

Southern California Association of Governments 900 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 1700, Los Angeles, CA 90017

# REGIONAL COUNCIL AGENDA SUMMARY Thursday, October 1, 2020 – 1:00PM

# **REMOTE PARTICIPATION ONLY**

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The Regional Council may consider and act upon any of the items on the agenda regardless of whether they are listed as Information or Action items.

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (The Honorable Rex Richardson, President)

PRESENTATION (The Honorable Eleni Kounalakis, Lieutenant Governor of Claifornia)

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**: The Chair has the discretion to reduce the time limit based upon the number of speakers and may limit the total time for all public comments to twenty (20) minutes.

# **REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS**

# **ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEM**

- 1. Resolution No. 20-625-1 Regarding Acceptance of Office of Traffic Safety Grant Funds to support the Active Transportation Safety and Encouragement Campaign
  - Recommended that the Regional Council adopt Resolution No. 20-625-1 authorizing SCAG to accept Office of Traffic Safety grant funds to support the Go Human Campaign.
  - On May 1, 2014, the General Assembly adopted a resolution in support of endorsing a regional effort to promote a pedestrian and bicycle safety initiative. To pursue this effort, SCAG launched Go Human, a Regional Active Transportation Safety and Encouragement Campaign, with funding from the Active Transportation Program. To extend campaign efforts, SCAG applied for Pedestrian/Bicycle Safety funds from the Office of Traffic Safety in the amount of \$1,250,000 to conduct a fifth round of Go Human safety programming and outreach across the region. On June 17, 2020, SCAG was informed that the grant award was being tentatively offered.





## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

(Some potential items that may be pulled)

# APPROVAL ITEMS

### ITEM 2

- Recommended that the Regional Council approve the minutes of the September 3, 2020 meeting.
- During its December 3 meeting, the Regional Council heard remarks from Lt. Gov. of California Eleni Kounalakis, approved Connect SoCal in its entirety, adopted guidelines for the Subregional Partnership and Sustainable Communities Programs, and took other actions.

#### **ITEM 3**

• Recommended that the Regional Council approve additional stipend payments, pursuant to Regional Council Policy Manual, Article VIII, Section B(4) [adopted June 2019], as requested by Regional Councilmember Margaret Finlay.

#### **ITEM 4**

- Recommended that the Regional Council adopt the 2021 Meeting Schedule of Regional Council and Policy Committees.
- The meeting schedule is included in the agenda packet.

#### **ITEM 5**

- Recommended that the Regional Council approve Resolution No. 20-625-2 to authorize the acceptance of \$10 million in grant funds from the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) to implement Phase 1 of the Last Mile Freight Program.
- The SCAQMD's Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC) has created a Regional Goods Movement Program which includes a last mile freight component. SCAG will partner with the MSRC, serving as implementor of the Last Mile Freight Program.

#### **ITEM 6**

- Recommended that the Regional Council approve the following Contract \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 20-057-C01, Electric Vehicle Charging Station Study.
- The consultant shall provide professional assistance to create a technical analysis and outreach approach that can serve as a template to apply across the jurisdictions, as well as be tailored to the individual needs of each jurisdiction. The study area for this project includes 18 cities and the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG) region.



## ITEM 7

- Recommended that the Regional Council approve the following Contract Amendment Greater than 30% of the Contract's Original Value: Contract No. 18-002-SS1, PC Law Group, Amendment No. 5.
- Staff seeks to increase the contract value of the firm's contract by \$272,000 for FY 20-21, based on legal services anticipated by the Acting Chief Counsel related to the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) process, implementation of the 2020 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS or Connect SoCal), and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) matters.

### ITEM 8

- Recommended that the Regional Council approve the following Contract Amendment that exceeds \$75,000: Contract No. 19-001-C01, Southern California Regional Climate Adaptation Framework, Amendment No. 3.
- Staff requires additional consultant assistance due to impacts of COVID-19 on completion of the Framework and opportunities to expand on previously identified inperson outreach to other modes of communication – including webinars, podcasts, and enhanced web tools – as well as opportunities to produce more comprehensive data analyses on climate change impacts across the region through use of Connect SoCal Growth Vision datasets.

# **RECEIVE AND FILE**

#### **ITEM 9**

- Recommended to receive and file updates on Regional Data Platform (RDP).
- The Regional Data Platform (RDP) will provide an online tool for SCAG and local jurisdictions to access data necessary for local general plan development and general decision making by monitoring transportation, land development trends, housing and economic growth, and sustainability conditions. Since the RDP project kick-off in May 2020, SCAG and Esri staff have been working collaboratively to move the project forward in terms of project management, tool prototyping, data orchestration, licensing, outreach, and system architecture.
- SCAG staff will provide an overview of the RDP and how it will be beneficial to local jurisdictions.

#### ITEM 10

• Recommended to receive and file the October State and Federal Legislative Update.

#### ITEM 11

• Recommended to receive and file the report of Purchase Orders \$5,000 - \$199,999; Contracts \$25,000 - \$199,999 and Amendments \$5,000 - \$74,999.



## **ITEM 12**

- Recommended to receive and file the CFO Monthly Report.
- AUDITS
  - External Financial Audit: Eide Bailly LLP, SCAG's outside independent auditor, is presently conducting final audit fieldwork and the audited CAFR and Single Audit Report will be released in December.
- MEMBERSHIP DUES: As of September 15, 2020, 119 cities and 4 counties had renewed their memberships, 65 of whom took advantage of the 20% dues waiver. 61.3% of the assessment has been collected. This leaves 69 cities and 2 counties yet to renew. Three cities are being recruited for membership. Second reminders will be sent in early October.
- BUDGET & GRANTS (B&G): On August 31, 2020, staff submitted the Fiscal Year 2019-20 (FY20) Overall Work Program (OWP) Year-End Package to Caltrans, which included the certification of final expenditures, the final progress report, and the final work products for projects completed in the fiscal year. The final expenditures reported for the year were \$44 million or 48% of the OWP budget. On September 3, 2020, the Regional Council approval formal amendment 2 to the FY20 OWP in the amount of \$248,220 which increased the OWP budget from \$89.2 million to \$89.5 million. This amendment includes adding a new grant for the Interstate-710 North Mobility Hubs Plan under the FY21 Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Program; reprogramming FY21 SB-1 Formula Grants for the Sustainable Communities Program and reducing Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds. Staff submitted the complete amendment package to Caltrans on September 11, 2020.
- CONTRACTS: In August 2020, the Contracts Department issued four (4) Request for Proposals; awarded five (5) contracts; issued six (6) contract amendments; and processed 25 Purchase Orders to support ongoing business and enterprise operations. Staff also administered 141 consultant contracts. Contracts staff continued to negotiate better pricing and reduced costs for services. Thus far in FY21 staff negotiated approximately \$531,616 in budget savings.

**BUSINESS REPORT** (Randall Lewis, Ex-Officio Member) **PRESIDENT'S REPORT** (The Honorable Rex Richardson, President)

- Update on Special Committee on Equity and Social Justice
- Clean Air Day Proclamation

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Kome Ajise, Executive Director) FUTURE AGENDA ITEM/S ANNOUNCEMENT/S ADJOURNMENT