board believed that the *Clean Water, Clean Beaches* fee initiative would pass, but it did not. As a result, cities are left with a permit for which there is no funding (State and Federal agencies cannot provide resources and cities' general funds would be impacted.) Meanwhile, the new permit may not guarantee compliance, and includes flood control and groundwater recharge, things that should not be addressed in this permit. Many municipalities and environmental organizations in California are challenging this, and Mr. Tahir encourages the South Bay to petition in the Spring, before June 2014, when the LA County Board of Supervisors will review this issue again. Letters and resolutions should be sent to the State Board, encouraging the permit be suspended and void. Chair Medina asked if this permit is mandated and Mr. Tahir said that it is NOT yet mandated, and letting Legislators know that cities are not happy about this is a good idea. Board Member Franklin reported that Inglewood went before the Regional Board to oppose this issue, and received mixed messages about whether or not the permit is mandated which are confusing cities. Inglewood developed a consortium to make sure there is a voice for this. There is legal representation as part of the consortium and LA City and County are both participants. Mr. Tahir also said that Board composition or the permit requirements may change over the next five years. A draft resolution for cities for individual city consideration was included in the Board packet.

C. This History and Legacy of Proposition 13

Jeff Kiernan, Regional Public Affairs Manager to the League of California Cities, was asked by Jacki Bacharach to give a presentation which covered the history and legacy of Proposition 13, as those that weren't in government at the time might not know much about it. Prop 13 concerned property tax reform, which arose in the 1970's. Property taxes kept rising and older Californians felt that they were being priced out of their homes. Officially named the "People's Initiative to Limit Property Taxation," Proposition 13 was placed on the ballot by citizen initiative as a constitutional amendment. Mr. Kiernan said that in 1978, Proposition 13 passed with 62% of those who voted in favor (70% of registered voters.) As a result, property tax revenues dropped by \$6 billion in the first year. The fundamentals of the Proposition were explained, as were trends in market values, and the distribution of California's Property Tax Base, and current Legislative proposals that have been proposed from Prop 13. Board Member Franklin added that Governor Brown did not and does not support Prop 13. Mr. Kiernan was thanked by the Board for researching and explaining this well. The presentation is on the SBCCOG website.

VIII. TRANSPORTATION REPORTS

A. Metro Report – On behalf of Metro Board Member O'Connor, Mike Bohlke gave the following updates from today's Board meeting:

- State law requires net toll revenues from the CRD project be reinvested for transportation improvements in the corridor where generated, pursuant to an expenditure plan adopted by the Metro Board. As the end of the formal 12 month demonstration program nears, guidelines need to be adopted outlining the framework for developing an expenditure plan. The CRD Program is designed to provide a safe, reliable, predictable commute on the Metro ExpressLanes; reinforce Metro's ongoing efforts to increase vehicle occupancy rates and transit ridership; optimize vehicle throughput at free flow speeds through dynamic

pricing, and generate sufficient revenue to sustain the financial viability of the ExpressLanes. Gross toll revenues generated from the pilot project are first used to cover the direct expenses related to the maintenance, administration, and operation, including marketing, toll collection, and enforcement. All remaining revenue produced during the pilot period must be used in the corridor from which the revenue was generated. Currently, Metro staff estimates approximately \$16 million to \$19 million in net toll revenues will be available for reinvestment in the CRD corridors. Proposed Reinvestment Guidelines for the Pilot Period include: Reinvestments in the transportation corridor provide a direct benefit to reducing congestion on the Metro ExpressLanes corridors (I-10 and 1-110); establish a reserve fund of 3-5%, consistent with the Board Approved Toll Policy to ensure financial sustainability of the Metro ExpressLanes and; direct allocation of revenue to fund the incremental transit service implemented to support the deployment of the Metro ExpressLanes. Mr. Bohlke said that the SBCCOG submitted a letter of concerns about the allocation of funds, and some of them were addressed in an amended motion adopted by the Metro Board. The SBCCOG also requested that the Metro Board permanently waive the maintenance fee for the ExpressLanes, and the Board agreed to continue to waive the fee until February 2014, when the pilot ends. It is still uncertain as to whether or not this will remain permanent.

- The Metro Board approved the execution of a contract modification for the inclusion of the “Through Intermodal Transportation Facility” alternative in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Report for the Airport Metro Connector in an amount not-to-exceed \$567,813; increasing the total contract value from \$5,510,389 to \$6,078,202; and extending the period of performance from December 30, 2013 to December 31, 2014. Board Member Knight asked what parts of the LAX Connector project LAWA and Metro are to be financially responsible for. David Riccitiello of Supervisor Ridley-Thomas’ Office said that there are three proposals, and that the Supervisor held a meeting with LAWA and Metro Executives (which the SBCCOG attended) to discuss them. Jacki Bacharach added that the Crenshaw line will be completed in 2019 but LAX will not have their portion of the construction done by that time. It is difficult for Metro to connect to a moving target at LAWA. Supervisor Ridley-Thomas deserves credit for airing out this issue. The SBCCOG will not be asked to consider taking a position on this until it sees what the City of LA does, as well as that FAA.
 - The Metro Board received and filed the progress report on the lot assessment and transfer of the forty-two Caltrans-owned park and ride lots to Metro. It highlights the current conditions of the Caltrans-owned lots and features the improvements that Metro plans to make, once the lots are relinquished to Metro. The report also lists what staff requirements will be over the next year, as legal documents are completed and utilities are separated. Caltrans proposed a joint ownership but Metro pushed back. More discussion to follow. This could affect the relinquishment of the Harbor Gateway Transit Center (HGTC).
- B. South Bay Service Council Report** – Board Member Franklin gave the following updates:
- At the October 11 meeting, Kathy McCune of Metro addressed the issue of proper fares for the rail program, and how gate-latching will measure this from now on. Fares have increased significantly. An on-board survey of Metro bus safety was created and met with a positive response.
 - Supervisor Ridley-Thomas assisted the Service Council on taking a position for the renaming of the Willowbrook/Rosa Parks station.
 - The meeting was adjourned in honor of John Parsons.
- C. Measure R Oversight Committee Report** – Steve Lantz gave the following updates:
- The SBCCOG is creating an updated version of its Delegation of Authority regarding Measure R and how the Measure R Oversight Committee, Steering Committee, and Board work together with Metro and the cities. The updated version will be brought to the November 21 Board meeting.
 - The preliminary review of the SBCCOG’s MTA budget request has been completed. This is based on annual conversations that the SBCCOG has with each lead agency (member city that has Measure R projects), where cities add, remove, or change projects. The SBCCOG is requesting funds for planning (project studies) for the first time, versus funds for just design and construction. The SBCCOG plans to use its newly-appointed technical consulting bench, so the cities will not have to pay for their own consultants and contractors. The final version of the budget request will be submitted in November.
- D.** The SBCCOG’s official letter regarding the potential future transportation sales tax was mailed to the Metro Board on October 4, with last-minute revisions that emphasize the need to incorporate sustainability and fix existing infrastructure before expanding it. The identified cost for the list of South Bay projects exceeds \$2.5 billion dollars, and Mr. Lantz hopes this list will act as a conversation starter at Metro. Jacki Bacharach added that the SBCCOG would like to ideally replace Metro’s Call for Projects completely and provide funds for subregions to make their own priorities.
- E. Monthly Transportation Report from Steve Lantz (attachment)** – Received and filed

IX. SOUTH BAY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES CENTER UPDATES

- A. Update on programs and activities** – Kim Fuentes reported that the SBESC just renewed its contract with West Basin Municipal Water District, which will be holding its Annual Water Harvest Festival this weekend. VIP parking passes and flyers for the morning awards ceremony and breakfast were distributed to elected officials. Flyers for West Basin’s weather-based irrigation controller exchange program, upcoming SBESC city staff trainings, and community events were also distributed. Finally, it was announced that the SBESC will be holding another free holiday light exchange out of its Torrance office from November 18-20, for Edison customers. There is a choice of white or multi-colored LED lights this year (2 stands maximum, per household.)
- B. CAP quarterly update** – Sabrina Bornstein, Climate Action Planning Specialist for the SBCCOG, gave a brief update on the status of the SBCCOG member cities’ plans. The SBCCOG was awarded funds from Edison in order to update the Energy Efficiency Chapter of the Climate Action Plan of the Local Government Strategic Plan Strategies Solicitation. The scope includes updating each city’s inventories and drafting the energy efficiency chapter. The SBCCOG is waiting for the notice to proceed, at which point, the SBCCOG will release the RFP for consulting services. In the meantime, cities have been drafting their energy action plans that are required by Edison for the Energy Leader Partnership Program. Finally, Ms. Bornstein gave updates on several California State climate action plans.
- C. 3rd Quarter report on Energy Savings** – Greg Stevens, SBCCOG Engineer, gave his quarterly update on the South Bay Cities Energy Efficiency Program, which included energy savings activity in each city, utility rate changes, and the adoption of new energy efficiency procurement policies in the Cities of Hermosa Beach and Inglewood. Board Member Knight asked why the City of Rancho Palos Verdes’ row reads “0” across the board on the 2010-Present Achieved Savings chart on slide 3, yet has reached the Gold tier of the Energy Leadership Program. Mr. Stevens said that the SBCCOG does not have access to Edison’s old data, even though the City of Rancho Palos Verdes is one of the top-saving cities in the South Bay.

X. SBCCOG ISSUES AND REPORTS

Jacki Bacharach made the following announcements:

- A. Strategic Plan Consultant Selection** (*attachment*) – Jacki Bacharach said that the SBCCOG released an RFP and the Steering Committee is recommending selecting Management Partners to assist the SBCCOG in developing a Strategic Plan. Also, the SBCCOG is seeking all South Bay Elected Officials’ and City Managers’ participation in a one-day workshop, facilitated by Management Partners. The goal of the workshop is to define the SBCCOG’s priorities and value to its member cities and establish goals and objectives consistent with its vision, mission, and guiding principles adopted in June 2012. The three dates to choose from are January 9, 16, and 17, 2013. Those board members in attendance were asked to fill out their availability at the meeting.

MOTION by Board Member Franklin, seconded by Board Member Seamans, to **approve** the selection of Management Partners as submitted. No objection. So ordered.

B. SCE Reliability Issues (*attachments*) – Jacki Bacharach said that the South Bay cities have experienced multiple power outages in the last few years. These outages have not only been frustrating and inconvenient, but costly and detrimental to the economy of the cities. A discussion on what the cities might do about this has been taking place on and off since last October by both board members and city managers. The staff report in the agenda outlined the activities since that time. The action before the Board is to contract with a consultant to obtain and analyze data on planned and unplanned outages in the South Bay. The proposal that was received is for \$25,000. At the city managers’ meeting it was agreed that they could pay \$2700 each to cover the cost of the consultant’s work, and if enough cities signed on, to cover administrative costs that the SBCCOG will be incurring for administering the contract and coordinating with cities. Assuming that not all South Bay cities will be interested or able to pay the assessment, staff is recommending that we not proceed until sufficient funds have been pledged or received. Board Member Franklin asked what would happen if more cities than expected contribute and there is a financial excess. Ms. Bacharach said that there will be some administrative costs from the SBCCOG and any extra funds generated would be returned to the cities.

MOTION by Board Member Franklin, seconded by Board Member Seamans, to **approve** a contract with Skipping Stone consultants for a report on South Bay power outages, issues and maintenance status at a cost not to exceed \$25,000 as submitted with the understanding that the contract will not be executed until SBCCOG has been notified by at least 10 cities that they will pay \$2700 toward this effort. No objection. So ordered.

XI. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Seamans: Annual PVP Holiday Parade of Lights on December 7 at along Silver Spur Road and Deep Valley Drive at 6pm
- Osborne: Halloween Haunt at Lawndale Civic Center on October 31 at 4pm
- Medina: City of Gardena's 44th Annual Veterans Day Service on Nov 11 at City Hall at 11am

XII. AGENCY REPORTS

- A. League of California Cities** - Jeff Kiernan reported that the League is accepting applications for its various policy committees, and they are due by November 2. The League's Statewide Scorecard will be released next week. Mr. Kiernan also gave the update that on October 15, 2013, the U.S. Supreme Court denied Gov. Jerry Brown's appeal that requested an additional two years to fulfill the Court's order to reduce prison to 137.5 percent of capacity by Jan. 27, 2014. A previous court order extended the deadline from Dec. 31, 2013 by 27 days. Since 2006 the state has reduced its prison population by 42,000. More than half (25,000) of that reduction has occurred following the enactment of AB 109 in 2011. To meet the court order the state must lower that population by an additional 10,000. Finally, Mr. Kiernan announced that the League's 3rd annual All Cities Holiday reception will be held at the Ernest & Young building in Downtown LA on December 5.
- B. South Coast Air Quality Management District** – no report
- 1. Local Government and Business Advisory Group** – Jacob Haik left the meeting early; no report.
- C. SCAG & Committees** – Matt Horton reported that SCAG will hold its annual Economic Summit on December 5 at 9am at the Omni Hotel in Los Angeles.
- 1. Energy and Environment** - Not present
- 2. Transportation** – Chair Medina reported that the Committee had a presentation on the *Preliminary Bicycle Route 66 and the Regional Bicycle Route Network*. It discussed how a new generation of Americans are touring the US by bicycle, and rediscovering Route 66. Existing and proposed bikeways were mapped out, based on the Illinois Bike Route 66 Concept Plan, and 16 cities in LA County would be featured on the route.
- 3. Community, Economic, & Human Development** – Board Member Gazeley left early; no report.
- 4. Regional Council** – Chair Medina had nothing to report.
- D. Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission** – Board Member Knight said that he presented the SMBRC with a certificate from the SBCCOG, at the Commission's 25th Annual Gala on October 26.
- E. South Bay Cities City Managers' Association** - Not present
- F. South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce** - Not present

XIII. UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 30 SBCCOG/SBACC Joint Mixer and Meeting

XIV. NOVEMBER SBCCOG COMMITTEE MEETINGS & WORKING GROUPS

November 6	Measure R Oversight Committee
November 12	Steering Committee
November 21	Annual SBCCOG Volunteer Thank You Reception & Board Meeting

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

XV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Medina adjourned the meeting at 8:16 p.m. to Thursday, November 21, 2013, at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marcy Hiratzka
Recording Secretary