

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

SBCCOG Board of Directors' Meeting Thursday, October 27, 2022 @ 6:00 pm 2355 Crenshaw Blvd, Suite 125 Torrance, CA 90501 & virtually via Zoom

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

To address the SBCCOG Board of Directors on any agenda item or a matter within the Board of Directors' purview, please provide written comments by 5:00 pm, October 27, 2022 via email to natalie@southbaycities.org. All written comments submitted will become part of the official record. Unless otherwise noted in the Agenda, the Public can only provide written comment on SBCCOG related business that is within the jurisdiction of the SBCCOG and/or items listed on the Agenda which will be addressed during the Public Comment portion of the meeting (Item #VI).

ACCESSING THE MEETING:

In-person participation is available at the SBCCOG Office located at 2355 Crenshaw Blvd., Suite 125, Torrance, CA 90501.

To participate via Zoom, use the link

Board Members: Receive Zoom meeting credentials in advance of the meeting by using the below link: https://scag.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJlId-uorDsqhEYyjlRrAPN_G-rVEpc0Lrw

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AGENDA

- I. **CALL TO ORDER (6:00 PM)**
John Cruikshank, Chair
- II. **VERIFY QUORUM AND VOTES NEEDED FOR ACTION – (attachment) (Page 5)**
- III. **CONFIRM POSTING OF THE AGENDA BY TORRANCE CITY CLERK**
- IV. **BROWN ACT DECLARATION** - Pursuant to AB 361, the Board of Directors finds that a statewide state of emergency remains in force and State and local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing (attachment) – **Approve (Page 7)**
- V. **ANNOUNCEMENTS OF ANY CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**
- VI. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (6:05 pm)**
- VII. **CONSENT CALENDAR (6:10 pm)**
Matters listed under Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.
 - A. **September 22, 2022 minutes (attachment) – Approve (Pages 9-13)**

- B. **Contract Extension with LA County for Homeless Services** (*attachment*) (*payment to the SBCCOG*) – **Approve (Pages 15-30)**
- C. **Modifications to the Budget with the County for Homeless Services (Steering recommendation: unanimous)** – (*attachment*) – **Approve (Pages 31-32)**
- D. **Client Aid Service Reimbursements** – (*attachment*) – **Receive and file (Page 33)**
- E. **Legislative Matrix** – (*attachment*) – **Receive and file (Pages 35-37)**
- F. **Monthly Reports – Receive and File**
 - 1. **Transportation Report** – (*attachment*) (**Pages 39-44**)
 - 2. **City Attendance at SBCCOG meetings** – (*attachment*) (**Page 45**)
 - 3. **Media Report** (*attachment*) (**Pages 47-49**)
 - 4. **Reports from Outside Agencies** – (*attachments for each at end of the agenda*)
 - a. League of California Cities & LA Division Legislative Committee (Britt Huff, Bea Dieringer & Jeff Kiernan) (**Pages 67-73**)
 - b. SCAG Energy & Environment Committee (Britt Huff) (**Pages 75-76**)
 - c. SCAG Regional Council (Drew Boyles, Mark Henderson, James Gazeley) (**Pages 77-86**)
 - d. California Association of Councils of Governments - CALCOG (Britt Huff) (**Page 87**)
 - e. South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce (Olivia Valentine) (**Pages 89-90**)
 - f. SPA 8 Dept. of Health Report (**Pages 91-94**)
 - g. South Bay Workforce Investment Board (**Pages 95-97**)

VIII. **PRESENTATIONS** – (all prepared presentations will be posted @ www.southbaycities.org)

- A. Energy Efficiency Recognition Program Roll-Out (6:15 pm)
 - 1. Shawn Fujioka, SBCCOG staff
- B. City Sharing – What’s Keeping Your City Busy!!! (6:30 pm)
 - 1. Roundtable Discussion – ALL

IX. **SBCCOG PROGRAM ACTION ITEMS, REPORTS AND UPDATES** (7:00 pm)

- A. SCAG REAP
 - 1. ADU study
 - 2. Commercial Redevelopment to Housing study
 - 3. Housing Education Forums – (*attachment*) (**Page 51**)
 - 4. REAP 2.0
- B. Legislative Issues
 - 1. Next steps for developing the South Bay Regional Housing Trust (Steering recommendation: unanimous) – (*attachment*) – **APPROVE (Pages 53-55)**
 - 2. Letter re: LA County Land Bank Pilot Program – (*attachment*) – **APPROVE (Pages 57-58)**
- C. Finance Committee
- D. Homeless Services
- E. Transportation Reports
 - 1. Metro Report - Board member James Butts/Steve Lantz
 - 2. Transportation Committee report – Chris Pimentel/Steve Lantz
- F. SBESC projects and programs
 - 1. South Bay Environmental Services Center Report – (*attachment*) (**Pages 59-63**)
- G. South Bay Fiber Network
- H. Local Travel Network
- I. Senior Services
- J. General Assembly
- K. Other
 - 1. SBCCOG Open House Invitation – (*attachment*) (**Pages 65-66**)

X. **AGENCY REPORTS** (7:45 pm)

NOTE: Oral reports will only be made to clarify or amplify written attachments (No Attachments received)

- A. SCAG

- i. Community, Economic, & Human Development (Mark Henderson, Drew Boyles, Frank Zerunyan & Mark Waronek)
- ii. Transportation (James Gazeley)
- B.** Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission (Bill Brand/Eric Alegria)
- C.** Metro Service Council (Don Szerlip)
- D.** KHHR (Hawthorne Airport) Committee re: Community Impacts (Olivia Valentine)
- E.** South Bay Aerospace Alliance (Olivia Valentine/Rodney Tanaka)

XI. UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

XII. ADJOURNMENT

**OFFICE OPEN HOUSE &
Next Board meeting - Thursday, November 17, 2022**

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

SBCCOG BOARD MEETINGS: ATTENDANCE 2022

City	Apr - 22	May - 22	Jun - 22	Jul - 22	Aug - 22	Sep - 22	Oct - 22
Carson	Hicks		Hicks	Hicks		Hicks	
El Segundo	Boyles	Boyles	Boyles Pimentel	Boyles	Boyles		
Gardena	Tanaka		Tanaka	Tanaka	Tanaka	Tanaka	
Hawthorne	Valentine	Valentine	Valentine	Valentine	Monteiro	Valentine	
Hermosa Beach	Armato	Armato	Armato			Armato	
Inglewood				Faulk			
Lawndale	Suarez Cuevas	Suarez	Suarez		Suarez	Suarez	
Lomita	Waite Uphoff	Waite Uphoff	Waite	Waite	Waite	Waite	
Los Angeles	X	X	X	X	X	Buscaino	
Manhattan Beach	Stern	Stern	Stern	Stern	Stern	Stern	
Palos Verdes Estates				Roos	Roos	Roos	
Rancho Palos Verdes	Cruikshank	Cruikshank	Cruikshank	Cruikshank	Cruikshank	Cruikshank	
Redondo Beach	Horvath	Horvath	Horvath		Obagi		
Rolling Hills	Dieringer	Dieringer		Dieringer	Dieringer	Dieringer	
Rolling Hills Estates	Huff	Zuckerman	Zuckerman Huff	Huff	Huff	Zuckerman Huff	
Torrance	Chen	Chen	Chen	Chen	Chen	Mattucci	
County of Los Angeles-2nd District	Ruiz-Delgado	Ruiz-Delgado	Ruiz-Delgado		Ruiz-Delgado	Ruiz-Delgado	
County of Los Angeles- 4th District			LaMarque	LaMarque		LaMarque	
Number of Active Members	16	16	16	16	16	18	18
Quorum Required (50% +1)	9	9	9	9	9	10	10
Number of Members Attending	14	12	14	13	13	15	

Number of members present	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Number of affirmative votes required for action	6	7	7	8	8	9	9	10	10

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South Bay Cities Council of Governments

October 27, 2022

TO: SBCCOG Board of Directors
FROM: Jacki Bacharach, Executive Director
RE: Virtual Meetings under AB 361 – Finding of Imminent Risks

Adherence to Strategic Plan:

Goal D: Organizational Stability. Member Networking and Communications.

On September 16, 2021, Governor Newsom recently signed AB 361, which became effective October 1, 2021 and suspends certain Brown Act requirements during a declared statewide state of emergency. AB 361 also requires that state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing or a governing body declares that holding a meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

COVID-19 and subsequent mutations continue to spread throughout the County and State. As breakthrough cases for vaccinated individuals also continue to occur, SBCCOG staff recommends that holding fully in-person meetings at this time would pose an imminent risk to the health or safety of those present.

RECOMMENDATION:

With the statewide declaration of emergency that is in place, find that the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of members to meet in person and, further, that the County of Los Angeles continues to recommend social distancing measures. Therefore, Brown Act meetings of the South Bay Cities Council of Governments are being held with virtual/teleconference accommodations as meeting fully in-person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

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**SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2022
HELD VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM & IN-PERSON AT SBCCOG OFFICES
2355 CRENSHAW BLVD. SUITE 125, TORRANCE, CA 90501
(RECORDING AVAILABLE ONLINE: <https://youtu.be/c8KqgsbS0fl>)**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair John Cruikshank called the SBCCOG Board of Directors meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

II. VERIFY QUORUM

In attendance were the following voting elected officials:

Cedric Hicks, Carson	Jim Roos, Palos Verdes Estates
Rodney Tanaka, Gardena	John Cruikshank, Rancho Palos Verdes
Olivia Valentine, Hawthorne	Bea Dieringer, Rolling Hills
Stacey Armato, Hermosa Beach	Steve Zuckerman, Rolling Hills Estates (6:10 arrival)
Bernadette Suarez, Lawndale	Aurelio Mattucci, Torrance
Barry Waite, Lomita	Alfonso Ruiz-Delgado, LA County D-2 (6:15 arrival)
Joe Buscaino, LA City	Jennifer LaMarque, LA County D-4
Hildy Stern, Manhattan Beach	

Also in attendance were the following non-voting elected officials:

Britt Huff, Rolling Hills Estates (Voting rep until Steve Zuckerman's arrival at 6:10)

Also, in attendance were the following persons:

Ali Steward, Beach Cities Health District	Steve Lantz, SBCCOG
Jacqueline Sun, Beach Cities Health District	Wally Siembab, SBCCOG
Jeff Kiernan, CalCities	David Leger, SBCCOG
Lindsey Lastra, LA County Dept of Public Health	Colleen Farrell, SBCCOG
Mark Dierking, Metro	Ronson Chu, SBCCOG
Jacki Bacharach, SBCCOG	Natalie Champion, SBCCOG
Kim Fuentes, SBCCOG	Holly Osborne, Public

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

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

IV. BROWN ACT DECLARATION

Pursuant to AB 361, the Board of Directors finds that a statewide state of emergency remains in force and State and local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing. Therefore, this meeting is being held virtually as meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees. (*attachment*) – **Approved**

MOTION by Board Member Tanaka, seconded by Board Member Huff, to **APPROVE** the Brown Act Declaration. No objection. Motion passes.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF ANY CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Kiernan shared with the Board the following four links:

Priority Bills on Gov's Desk: <https://tinyurl.com/PriorityBillsonGovsDesk>
Cal Cities Policy Committees Application: <https://tinyurl.com/PolicyCmteApplicationCal>
Cities President Ali Taj's Message: <https://tinyurl.com/PresidentTajMessage>
General Assembly Action Report: <https://tinyurl.com/GenAssemblyActionReport>

VII. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. August 25, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes (attachment) – Approved**
- B. Revised Job Descriptions (attachments) – Approved**
- C. League of California Cities LA Division Appointment for SBCCOG (attachment) – Approved**
- D. Legislative Matrix – (attachment) – Received and filed**
- E. Monthly Reports – Received and filed**
 - 1. Transportation Report (attachment)
 - 2. City Attendance at SBCCOG meetings (attachment)
 - 3. Media Report (attachment)
 - 4. Reports from Outside Agencies (attachments for each at end of the agenda)
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 - b. SCAG Energy & Environment Committee (Britt Huff)
 - c. Metro Service Council (Don Szerlip)
 - d. South Bay Workforce Investment Board

Board Member Dieringer asked that Item B be pulled from the Consent Calendar for further discussion.

MOTION by Board Member Hicks, seconded by Board Member Valentine, to **APPROVE** Consent Calendar Items A and C-E. No objection. Motion passes.

REMOVED FROM CONSENT

Revised Job Descriptions (attachment)

Board Member Dieringer asked that this item be tabled until after the details of the contractor to employee conversions are worked out. She noted her concerns about the piecemeal approach to approving the adjusted salary ranges in April, revised job descriptions now, and the conversion of contractors to employees at a later time. She explained that she feels the Board should understand the impact on the total proposed salaries.

Ms. Bacharach explained that the April salary range adjustments were driven by increases in the state's minimum wage. This action will create the employee positions of an Executive Director and Deputy Executive Director which would allow for the conversion from contractors to employees to take place.

Ms. Fuentes also added that staff salaries are approved by the Board through the budget process and are based off an analysis of staffing needs and revenue. Position titles were last changed in 2013 when they were first adopted. Since then, the SBCCOG has grown and is working on a wider range of programs, so these revisions were made to meet the needs of the organization today.

Board Member Suarez also shared that she would like to have more information on the conversion before she would feel comfortable approving the item.

Board Member Waite commented that he agrees with staff in that the next step in the process is creating the job descriptions and noted that a salary is not based off the job description.

MOTION by Board Member Waite, seconded by Board Member Valentine, to **APPROVE** Consent Calendar Item B.

NOTE: 9 votes need to pass motion based on quorum

SUBSTITUTE MOTION by Board Member Dieringer, seconded by Board Member Suarez, to **TABLE** Consent Calendar Item B until all information and costs are known for the contractor to employee conversion.

- Ayes: Suarez, Dieringer, Zuckerman
- Noes: Hicks, Tanaka, Valentine, Armato, Waite, Buscaino, Stern, Cruikshank, Ruiz-Delgado, LaMarque
- Abstentions: Roos, Mattucci

Substitute motion fails.

Original motion on the floor:

MOTION by Board Member Waite, seconded by Board Member Valentine, to **APPROVE** Consent Calendar Item B. Objection by Suarez & Dieringer. Abstention by Mattucci. Motion passes.

VIII. PRESENTATIONS

A. Allcove Youth Center

Ms. Steward provided the Board a brief presentation on Beach City Health District's new "allcove BeachCities" which will be opening at their Prospect Avenue campus and will serve young people ages 12-25. The center will provide mental health continuum for youth through prevention and early intervention with easy and affordable access. She went on to review services that will be provided at allcove and those that will be linked through allcove. More detail is available in her presentation available online here:

https://southbaycities.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/PRESENTATION_BCHD-AllCove-Update-to-SBCCOG-10.22.22.pdf

B. Department of Public Health

Ms. Lastra presented a quarterly update from LA County Department of Public Health. She provided updates on COVID-19 figures and indoor masking recommendations; Monkeypox case rate data and vaccine information; new education sector liaisons to connect with school districts, early childhood education centers, and institutes of higher learning; and programs available through the Curtis Tucker Center for Community Wellness. More detail can be found in her presentation here:

<https://southbaycities.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/PRESENTATION-LA-COUNTY-SPA-8-SBCCOG-Update.pdf>

IX. TRANSPORTATION REPORTS

A. Metro Report

Mr. Lantz reported on various updates from the Metro Board meeting including the opening of the K Line (Crenshaw/LAX); a new arts, culture, and recreation program for the 2028 Olympics and Paralympics; the I-710 South Corridor Task Force; Metro's fare capping policy; and the approval of the South Bay's Measure M MSP annual program update. Detail from Mr. Lantz's updates are available here:

https://southbaycities.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/PRESENTATION_Steve-Lantz-9.22-Metro-Updates-4.pdf

Ms. Bacharach added that the SBCCOG will be asking cities to submit Measure M applications for the Local Travel Network project. SBCCOG staff is also exploring SBFN "Phase 2" transportation applications that could utilize the SBFN.

Board Member Dieringer asked Mr. Lantz if Metro is still offering free fares. Mr. Lantz explained that they stopped the free fare policy earlier in the year, but still have in place a fare capping policy. Metro is looking at federal and state funding to supplement the lost fare revenue.

B. Transportation Committee Report

Mr. Lantz reported that Metro provided a presentation on the I-110 ExpressLanes as well as their FY22-23 budget.

X. SBCCOG PROGRAM ACTION ITEMS, REPORTS AND UPDATES

A. Legislative Issues

1. Ballot Propositions (*attachment*)

Mr. Leger briefly reviewed each of the ballot propositions and staff's recommended position. Ms. Bacharach noted that the recommendations are staff recommendations because the Legislative Committee was not able to reach a quorum to make recommendations to the Board.

Board Member Valentine recommended that the Board consider supporting Proposition 31 as flavored tobacco is often used to target kids and preventing smoking should be a city health priority.

MOTION by Board Member Valentine, seconded by Board Member Dieringer, to **SUPPORT** Proposition 31. No objection. Abstention by Board Member LaMarque. Motion passes.

The Board also discussed opposing Proposition 27 as the funding provided for homeless services would not necessarily outweigh the risks associated with gambling addiction and greater access to sports betting. They also expressed concern about how much of the funding would actually be seen by cities to support homeless services.

MOTION by Board Member Dieringer, seconded by Board Member Tanaka, to **OPPOSE** Proposition 27. No objection. Abstentions by Board Members LaMarque and Ruiz-Delgado. Motion passes.

MOTION by Board Member Tanaka, seconded by Board Member Dieringer, to **APPROVE** the remaining positions recommended by staff. No objection. Abstentions by Board Members LaMarque and Ruiz-Delgado. Motion passes.

2. Status of South Bay Regional Housing Trust
Ms. Bacharach reported the bill is still awaiting the Governor's signature. She also shared that she met with Mr. Leger to determine next steps and reviewed the initial thoughts with the city managers at their recent meeting. Staff will refine the next steps recommendation and will return with a recommendation at an upcoming meeting.
3. Ideas for Legislation in the next session
Ms. Bacharach shared that the Legislative Committee will start to discuss legislative requests for the new session. Ideas include funding requests for the housing trust and a sustainability center to work on adaptation/sustainability projects that would help meet state mandates. The idea would be to create something similar to the SBESC.

Board Member Valentine added that efforts to repeal SB 9 and SB 10 should be considered.

B. Homeless Services (*attachment re: client aid services*) – APPROVED

Ms. Bacharach explained that the SBCCOG's Client Aid program has been very successful so far. Staff would like the Board's approval to move forward with a request to re-appropriate unused LAHSA Problem Solving funding to the South Bay's Client Aid program.

MOTION by Board Member Tanaka, seconded by Board Member Waite, to **APPROVE** requesting additional funding for the Client Aid program. No objection. Motion passes.

Mr. Chu provided brief updates on other homeless related items. The homeless count figures were released and showed a 4% increase county-wide but a 2.5% drop in the South Bay. He noted that this is significant as the pandemic caused significant economic hardships, but the substantial federal and state funding/programs prevented significant increases in overall numbers. However, there are concerns that as eviction moratoriums expire, the figures will begin to rise again next year. LA County will be holding a regional convening in the South Bay in October to gather feedback on how cities think a \$10M pot of funding should be spent.

C. SCAG REAP

Ms. Bacharach reported on the following REAP projects:

- ADU Acceleration: The project aims to determine how ADUs are being used in the South Bay and the experiences of both owners and occupants. An ADU survey was distributed to over 700 ADU owners/occupants in the South Bay. So far 31 responses have been submitted, 24 of which were owners.
- Housing Education Forum: An advisory committee was formed to provide guidance on the curriculum and potential speakers. Community Development Directors have also been consulted. Speakers will soon be identified and secured with the courses to follow.
- Commercial Redevelopment Into Housing: This project looks to identify underperforming commercial property and how to convert that to housing. Consultants are working to develop the draft feasibility criteria which will be used to narrow down areas of focus within the 6 participating cities.

Ms. Bacharach added that SCAG is developing guidelines for REAP 2.0, but applications likely won't be accepted until February 2023 at the earliest. The SBCCOG will be receiving \$585,000. The SBCCOG must express interest in applying for the funding by October 14th. One project that would be eligible is the South Bay Regional Housing Trust. Reimbursable outreach must be done now so projects can be developed and submitted early in 2023.

D. SBESC Projects and Programs

1. South Bay Environmental Services Center Report (*attachment*)

Ms. Fuentes shared that the SBCCOG will be helping West Basin with their first Rain Barrel giveaway on Saturday 9/24 at Palos Verdes High School. Over 1,000 registrations have been received for this year's series of giveaways. She also shared that she was invited to speak on a panel on "Breaking Through Regional Barriers for Energy Action" at the California Climate and Energy Collaborative forum in San Diego. Ms. Fuentes' slides can be viewed here:

https://southbaycities.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/PRESENTATION_9-22-2022-Staff-Update-Steering.pdf

E. South Bay Fiber Network

Ms. Bacharach reported that staff continues to work with Carson and Torrance on a wireless pilot project that would bring SBFN coverage to underserved business areas within the cities.

F. Local Travel Network

Ms. Bacharach shared that there was a very productive charrette held earlier in the afternoon. The SBCCOG's technical consultant team was able to edit the designs in real time. The designs are being refined based on feedback provided. The final designs will be shared with the Board for a final decision. She asked the Board what process would make them comfortable to make a decision. Chair Cruikshank noted that he would like to bring something like that back to his council for a discussion.

G. Senior Services

Board Member Huff reported that the next Senior Services Working Group meeting will be September 27th. The Cities of Carson and Gardena will be presenting on their programs. Assemblymember Muratsuchi will also be attending the meeting.

H. Other

Ms. Bacharach shared that all dues are now paid in full.

Ms. Farrell asked the Board to share their opinions on proposed topics for the SBCCOG's next photo contest. Ms. Bacharach added that the first competition did not have a theme, but the submissions were almost exclusively coastal related. Suggested topics include South Bay landmarks, city buildings, and cultural events.

XI. AGENCY REPORTS

NOTE: Oral reports are only made to clarify or amplify written attachments. All reports that were submitted or handed out are available online here: <https://southbaycities.org/event/board-of-directors-meeting-78/>

Board Member Dieringer shared that the LA Division of CalCities will be discussing a comment letter to LA County on the Land Bank pilot program that would explore possible regional models to facilitate affordable housing development. The concern is that this land banking program would not have to comply with local zoning requirements. She will share information with Ms. Bacharach to distribute to the Board.

XII. UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hicks: Carson will be hosting its annual jazz festival on October 1st

Mattucci: Torrance's Transportation Commission will be meeting from 6:00-7:30p on September 28th to discuss the C (Green) Line Extension project.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair John Cruikshank adjourned the meeting at 8:11 pm to Thursday, October 27, 2022, at 6:00 pm.

David Leger, SBCCOG Staff

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**CONTRACT FOR
HOMELESS SERVICES**

Contract No. AO-22-604

AMENDMENT ONE

THIS AMENDMENT is made and entered into this by and between

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
(hereinafter "COUNTY"),

and

SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
(hereafter "SBCCOG" or "CONSULTANT")

Business Address:
2355 Crenshaw Boulevard, #125,
Torrance, CA 90501

WHEREAS, reference is made to that certain document entitled "CONTRACT FOR HOMELESS SERVICES", dated May 26, 2022, and further identified as County Contract No. AO-22-604, and any amendments thereto (all hereafter referred to as "Agreement" or "Contract");

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2022, the Chief Executive Officer, in accordance with Government Code Sections 23005 and 31000, as authorized by the Board of Supervisors (Board), entered into an Agreement with SBCCOG to provide homeless services to the COUNTY;

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2022, the Board approved the County Fiscal Year 2022-23 Homeless Initiative funding recommendations and delegated authority to the Chief Executive Officer, or her designee, to enter into and amend multi-year service contracts, memoranda of understanding, or funding agreements, for any contract that exceeds the Chief Executive Officer's current delegated homeless services contract authority of \$250,000, with local jurisdictions administering homeless services programs with Board approved funding provided that 1) agreements and amendments do not exceed available Board approved funding and 2) County Counsel approves as to form the amendment prior to any such amendment; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY and CONTRACTOR mutually agree that it is to both of their benefit to: 1) exercise an option to extend the term of the agreement for one year; 2) replace in its entirety Exhibit A, Statement of Work, with Exhibit A-1, Statement of Work; and 3) replace in its entirety Exhibit B, Pricing Schedule, with Exhibit B-1, Pricing Schedule, for a Maximum Contract Sum of \$2,229,261.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual benefits derived therefrom, it is agreed between the parties that Agreement No. AO-22-604 shall be amended as follows:

1. This Amendment shall commence on the date of execution.
2. Paragraph 4.0, Term of Contract, shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:


IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Amendment One:

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By _____
FESIA A. DAVENPORT Date
Chief Executive Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DAWYN R. HARRISON
Acting County Counsel

By  _____
Senior Deputy County Counsel

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

By _____

Print Name _____

Title _____

**STATEMENT OF WORK
SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (SBCCOG)
REGIONAL HOMELESSNESS COORDINATION AND INNOVATION FUNDS**

I. Overview

Homelessness is a regional crisis. As such, one of the top priorities of the County of Los Angeles (County) Chief Executive Office's Homeless Initiative (CEO-HI) is to continue strengthening the collaboration between the County and diverse stakeholders, including the 88 cities in the County. Since cities have jurisdiction over planning/land use activities and have the insight to support locally specific solutions, cities play a unique role in our countywide efforts to prevent and combat homelessness. The Councils of Governments (COGs) have a unique and important role in facilitating a regional approach with their member cities to address homelessness.

The South Bay Cities Council of Governments (SBCCOG) includes the unincorporated South Bay areas of the County and the cities of Carson, El Segundo, Gardena, Hawthorne, Hermosa Beach, Inglewood, Lawndale, Lomita, Manhattan Beach, Palos Verdes Estates, Rancho Palos Verdes, Redondo Beach, Rolling Hills, Rolling Hills Estates, Torrance, and the San Pedro/Harbor City/Harbor Gateway/Wilmington communities of the City of Los Angeles (South Bay Cities). The SBCCOG Board of Directors is comprised of elected officials from each of the SBCCOG's member cities and County Supervisorial Districts 2 and 4 and serves as the primary governing body taking actions to support endeavors aimed at maximizing the quality of life and productivity of the South Bay region.

On July 13, 2021, the County Board of Supervisors (Board) unanimously approved the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22 Homeless Initiative Funding Recommendations, which included funding for COGs in Homeless Initiative Strategy E7 – Strengthen the Coordinated Entry System, for (1) Regional Homelessness Coordination and (2) Innovation. These funds are intended to be used to support COGs and cities for activities that align with the approved Homeless Initiative Action Plan to Prevent and Combat Homelessness.

This Statement of Work (SOW) includes:

- **Part I: Information on the required deliverables for Regional Homelessness Coordination Funds.** The SBCCOG will conduct activities to support the member cities in regional engagement and city plan implementation. The SBCCOG will receive \$118,751 in Regional Homelessness Coordination Funds.
- **Part II. Information on the required deliverables for Innovation Funds.** SBCCOG should use these Innovation Funds to support cities to implement activities that align with the approved Homeless Initiative Action Plan to Prevent and Combat Homelessness. These tasks are to be separate from and not duplicative of work funded for Regional Homelessness Coordination. The SBCCOG will receive \$2,110,510 in Innovation Funds, of which \$145,000 has been previously pre-paid.

Innovation Funds Methodology: The SBCCOG Innovation Funds Review Panel has reviewed roughly \$3.5 million worth of Requests for Proposal (RFP) submitted by nine South Bay Cities.

In reviewing the RFPs, the Review Panel had the following considerations:

- 1) Support the Priority Areas of the County RFPs:
 - a. Increasing supply of permanent and interim housing
 - b. Enhancing the service system for those experiencing homelessness
- 2) Assess the efficacy of the proposals
- 3) Achieve an equitable distribution of the reward based on the cities' homeless count

The maximum contract amount is not to exceed **\$2,229,261**.

II. Objective

SBCCOG will use these funds to manage the tasks described below, including coordinating with cities to participate in interjurisdictional activities and meetings and facilitating a regional approach to prevent and combat homelessness in the County.

The objective of this Statement of Work is to set the South Bay Cities on a pathway towards achieving functional zero in three years. To achieve this goal, the SBCCOG has identified near term priority goals that are addressed in this SOW:

Priority #1: Increase permanent housing and interim housing inventory

Priority #2: Focus on mental health care and beds

Priority #3: Data mine to better direct resources to match the needs of the area

III. Tasks/Deliverables

Part 1: Regional Homelessness Coordination Services

Task 1: Regional Homelessness Coordination (Priority Area 2)		
Program Description: The SBCCOG will use a multi-prong approach to achieve functional zero in five years. The high-level goals will be to increase interim and permanent housing stock, increase mental health services and beds, data mine Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) population to better link services to needs specific for the area, and increase funding for the area.		
	Deliverables/Performance Targets	Timeline
1.a	a. Coordinate public-private efforts to identify 2 Project Homekey (PHK) sites by providing technical assistance to the hosting cities and private developer to apply for State PHK funding. b. Identify the second PHK site. c. Identify up to 2 additional housing sites for PHK Round 3	a. 90 days from contract execution b. 150 days from contract execution c. 180 days from contract execution
1.b	a. Identify 1 CalTrans site for Interim Housing development; Identify 1 non-CalTrans site for Interim Housing development. b. Develop and submit an Interim Housing proposal to County and/or State funding partners. Begin negotiating a Statement of Work to begin build out during Fiscal Year 2022-23	a. 90 days from contract execution b. 180 days from contract execution
1.c	a. Develop South Bay permanent housing inventory utilizing the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) permanent housing database, PATH Lease-up, Home Share South Bay, SHARE, Family Promise, housing authority database, and listings of Section 8 friendly landlords.	a. 180 days from contract execution b. 270 days from contract execution

	b. Identify gaps in housing in various jurisdictions and develop recommendations for the Board of Directors to fill those gaps.	
1.d	a. Seek funding, develop and launch the Beach Cities/County Psychiatric Mobile Response Team (PMRT) Pilot targeting cities of Redondo Beach, Hermosa Beach and Manhattan Beach. b. Seek funding and launch additional South Bay PMRT team.	a. 240 days from contract execution b. 360 days from contract execution
1.e	a. In partnership with community partners, develop an assessment of mental health needs in the region. b. Submit report to the County	270 days from contract execution
1.f	a. Submit report on delays in housing clients and develop recommendations to the County to address the issue.	Bi-weekly
1.g	Data mine HMIS population in the South Bay. Identify service and income gaps to better target service delivery that compliments the population characteristics of SPA 8. Develop recommendations in combination with 1.g	270 days from contract execution
1.h	SBCCOG's Homeless Services Taskforce to evaluate regional labor supply issues of local homeless service agencies' staff to assess the impact on the homeless service system. Develop/submit recommendations to the County	Quarterly
1.i	a. Research and report to the SBCCOG Homeless Taskforce on legislation and/or government affairs that will affect homelessness in the region, such as the Blue-Ribbon Commission on Homelessness (BRCH), and various Federal, State, and Local legislation (i.e., anti-camping ordinances) – At least bi-monthly b. Legislation/Advocacy recommendations will be submitted to the SBCCOG's Legislative committee at least once a year c. SBCCOG to submit recommendations to the BRCH on Homelessness.	a. Bi-Monthly b. Annually c. 90 days from contract execution
1.j	Work with the South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB) to develop a project that will increase employment opportunities for those formerly incarcerated, or with complicated background checks.	270 days from contract execution
1.k	a. Convene Homelessness Task Force meetings to set goals, discuss progress, identify pain points, share lessons learned and present information to further educate the region on new solutions to end homelessness b. Develop a 3-year Plan to achieve Functional Zero in the South Bay and present the Plan to the Board	a. Bi-monthly b. 360 days from contract execution

Part 2: Innovation Funds

Task 2: Torrance Interim Shelter Project (Priority Area 1)		
Program Description: Slated on the Torrance Civic Center grounds, the Torrance Interim Shelter project will build 40-45 non-congregate single unit shelters. The Innovation Fund will fund the purchase and construction of the Pallet Shelter (capital cost).		
	Deliverables/Performance Targets	Timeline
2.a	Construction and delivery of shelters to site	90 days from contract execution
<u>SITE PREPARATION</u>		
2.b	Torrance site completion, ready for move-in	
2.c	New interim housing to achieve full occupancy	240 days from contract execution

Task 3: Torrance Interim Shelter Project - Outreach/Engagement (Priority Area 1)		
Program Description: Slated on the Torrance Civic Center grounds, the Torrance Interim Shelter project will build 40 non-congregate single unit shelters. The Innovation Funds will fund two outreach and engage unsheltered people experiencing homelessness and Housing Navigators to assist clients to lease up and transition to permanent housing.		
	Deliverables/Performance Targets	Timeline
<u>CLIENT PREPARATION – Narrative to be included in the progress report.</u>		
3.a	Current South Bay outreach teams assist service provider with creating initial 30+ Move-In Potential List. 30 clients are prepared for move-in	
<u>SUB-CONTRACTOR PREPARATION</u>		
3.b	Torrance executes a SOW signed with service provider(s)	
3.c	Torrance posts job openings and vendors RFP	
3.d	Torrance selects the vendor/shelter operator	
3.e	Shelter operator completes a Training Program Design, or utilizes existing operator training programs, for the shelter program staff and Torrance outreach workers.	
3.f	Shelter operator conducts 2 weeks of intensive training, or as prescribed by the operator	
<u>THROUGH-PUT - Narrative to be included in the progress report.</u>		
3.g	Develop Housing Plans, including plans regarding income (e.g., Social Security income and disability income), job assistance, housing vouchers, documentation, and legal aid (e.g., background checks and credit checks), for all participants.	
3.h	<p>Quarterly Report detailing metrics and outcomes, including progress on behavioral health plans and housing timeline (e.g., anticipated housing dates) for all participants. Data such as demographic data and service linkages should be searchable in HMIS by SBCCOG.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. At least 60 unduplicated clients serviced at site and in outreach. b. At least 25 unduplicated clients added to CES c. Complete housing and services plan for all clients d. At least 45 unduplicated clients receive Case Management services e. At least 40 unduplicated clients receive Housing Navigation services f. At least 10 unduplicated interim housing clients exit to housing permanent housing (i.e., emergency housing voucher, rapid rehousing, reunification, permanent supportive housing, etc.) g. At least 4 unduplicated clients, who received outreach services, secure housing exit to permanent housing h. Develop a behavioral health plan for all eligible clients and link them to behavioral health services 	Quarterly

	i. Report on exits back to the streets and the reasons	
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Task 4: Beach Cities’ Homeless Court and Interim Beds (Priority Area 2)

Program Description: The Redondo Beach Homeless Court will be expanded to include Hermosa Beach. The logistics and legal jurisdiction issues have been sorted out. The Innovation Fund will fund a portion of the costs to run this program – namely the site costs and services for those seeking restorative justice (mental health and substance abuse counseling).

Furthermore, the Homeless Court program dates serve as a mini-homeless connect day to link Homeless Court participants and people experiencing homelessness (PEH), who walk in and are not currently participating in Homeless Court, to service providers such as the Criminal Record Clearing Project, Department of Health Services, Department of Mental Health, Workforce Development, and more.

Additionally, 5 single room occupancy (SRO) apartments will be secured to serve as bridge housing. The previous funding for these units has run out. With the expansion of the Homeless Court, the Review Panel deemed these units necessary, with the caveat that they be open to cities of Redondo Beach, Hermosa Beach and Manhattan Beach (“Beach Cities”).

Redondo Beach and Hermosa Beach PEH will be prioritized, however, these units may not exclusively serve these cities.

	Deliverables/Performance Targets	Timeline
4.a	Develop Housing Plans, including income plans (e.g., Social Security Income and Disability Income), job assistance, housing vouchers, documentation support, and legal aid (e.g., background checks and credit checks) for all participants.	Ongoing
4.b	Develop Behavioral Health Plans, including plans for mental health, substance abuse, In Home Supportive Services, medication administration, and Medi-Cal for all participants	Ongoing
4.c	Quarterly report detailing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least 45 quarterly referrals • At least 25 quarterly court appearances • At least 10 unduplicated clients with all motions granted • At least 45 unduplicated clients connected to services including clients bypassing the court, but utilizing the services offered onsite • At least 6 unduplicated clients housed in interim housing • At least 6 unduplicated clients housed in permanent housing • Maintain 100% bed assignment rate • Progress on behavioral health plans and housing timeline, including anticipated housing dates, for all participants. Data such as demographic data and service linkages should be queryable in HMIS by SBCCOG. 	Quarterly

Task 5: Home Share South Bay Project (Priority Area 1)

Program Description: The SBCCOG would like to extend the trial period for the Home Share South Bay Project for another 6 months. We believe the success of Home Share has been hampered by Covid-19 and the subsequent Delta variant. We are seeking to give the program additional runway as we come out of the Delta variant. The funding will go towards costs to support the site, and promotion costs (PSAs, social media, and newspaper ads).

Client eligibility will demonstrate direct linkage to homelessness or at risk.

Additionally, while promoting Home Share, SBCCOG will also promote PATH Lease Up, a countywide program that aims to increase Section 8 friendly inventory.

	Deliverables/Performance Targets	Timeline
5.a	a. Conduct community outreach using public service announcements, social media, and newspaper campaigns b. Track site traffics, click throughs, sign ups, etc. c. Increase traffic by 500% at Home Share South Bay website at: homesharesouthbay.org	Quarterly Report
5.b	Outcomes and Metrics a. At least 30 unduplicated homeowner sign ups b. At least 10 matches (between landlord and tenant) c. Achieve a 90% retention after 6 months d. Complete the Participant (Landlord/Tenant) Survey to evaluate program and develop/implement quality improvement efforts to improve client engagement, matching, and retention. e. Conduct customer satisfaction surveys for all participants (Landlord/Tenant) including: 1 month after tenants move in to troubleshoot; post-move out survey. Collect at least 90% of surveys. f. Monitor income needs of tenants through light touch case management and link clients to services if needed. g. Determine whether to continue separate South Bay branding or just make referrals to Silvernest	a & b: 180 days from contract execution c & d: 180 days from contract execution e & f: Narrative to be included in the progress report. g: 210 days from contract execution

Task 6: Client Aid (Priority Area 2)

Program Description:

South Bay Cities and providers are seeking easily accessible client aid funds for prevention and bridge strategies to support people experiencing homelessness. The SBCCOG is seeking \$35,000 for a 12-month program, 100% due upon execution of this SOW, to administer the Client Aid program that will include, but is not limited to:

- Motel stays for those who cannot go into traditional shelter settings or are in transition to permanent housing
- Move-in assistance: rental & utility deposits
- Boot fees, car impound fees, and temporary auto insurance to help sustain employment
- Minor medical fees to help sustain employment such as glasses and hearing aids
- Bridge rental subsidy for those not eligible for Rapid Rehousing or Problem Solving.

	Deliverables/Performance Targets	Timeline
6.a	Develop a Client Aid program that aligns with the County homeless eligibility requirements and metrics. Program will include process to link clients who have not been connected to homeless services. Narrative to be included in the progress report.	60 days from contract execution
6.b	Conduct targeted Outreach to partners including agencies and city staff. Narrative to be included in the progress report.	90 days from contract execution

6.c	Serve at least 18 unduplicated individuals or families who are at risk of becoming homeless (to avert homelessness), or who need a bridge to shelter and/or permanent housing. Metrics to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • # of people receiving prevention services (auto related expenses, job related expenses, rental related expenses, and others) • # of people transitioned to interim housing (bridge housing, storage fees, and others) • # of people transitioned to permanent housing (document fees, bridge housing, storage fees, and others) 	Quarterly
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Task 7: Hawthorne/LA CADA Project (Priority Area 2)

Program Description: Hawthorne is partnering with an agency called Los Angeles Centers for Alcohol and Drug Abuse (LA CADA). LA CADA provides comprehensive behavioral healthcare services that addresses alcohol, drug, mental health, trauma disorders, and other exhibited symptoms of homelessness. The proposal calls for 2 Outreach Case Managers, who will provide intensive case management and clinical coordination. LA CADA will initially dedicate 4 behavioral health beds for Hawthorne residents, with the option to expand. LA CADA will also match 40% of the personnel costs. This funding is predicated on Hawthorne maintaining its existing 2 Homeless Coordinator positions so that this new funding does not supplant current expenditures.

Potential risks and mitigation plans: Labor supply competition. Mitigation: Consider creating a regional Labor Pool Funds to benchmark starting salaries with LAHSA's salaries.

	Deliverables/Performance Targets	Timeline
7.a	Finalize an Outreach Plan	30 days from contract execution
7.b	Execute a subcontract with the provider	60 days from contract execution
7.c	Achieve a full caseload (20-25) per Manager	60 days from contract execution
7.d	Develop Housing Plans, including plans regarding income (e.g., Social Security income and disability income), job assistance, housing vouchers, documentation, and legal aid (e.g., background checks and credit checks), for all participants.	Throughout the contract. Narrative to be provided in the progress report
7.e	Develop Behavioral Health Plans, including plans for mental health, substance abuse, In- Home Supportive Services (IHSS), medication administration, and Medi-Cal, for all participants.	
7.f	Achieve a full bed occupancy	90 days from contract execution
7.g	Quarterly Report detailing metrics and outcomes, including progress on behavioral health plans and housing timeline (e.g., anticipated housing dates) for all participants. Data such as demographic data and service linkages should be searchable in HMIS by SBCCOG. Metrics to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least 50 unduplicated clients serviced at site and in outreach. • At least 30 unduplicated clients added to CES. • At least 12 unduplicated clients are housed in the following categories: emergency housing voucher, rapid rehousing, reunification, permanent supportive housing, and interim housing etc. 	Quarterly

Task 8: Beach Cities Dedicated Case Management Services (Priority Area 2)		
<p>Program Description: Manhattan Beach will serve as the lead city in this multi-jurisdictional program to provide consistent case management, closer linkage between outreach activity and city stakeholders, decrease burden of homeless calls to police, and increase housing placements for cities of El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, and Redondo Beach (“Beach Cities”). This SOW will provide funding for two full-time case managers to provide this coverage.</p> <p>Potential risks and mitigation plans: Labor supply competition. Mitigation: Consider creating a regional Labor Pool Funds to benchmark starting salaries with LAHSA’s salaries.</p>		
	Deliverables/Performance Targets	Timeline
8.a	Develop Staff Training Program and conduct staff training (service provider)	90 days from contract execution
8.b	Maintain a client ratio of 1:20 (Case Manager to Clients)	90 days from contract execution
8.c	Develop Housing Plans, including plans regarding income (e.g., Social Security income and disability income), job assistance, housing vouchers, documentation, and legal aid (e.g., background checks and credit checks), for all participants.	To be reported in Quarterly Reports
8.d	Provide behavioral health referrals	Ongoing
8.e	<p>Quarterly Report detailing metrics and outcomes, including progress on and housing timeline (e.g., anticipated housing dates) for all participants. Data such as demographic data and service linkages should be searchable in HMIS by SBCCOG.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least 20 new unduplicated clients are serviced in outreach. • At least 10 new unduplicated clients are added to CES • At least 15 new unduplicated clients receive case management services • At least 5 unduplicated clients are housed in interim housing • At least 8 unduplicated clients are permanently housed (include destinations: emergency housing voucher, rapid rehousing, reunification, permanent supportive housing, etc.) 	Quarterly Contract Period

Task 9: Inglewood Homeless Coordinator Project (Priority Area 2)		
<p>Program Description: A homeless service coordinator will help integrate Inglewood with homeless systems, better align resources, and increase housing placements. Inglewood seeks to partner with St. Margaret’s Center to manage this Coordinator position.</p> <p>Potential risks and mitigation plans: Labor supply competition. Mitigation: Consider creating a regional Labor Pool Funds to benchmark starting salaries with LAHSA’s salaries.</p>		
	Deliverables/Performance Targets	Timeline
9.a	Tasks to be completed by Coordinator include, but not limited to: Agency (sub-contractor) to design a Training Program (include abundant case studies)	90 days from contract execution
9.b	<p>On a weekly basis:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Meet with outreach teams b. Review Housing Plans and Behavioral Health Plans for clients c. Identify gaps in plans and outreach d. Help identify solutions to bridge gaps e. Maintain a caseload of 12 people 	Narrative to be provided in progress reports

9.c	<p>Quarterly Report detailing metrics and outcomes, including progress on behavioral health plans and housing timeline (e.g., anticipated housing dates) for all participants. Data such as demographic data and service linkages should be searchable in HMIS by SBCCOG.</p> <p>a. At least 12 unduplicated clients are serviced in outreach. (Outcome: 12 people)</p> <p>b. At least 8 unduplicated clients are added to CES. Report the number of people added to CES (Outcome: 8 people)</p> <p>c. Complete housing and services plan for all clients</p> <p>d. Develop a behavioral health plan for all eligible clients and link them to behavioral health services</p> <p>e. At least 4 unduplicated clients are placed in interim housing.</p> <p>f. At least 2 unduplicated clients are housed in permanent housing (i.e., emergency housing voucher, rapid rehousing, reunification, permanent supportive housing, etc.)</p> <p>g. Increase outreach outcomes in area (outcome: increase people housed by 20% for the quarter when compared year-over-year)</p>	Quarterly
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Task 10: Gardena Homeless Plan and Outreach Coordinator (Priority Area 2)

Program Description: Gardena is seeking funds to develop a Homeless Plan. Gardena anticipates, as a result of this Plan, the need for an Outreach Coordinator to facilitate Plan recommendations and increase housing placements. Currently, Gardena staff is handling a large volume of homeless services requests. This Coordinator position will alleviate the burden on the city staff and provide the attention that the requests deserve. However, the Coordinator position will be hired after the Plan is put in place, which will be outside the 6-month window of this SOW.

Potential risks and mitigation plans: Labor supply competition. Mitigation: Consider creating a regional Labor Pool Funds to benchmark starting salaries with LAHSA's salaries.

	Deliverables/Performance Targets	Timeline
10.a	Contract in place for consultant services	90 days from contract execution
10.b	SBCCOG to submit the city's Partnership Report to the County	210 days from contract execution
10.c	<p>Develop Homeless Plan. Plan will include, but not be limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comprehensive needs assessment for Gardena's homeless population, including looking at mental health needs, substance abuse needs, income needs, restorative justice needs, other needs of the demographics of Gardena's homeless population, and homeless inflows/outflows • Tactical steps to reach functional zero in 5 years, including potential funding to address the needs assessed • Suggests sites for interim housing • Plans to increase permanent housing inventory • Prevention strategies to mitigate inflow 	
10.d	Plan adopted by City Council	270 days from contract execution
10.e	Coordinator Hired	360 days from contract execution

Task 11: Rancho Palos Verdes Homeless Plan Project (Priority Area 2)		
Program Description: Rancho Palos Verdes is seeking to develop an actionable plan to prevent and combat homelessness. The plan sets goals and strategies, with input from city staff, sheriff and fire departments, community members, and neighboring peninsula cities.		
	Deliverables/Performance Targets	Timeline
11.a	Contract in place for consultant services	
11.b	SBCCOG to submit the city's Partnership Report to the County	180 days from contract execution
11.c	Develop a Homeless Plan. Plan will include, but not be limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a comprehensive plan with city departments and community partners to address homelessness when it occurs and how cities can get people into shelter and what permanent and affordable housing options are available • Discuss with neighboring cities regarding coordinating efforts throughout the peninsula • Discuss realistic projections of homeless inflow and outflow Discuss prevention strategies to mitigate inflow	270 days from contract execution
11.d	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan adopted by City Council 	360 days from contract execution
11.e	Coordinator Hired	270 days from contract execution
11.f	Coordinate the development of the City Homelessness Plan Implementation plan.	300 days from contract execution
11.g	Develop a City referral plan for City departments to refer homeless services requests. Submit the referral plan to the County.	300 days from contract execution
11.h	Collaborate with the SBCCOG to identify new permanent housing sites.	360 days from contract execution

Task 12: Innovation Fund Administration		
Program Description: The SBCCOG will administer the Innovation Fund Projects and provide oversight to ensure program goals and reporting processes are met within each task timeline. The SBCCOG will also disburse funding and coordinate any budget modifications that may arise.		
	Deliverables/Performance Targets	Timeline
12.a	Oversight and technical assistance of the included programs. Quarterly check-ins of each project. Collect quarterly reports on each project.	Quarterly
12.b	Develop and submit consolidated quarterly reports to the County and participate in program monitoring calls.	Quarterly
12.c	Invoice and disburse funding	Quarterly

Task 13: Future Programming (Hold Back)		
Program Description: SBCCOG will set aside \$201,711 for future programming which may be used to fund existing (for an extended period of time) or new projects.		
	Deliverables/Performance Targets	Timeline
13.a	The program will align with the County homeless eligibility requirements and metrics. Program will include assisting clients who have not been connected to homeless services.	
13.b	Conduct targeted Outreach to partners including agencies and city staff.	
13.c	SBCCOG to submit an allocation plan including a scope of work prior to implementation.	Quarterly

IV. Reporting, Documentation, and Invoices

The SBCCOG shall provide quarterly reports, complete on-line surveys, and submit invoices, describing progress made on items in Tasks listed above. A final report will be due to the County prior to contract expiration describing the outcomes for all Tasks.

- A. Provide a copy of the any subcontracted agreements necessary to implement the funded program in advance for County approval.
 - i. Within 60 days of contract execution
- B. Submit invoices monthly to the County CEO-HI.
 - i. Invoices will not be paid without the associated report describing progress made during the invoicing period
- C. Submit Quarterly Reports and supporting documents.
- D. Submit Final Report
 - i. Prior to contract expiration

All reports, invoices, and required documents must be submitted to the following three email addresses:

Onnie Williams III, Principal Analyst: owilliams@ceo.lacounty.gov
with copies to
hiadmin@ceo.lacounty.gov
HomelessInitiativeCities@lacounty.gov

EXHIBIT B-1

**PRICING SCHEDULE
 SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
 REGIONAL HOMELESSNESS COORDINATION AND INNOVATION FUNDING**

Maximum Contract Amount Not to Exceed: \$2,229,261

Up to \$118,751 of the total contract budget is to be paid by County for South Bay Cities Council of Governments (SBCCOG) Regional Homelessness Coordination costs. Up to \$2,110,510 of the total contract budget is to be paid by County for SBCCOG Innovation costs.

The County may pay up to \$32,986 of the total Regional Homelessness Coordination sum amount upon submission to and County approval of Regional Homelessness Coordination Implementation Plan detailing contract services. The County may also pay up to \$60,510 of the total amount of the Innovation Fund (Year One) and up to \$179,055 of the total amount of the Innovation Fund (Year Two) upon submission to and County approval of subcontracts necessary to perform contract services to County.

When the County Board of Supervisors approves future fiscal year funding allocations for Measure H, the contract may be amended to increase the contract budget.

REGIONAL HOMELESSNESS COORDINATION PROGRAM BUDGET				
STAFFING COSTS				
Position	FTE/Months	Rate	Year 1	Year 2
Senior Project Manager	0.28/ 18mo.	\$105	\$22,575	\$45,150
Analyst	0.28/ 18 mo.	\$62	\$13,578	\$27,156
Data Intern (part time)	0.14/ 18 mo.	\$25	\$3,431	\$6,861
STAFFING COSTS			\$39,584	\$79,167
PROGRAM OPERATIONS COSTS				
				\$
PROGRAM OPERATION COSTS				\$
REGIONAL HOMELESSNESS COORDINATION TOTALS			\$39,584	\$79,167

INNOVATION FUNDS PROGRAM BUDGET				
STAFFING COSTS				
Position	FTE/Months	Rate	Year 1	Year 2
Senior Project Manager	0.12/ 18 mo.	\$105	\$62,669	\$105,339
Analyst	0.12/ 18 mo.	\$62	\$39,286	\$70,331
Data Intern	0.36/ 18 mo.	\$25		\$25,875
STAFFING COSTS			\$101,955	\$201,545
PROGRAM OPERATIONS COSTS				
Torrance Interim Shelter Project- Capital cost			\$100,000	\$45,000
Torrance Interim Shelter Project - Outreach				\$250,000

CONTRACT FOR HOMELESS SERVICES
 CONTRACT NO. AO-22-604, AMENDMENT ONE

Beach Cities' Homeless Court and Interim Beds	\$135,693	\$170,606
Home Share South Bay Project	\$6,000	\$14,000
Client Aid	\$35,000	\$20,000
Hawthorne/LA CADA Project	\$116,000	\$232,000
Beach Cities Dedicated Case Managers Project	\$72,000	\$144,000
Inglewood Homeless Coordinator Project	\$41,667	\$83,333
Gardena Homelessness Plan and Coordinator	\$30,000	\$80,000
Rancho Palos Verdes Homelessness Plan Project	\$20,000	\$10,000
Future Programming		\$201,711
PROGRAM OPERATIONS COST	\$556,360	\$1,250,650
INNOVATION FUNDS TOTALS	\$658,315	\$1,452,195
REGIONAL COORDINATION & INNOVATION FUNDS TOTAL AMOUNTS	\$697,899	\$1,531,362
TOTAL CONTRACT SUM	\$2,229,261	

*Changes within line items and/or categories require written authorization from the County Project Manager. Written authorization may be defined to include letter, email, and fax. A contract amendment is not required for changes within line items and/or categories, not to exceed the maximum contract amount.

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

October 27, 2022

TO: SBCCOG Board of Directors
FROM: SBCCOG Steering Committee
SUBJECT: Innovation Fund Budget Modification 1

BACKGROUND

Previously, the Board of Directors approved \$1,807,010 of program spending per our Jan '22-Jun '23 Los Angeles County Innovation Fund Statement of Work (SOW). To date, \$300,625 has been spent, with \$1,506,385 remaining. Of this remaining amount, we would like to request from the County the following budget modifications. Please note that all agencies have been notified and agree to these changes.

- 1) Reducing the Torrance outreach budget from \$250,000 to \$113,136. Due to workforce constraints, Torrance has decided to pivot from 2 general outreach workers to 1 mental health worker. Once modification is approved, the SBCCOG will amend its MOU with Torrance accordingly.
- 2) Increase Client Aid by \$60,000 to support the successful program. To date, the program has housed 34 individuals. We will be seeking sustained funding for this program outside of the Innovation Fund. In the meantime, this injection is needed to continue the program another 3-4 months.
- 3) Increase funding for Hawthorne/LA CADA program by \$58,045. The program is budgeted for \$348,000 and includes 2 intensive case management workers as well as 4 beds. We are requesting an increase of up to \$58,045 to fund 6 more beds. Currently, these Hawthorne case workers are seeing a high case load of 150 individuals. LA CADA is already using 7 beds, 3 more than budgeted. This budget modification would make them whole and increase bed capacity up to 10 beds total.
- 4) Increase Rancho Palos Verdes and Peninsula Homeless Plan budget by \$10,000. No vendor wanted to do the project at the initial budget of \$20,000. We needed to increase budget to \$30,000 to find a vendor.
- 5) New authorization of \$144,000 for Short Term Leasing of Motel Beds. Due to the lack of available interim shelter, several cities currently book motel beds when necessary for their clients. The SBCCOG is currently working with several motels in the region to lease beds on a short-term basis, 1-6 months, in order to save on costs. We can lease rooms from \$900-\$1,500/mo. We want to look at leasing up to 20 rooms in the region as a way to provide additional shelter options for our cities. We will work closely with cities in which these motels are located.

With these modifications, we will still have \$76,531 for future programming. Please see spreadsheet below:

FY22-23 BUDGET MODIFICATION						
INNOVATION FUNDS PROGRAM BUDGET						
PROGRAM OPERATIONS COSTS	Total Budget	Jan-Jun Spend	Remaining	Modification	New Remaining	
Torrance Interim Shelter Project- Capital cost	\$145,000	\$100,000	\$45,000	\$0	\$45,000	
Torrance Interim Shelter Project - Outreach	\$250,000	\$0	\$250,000	(\$136,864)	\$113,136	1)
Beach Cities' Homeless Court and Interim Beds	\$306,299	\$55,530	\$250,769	\$0	\$250,769	
Home Share South Bay Project	\$20,000	\$5,358	\$14,642	\$0	\$14,642	
Client Aid	\$55,000	\$45,000	\$10,000	\$60,000	\$70,000	2)
Hawthorne/LA CADA Project	\$348,000	\$78,045	\$269,955	\$58,045	\$328,000	3)
Beach Cities Dedicated Case Managers Project	\$216,000	\$16,692	\$199,308	\$0	\$199,308	
Inglewood Homeless Coordinator Project	\$125,000	\$0	\$125,000	\$0	\$125,000	
Gardena Homelessness Plan and Coordinator	\$110,000	\$0	\$110,000	\$0	\$110,000	
Rancho Palos Verdes Homelessness Plan Project	\$20,000	\$0	\$20,000	\$10,000	\$30,000	4)
Short Term Lease/Purchase of Beds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$144,000	\$144,000	5)
Future Programming	\$211,711	\$0	\$211,711	(\$135,180)	\$76,531	
PROGRAM OPERATIONS COST	\$1,807,010	\$300,625	\$1,506,385	\$0	\$1,506,385	

2022 Client Aid Recap Report

Date Submitted	Why this aid is needed and why other options will not work	The Client Aid request best fits the following option	Amount Requested	Client	City in SPA 8	Agency/ City	Outcomes
9/16/22	My client was matched to PSH @Whittier Place 2 & found out his permanent residency card is expired...Need to pay fees for new card	Application Fees/DMV Fees/Document Assistance	\$540	Felipe	Redondo Beach	City of Redondo Beach	In process
9/16/22	The participant located a unit in San Pedro. Upon speaking with the property owner, he stated that he was not willing to wait for payment more than 1 week. If funds are requested from Problem Solving or PATH, payment would be received in 2 or more weeks putting the participant at risk of losing the unit.	Security Deposit and 1st month's rent	\$3,190	Joseph	Rancho palos verdes	PATH Outreach	Housed
9/19/22	Client has found an available shelter bed in Lancaster but she needs transportation and the shelter cannot provide it. Availability of bed is contingent on her getting to Lancaster today. This client is currently fleeing from her abusive partner who attacked her on Wednesday 9/14.	Transportation to appointments or interviews that would progress their re-housing efforts	\$116	Arielle	Inglewood	St. Margaret's Center - Catholic Charities LA	Sheltered @Valley Oasis
9/19/22	Client has a part time job as CAD operator for a plumbing company that requires computer work. His computer stopped working and he was not able to complete the project. City of Torrance Information technology technician checked the computer and confirmed he needed a new screen.	Purchase of computer screen and mouse	\$210	Dennis	City of Torrance	City of Torrance	Still in progress
9/21/22	United Way program currently does not have funds	Rental/Utility Deposits	\$603	Dolores	San Pedro	Harbor Interfaith Services	Housed
9/27/22	Homeless service agency's will not pay for a private mental health evaluation. He has been homeless in Redondo Beach for 4 years. 9/28 Notes from M. Morash: Client suffers from PTSD & alcohol abuse. I have been trying to help him for a couple of years w/o any success. He is currently housed at RB Pallet Shelter & very grateful for the WestHaven match.	mental health evaluation for psh @west haven	\$100	Daniel	Redondo Beach	City of Redondo Beach	In Shelter and matched to West Haven
9/27/22	Homeless service providers will not pay for a private mental health evaluation. a domestic violence survivor. She is safe staying in a RV in someone's backyard in Gardena until housed.	mental health evaluation for PSH @West Haven	\$100	Samanatha	Redondo Beach	Redondo Beach	In Shelter and matched to West Haven
9/29/22	No flex funds available & we have no time for problem solving. Client is known in the community for being service resistant: "Umbrella Lady". Engaged for several months. Finally agreed to shelter at the new pallets added to the RB Pallets. Client has mental health/OCD issues.	1-5 day motel stay	\$551	Carolyn	Redondo Beach	Redondo Beach	TBD
9/30/22	Online application fees are due payable on demand, client does not have available funds	Application Fees/DMV Fees/Document Assistance	\$45	Salvador	Lennox	St. Margaret's Center	TBD
		Total Paid YTD	\$33,981				
		Total Available	\$55,000				
		Total Remaining	\$21,019				
		Total Client Aid Cases YTD	51				
		Total Housed or Sheltered YTD	34				
			67%				

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South Bay Cities Council of Governments

October 27, 2022

TO: SBCCOG Board of Directors

FROM: Jacki Bacharach, Executive Director; David Leger, Senior Project Manager

RE: Bills to Monitor – Status as of October 4, 2022

Adherence to Strategic Plan:

Goal B: Regional Advocacy. Advocate for the interests of the South Bay

STATE BILLS

New Laws

Cannabis – SB 1186 (Wiener) – Medicinal Cannabis Patients’ Right of Access Act. – oppose
Environment – SB 54 (Allen) – Solid waste: disposable packaging and food ware. – support
Environment – SB 379 (Wiener) – Residential solar energy systems: permitting – oppose
Environment – SB 852 (Dodd) – Climate resilience districts: formation: funding mechanisms. – support
Environment – SB 1122 (Allen) – San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy: territory. – support
Transportation – AB 1946 (Boerner Horvath) – Electric bicycles: safety and training program. – support
Transportation – AB 2432 (Muratsuchi) – Neighborhood Electric Vehicle Plans: Los Angeles County. – support
Governance – AB 2449 (B. Rubio) – Open meetings: local agencies: teleconferences. – monitor
Governance – AB 2647 (Levine) – Local government: open meetings – support
Governance – SB 1100 (Cortese) – Open meetings: orderly conduct. – monitor
Health – SB 929 (Eggman) – Community mental health services: data collection. – support
Homelessness – SB 914 (Rubio) – HELP Act. – support
Housing – AB 916 (Salas, Quirk–Silva) – Zoning: bedroom addition. – oppose
Housing – AB 2011 (Wicks) – Affordable Housing and High Roads Jobs Act of 2022. – oppose
Housing – AB 2097 (Friedman) – Residential, commercial, or other development types: parking requirements. – oppose
Housing – AB 2221 (Quirk–Silva) – Accessory dwelling units. – oppose
Housing – AB 2234 (Rivas) – Planning and zoning: housing: postentitlement phase permits. – oppose
Housing – AB 2295 (Bloom) – Local educational agencies: housing development projects. – oppose
Housing – SB 679 (Kamlager) – Los Angeles County: affordable housing. – oppose unless amended
Housing – SB 897 (Wieckowski) – Accessory dwelling units: junior accessory dwelling units. – oppose
Housing – SB 1444 (Allen/Muratsuchi) – South Bay Regional Housing Trust. – support

Transportation – AB 2438 (Friedman) – Transportation funding: guidelines and plans. – monitor
 Transportation – SB 932 (Portantino) – General plans: circulation element: bicycle and pedestrian plans and traffic calming plans. – oppose

Dead Bills that we were monitoring or had taken a position on:

Environment – SB 1217 (Allen) – State–Regional Collaborative for Climate, Equity, and Resilience – monitor
 Health – SB 1416 (Eggman) – Mental Health Services: gravely disabled persons – support
 Health – SB 1154 (Eggman) – Facilities for mental health or substance use disorder crisis: database – support
 Housing – SB 15 (Portantino) – Housing development: incentives: rezoning of idle retail sites – oppose unless amended
 Housing – AB 1771 (Mullin) – The California Housing Speculation Act: income taxes: capital gains: sale or exchange of qualified asset: housing – (support)
 Housing – AB 2218 (Quirk–Silva) – California Environmental Quality Act: standing: proposed infill housing projects – monitor
 Housing – SB 1067 (Portantino) – Housing development projects: automobile parking requirements – oppose
 Homeless – AB 2220 (Muratsuchi) – Homeless Courts Pilot Program – monitor
 Public Safety – AB 2407 (O’Donnell) – Vehicle tampering: theft of catalytic converters – support
 Public Safety – AB 1737 (Holden) – Children’s camps: safety. – oppose
 Public Safety – SB 930 (Wiener) – Alcoholic beverages: hours of sale. – monitor
 Public Safety – SB 986 (Umberg) – Vehicles: catalytic converters. – monitor
 Transportation – AB 2237 (Friedman) – Transportation Planning: regional transportation improvement plan: sustainable communities strategies: alternative planning strategy: state transportation funding – oppose was going to be recommended

FEDERAL BILLS

<p>S 3788 (Padilla)</p> <p>House version HR 6989 (Lieu)</p>	<p>Housing for All Act of 2022. Would invest over \$500B over ten years to address homelessness and affordable housing crises by addressing the affordable housing shortage; investing in voucher and other homeless housing programs; and support innovative locally developed approaches.</p>	<p>SUPPORT (4/28/22)</p> <p>(Ltr sent 4/29/22)</p>	<p>3/8/22 Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs</p> <p>3/8/22 House Committees on Financial Services; Judiciary; Energy and Commerce; and Transportation and Infrastructure</p>
<p>HR 6662 (Barragan)</p>	<p>EVs for All Act. Would require Dept. of Energy and Housing & Urban Development develop a program which would provide grants of up to \$1M to public housing agencies, local governments, or non–profits to facilitate EV car sharing services operated at public housing projects.</p>	<p>SUPPORT (2/24/22)</p>	<p>2/10/22 House Subcommittee on Highways and Transit</p>

HR 2307 (Deutsch)	<p>Energy Innovation & Carbon Dividend Act. Imposes a fee on the carbon content of fuels, including crude oil, natural gas, coal, or any other product derived from those fuels that will be used so as to emit greenhouse gases into the atmosphere.</p> <p>The fee is imposed on the producers or importers of the fuels and is equal to the greenhouse gas content of the fuel multiplied by the carbon fee rate. The rate begins at \$15 in 2021, increases by \$10 each year, and is subject to further adjustments based on the progress in meeting specified emissions reduction targets.</p>	<p>REQUEST TO CONGRESSMAN LIEU TO SUPPORT RE-INTRODUCING (12/8/20)</p> <p>(Ltr sent 12/22/20)</p>	<p>4/1/21 Introduced in House</p> <p>Previously supported in last session</p>
HR 1019 (Panetta)	<p>Electric Bicycle Incentive Kickstart for the Environment (E-BIKE) Act. Creates a consumer tax credit that covers 30% of the cost of an electric bicycle (up to \$1,500 credit); applies to new electric bicycles that cost less than \$8,000; is fully refundable, allowing lower-income workers to claim the credit.</p>	<p>SUPPORT (3/8/21)</p>	<p>2/11/21 House Committee on Ways and Means</p>

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MONTHLY SBCCOG TRANSPORTATION REPORT

COVERING SEPTEMBER 2022

Edited by Steve Lantz

SBCCOG Transportation Director

FHWA To Provide \$384 million For EV Fast Charging Network In CA

The Biden Administration announced on September 27th it will provide \$5 billion under the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Formula Program over the next five years to help build EV chargers covering approximately 75,000 miles of interstate highways across the country. California is allocated nearly \$384 million over the five-years. NEVI funds can be used for projects directly related to the charging of a vehicle, including:

- Upgrade of existing and construction of new EV charging infrastructure
- Operation and maintenance costs of these charging stations
- Installation of on-site electrical service equipment
- Community and stakeholder engagement
- Workforce development activities
- EV charging station signage
- Data sharing activities
- Related mapping analysis and activities

More information on the NEVI Formula program is at: [FHWA's NEVI web site](#) and [DriveElectric.gov](#).

USDOT Makes \$160 Million Available For Transportation Technology

The U.S. Department of Transportation announced on September 16th that it is accepting applications for two programs that will make approximately \$160 million available annually for the next five years for projects that use technology to improve transportation infrastructure and make communities safer.

The first program, titled Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) Grants Program, will offer up to \$100 million in grants annually over the next five years for projects that use data and technology to solve real-world challenges facing communities today. The SMART program will fund purpose-driven innovation and focus on building data and technology capacity and expertise. The Program seeks proposals from public sector entities that will carry out demonstration projects in the following domains to address key transportation priorities:

- Vehicle technology, like automation and connectivity
- Systems innovation, like delivery and logistics, traffic signals, smart grid, and data integration
- And new ways to monitor and manage infrastructure, like sensors and UAS

The second program, the Federal Highway Administration's \$60 million Advanced Transportation Technology and Innovation (ATTAIN) program, will promote advanced technologies to improve safety and reduce travel times for drivers and transit riders. ATTAIN-eligible projects also will be evaluated on how they consider climate change and environmental justice impacts – including how they reduce transportation-related air pollution and address the disproportionate impacts on disadvantaged communities. In addition, projects are evaluated on their economic impact and potential to create jobs.

The SMART Notice of Funding (NOFO) is open now and can be found at www.grants.gov. Applications must be submitted by 5:00 PM EDT on Friday, November 18, 2022. For more information, visit <https://www.transportation.gov/grants/SMART>

Applications for the ATTAIN NOFO can also be found at www.grants.gov. **Applications must be submitted by Friday, November 18, 2022.** For more information, visit the [FHWA web site](#).

STATE

California Bans Mandated Parking Near Major Transit Stops

California Gov. Gavin Newsom on September 22nd signed AB 2097 that prohibits parking minimums for housing, retail and other commercial developments within a half-mile of major public transit stops. By not requiring parking spaces, which can cost builders between \$40,000 and \$100,000 per space, the bill aims to lower construction costs for new housing.

When the bill becomes law in January, parking minimums will no longer be allowed for housing, retail and other commercial developments within a half-mile of major public transit stops. Cities can impose parking for hotel developments, and developers can still build parking spaces for any type of project if they choose to. The law also allows cities to impose parking minimums near transit if they found the lack of parking requirements would hurt the city's ability to meet state goals for low-income housing.

CARB Proposes Phase Out Of Most Diesel / Gas-Fueled Trucks By 2040

A proposed California Air Resources Board (CARB) regulation would phase out sale of new diesel or gasoline fueled trucks by 2040. In addition, large trucking companies would have to gradually convert their existing fleets to zero-emission vehicles, buying more over time until all are zero emissions by 2042.

The air board will hold a public hearing on the proposal on Oct. 27, after a 45-day public comment period. It comes just a few weeks after the air board passed another far-reaching mandate that bans sales of gas-powered cars by 2035.

About 1.8 million heavy-duty trucks on California's roads would be affected by the regulation. Truckers worry about "the practical unknowns," such as the high cost of the trucks, a lack of charging stations and the limited range of the vehicles.

The provisions requiring turnover of existing fleets would apply only to federal agencies and so-called "high-priority fleets," which are owned or operated by companies with 50 or more trucks or \$50 million or more in annual revenue. Included are trucks weighing 10,001 pounds or more and package delivery vehicles of 8,500 lbs or more, including U.S. Postal Service, FedEx, UPS and Amazon fleets.

These large companies and federal agencies would have a choice on how to comply: They could purchase only zero-emission vehicles beginning in 2024 while retiring diesel trucks at the end of their useful life. Or they could phase-in zero-emission trucks as a percentage of their total fleet, starting with 10% of delivery trucks and other types that are the easiest to electrify in 2025, then ramping up to 100% between 2035 and 2042. In addition, half of all new trucks purchased by state and local governments would be zero-emission in 2024, increasing to 100% by 2027. Some exemptions are allowed, if there is a lack of available models. The new rule banning sale of diesel vehicles would not apply to emergency vehicles, such as ambulances.

California Won't Forgive Homeless Parking Tickets After Newsom Veto.

On September 29th Governor Newsom vetoed AB 1685, a proposed law that would have required local governments and universities to forgive at least \$1,500 in parking tickets each year for Californians who

are homeless. The bill aimed to block attempts by local agencies to seek collections from the Department of Motor Vehicles, which puts holds on vehicle registrations due to unpaid parking tickets, a policy that can lead people unable to pay to lose their vehicles altogether.

Newson pointed to existing local programs that already forgive some parking ticket debt for those who are homeless, and to “safe parking” programs designed to support Californians living out of their cars.

REGION

Where Metro And Caltrans Are Widening The 405 Freeway

In the next couple years, Metro and Caltrans plan to add auxiliary lanes to the 405 Freeway through southwest and south L.A. County. The agencies’ current 405 Freeway expansion is broken up into at least four projects. East to west, Metro’s four current 405 Freeway expansion projects are:

- Add two new lanes between Wilmington Avenue and Main Street – in the city of Carson
- Add two new lanes between Western Avenue and Crenshaw Boulevard/182nd Street – in the city of Torrance
- Add two new lanes between Artesia Boulevard and the 105 Freeway – in the cities of El Segundo Torrance, Hawthorne, Redondo Beach, Lawndale, El Segundo
- Add one new northbound lane from El Segundo Boulevard to Imperial Highway – in Hawthorne and unincorporated Del Aire

One thing that all the projects have in common is that they all add what are called “auxiliary lanes.” These “aux lanes” generally run between one freeway on-ramp and the next off-ramp, so Caltrans engineers define them as “supplementary to through movement.”

When California reformed its CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) standards in late 2018 – a change that largely shifted environmental studies from Level of Service (LOS) to Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) – it included a legal loophole for aux lane projects. The regulation states that induced driving does not need to be studied for “projects that would not likely lead to a substantial or measurable increase in vehicle travel,” specifically including “addition of an auxiliary lane of less than one mile in length designed to improve roadway safety.

L.A. County Ends Mask Order On Public Transit, In Airports

Los Angeles County on September 23rd ended its local health order requiring masking while aboard public transit or inside transportation hubs, such as airports. For months, L.A. has been the only California county to still mandate widespread masking in such settings. Masking is still strongly recommended in interior transit settings. L.A. County officials said they would reinstate a mask mandate on public transit and in transportation hubs should daily case rates again surpass 100 and remain above that threshold for 14 straight days.

LA Council President Seeks 100 Miles of New Bus Lanes in 5 Years

A motion supporting adding at least 100 miles of bus lanes in Los Angeles City within the next five years was introduced on September 28th to LA City Council by Council President Nury Martinez. Martinez asked for a report from the city’s Department of Transportation and Metro on plans and strategies to build the

bus-only lanes with a focus on communities with the highest ridership and are the most dependent on transit.

FEDERAL, STATE & LOCAL TRENDS / INNOVATION

Tech Companies Vie to Monetize, Reinvent Street Parking

Startups are scrambling to disrupt the post-pandemic parking sector, arguing that real-time data will mean less traffic and more revenue for cities. A new breed of curb-savvy startups is disrupting the estimated \$20 billion US parking industry by wooing city officials with real-time data on how their curb space is being used.

Regina and the Populus team are replacing parking meters and parking tickets with data infrastructure. Cities pay a subscription fee to use the platform, and Populus takes a slice of the net revenue they gain by using it. Populus' [Mobility Manager](#) and [Curb Manager](#) platforms use GPS data from more than 40 different mobility operators, such as ride-hailing companies, to give cities access to real-time parking data about bikes, scooters and cars. With that, the software maps a city's street grid to visualize how curb space could be better utilized.

Another company, the Los Angeles-based startup Automotus, relies on battery-powered cameras mounted on streetlight poles to collect data on curb parking activity. The cameras snap 30 images every second — Automotus blurs faces to ensure privacy — and then the software aggregates its insights into a computer dashboard that cities can view to set policy. Like Automotus, the Austin-based startup [Vade](#) uses solar-powered camera technology to identify vehicles, track how long they park, and collect other key metrics to help cities automate billing and enforcement of their curb space.

Not everyone agrees that directing municipal funds to accommodate venture-backed private companies is the best way to handle the nitty-gritty of city parking. Since curb management firms generate revenue from delivery and ride-hailing giants like Uber and Amazon, it's not even clear the city is the primary customer. There's always going to be a conflict there.

Don't Let Flying Taxis Be The Next Scooters, City Planners Warn

Air taxi services from private companies could be operating as soon as 2024, and they could wreak havoc on urban transportation systems if cities do not plan for them.

Miami, Los Angeles, Orlando, Pittsburgh and other [U.S. cities have started planning for urban air mobility](#), but most have not. Los Angeles City established [its policy framework for urban air mobility](#) in September 2021, aiming to improve equity among the city's residents by giving them more ways to get around. The FAA also just released [its vertiport design standards](#), addressing crucial considerations such as airspace requirements for approach and departure.

The city has worked closely with residents, real estate developers, the Federal Aviation Administration, the California Department of Transportation and other key stakeholders to better understand their needs and communicate its own needs.

A coordinated approach is a departure from the usual planning process, which typically does not involve much communication between city planners and air transportation authorities. But the complex nature of urban air mobility has made it necessary. Urban air mobility is more complex than other transportation types, requiring greater communication and coordination among aviation and ground transportation officials, land use planners, vehicle manufacturers, service operators and the public.

The Incentives To Get Workers Back To The Office Aren't Working

When millions of office employees started working from home in 2020, the plan for most was to return to their worksite once the epidemic subsided, not stay remote forever. But two and a half years later, many workers really don't want to go back to the office, and companies are struggling to figure out how to convince them to return, offering unsuccessful enticements like free food, prizes, and even flexible working arrangements to draw workers back.

The past two and a half years have shown many people—although certainly not everyone—that they don't *need* to be in an office to get their work done. They don't *need* to sit in traffic for an hour or two a day to commute, or pay for the gas needed to do that. And if their employers can't counter with good reasons why those things are in fact necessary to get their work done, some workers just aren't going back.

Part of this is a messaging issue. Employers with legitimate reasons to want people back haven't figured out how to communicate those reasons in a convincing way. Some teams *are* more productive in-person, and some remote workers underestimate the impact that staying remote has had on their team's workflow, or how others might be picking up some of their responsibilities that are more easily done on-site. But when that's the case, employers need to spell that out.

City Attendance at Meetings

Monthly Meetings	Cities that attended																
	Carson	El Segundo	Gardena	Hawthorne	Hermosa Beach	Inglewood	Lawndale	Lomita	Manhattan Beach	Palos Verdes Estates	Rancho Palos Verdes	Redondo Beach	Rolling Hills	Rolling Hills Estates	Torrance	County of LA	Los Angeles
City Managers Meeting	D. Roberts				S. Lowenthal	H. Singh	S. Moore	R. Smoot			A. Mihranian	M. Witzansky	E. Jeng		A. Chaparyan D. Santana		
Energy Management Working Group	R. Kulsar		H. Lee					C. Dillon	C. Tai K. Tonkovitch		R. Awwad	R. Osborne					
GIS						E. Moreno			B. Shrewsbury								P. Tsai
Homeless Service Task Force	K. Bennett			A. Monteiro K. Mack		I. Soto L. Jones						L. Omura			J. LaRock Z. Gent	I. Sulic J. LaMarque	
Infrastructure Working Group			K. Kwak					C. Dillon	E. Zandvliet H. Shi K. Doherty							J. Pletyak M. Cheung N. Mi T. Moon	K. Venegas
Legislative Committee				O. Valentine	S. Armato												
Planning Directors/Community Dev.		M. Allen E. Schonborn					J. Chavez	S. Repp	C. Tai		K. Rukavina						
Senior Services Working Group	A. Valorosix D. Cook		C. Theobald L. Barentine		K. Vint	T. Ewal		B. Uphoff			M. Bright			B. Huff			
Transit Operators Working Group												J. Rooney L. Scott			J. Lee		
Transportation Committee		C. Pimentel E. Sassoon				J. Butts D. Faulk			E. Lee H. Shi		J. Cruikshank	L. Scott			S. Furukawa A. Reyes	L. O'Brien (SD2) L. Klipp (SD4) V. Gomez (SD4) A. Chole (DPW)	

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Media Report – September 2022

The following is a summary of metrics from efforts to promote the SBCCOG via social media, email marketing and earned media (external media) for the month of August.

Social Media Followers – Year-Over-Year Comparison

SBCCOG	2021	2022	Percentage Increase
Twitter	353 followers	423 followers	20%
Facebook	259 followers	325 followers	25%
LinkedIn	160 followers	331 followers	107%
SBESC	2021	2022	Percentage Increase
Twitter	579 followers	586 followers	1%
Facebook	784 followers	855 followers	9%

Top Social Media Posts for Each Platform

Channel	Post	Exposure	Engagements (<i>clicks, shares, comments</i>)
SBESC Facebook	Looking for something fun to do today? Make your way to the Hispanic Heritage Festival in downtown Inglewood on Market Street. Our Dakota Townson will be staffing the...	38 impressions	0 engagement
SBCCOG Facebook	More “Good News on the Homeless Front!” Congratulations to Redondo Beach for receiving the esteemed 2022 Helen Putnam Award for Excellence by the League of California Cities. The city was recognized for its Enhanced Response to Homelessness Program, which includes its Homeless Court, Pallet Shelter and Housing Navigation Services.	470 impressions	36 engagements
SBESC Twitter	Kids need extra attention when it’s hot; especially if they’re active and playing outside. Here are some important tips to keep young ones healthy. #HeatSafeLA #StayCoolLA pic.twitter.com/eOvISx4fgF	85 impressions	3 engagements
SBCCOG Twitter	Starting Sept. 6 @mwdh2o along with member agencies @WestBasin and local retail water agencies @TorranceCA are making an urgent	524 impressions	201 engagements

	<p>water saving call suspending outdoor watering for 15 days while a critical pipeline is repaired. Visit http://ow.ly/VBWC50KyhaK for more info. pic.twitter.com/KmZFYPWfmf</p>		
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Top Email Marketing Campaign

Note: open rate industry avg. = 15 to 25%; click-through rate = 2.5% (source: campaignmonitor.com)

Medium	Exposure	Engagements (<i>clicks, shares, comments</i>)
MWD Feeder Shutdown	18,191 recipients (39% open rate – 6,539)	5% click through rate (908)

Earned Media Placements

Outlet	Link	Headline	Date	Quality	Relevance	Sentiment
Easy Reader	https://easyreadernews.com/homeless-numbers-low-but-trending-upwards/	Homeless numbers low, but trending upwards	9/16/22	Medium	High	Neutral
Easy Reader	https://easyreadernews.com/policy-manhattan-beach-homeless-count-continues-to-decline/	Policy – Manhattan Beach homeless count continues to decline	9/16/22	High	High	Neutral
Daily Breeze	https://www.dailybreeze.com/2022/09/08/south-bay-sees-slight-drop-in-homelessness-since-2020-new-data-shows/	South Bay sees slight drop in homelessness since 2020, new data shows	9/8/22	High	High	Positive

Long Beach Press Telegram	https://www.presstelegram.com/2022/09/08/south-bay-council-of-governments-studies-adus-as-an-affordable-housing-solution/	South Bay council of governments studies ADUs as an affordable housing solution	9/8/22	High	High	Positive
Daily Breeze	https://www.dailybreeze.com/2022/09/08/south-bay-council-of-governments-studies-adus-as-an-affordable-housing-solution/	South Bay council of governments studies ADUs as an affordable housing solution	9/8/22	High	High	Positive
Daily Breeze	https://www.dailybreeze.com/2022/09/06/torrance-tiny-home-village-2-months-in-succeeding-so-far/	Torrance Tiny Home Village, 2 months in, succeeding so far	9/8/22	Medium	High	Positive

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Lunch and Learn

South Bay Housing Education Forum

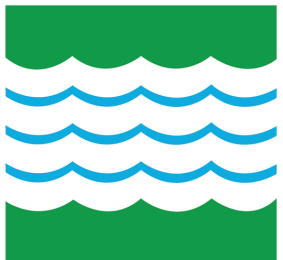
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Join us to learn about new housing laws, sustainability, design, and more in the South Bay!

The first session will be held Thursday, January 12, 2023, 12-1pm via Zoom

Speaker announcements and registration links to come



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South Bay Cities Council of Governments

October 27, 2022

TO: SBCCOG Board of Directors

FROM: SBCCOG Steering Committee

RE: Next Steps for South Bay Regional Housing Trust

CURRENT STATUS

The Governor has signed SB 1444 and the legislation goes into effect January 1, 2023.

HOW TO PROCEED

We have not gotten a firm commitment from cities about their interest in joining a trust. Both city managers and councilmembers have stated that they need more information before they can determine actual city interest. Therefore, the following issues need to be addressed and it is recommended that we contract with a consulting firm to take on this assignment. This is what Gateway Cities COG has done and their example defines the issues that we need answers to. The link to their proposal Gateway Cities Affordable Housing Trust Fund Housing Needs Assessment, Strategic Plan, and Funding Strategy is: https://southbaycities.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/9_CivicHome-GCCOG-Proposal-for-Housing-Trust-signed.pdf

A summary of the tasks that are most noteworthy to the SBCCOG:

- Stakeholder interviews with cities – electeds and staff and developers and potential funders
- Organizational structure and best practices & will review charters of the SB Charter cities to see if there are any restrictions to the activities of an Affordable Housing Trust fund if it should be formed and those cities want to join
- Housing needs assessment – using presently available data sources
- Proposed developments – working with each city’s staff develop spreadsheet and map and talk to developers about possible barriers
- Review all info above with a Trust Steering Committee
 - With direction of Committee – draft formation documents – JPA & Bylaws working with SBCCOG counsel
- Develop funding strategy and budget for staffing
- Strategic Plan for the Trust that specifies goal, objectives, strategies, timelines, and required resources for Trust formation and implementation.
- Fundraising implementation strategy
- Develop recommendations for programs that the Trust should develop

Optional but ultimately necessary

- Funding applications
- Trust website
- Notice of funding availability

Gateway Cities is paying their consultant \$150,000 for the basic study and the options bring that up closer to \$200,000. We would also need legal fees for the formation documents and administrative fees for the SBCCOG. Therefore, we are proposing a budget of \$225,000.

FUNDING

There are several prospects to fund the consultant that is proposed above but they are not necessarily timely.

- REAP 2.0 from SCAG – this project qualifies for funding, but we can't even submit an application until February 2023 at the earliest and the funding would probably not be available until spring 2023
- County – we could ask our supervisors for funding for the formation costs. Probably they would not contribute equally since Supervisor Hahn covers much less of the South Bay. We could ask for 1/3 Hahn and 2/3 Mitchell but it is not clear how successful we will be. They might be more comfortable with providing start-up money for actual housing projects..
- State funding – we could request funding in next year's budget but the earliest it would be available would be summer 2023 or if in legislation, January 2024
- SB 679 – LA County Affordable Housing Solutions Agency – This new agency will have taxing authority and probably ask for funding on the November 2024 ballot. As we understand it, the South Bay cities would receive an earmark of 7% of the funds received. 2023 will probably be spent forming the governing board, etc. The Southwest Corridor will have a seat on the governing board chosen by the League of Cities. The Southwest Corridor has previously been defined as the SBCCOG, Westside COG and maybe Las Virgenes-Malibu COG. From the legislation:
 - The League of California Cities, Los Angeles County Division, shall define the sectors. Every city within a sector shall be entitled to vote to select a candidate from that sector for consideration for appointment by the Los Angeles County City Selection Committee. A city's vote shall be weighted in the same proportion that its population bears to the total population of all cities within the sector.
- City Assessment – this is the most immediate way to proceed and would provide an understanding of which cities are really interested in participating. There has always been a discussion that the cities should have 'skin in the game'. The attached excel spreadsheet offers 3 scenarios for allocating the assessment among the 15 South Bay cities – excluding the City of Los Angeles and the County.

CITY MANAGERS' RECOMMENDATION

On September 21, the issues in this memo were discussed at the City Managers' monthly meeting where they shared their thoughts and resources available for this effort. They unanimously agreed that the steps outlined are appropriate and that the SBCCOG should use REAP 2.0 funds to finance the formation and implementation of the Housing Trust with the assistance of a consultant.

RECOMMENDATION

- That the Board use the REAP 2.0 funding to retain a consultant to develop the specifics of the Trust: potential projects; formation documents; funding strategies; budget required. If we move expeditiously, we should have time to complete the consultant's work to officially begin at the end of 2023 and also know at if and how much to request from the 2024 State legislative session.
- That a subcommittee be created with volunteers from the board to start in January to oversee the drafting an RFP for consulting services so that when the REAP 2.0 funds become available, it can be circulated immediately.

Special Assessment Proposed for Implementation Next Steps for the South Bay Regional Housing Trust

OVER 75,000 population	Even	By population	RHNA % of Total	By RHNA #	RHNA affordable #s
Carson	\$15,000	\$22,000	16.9%	\$38,129	3558
Hawthorne	\$15,000	\$22,000	4.3%	\$9,623	898
Inglewood	\$15,000	\$22,000	18.5%	\$41,579	3880
Los Angeles County					
Los Angeles City					
Torrance	\$15,000	\$22,000	15.8%	\$35,578	3320
30,000 TO 75,000 population					
Gardena	\$15,000	\$16,000	15.0%	\$33,649	3140
Lawndale	\$15,000	\$16,000	6.7%	\$15,153	1414
Manhattan Beach	\$15,000	\$16,000	3.1%	\$6,880	642
Rancho Palos Verdes	\$15,000	\$16,000	2.5%	\$5,540	517
Redondo Beach	\$15,000	\$16,000	9.2%	\$20,725	1934
UNDER 30,000 population					
El Segundo	\$15,000	\$10,000	1.7%	\$3,869	361
Hermosa Beach	\$15,000	\$10,000	2.2%	\$4,983	465
Lomita	\$15,000	\$10,000	2.3%	\$5,262	491
Palos Verdes Estates	\$15,000	\$10,000	0.8%	\$1,865	174
Rolling Hills	\$15,000	\$7,000	0.2%	\$429	40
Rolling Hills Estates	\$15,000	\$10,000	0.8%	\$1,736	162
TOTAL	\$225,000	\$225,000	100.0%	225,000	20996

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October 27, 2022

The Honorable Holly J. Mitchell, Chair
Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Concerns Regarding Los Angeles County Land Bank Program

Dear Supervisor Mitchell,

The South Bay Cities Council of Governments (SBCCOG) has concerns regarding the county's proposal to establish a land bank pilot program that would undermine local land use and zoning regulations and exempt property taxes while the county "holds" land for future use. Local jurisdictions are required by law to carefully study and develop sound General Plan Land Use and Housing Elements. The county should not implement the Land Bank Pilot without input from incorporated cities, particularly if it does not conform with local development standards and is not restricted to unincorporated areas.

As proposed, the Land Bank Pilot would not only negate the extensive community and stakeholder input received and analyzed as part of the development of General Plans, but also would explicitly usurp local authority over land use decisions. City Councils are elected by voters to listen, respond, and work with the community to adopt these local priorities. Allowing the county to indefinitely hold land for potential future uses overrules local land-use decision making, cripples cities' ability to implement their prepared plans and threatens future funding for local services.

If the county moves forward with implementation of the Land Bank Pilot, it should only apply to unincorporated areas of the county and should be voluntary for incorporated cities. The county should also ensure that the pilot program adheres to all local land use and zoning requirements for cities that do participate.

The fact that the county has developed the program without stakeholder input further erodes trust between the county and the 88 cities in it. The Blue Ribbon Commission on Homelessness (BRCH) report released earlier this year highlighted the severe challenges the county faces in its attempts to solve homelessness through LAHSA and Measure H. The BRCH report clearly identified the need for the county to partner with cities to address the complex issue of homelessness. Housing affordability is as complex an issue and there is no reason the same philosophy shouldn't apply to the Land Bank Pilot.

We understand the dire need for affordable housing in Los Angeles County. Like the county, cities are responding and continuing to plan, zone, and promote opportunities for the construction of housing projects to meet that need. Additionally, state legislation continuously propels cities and the county to reexamine current land-use functions. The implementation of major housing bills, like SB 9 and most

LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN ACTION

Carson El Segundo Gardena Hawthorne Hermosa Beach Inglewood Lawndale Lomita
Manhattan Beach Palos Verdes Estates Rancho Palos Verdes Redondo Beach Rolling Hills
Rolling Hills Estates Torrance Los Angeles District #15 Los Angeles County

recently AB 2011 and SB 6, will drastically transform the supply, affordability, and landscape of housing throughout the region. These statewide laws, along with the reasons stated above, make the creation of a countywide land bank program unnecessary.

Nevertheless, we understand that the county, like SBCCOG member cities, also has its own land use authority and must find opportunities to create and fund affordable housing in its unincorporated areas. We believe the land bank program may be most suitable for the unincorporated areas in each Supervisor's jurisdiction, or in cities that chose to participate.

Again, the SBCCOG urges you to reconsider the land bank proposal and to work collaboratively with cities throughout the county to address the urgent affordable housing needs our region faces.

Sincerely,

John Cruikshank, Chair
South Bay Cities Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Rancho Palos Verdes

CC: Los Angeles County Supervisors Hahn, Kuehl, Solis, Barger
Los Angeles County CEO
Los Angeles County Division, League of California Cities
California Contract Cities Association

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

October 27, 2022

TO: SBCCOG Board of Directors

FROM: Jacki Bacharach, SBCCOG Executive Director
Kim Fuentes, Deputy Executive Director

SUBJECT: Environmental Activities Report – October 2022

I. PROGRAMS - TECHNOLOGY, PLANNING, & RESEARCH

Energy Efficiency

Regional Energy Network (SoCalREN); CITY SUPPORT

Contract period is January 1, 2020 - December 31, 2022

Contract goal: Work Plan (including goals) are underway for 2022

The 2022-2023 CivicSparks Fellow will support Energy Efficiency initiatives: implement the Facility Equipment Inventory (FEI); create methodology for tracking city progress in the SBCCOG recognition program; create educational content for social media and website, and review energy/waste nexus to recommend actions.

In coordination with the SBCCOG and the SoCalREN, the City of El Segundo held a residential Go Green El Segundo event on September 19th, in-person at the Council Chambers and virtually on Zoom. The event was also livestreamed on YouTube and broadcasted on local Spectrum Channel 3 and AT&T U-verse Channel 99. The event has already tracked 39 views. West Basin Municipal Water District was invited as a special guest. Residents learned about City sustainability initiatives along with ways to save energy and water through energy efficiency and water conservation practices, as well as SCE, SoCalGas, and West Basin residential programs. Attendees were also entered into a drawing to win drought tolerant plants. The webinar recording will be made available on the SBCCOG and El Segundo websites.

SBCCOG hosted the Energy Management Working Group in September. The following cities attended the meeting: Carson, Gardena, Lomita, Manhattan Beach, Rancho Palos Verdes, and Redondo Beach. The following school districts were also in attendance: Inglewood USD, LAUSD, and Torrance USD. Presentation topics included SoCalREN's supercharged bonus energy efficiency incentives, other upcoming third-party incentive programs, and additional pilot initiatives for cities. Staff used Slido, a polling program that provides participants with a more interactive way to see poll results, to ask the question "Which of the following components of the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant would be of interest to your agency?" The results showed that agencies are most interested in heating/cooling systems.

Currently, the following is a status of SoCalREN enrolled agencies:

- City of Carson: Pursuing boiler retrofit, HVAC and chiller installation at City Hall and Community Centers, as well as EV charging stations through SCE Charge Ready
- City of El Segundo: Pursuing project identification at City Hall

- City of Gardena: SoCalREN is finalizing project proposals for City Hall and Nakaoka Community Center to present opportunity and financial metrics to the City
- City of Hawthorne: Pursuing project identification and discussing Public Power Up opportunities with SoCalREN
- City of Lawndale: Pursuing project identification and discussing Public Power Up opportunities with SoCalREN
- City of Manhattan Beach: Energy audits will be completed at Police & Fire Station
- El Segundo USD: Energy audits will be completed at 4 school sites

SBCCOG staff continue to update City ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager (ESPM) portfolios to ensure utility energy data from SCE and SoCalGas are properly flowing on a monthly basis. Each city portfolio contains property and energy usage of all city-owned buildings, thus providing an opportunity for cities to understand their energy usage in greater detail. To date, SBCCOG staff has met with the following cities to train staff, and grant access to ESPM: Carson, Gardena, Hawthorne, Hermosa Beach, Lawndale, Lomita, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach, and Rolling Hills Estates. Data is requested from the utilities using CISR forms which must be signed by city staff. The SBCCOG is coordinating with cities to complete the forms and follow up with the utilities to help ensure requests are being processed.

Staff continue to meet with SoCalREN and an outside contractor regularly to coordinate a Facility Equipment Inventory pilot project. This project will create an organized system to monitor facilities' energy-using equipment as well as other assets that affect energy efficiency, such as windows. SBCCOG staff will coordinate with some of these cities to arrange for on-site visits in the coming months.

Agencies enrolled in SoCalREN to date: Carson, El Segundo, Gardena, Hawthorne, Hermosa Beach, Lawndale, Lomita, Manhattan Beach, Rancho Palos Verdes, Redondo Beach, Rolling Hills Estates, Torrance, El Segundo Unified School District, Redondo Beach Unified School District, and Torrance Unified School District.

Regional Energy Network (SoCalREN): MULTIFAMILY

Contract period is September 1, 2020 – December 31, 2022

Contract goals: Contact, track progress, and outreach to local community organizations; track number of virtual events held, and number of attendees; distribute program collateral to local community organizations. Discussions are ongoing regarding time extension on the contract.

SBCCOG is assisting a 21-unit condominium property in Rancho Palos Verdes which is interested in adding energy efficiency elements as they upgrade this 50-year-old complex. The HOA reached out to learn more about how they can qualify for the multifamily energy efficiency rebates. Information was sent to the HOA to complete the required Property Owner Agreement and to provide their most recent copies of the complex SGC and SCE bills.

SBCCOG continues to seek outreach opportunities to promote the multifamily program. SBCCOG staff are following up with cities to identify opportunities and next steps.

Regional Energy Network (SoCalREN): Kits for Kids

SBCCOG staff continue to promote the Kits for Kids SoCalREN program focused on providing energy efficiency education to third and fourth grade students. The SBCCOG and ICF are working

to re-launch the program now as the new school year is starting. Marketing materials are also being updated to include testimonials from the Towne Elementary grant award ceremony. Once revisions have been made, the SBCCOG will provide the resource kit to the South Bay school district public information and/or communication contacts.

PACE

SBCCOG continues to promote PACE financing for homeowners through Ygrene. Ygrene announced that the residential PACE offerings were suspended Aug. 15. They believe that this is a temporary suspension. The company continues to support existing projects and complete projects that are in the approval process. For Q1 of 2022 (Jan-Mar services), a full payment of \$24.66 was received. As for Q2 (Apr-Jun 2022), Ygrene has been billed \$114.02.

Water Conservation

West Basin Municipal Water District Programs (West Basin)

Contract period is July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023

SBCCOG and West Basin staff met on September 14, to discuss implementation of programs

Task – Educational Outreach Support - Exhibit Events

Contract goal: 100 exhibit events, presentations, workshops, networking opportunities, etc.

Status of goal: 35 exhibit events, presentations, workshops, networking opportunities, etc.

Task - Speakers Bureau

Contract goal: identify and coordinate 14 speaking opportunities

Status of goal: 4 completed

Task – Water Bottle Filling Station Program

Contract goal: To assist with identifying locations for stations.

(Conduct outreach and marketing for program until grant dollars are fully expended or until West Basin reaches its maximum number of applicants)

Status: Public sites are eligible to install two (2) water bottle filling stations per Tax ID

SBCCOG staff continue to do outreach to market the program and reach the goal. In addition, the water bottle filling station flyer was included in with the handouts for the City Managers' Meeting on September 21, 2022.

Task - Support for Workshops, Events, & Webinars Educational Classes

Contract goal: 13 physical classes or virtual webinars

Status of goal: 5 completed (virtual classes) 2 classes in person.

Staff continue to work with West Basin to hold virtual and in person classes to execute the 2022-23 program year goals.

Task - Commercial Water Efficiency Program

Contract goal: Assist the program consultant in identifying up to 12 commercial sites

Status of goal: 0/12

SBCCOG staff is working with the West Basin team to set up the new program. More details to follow over the next few months.

Task - Rain Barrel Giveaway

Contract goal: 5 Rain barrel distribution events

Status of goal: 1/5

SBCCOG Staff attended Palos Verdes High School on 9/24/2022 Rain Barrel Event where 300 barrels were given away.

Upcoming Rain Barrel Events:

Lawndale High School – 10/8/2022

Redondo Union High School – 10/29/2022

Water Replenishment District of Southern California (WRD)

The contract period is July 1, 2021-December 31, 2022.

Ongoing promotion of WRD programs continues through SBCCOG's e-newsletters and other social media channels. In addition, SBCCOG posts WRD events on the website and sends out e-blasts to increase attendance at events. A tour of the Albert Robles Center for Water Recycling and Environmental Learning was conducted for the SBCCOG Partner organizations.

Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP)

Contract period is July 1, 2021, through July 30, 2023

Task – Community Outreach and Promotional Events

Contract goal: Exhibit or present at 9-12 targeted special events.

Status of goal: 10 exhibit events completed

Task - Commercial Kitchen Water Assessments

Contract goal: Conduct 6-8 commercial kitchens in CD15 for water assessment.

Status of goal: 8 water assessments completed, and materials and packages were distributed

SBCCOG staff is in the process of setting up a meeting with the LADWP to discuss the next 12 months of activity and set new goals.

Waste Reduction

Sanitation Districts of LA County (LACSD)

Contract period is July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023

Educational Outreach Support Exhibit Events

Contract goal: 100 exhibit events, presentations, workshops, networking opportunities, etc.

Status of goal: 49 exhibit events, presentations, workshops, networking opportunities, etc.

Contract goal: Schedule up to 3 Sanitation Districts-related presentations

Status of goal: SBCCOG staff scheduled a total of 0 presentations, 0 presentations have been completed.

SBCCOG is currently working with LACSD to establish new goals for 2022-23.

Green Business

California Green Business Network (CAGBN):

Contract period February 28, 2022 – December 10, 2022

Contract goals: 15 certified business per city (total 30)

*Status of goal: **El Segundo**: 7 certified (completed sustainable actions), 3 enrolled (indicated interest in the program & enrolled); **Hawthorne**: 8 certified; 2 enrolled; **Torrance**: 6 certified; 2 enrolled*

CAGBN – The SBCCOG is working with the cities of El Segundo, Hawthorne, and Torrance to “green” certify local businesses. SBCCOG staff conducted onsite audits in each of these cities to help identify opportunities for sustainable improvements and connect business owners with utility incentives and programs. The team is also working with city staff to promote businesses that have received certification and reaching out to elected officials for potential business walks.

South Bay Green Business Assist Program (GBAP):

Ongoing

GBAP - SBCCOG continues to provide information to local businesses on opportunities to implement sustainability programs. In addition, businesses receive information on the status of SBCCOG utility partners’ operations during the COVID-19 pandemic. GBAP by city: Carson (18), El Segundo (35), Gardena (26), Hermosa Beach (12), Hawthorne (55), Inglewood (20), Lawndale (30), Lennox (10), Lomita (9), Manhattan Beach (10), Palos Verdes Estates (9), Rancho Palos Verdes (11), Redondo Beach (6), Rolling Hills Estates (6), Torrance (66) and Los Angeles County – Community of Westmont (1) for a total of **324** businesses in the program as of September 2022.

Transportation

Metro Express Lanes (MEL) (Contract period November 15, 2019 – November 14, 2022)

South Bay events are being held both virtually and in-person. SBCCOG staff continue to prepare, update, and share the SBCCOG outreach calendar for events that provide opportunities to support the mission and goals of the Metro Express Lane program. In total, the SBCCOG/SBESC distributed MEL materials at 11 events.

II. MARKETING, OUTREACH, & IMPLEMENTATION

Outreach Events

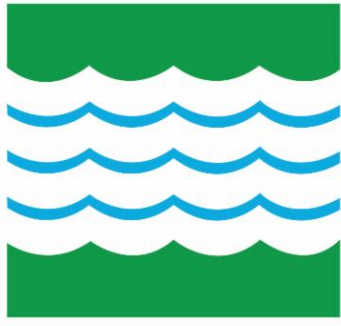
In September

- 2 – Virtual Networking
- 1 - Workshops
- 6 – In Person Event
- 2 – Presentation

For the period July 1, 2022, through September 2022:

- 9 - Virtual Networking
- 13 - Virtual Workshop
- 17 - In-person Community Event
- 0 - Business Event
- 6 - Presentation

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SOUTH BAY CITIES
COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

You're Invited!!



Open House

NOVEMBER 17
AT 4:30 PM

**Meet Our Board of Directors,
Staff and Volunteers**

and Learn About Our Programs

*Join us for hors d'oeuvres,
mocktails and networking.*



Are you coming to the SBCCOG Open House?

LOCATION

2355 Crenshaw Blvd., #125, Torrance, CA 90501

DATE AND TIME

11/17/22 4:30pm - 11/17/22 5:45pm US/Pacific

The pandemic may have delayed our celebration, but now we're ready to welcome you to our (not-so-new) house.

I'LL BE THERE!

Please RSVP by: November 14, 2022

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Report on Cal Cities L.A. Division Board meeting / Sept. 28, 2022
Report by Britt Huff/ Mayor Pro Tem, City of Rolling Hills Estates

I attended my first Board meeting as the newly appointed SBCCOG delegate to the LA Division. The LA Division position on legislation and its status is as follows:

AB 1685 (Bryan) Vehicles: parking violations. Requires local jurisdictions to forgive at least \$1,500 in parking tickets for individuals are experiencing homelessness and requires the local jurisdiction to use local resources to verify the individual's homeless status.

Division Position: Oppose

Status: Governor's Desk

AB 1740 (Muratsuchi) Catalytic Converters. Requires a core recycler who accepts a catalytic converter to include written record of the year, make, and model, vehicle identification number (VIN) and a copy of the vehicle title from which the catalytic converter was removed. The bill also prohibits a core recycler from entering into a transaction to purchase or receive a catalytic converter from any person that is not a commercial enterprise or verifiable owner of the vehicle from which the catalytic converter was removed.

Division Position: Support

Status: Signed by the Governor

AB 1845 (Calderon) Metropolitan Water District of Southern California: alternative project delivery methods. Authorizes the Metropolitan Water District to use alternative project deliver methods for the design and construction of a Regional Recycling Water Program and a limited set of drought-related projects.

Division Position: Support

Status: Signed by Governor

AB 1857 (Garcia) Solid Waste. Repeals current law that allows cities and counties to include up to 10% of the waste sent to the Long Beach SERRF toward their 50% solid waste diversion requirements.

Division Position: Oppose

Status: Signed by Governor

AB 1976 (Santiago) Planning and zoning: housing element compliance: very low and lower income households. Authorizes the Department of Housing and Community Development to impose administrative penalties upon all cities and counties in the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) that have not rezoned to accommodate 100 percent of the need for housing for the very low and lower income households. Penalties include a fine of up to \$10,000 per day and requires the department to rezone on behalf of the local government.

Division Position: Oppose

Status: DEAD

AB 1985 (Rivas) Organic waste: list: available products. Creates an online database of organic waste products on the market to engage local governments to connect with local farmers and community members seeking their products.

Division Position: Support

Location: Signed by Governor

AB 2011 (Wicks) Affordable Housing and High Road Jobs Act of 2022. This measure would require nearly all cities to ministerially approve, without condition or discretion, certain affordable and mixed-use housing developments in areas of a city where office, retail, or parking are principally allowed regardless of any inconsistency with a local government's general plan, specific plan, zoning ordinance, or regulation.

Division Position: Oppose

Location: Governor's Desk

AB 2097 (Friedman) Residential and commercial development: remodeling, renovations and additions: parking requirements. Prohibits a local government in a county of 600,000 or more from imposing or enforcing a minimum automobile parking requirement on residential, commercial, or other developments, without regard to the development size, if the development is located on a parcel within one-half mile of public transit.

Division Position: Oppose

Status: Signed by Governor

AB 2407 (O'Donnell) Vehicle tampering: theft of catalytic converters. Requires core recyclers to report specified information about the purchase and sale of catalytic converters to the chief of police or sheriff, to obtain and preserve a seller's thumbprint and to request to receive catalytic converter theft alert notifications.

Division Position: Support

Status: DEAD, last location was Senate Appropriations Suspense File

SB 15 (Portantino) Housing development: incentives: rezoning of idle retail sites. Enables cities that rezone, build, and certify new occupancy of idle big box retail sites or commercial shopping centers into workforce multi-family housing to receive the average of the annual amount of sales tax revenue generated by that site for the last seven (7) years. The program would be administered by the Department of Housing and Community Development and requires annual appropriation by the legislature.

Division Position: Co-Sponsor

Status: DEAD

SB 897 (Wieckowski) Accessory Dwelling Units. This measure would make numerous changes to existing ADU law. Most notably, SB 897 would require local governments to allow ADUs to be constructed with a height of up to 25 feet.

Division Position: Oppose

Status: Governor's Desk

SB 932 (Portantino) General plans: circulation element: bicycle and pedestrian plans and traffic calming plans. Requires cities to expand the circulation element of a general plan to include specified contents related to bicycle plans, pedestrian plans, and traffic calming plans, and to implement those plans; provides that failure to implement the plans creates a cause of action for victims of traffic violence in urbanized counties, including Los Angeles County.

Division Position: Removal of Opposition due to requested amendments

Status: Governor's Desk

SB 972 (Gonzalez) California Retail Food Code. Expands SB 946 (Lara, 2018), and removes criminal penalties for violations for compact mobile food operations.

Division Position: Oppose

Status: Signed by Governor

SB 1067 (Portantino) Housing development projects: automobile parking requirements. Would significantly restrict parking requirements within one half-mile of public transit if the development meets certain housing affordability requirements. Public transit is defined as 1) a high-quality transit corridor with 15-minute headways; 2) major transit stop — ferry terminal, rapid transit stop, or the intersection of multiple major bus routes with 15-minute headways.

Division Position: Oppose

Status: DEAD, last location was Senate Appropriations Suspense File

SB 1087 (Gonzalez) Vehicles: catalytic converters. Limits who can legally sell and purchase detached catalytic converters and would make a violation of this law an infraction punishable with a fine between \$1,000 to \$5,000.

Division Position: Support

Status: Signed by Governor

SB 1186 (Wiener) Medicinal Cannabis. Restricts local jurisdictions from adopting or enforcing any regulation that prohibits the retail sale by delivery of medicinal cannabis.

Division Position: Oppose

Status: Signed by Governor

AB 2390 (Muratsuchi) Theft: aggregation of amounts and diversion. Amends Proposition 47 by authorizing the aggregation of the values of property involved in one or more cases of shoplifting or theft into a single count or charge when the case involves one or more acts of theft or shoplifting, with the sum of the value of all property or merchandise being the value considered when determining the degree of theft.

Status: Dead

Ballot Measures

The Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act Initiative No. 21-0042A1

Limits voters' input, adopts new and stricter rules for raising taxes and fees, and makes it more difficult to hold state and local law violators accountable.

Division Position: Oppose

Status: Failed to Qualify for November 2022; Circulation for 2024

Los Angeles County

Measure A County Charter Amendment granting the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors authority to remove an elected Sheriff from office by four-fifths vote of the board.

Division Position: Oppose

Status: Special Election for November 8, 2022 General Election

The Agenda **Discussion/Action Item** was a discussion of a comment Letter to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors regarding the Los Angeles County Land Bank Pilot .

Background: Land banks are public organizations that acquire, hold, and manage land in order to remove land from the speculative market and reserve them for future uses such as affordable housing. In March 2022, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (BOS) directed the CEO's office, in collaboration with the Department of Public Works, the Anti-Racism Diversity and Inclusion, Metro, and outside partners, to explore land banking models that would operate at a regional scale to support affordable housing preservation and production and serve as an anti-displacement mechanism in areas where large infrastructure projects are planned in communities at risk for displacement. While the county CEO's report proposes an initial pilot program for the Los Angeles River Master Plan, the office also recommends land banking as a long-term strategy.

The Metro Board of Directors passed a similar motion in late June authorizing staff to explore the agency's "unique expertise in acquiring, holding and redeveloping land across the region" enabling Metro to partner with the county in the land bank program.

Issue/Concerns: According to a BOS staff presentation, the county land bank program would not be subject to local land use regulations and zoning requirements. The program proposes to facilitate the construction of affordable housing within the jurisdictional boundaries of incorporated and independently governed municipalities regardless of existing zoning and land use regulations, which are required in a city's Housing Element.

Housing Elements must include the zoned capacity to accommodate a jurisdiction's share of the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA), at very-low, low, moderate and above-moderate income levels. Cities in the SCAG region are currently in the process of obtaining Housing Element approval from the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), effectively certifying plans for satisfying their respective housing requirements. To further ensure that cities do their part to

facilitate the development of housing, Housing Elements are required to identify properties that are deemed by cities to be most suitable and realistic for reuse as housing. Housing Elements are also required to include specific details about prospective residential development, including the total number of units to be constructed on each subject property and their designate income categories. Lastly, local municipalities are required to re-zone each subject property to accommodate residential uses within a period of three (3) years thereby providing for by-right housing development.

The county land bank program, as currently proposed, could operate without regard to state-approved local Housing Element plans and local regulations under specific conditions. Cal Cities' legal counsel has provided some opinion regarding the proposal:

A county may acquire property within the incorporated boundaries of a city for future affordable housing (Gov't Code 25539.4). However, before acquiring the property, the county must submit the proposed acquisition to the city for a report about whether the use of the property conforms to the city's general plan (Gov't Code 65402). The acquisition can go forward even if the report says it is inconsistent with the city's general plan. However, the process means the city will receive notice of the planned acquisition and, in addition to issuing a report, can take any political steps it thinks appropriate.

A county may develop, own, and operate affordable housing within the incorporated boundaries of a city even if the city's land use restrictions don't allow housing in that location. However, a city's land use restrictions will apply to the development of housing by a private for profit or non-profit developer.

Therefore, a county can "land-bank" property for future affordable housing within a city. But development of housing by a private developer/non-profit will be subject to a city's land use regulations. [68 Ops AG 114, 118 (1985): the government's "sovereign immunity" cannot be transferred to a private entity].

Status: At the September 27 BOS meeting, Supervisor Hahn's entered a motion to study an opt-in model for the County's proposed land bank pilot program and include cities as part of a working group in the development of the interim and long-term organization structure and program criteria of the land bank program. The land bank pilot is still in the planning stage and recommendations including a governance structure and funding were set to go to the BOS and Metro through October.

Considerations: The Division will submit comments to the BOS and the Metro Board of Directors regarding land-use override concerns with the land bank proposal, with recommendations to develop the program only for unincorporated areas of the county; urge the county to develop a land bank program that adheres to local land use and zoning; give first right of refusal to the jurisdiction where the land bank has purchased parcels.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The Governor completed his action on bills at the end of September. His office released [statistics on his final actions](#) saying he had signed 997 bills into law and vetoed another 169. There are many disappointments in his actions, like the [38 new housing bills](#) signed into law that create new requirements on cities, including AB 2011 and SB 6 which both speed housing while limiting input from the public or city officials and eliminating parking minimums when these projects are within ½ mile of transit. Parking came under fire in several bills this year and the signing of [AB 2097 \(Friedman\)](#) will also prohibit parking minimums in residential and commercial zoning within ½ mile of transit.

More legislative updates will come out as we prepare our new laws webinar for the end of the year (tentatively scheduled for NOV 14), but below is some of the good news that came out of the end of the legislative session:

Community Services:

- [SB 1338 \(Umberg\) CARE Court](#) – SIGNED
- [Eggman Behavioral Health Package](#): Of the 8 bills that were introduced, 3 were signed and one was vetoed. Cal Cities worked closely with the author and recommended a support position on all of them. The three that were signed are: [SB 929 \(Eggman\)](#), [SB 1035 \(Eggman\)](#), [SB 1127 \(Eggman\)](#); and [SB 1238 \(Eggman\)](#) was vetoed.

Transportation, Communications and Public Works:

- [AB 1685 \(Bryan\) Parking Violations](#) – VETOED. Would have required cities to forgive \$1,500 in parking violations annually for unhoused individuals
- [SB 932 \(Portantino\)](#) – SIGNED. This bill would require cities to adopt bicycle, pedestrian, and traffic calming elements when they update their general plan. Cal Cities negotiated amendments that removed the legal liability section of this bill allowing us to remove our opposition.

Public Safety:

- [AB 1740 \(Muratsuchi\) Catalytic Converters](#) - SIGNED
- [SB 1087 \(Gonzalez\) Catalytic Converters](#) – SIGNED

Rev & Tax:

- [AB 1951 \(Grayson\) Manufacturing Sales Tax Exemption](#) - VETOED

GENERAL ASSEMBLY RECAP FROM THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Members approved bylaws amendments and took action on a petitioned resolution that would have required Cal Cities to help qualify the Brand-Mendoza-Candell Tripartisan Land Use Initiative on the 2024 ballot (also known as the Our Neighborhood Voices initiative).

Since this item was brought as a petitioned resolution, Cal Cities bylaws do not allow amendments to the resolution nor enough time for Cal Cities policy experts (i.e. the Cal Cities policy committees and staff) to provide any briefing or policy recommendations on the item.

The general resolutions committee took extensive public comment from members on the proposal before that committee voted 39 – 4 to recommend the resolution be sent to the Housing, Community, and Economic Development (HCED) and Environmental Quality committees in 2023 for further review.

At the General Assembly, city voting delegates rejected a motion to debate the petitioned resolution by a vote of 98 – 167 and voted instead to approve the recommendation sending the petitioned resolution back to HCED & EQ policy committees.

If you still have questions on the outcome of the General Assembly, additional detail can be found [HERE](#) or please call me and I can brief you on the what transpired.

NEW CAL CITIES PRESIDENT AND ARTESIA COUNCIL MEMBER ALI TAJ'S MESSAGE TO THE MEMBERSHIP

From September 14 issue of Cal Cities Advocate:

Last week, more than 2,000 city officials gathered in Long Beach for the 2022 League of California Cities Annual Conference and Expo. It was a great honor to be installed as the new Cal Cities president. It is an even greater honor to lead this organization as it continues to advance its 124-year-long mission: to expand and protect local control for cities. Being around such an impassioned and active gathering of thousands of city colleagues reminded me of the great strength of our organization.

As I start my new term, I believe it's important to acknowledge our recent accomplishments, while also committing ourselves fully to tackling the difficult challenges that lie ahead in 2023. This past year will be remembered for the ongoing impacts of a pandemic, inflation at levels we haven't seen in decades, a declining economy, and an ever-worsening drought.

In the face of these challenges, city leaders showed strength and resilience by adapting innovative ways to serve our communities while also providing basic services with fewer resources — improving local streets and roads, planning and approving new housing, supporting unhoused residents, helping local businesses get back on their feet, and keeping communities safe.

And like city leaders, Cal Cities also delivered for our members in 2022. Cal Cities meaningfully advanced all four member-driven advocacy priorities for 2022, including:

- **Housing.** Cal Cities secured resources to support cities' efforts to jumpstart housing construction — including nearly \$1 billion for low-income housing and infill construction — and carved out flexibility for cities in bills that threaten local housing plans.
- **Infrastructure.** Cal Cities led a broad coalition against a large, unfunded transportation measure that would have required cities to adopt significant and costly bicycle, pedestrian, and traffic calming elements in their general plans. Cal Cities also defeated two measures that would have restricted local transportation funding.
- **Homelessness.** The Cal Cities Board of Directors adopted a policy that supports additional funding and resources to expand access to behavioral health services and that supports our county partners. With this new policy, we went to work on bills designed to modernize the behavioral health system, to better serve those who need it, including our unsheltered residents. This includes the CARE Court legislation that the Governor signed into law on Sept. 14, which includes Cal Cities' requested amendments.
- **Climate resiliency and disaster preparedness.** Cal Cities secured \$180 million in the state budget for organic waste recycling programs, which will go a long way towards helping advance our shared city and state priority to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Cal Cities also had a seat at the table for a landmark recycling bill, SB 54, that became law this year. SB 54 requires all single-use plastics to be recyclable or compostable by the next decade.

But our work is not finished. While we celebrate the progress on our advocacy priorities, we continue to face challenges in the Legislature and at the ballot box that threaten local funding for local services and our land use authority.

As your president, I am committed to spending time in the State Capitol, building relationships with legislators, particularly the 35 incoming lawmakers, to advance our legislative priorities and uphold local control. But this work will require a unified voice. It will take working together for all of our cities to be stronger and our advocacy to be more effective.

To uphold our unwavering commitment to expand and protect local control, the Board directed Cal Cities to establish near-, mid-, and long-term strategies, including exploring the feasibility of a ballot measure that fights back against the continual erosion of local control by the Legislature and Administration. And at this year's conference, the membership directed us to work through our committee process to review a potential ballot measure.

Staff have already begun this important but difficult work. Designing, qualifying, and passing ballot measures in California — particularly a constitutional amendment — is no small undertaking and certainly no guarantee. It takes months of policy research, polling, legal analysis, coalition building, fundraising, and other deliberations to construct a policy that meets the goals of the organization, while also meeting the approval of California's diverse electorate.

And it takes even more to actually win at the ballot. In 2022, gathering signatures to qualify a constitutional amendment cost between \$10-16 million. The cost for 2024 could be greater. And running a campaign to pass a measure takes many tens of millions of dollars more to educate California's 20 million voters. In fact, the average winning ballot campaign spent more than \$50 million in the 2020 election cycle. Clearly, Cal Cities cannot go it alone. It will take a broad coalition and extensive evaluation to determine if there is a viable path to success.

Toward that end, the Board also instructed Cal Cities to engage in a campaign against the deceptively named "**Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act**". Backed by the California Business Roundtable, the measure adopts new and stricter rules for raising taxes, fees, assessments, and property-related fees; and creates new ways to challenge or repeal these revenue-raising measures that disrupt fiscal certainty and local services. This measure directly challenges our mission to safeguard local control.

The California Business Roundtable has raised more than \$16 million and submitted 1,429,529 signatures to try to qualify this measure. It is likely to qualify for the November 2024 statewide ballot. We anticipate the business coalition will raise tens of millions more to push the measure in 2024.

We know what it will take to be successful at the ballot: tens of millions of dollars and a strong coalition of allies. We've already started building the coalition to oppose this measure and are working with very powerful groups: SEIU California, California Professional Firefighters, California Special Districts Association, California State Association of Counties, AFSCME California, and the California Alliance for Jobs, to name a few.

If and when this measure qualifies, we will need city officials to be all in to oppose this measure, spread the word, and raise the funds it will take to defeat it.

As I start my new term, the bottom line is that the state of Cal Cities is strong. I am confident that we will rise and respond to our challenges this year as we've been doing for over 120 years.

Thank you all for leading your communities with passion, courage, and dedication. It is an honor to lead this organization and the important work we will do in the year ahead.

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SCAG Energy and Environment Committee, Oct. 6, 2022

There was one action item on the agenda, and two informational items.

RECOMMENDED ACTION FOR EEC: The Energy and Environment Committee (EEC) voted to recommend the Regional Council (RC) adopt a Water Action Resolution of the Southern California Association of Governments (No. 22-647-3). The resolution affirms a drought and water shortage emergency in the SCAG Region and calls on local and regional partners to join together to reduce water use; improve water conservation, reuse, and efficiency; and enhance water systems health and resilience.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Southern California Energy Outlook, Transition to Renewable Energy

In preparing for 2024 Connect SoCal Plan, SCAG must set a vision for the region's growth, including the future of the transportation system, housing, and other land uses. As the region grows, a sustainable and reliable energy supply will be critical. SB 100, passed in 2018, set a 2045 goal of powering all retail and state agency electricity needs with renewable and zero carbon resources, and a target of 60% renewables by 2030. An increase in decarbonization and electrification of buildings and the transportation network will bring an increased demand for storage of intermittent renewable resources. Energy providers must also plan grid resilience as the climate continues to warm. Further, the Advanced Clean Cars II Rule has mandated that 100% of new passenger vehicle sales will be zero emissions by 2035. AB 2127, passed in 2018, requires the CEC to biennially assess the electric vehicle charging infrastructure needed to meet the state goal of 5 million EVs by 2030 and reducing greenhouse gas emission to 40% below 1990 levels by 2030.

By 2045, population and economic growth will result in peak loads to the state's electrification system. As such, the energy sector will need to quickly resolve energy storage issues using sustainable and emerging technologies, to meet the state's 2030-2045 goals. Energy storage will be essential as most carbon-free generation sources are intermittent. The grid must have sufficient capacity and modernize to harness the full potential of distributed energy resources. In 2021, the CEC completed the SB 100 report¹, which evaluated the state's future energy demands. The report provides analysis of energy and infrastructure needs and associated costs. According to the report, hydro, geothermal, nuclear, and biomass will be phased out as energy sources, and a greater dependence will be placed on wind and solar. This reliance on renewable sources will result in a timing imbalance that exists between solar generation and daily peak load, also known as the "duck curve." To mitigate the "duck scale" effect and hit our decarbonation goals, energy storage will have to be constructed by a factor of eight (8), while solar and wind energy sources will have to be constructed by a factor of three (3).

To meet the state's obligations by 2045, solutions are needed for additional energy storage. Initial forecasts suggest adequate supply to meet the scaling up of electric vehicles, though continued investment in distribution and interconnection and programs to better manage load will be important. Research is being done to evaluate technologies for energy storage and integration and electric vehicles

may be part of the solution. SCAG will continue to identify and evaluate programs which promote energy resilience and provide periodic updates to the ECC.

2. Lithium-Ion Battery Reuse, Recycling and Safe Disposal - Findings from the CA Lithium-Ion Battery Recycling Advisory Group .

Alissa Kendal, Professor, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, UC Davis, gave a presentation covering the activities of the Lithium-Ion Car Battery Recycling Advisory Group. The committee addressed the need for sound policies to support end of life reuse, recycling, and safe disposal for the batteries in zero emission battery electric vehicles and submitted a report with policy recommendations to the state legislature earlier in 2022. The SCAG legislative platform, approved by the Regional Council on February 3, 2022, includes a principle that supports taking a life cycle approach to the development and deployment of zero emission and alternative fuel vehicles and their supporting infrastructure. This principle specifically states that for electric vehicles SCAG shall “support policies that ensure that proper battery reuse, recycling, and disposal are in place.” Dr. Kendal offered additional background and shared recommendations on this challenge.

Battery end of life management requires attention for several reasons. Zero Emission Vehicles/ZEVs have different characteristics than conventional combustion engines and a lithium-ion battery can be dangerous if disposed of improperly. The minerals and materials (often referred to as critical materials) used within a lithium-ion battery are rare and the extraction processes could be damaging to the environment and surrounding communities. Currently, the majority of critical materials are extracted overseas and California and the Nation as whole may potentially face supply issues, due to increasing global demand, uncertainty in trade agreements, and supply chain/logistical problems (as witnessed during the COVID-19 pandemic). To mitigate logistical uncertainties and environmental impacts from extracting raw materials, there is a potential to recycle and extract critical materials from retired lithium-ion batteries. In 2018, AB 2832 dictated a process for selecting participants for the composition of the Advisory Group and required submission of a report at the end of the process. As such, the Advisory Group submitted policy recommendations to the Legislature to ensure “...that as close to 100% as possible of lithium-ion batteries in the state are reused or recycled at end-of-life.” SCAG staff, Alison Linder, Senior Regional Planner, served as a committee member and chair of the Reuse Subcommittee from November 2019 – March 2022. The committee developed recommendations in four primary areas including: • Designation of end of life responsibility • Access to battery information • Economic opportunities around reuse and recycling industry development • Safe and efficient reverse logistics .

Councilman Mark E Henderson, Ed.D. Report and Comments on SCAG Meeting

Most noteworthy item: Agenda Item 4: SCAG Water Action Resolution.

This action takes an inclusive position of all possibilities to address our water issues, including but not limited to, storage opportunities, conservation, mitigation, etc.

Attached is the redlined version that will be re-drafted and submitted to the regional council.

We did approve the redlined version and are waiting for the final draft.



RESOLUTION NO. 22-647-3

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS AFFIRMING A DROUGHT AND WATER SHORTAGE EMERGENCY IN THE SCAG REGION AND CALLING ON LOCAL AND REGIONAL PARTNERS TO JOIN TOGETHER TO ADOPT AN "ALL OF THE ABOVE" RESPONSE TO SUCH EMERGENCY, INCLUDING REDUCE-REDUCING WATER USE; IMPROVE-IMPROVING WATER CONSERVATION, REUSE, AND EFFICIENCY; ENHANCE-ENHANCING WATER SYSTEMS' HEALTH AND RESILIENCE; PURSUING AND POTENTIALLY IMPLEMENTING NEW WATER SUPPLY AND STORAGE OPPORTUNITIES; AND SUPPORTING INVESTMENTS IN WATER INFRASTRUCTURE AND CONSERVATION PRACTICES THAT SUPPORT THE REGION'S ECONOMIC AND POPULATION GROWTH AND FOSTERS PLANNING FOR THE REGION'S HOUSING NEEDS IDENTIFIED IN CONNECT SOCIAL

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WHEREAS, the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) is the largest metropolitan planning organization (MPO) in the United States covering six counties (Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and Ventura), and serving approximately 19 million people within 197 jurisdictions pursuant to 23 USC § 134 et seq. and 49 USC § 5303 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, SCAG is responsible for bringing Southern California's diverse residents and local partners together with unifying regional plans, policies, and programs that result in healthy, livable, sustainable, and economically resilient communities; and

WHEREAS, clean, safe, affordable, and reliable water supply is central to Southern California's people, economy, and natural systems; and

WHEREAS, the conservation, ~~and~~ replenishment, and development of water supplies, mitigation of future water supply shortages, and investment in sustainable water infrastructure are essential to ensuring the health, safety, and welfare of communities, agriculture, and the environment, and to supporting the projected economic and population growth of the region; and

WHEREAS, investments in sustainable water infrastructure are required to support the 1.3 million units of housing required in the 6th cycle Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) including recycled water systems; greywater capture and reuse; groundwater recharge; and urban runoff capture; and

WHEREAS, climate change will continue to threaten California's water supply and water quality resulting from a combination of persistent and extreme drought conditions, increased volatility in precipitation, continued reductions in snowpack,

unsustainable use of groundwater, decreased soil moisture, and higher overall in-stream temperatures¹; and

WHEREAS, higher temperatures associated with climate-related extreme heat conditions will continue to increase demand for water use, reduce available water supply and groundwater replenishment rates due to environmental factors²; and

WHEREAS, infill and multifamily development generally require less water than expansive regional development patterns, and the type of new development has a significant bearing on more water use to maintain lawns and other landscaping³; and

WHEREAS, in July 2020 the State released a Water Resilience Portfolio that includes a set of actions to meet California's water needs through the 21st century, with principles that include prioritizing multi-benefit approaches that meet several needs at once; utilizing natural infrastructure such as forests and floodplains; embracing innovation and new technologies; encouraging regional approaches among water users sharing watersheds; and incorporating successful approaches from other parts of the world; and

WHEREAS, in August 2022 the State released a Water Supply Strategy that lays out a series of actions aimed at preparing for an estimated 10% decrease in California's water supply by 2040 due to higher temperatures and decreased runoff by developing new water through recycling and desalination; capturing and saving more stormwater, above ground and below ground; reducing use of water in cities and on farms; and improving all water management actions with better data, forecasting, conveyance, and administration of water rights; and

SUPPLY THREATS

WHEREAS, on April 21, May 10, July 8, and October 19, 2021, Governor Newsom issued proclamations that a state of emergency exists statewide due to severe drought conditions and directed state agencies to take immediate action to preserve critical water supplies and mitigate the effects of drought⁴; and

WHEREAS, on January 18, 2022 and June 10, 2022, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted two emergency regulations to help conserve water as climate change continues to disrupt California's water system⁵; and

WHEREAS, the Colorado River Basin supplies approximately 55–25 percent of Southern California's water⁶, and, on August 16, 2021, the US Department of the Interior declared the first-ever

¹ Governor's Office of Planning and Research, California Energy Commission, and California Natural Resources Agency (2019). *California's Fourth Climate Change Assessment Statewide Summary Report*.

² Ibid.

³ SCAG (2020). *Connect SoCal, Sustainable Communities Strategy Technical Report*,

⁴ State Water Resources Control Board (May 24, 2022). *Resolution 2022-0018 TO ADOPT AN EMERGENCY REGULATION TO REDUCE WATER DEMAND AND IMPROVE WATER CONSERVATION* State Water Resources Control

⁵ State Water Resources Control Board (2022). *Water Conservation Portal, Water Conservation Emergency Regulations*.

⁶ [Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. Our Foundation: Securing Our Imported Supplies.](#)

water shortage declaration in history for the Colorado River Basin as water flows and reservoir levels have dramatically declined due to climate change; and

WHEREAS, groundwater is a critical resource that accounts for 40 percent of California’s total annual water supply in normal years and almost 60 percent in drought years when surface water is less available, but California’s current groundwater levels are strained with approximately 63 percent of monitoring wells at historic lows⁷ and groundwater overdraft has led to land subsidence and damage to infrastructure, drying up of local wells, depletion of streamflows, and decreased water quality⁸; and

ECONOMIC THREATS

WHEREAS, recent analysis from University of California, Davis estimates that the 2016 drought in California resulted in over \$600 million in direct economic damages (annual losses) and resulted in the loss of 4,700 jobs⁹; and

WHEREAS, pressures from climate change, sanitation and water quality needs, and necessary infrastructure upgrades are placing increasing strain on water prices. Estimates of the cost to replace aging infrastructure in the United States are projected to be over \$1 trillion dollars in the next 20 years to replace outdated systems and could triple the cost of household water bills¹⁰; and

WHEREAS, California spends about \$37 billion annually on its water system, with 84 percent of funding coming from local water bills and taxes, and urban utilities must raise funds to replace aging infrastructure, comply with requirements, and update infrastructure to adapt to climate change¹¹; and

WHEREAS, projected increases in water rates over the next five years estimate that the percentage of U.S. households who will find water bills unaffordable could triple from roughly 12 percent to over 35 percent¹²; and

WHEREAS, monthly water bills have been growing two to three times faster than inflation in California’s urban areas and lower-income households across California face growing affordability challenges as water bills increase, with nearly 13 percent statewide of single-family households with water bills that exceed 2 percent of their annual incomes¹³; and

WHEREAS, water bills have been rising faster than inflation in many parts of California to cover rising costs and State Water Board estimates that 21 percent of California’s water systems have water

⁷ State of California Department of Water Resources. *California’s Groundwater Live Current Groundwater Conditions*.

⁸ Cooley, H. et al. (Apr. 2022). *The Untapped Potential of California’s Urban Water Supply: Water Efficiency, Water Reuse, and Stormwater Capture*.

⁹ Medellín-Azuara, J. et al. (2016). *Economic Analysis of the 2016 California Drought on Agriculture*.20.

¹⁰ Mack, E, and Wrase, S (2017). *A Burgeoning Crisis? A Nationwide Assessment of the Geography of Water Affordability in the United States*.

¹¹ Chappelle, C. et al. (May 2021). Public Policy Institute of California. *Paying for California’s Water System*.

¹² Ibid.

¹³ Hanak, E. et al. (Mar. 2014). Public Policy Institute of California. *Paying For Water in California*.

rates that are unaffordable (i.e., cost 1.5 percent or more of median household income) for basic needs¹⁴; and

WHEREAS, renters and low-income households are less likely to participate in water conservation and efficiency programs¹⁵; and

AGRICULTURE/NATURAL LAND/HEAT THREATS

WHEREAS, agriculture is an invaluable asset to the SCAG region but agricultural production is increasingly vulnerable to drought impacts, water shortages, and over-reliance on groundwater to withstand droughts¹⁶; and

WHEREAS, the direct economic impacts of prolonged drought on water quality and agriculture at national level are estimated to be greater than \$3 billion annually¹⁷; and

WHEREAS, the 2021 drought directly cost the California agricultural sector \$1.2 billion and approximately 8,745 jobs¹⁸ and the total impacts including other economic sectors are estimated at \$1.7 billion and 14,634 jobs; and

WHEREAS, climate change related increases in extreme heat days reduce available water supply through evapotranspiration, and can lead to deadly pathogens in freshwater sources¹⁹; and

WHEREAS, low water storage levels and water right curtailments as a result of drought reduced surface water deliveries to farms in 2021 and water shortages led to an additional estimated 395,000 acres of idled land and an estimated \$1.1 billion in crop revenue losses and increased pumping costs due to deficit irrigation²⁰; and

WHEREAS, the Colorado River is the Imperial Valley's only source of water and the Imperial Valley has been using less water, conserving over 7 million acre-feet of the Colorado River and California's water supplies²¹; and

¹⁴ Chappelle, C. and Hanak, E. (May 2021). Public Policy Institute of California. *Water Affordability in California Fact Sheet*.

¹⁵ Pierce, G. et al. (Mar. 25, 2021). *Solutions to the problem of drinking water service affordability: A review of the evidence*.

¹⁶ Governor's Office of Planning and Research, California Energy Commission, and California Natural Resources Agency (2019). *California's Fourth Climate Change Assessment Statewide Summary Report*.

¹⁷ Governor's Office of Planning and Research, California Energy Commission, and California Natural Resources Agency (2019). *California's Fourth Climate Change Assessment Statewide Summary Report*.

¹⁸ Medellín-Azuara, J. et al. (2022). *Economic Impacts of the 2021 Drought on California Agriculture. Preliminary Report*.

¹⁹ UNICEF (Mar. 18, 2022). *Water and the global climate crisis: 10 things you should know*. W

²⁰ Escrivá-Bou, A. et al. (Apr. 2022). Public Policy Institute of California. *Policy Brief: Drought and California's Agriculture*.

²¹ Hanks, J. (Jun. 16, 2022). *IID Board President Issues Statement on Federal Hearing Examining Solutions to Extreme Drought in Western U.S.*

WHEREAS, in June 2022, the Federal Bureau of Reclamation requested that states and Tribes in the Colorado River Basin, including California and the Imperial Valley that depends on water from the Colorado River, will need to collectively conserve between 2 to 4 million-acre feet in 2023²²;

WHEREAS, extreme heat increases demand for potable drinking water to offset certain heat-related health impacts²³; and

OPPORTUNITIES

WHEREAS, conserving water and local water supplies can support climate change mitigation and adaptation, as saving water and replacing imported water with water reuse and stormwater capture requires less energy and reduces greenhouse gas emissions²⁴; and

WHEREAS, water systems that rely on groundwater tend to have lower rates, as treatment and delivery costs are relatively low²⁵; and

WHEREAS, natural areas play an important role in groundwater recharge, protecting watershed and riparian areas, and ensuring clean drinking water for the region, and on October 7, 2020, Governor Newsom issued the Nature-Based Solutions Executive Order N-82- 20, that committed California to the goal of conserving 30 percent of our lands and coastal waters by 2030²⁶; and

WHEREAS, water conservation is the easiest, most efficient, and most cost-effective way to quickly reduce water demand and extend limited water supplies²⁷; and

WHEREAS, within Metropolitan Water District of Southern California’s service area, the percentage of local water supplies has increased, providing over 50 percent of the water used in 2020 through use of groundwater, local surface water, recycled water, and recovered groundwater²⁸; and

WHEREAS, even with greater conservation, our region will remain dependent to some degree on imported water, and it is therefore important for SCAG to join with water suppliers, local jurisdictions, and other agencies in efforts to protect and maintain these imported supplies; and

WHEREAS, many Southern Californians and water suppliers have made progress in reducing water use and improving efficiency; however, water use is outpacing water replenishment and reducing

²² Unites States Bureau of Reclamation (June 14, 2022). Colorado River Basin. *Commissioner Touton asks Basin States and Tribes to conserve an additional 2-4 million acre-feet of water in 2023.*

²³ Gisolfi, C. (1993). *Water Requirements During Exercise in the Heat.*

²⁴ Davis, M. (Jun. 2, 2022). *SCAG Energy and Environment Committee, The Evolving Role of Water in Regional Resilience Planning.* 96.

²⁵ Chappelle, C. and Hanak, E. (May 2021). Public Policy Institute of California. *Water Affordability in California Fact Sheet.*

²⁶ Executive Department State of California (Oct. 7, 2020). *Executive Order N-82-20.*

²⁷ State Water Resources Control Board (May 24, 2022). *Resolution 2022-0018 TO ADOPT AN EMERGENCY REGULATION TO REDUCE WATER DEMAND AND IMPROVE WATER CONSERVATION.*

²⁸ Davis, M. (Jun. 2, 2022). *SCAG Energy and Environment Committee, The Evolving Role of Water in Regional Resilience Planning.* 92.; Cooley, H. et al.(Apr. 2022). *The Untapped Potential of California’s Urban Water Supply: Water Efficiency, Water Reuse, and Stormwater Capture.*

water supply at unsustainable rates, and additional conservation actions and water supply sources are needed to address the region’s water challenges²⁹; and

~~WHEREAS, California could further reduce water use by more than 30 percent in cities and suburbs by investing in measures to use water more efficiently; and~~

WHEREAS, water is necessary to support growth in Southern California and build much-needed housing for the region, and a compact development pattern and the building of infill housing, along with development of thoughtfully conceived master planned communities that afford a variety of housing types, allows for less water consumption, greater water-efficiency, and lower infrastructure costs³⁰; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 222 establishes the Water Rate Assistance Fund in the State Treasury to help provide water affordability assistance, for both drinking water and wastewater services, to low-income residential ratepayers³¹; and

WHEREAS, the United States Conference of Mayors adopted a resolution in June 2022 clarifying that current state and federal funding of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO) primarily supports transportation planning and related land use, stormwater and air quality considerations, and restricts use of funds for planning and technical assistance on many water related issues, which inhibits MPOs from holistically planning for water systems, including groundwater resources and associated infrastructure, resulting in a missed opportunity to integrate the program funding more effectively³²; and

WHEREAS, SCAG has adopted mitigation measures for its most recent long-range plan, Connect SoCal 2020, related to coordinating and working with local jurisdictions and water agencies; encouraging regional-scale planning for improved stormwater management, groundwater recharge, wastewater and stormwater management, water quality management, pollution prevention, and drainage patterns; and fostering the implementation of urban greening, greenbelts, and community separator land use strategies that promote improved water quality, groundwater recharge, watershed health, reduced urban runoff, stormwater and rainwater collection³³; and

WHEREAS, SCAG is developing a Regional Resilience Framework to help local agencies adapt to persistently arid and drought conditions in the region, with guidance and policy direction from the Resilience & Conservation Subcommittee and Energy & Environment Policy Committee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Regional Council of SCAG affirms a commitment to support implementing agencies plan for reduced water use; improved water conservation, reuse, and efficiency; enhanced water systems’ health and resilience; and investments in sustainable water

²⁹ Mount, J., Ellen Hanak, et. al. (May, 2019). *Water Use in California*. Public Policy Institute of California.

³⁰ Decker, N. et al. (2020). *Right Type Right Place, Assessing the Environmental and Economic Impacts of Infill Residential Development through 2030*. Terner Center for Housing Innovation.

³¹ California Legislative Information (September 1, 2022). *SB-222 Water Rate Assistance Program*.

³² United States Conference of Mayors (June 2022). *Breaking Silos to Use the BIL Funding for Transportation, Land Use, and Water Planning*.

³³ SCAG (May 2020). *Connect SoCal Certified Final Program Environmental Impact Report*.

infrastructure, supply and storage, and conservation practices that support the region's economic and population growth and fosters planning for the region's housing needs identified in Connect SoCal.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

1. SCAG shall support best practices in resource conservation as well as an integrated planning approaches to help local jurisdictions meet housing production needs in a drier environment.
2. SCAG shall continue to work with local jurisdictions to encourage planning for context sensitive infill, ~~and multifamily~~, and master planned community housing development to reduce, ~~which shows lower~~ per capita water consumption rates ~~than alternative housing types~~³⁴.
3. SCAG shall, through the Resilience & Resource Conservation Subcommittee, further explore regional water challenges and solutions and report findings for consideration by SCAG's Energy & Environment Committee.
4. SCAG's Energy & Environment Committee shall make recommendations to SCAG's Legislative Communications & Membership Committee to support legislative advocacy for increased affordability for low income retail customers, including consideration and funding of a state low-income rate program and state distribution of federal funds through an equity lens, and increased resources for water infrastructure, including investments in repairs, modernization, and enhancements of the region's aging infrastructure and related imported water supply infrastructure, that can serve the community and regional needs of Southern California and ensure effectiveness, efficiency, and resiliency of the region's water systems
5. SCAG shall coordinate with local jurisdictions, water agencies and organizations, the State, and other stakeholders, including social and environmental justice organizations, housing and business groups, and public health organizations, to foster adoption of alternative groundwater recharge technologies, such as permeable pavements, surface infiltration, and well injection systems, and best practices to increase and maintain a sustainable water supply for the region.
6. SCAG will explore opportunities to support implementation of green infrastructure, greywater usage systems and policy, including the development of model ordinances and training and education programs, as well as urban cooling infrastructure with a focus on improving groundwater recharge and reducing water usage in urban areas.
7. SCAG shall hold an Industry Forum and seek national expertise on investments in sustainable water infrastructure that support housing production goals identified in the region's 6th Cycle Housing Elements.

³⁴ ~~Keifer, J. and Krentz, L. (2018). *Water Use in the Multi-Family Housing Sector*.~~

8. SCAG shall identify, recommend and integrate into Connect SoCal 2024 policies and strategies to align investments in water infrastructure with housing needs and the adopted growth forecast and development pattern.
9. SCAG shall advocate with partners such as the United States Conference of Mayors, the National Association of Regional Councils, and other stakeholders for additional flexibility in the use of state and federal resources to support integrated planning and technical assistance for groundwater resources and associated infrastructure along with transportation, land use, energy, stormwater and air quality, as well as advocate for projects that expand water resources and infrastructure.
10. SCAG staff shall prepare a white paper on the state of water in the region that addresses multiple sectors; addresses issues related to water acquisition, storage, supply, demand and quality; identifies challenges and opportunities to support sustainable and resilient regional development as well as local jurisdictions in developing and implementing water planning efforts in an increasingly arid environment; explores the feasibility and cost-effectiveness of a wide range of strategies under an all-of-the-above approach to addressing the region's water challenges; and includes recommendations for practical ways to support implementing agencies.
11. SCAG staff shall periodically update the Energy & Environment Policy Committee and seek guidance on the implementation of these aforementioned actions.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Regional Council of the Southern California Association of Governments at its regular meeting this 6th day of October, 2022.

Jan C. Harnik
President, SCAG
Riverside County Transportation Commission

Attested by:

Kome Ajise
Executive Director

Approved as to Form:

Michael R.W. Houston
Chief Counsel

**Report on the California Council of Governments/CALCOG Board meeting,
Sept. 23, 2022**

Submitted by Britt Huff, Mayor Pro Tem, City of Rolling Hills Estates/SBCCOG delegate to CALCOG

Recent developments in climate policy may lead to fairly significant changes in how transportation projects are selected and funded going forward.

List of Major Climate Policies

- *Changes in climate planning documents to reflect Climate Budget Package.* This includes accelerating the 2030 target to a 55% reduction in emissions from 1990 levels (the previous level was 40%). It also includes including the Net Zero by 2045 goal, which is likely to be more aggressive than the existing 2050 Executive Order.
- *State VMT Reduction Goals Increased.* ARB has already increased expectations in the draft Scoping Plan for VMT reduction. (Even though the targets are ultimately expressed in terms of GHG per capita, ARB uses a VMT metric in the Scoping Plan then converts it to a GHG equivalent). In the last draft, the Scoping Plan called for a 25% reduction in GHG per capita using this method. MPOs were assigned 19% of that amount based on what could reasonably be expected. Under the new methodology, the 25% is likely to increase to 30 or 35%. We are not certain about what that will mean for the next target setting round.
- *New SB 375/Transportation Funding Reform Legislation Likely.* Last year, Assembly Member Friedman introduced two bills that related to transportation funding reforms and performance measurement. Most of those proposals did not make it to the governor's desk. But Ms. Friedman has given every indication that she is coming back with more legislation next year that would limit funding on certain types of road projects and perhaps introduce more limitations to land use decision making.
- *RTP Guidelines Update.* After every Reauthorization, the CTC updates the Guidelines, which have a regulatory affect (meaning RTPAs and MPOs must follow them). This process involves a lot of stakeholder engagement, and a lot of proposals that seek to introduce new responsibilities for MPOs and RTPAs (in the past, the Guidelines focus on implementing existing laws and duties, not creating new ones).
- *CAPTI Implementation.* The state has identified its own principles in how state funds should be spent in order to set priorities. Many of these decisions affect projects and even the bond ratings of our members who seek to finance projects.

REGIONAL LEADERSHIP FORUM INFORMATION

CALCOG's annual forum will be March 6-8, 2023, at the Riverside Convention Center.

Difficult Conversations Ahead – Like many Statewide organizations, it is becoming more difficult to reach consensus on issues among our members. Opinions within our membership are more dispersed than in previous years. Some generally concur with the direction of new state goals (if not all the details). Others see it as an interference in the attainment of local economic needs and priorities. This will make agreement more difficult and compromise may be necessary. For an organization that operates of consensus, the next year could be very challenging.

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South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce
Meeting of October 4, 2022

The South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce (SBACC) had its monthly hybrid meeting on October 4, 2022. Here are the highlights of that meeting:

1. Guest Speakers.

Tom Shortridge is a Political consultant in the South Bay, working for the California Target Book. He provided some insights about the 2022 general election, as follows:

- During COVID the legislature authorized mailing absentee ballots to all the voters in California. Since then, this was made law. Similar laws will be happening in all states for primaries and general elections. There will no longer be traditional polling places in neighborhoods. There will be a complete shifting to vote centers and drop off boxes.
- Does this change turnout? The turnout in the primary was only 33.2%, no real difference than any other gubernatorial election primary. We had 22 million registered voters in California and only 7.2 million actually voted. A lot of people think we will be lucky if we get 50% turnout this year.
- There is no real competition for any of the statewide elected officials. The Democrats are all solidly ahead. Probably the one race that will be interesting is the race for Controller. Lanhee Chen is a Republican who is running for Controller, and has a lot of crossover support.
- This year we have a historic low number of propositions on the ballot. Prop.1, about abortion rights was put on by the legislature. There is no opposition to it. The Democrats were looking to use it to drive out turnout. So far, the consultants agree that this has not turned out to be the case.
- As to the races, the Sheriff's race, and the LA Mayor's race will be the most interesting things on the ballot, and the rest will probably be "snoozers" to most voters.
- Mr. Shortridge's email is tomatcaliforniatargetbook.com.

Gregory Reed, General Manager of West Basin Municipal Water District (West Basin) gave an overview of the agency and an update of the state's drought condition. He gave a short history of the agency, and said the mission of West Basin is to provide safe and reliable, high-quality water to the 17 communities they serve.

- West Basin was formed 75 years ago to bring imported water into the region at a time when the groundwater resources that we relied upon became salty because of seawater intrusion. At the time, we needed to have an alternate source. West Basin was created to provide that alternate source in partnership with Metropolitan Water District.
- From there, West Basin also worked with its partners to implement a seawater intrusion barrier, putting imported water into the ground to prevent the ocean from continuing to pollute our groundwater basins.

- The sources of water have become less reliable because of the significant drawdown we have had to make in the face of the drought. It really is putting stress on water supplies. The states who share supply, including the country of Mexico, are looking at how we can share in the pain of cutting back take from the Colorado River.
- Mr. Reed illustrated, with a power point presentation, the significant stress on our water supplies. He showed the “bathtub rings” in the reservoir, which vividly illustrated how the water levels have drawn down over the course of this drought.
- Mr. Reed praised the communities for being environmentally conscious and responsive to West Basin’s conservation programs, such as the rain-barrel giveaways and rebate programs.

Charles Gale, of Metropolitan Water District (MWD), discussed the Pure Water plan of the MWD.

- Metropolitan is doing its first project in Southern California, in response to this long-term drought. Normally local projects are done by MWD’s member agencies but, at this time, Metropolitan is doing a major project with the sanitation districts of LA County at the Carson facility here in the South Bay.
- MWD is going to take the extra water that it’s cleaning and discharging into the Pacific Ocean and reuse that water to help us in the face of the drought and climate change.
- It is going to be a very big project. At the height of the project, when built out, it will produce 150 million gallons of water per day, enough for about half a million households.
- The Notice of Preparation for the EIR has been released and community input is requested through the scoping process to the final EIR in early 2024.

2. Government Affairs Report. Henry Rogers discussed the legislative timeline, tracking and annual scorecard, the details of which were in the Agenda package. He said the SBACC’s priorities in choosing the legislation to analyze, were economic recovery coming out of the pandemic, reasonable resources, and regional infrastructure. There were 10 bills that the SBACC supported that were signed into law. The South Bay’s Senate delegation averaged about 56% voting in the SBACC’s favor.

3. Agency Reports.

Jennifer LaMarque reported for Supervisor Janice Hahn’s office. She talked about homelessness as the number one crisis being addressed by the Supervisor. She’s really trying to expand the combination of the tiny home village concept with the homeless court. She is fully funding the homeless court that will be rolling out in Torrance in the next two months and that will go hand in hand with the tiny home village. This is based on the great success in Redondo Beach and the Supervisor is looking forward to that taking shape in the next two months.

Submitted by:

Olivia Valentine,

Councilmember, City of Hawthorne, Representing the South Bay Cities COG



Service Planning Area 8 Update – October 18, 2022

- 1. Fall COVID-19 Bivalent Booster and Flu Vaccine:** As we approach fall and winter, we must prepare for the possibility that we could experience increased transmission of both influenza and COVID-19 at the same time. One strategy for reducing risk to those most vulnerable to adverse outcomes, is for everyone to get the COVID-19 bivalent booster (for individuals 5 years and older and at least 2 months since their last COVID-19 vaccine dose) and flu vaccine. Both the COVID-19 bivalent booster and flu vaccine are offered at our [Public Health Centers](#), [vaccination sites](#), and widely available at most pharmacies.
- 2. Expanding Hours at CCW:** The Curtis Tucker Center for Community Wellness (CCW) in Inglewood is expanding our hours of operation in an effort to meet the needs of the community and offer additional free virtual and in-person programming. Starting in November 2022, the CCW will be opened from 8:00am to 7:30pm Tuesday and Wednesday, 8:00am to 4:00pm Monday, Thursday and Friday, and 8:00am to 3:00pm on Saturday. To learn about our current available programming, visit our monthly calendar by clicking this [link](#).
- 3. Food Pantry:** In partnership with Foodbank of Southern California, the CCW hosts a monthly food pantry distribution event for the community. This well-attended event takes place every second Thursday of each month from 10:00am to 12:00pm. During our most recent event on October 13, 2022, we served 73 families and 262 individuals. We hope to serve 100 families at the following monthly event and increasing that number each month. Please share the attached English and Spanish flyer with your networks and constituents.
- 4. New You Resource Fair:** The CCW continues to collaborate with the Asian American Drug Abuse Program (AADAP) to host the monthly New You Resource Fair. This resource fair takes place every fourth Thursday of each month from 12:00pm to 3:00pm and provides an array of free resources and services to community members. Resources and services include but not limited to COVID-19 vaccination and boosters, HIV testing, overdose prevention, health navigation, and haircuts. Please share the attached flyer with your networks and constituents.
- 5. Seeking New Partnerships:** As we have shared, our Center for Community Wellness hosts free workshops and support groups for the community in the areas of mental health/trauma healing, substance abuse prevention and health & wellness. We are seeking partners with trauma healing or mental health focus to host free programming at the Curtis Tucker Center for Community Wellness. Please email us if you are interested, CurtisTuckerCCW@ph.lacounty.gov.



AADAP's Health Intervention Program Presents

New You Resource Fair

Red Ribbon Month
Presentation

🕷️ October 27, 2022, 12:00PM to 3:00PM

123 W. Manchester Blvd., Inglewood, CA 90301
Curtis Tucker Center for Community Wellness



Free Tacos

Come In Costume and Win Prizes

Games

Raffle Prizes

Treats and Goodies

Costume Contest

Free COVID-19 Vaccines
Boosters, and
Monkey Pox

FREE HAIRCUTS
BY COACH RON!

HIV Testing, PrEP
Education & Linkage
Overdose Prevention
Health Navigation
and Harm Reduction
Services and much
more!!!

Any questions please contact Stephanie Haynes at
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FREE FOOD DISTRIBUTION

In partnership with Foodbank of Southern California, the Curtis Tucker Center for Community Wellness is proud to host a monthly food pantry distribution event.

2nd Thursday of every month
10:00AM - 12:00PM

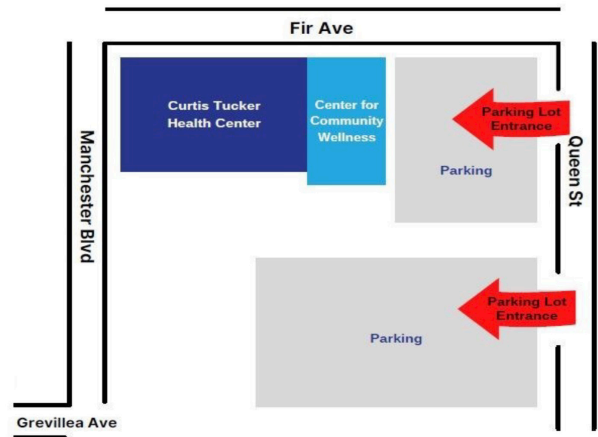
WALK UP ONLY - FIRST COME FIRST SERVED
WHILE SUPPLIES LAST - NO DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED

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Inglewood, CA 90301

Enter from Queen Street

For more information email:
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DISTRIBUCIÓN DE ALIMENTOS GRATUITA

En asociación con Foodbank of Southern California y Curtis Tucker Center for Community Wellness tendremos un evento de distribución de alimentos mensualmente.

Segundo Jueves de cada mes
10:00AM - 12:00PM

Accesible por peatones - Se le sirve en orden de llegada
Hasta agotar existencias - No se requiere documentación

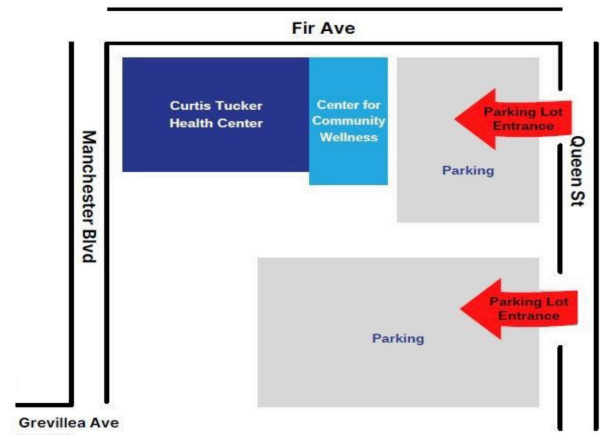
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Update Report – October 2022 for the SBCCOG

Apprenticeship

Northrop Grumman in Redondo Beach hired nine of the ten El Camino College students who completed the Aero-Flex Pre-Apprenticeship in August and will enroll them into an apprenticeship sponsored by El Camino College.

The SBWIB has been getting inquiries from workforce boards across the state who are interested in developing apprenticeships through the support of the SBWIB's \$5.8 million "Apprenticeship Building America" grant from the U.S. Department of Labor. The SBWIB's goal is to grow and expand apprenticeship throughout the state by helping partners enroll 800 participants into registered apprenticeship programs and another 200 into pre-apprenticeships. The SBWIB continued to collaborate with partners in the Arts, Media and Entertainment sector and discuss apprenticeship curriculum development and the necessary tools to provide statewide access.

To-date, the SBWIB has placed 334 individuals in an apprenticeship with various Intuit Dome construction companies through the Construction and Utilities Preparation Program (CUPP). Of those individuals, 321 were minorities.

The SBWIB is collaborating with a number of partners across Southern California to develop a Southern California Apprenticeship Network (SCAN) and applying for a \$500,000 grant from the Irvine Foundation to launch the Network. The SBWIB will oversee the project and coordinate activities among the partners. The goals of the Network are to provide apprenticeship resources and education to the region; assist employers, sponsors, intermediaries with apprenticeship development; and ensure apprenticeship opportunities are made available to the public with a focus on underrepresented communities and those with employment barriers.

Staff served on the planning committee of the 5th Annual LA County Bioscience Forum on October 12th hosted by BioscienceLA as part of their LABioTechWeek to introduce a broader audience to life science and biotech initiatives in the greater LA region. The SBWIB recruited employers and industry leaders to attend the event and speak about how to strengthen workforce opportunities and expand apprenticeship in the biotech industry in LA county.

Pre-Apprenticeship

Over 50 high school students from three high schools enrolled in the Bio-Flex Pre-Apprenticeship. During the program, students will have the opportunity to explore careers in life sciences, participate in the Amgen Bio Experience through LATTC, and complete technical

and work readiness training. The Fall cohort will run from October until December through funding from LA County Supervisor Holly Mitchel - Second District. Morningside High School in Inglewood was one of the three schools the Second District that will participate. Up to five additional schools from the Second District will have the opportunity to participate in Spring 2023. In addition to continuing to identify employers who might be willing to provide internships to some of the participants, the team has been working with Los Angeles Trade Technical College (LATTC) to share their 11-unit Industry Safety, Regulatory and Biomanufacturing Certificate with participants. Once the students complete the classes and take the BioTC exam, they have the opportunity to interview with employers.

27th Annual Awards Ceremony

The SBWIB announced that it will be holding its 27th Annual Awards Ceremony on November 27th at the Torrance Marriott South Bay. The reception will be from 6:00pm to 7:00pm and the dinner program begins at 7:00pm. This will be an opportunity for the SBWIB and South Bay business partners to congratulate and award participants who have successfully made it through various SBWIB programs, received training and found employment. It will also be a chance to acknowledge and thank its many businesses, training providers and community partners. Proceeds generated from the event go towards sustaining and funding various youth-oriented programs and events, including the Inglewood and Hawthorne Teen Centers and the Blueprint for Workplace Success program. Elected officials and one guest are invited to attend at no cost but are asked to RSVP as soon as possible. For more information, please contact the SBWIB at (310) 970-7700 or visit <https://www.sbwib.org/>.

Rapid Response

During the first quarter of the fiscal year, the SBWIB provided Rapid Response services to five South Bay companies, with a total of 139 employees affected by layoffs or closures.



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September 14, 2022

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U.S. Department of Labor Awards \$5.8 Million Grant To South Bay Workforce Investment Board to Develop A Statewide Apprenticeship Hub

HAWTHORNE – The South Bay Workforce Investment Board, Inc. (SBWIB) has been awarded a \$5.8 million “Apprenticeship Building America” grant from the U.S. Department of Labor to create a Registered Apprenticeship Hub to address the increasing demand for skilled professionals throughout California. The SBWIB will implement its Project called, Expanding Flexible Apprenticeship in California, with the goal of growing and expanding apprenticeship throughout the state by helping partners enroll 800 participants into registered apprenticeship programs and another 200 into pre-apprenticeships.

In collaboration with its statewide network of employers, industry associations, labor unions, intermediaries, workforce and educational entities and other partners, the SBWIB’s plan is to create apprenticeship programs that prepare candidates for high demand jobs in the Manufacturing, Healthcare, Information Technology/Cybersecurity, Arts/Media and Entertainment, and Clean Energy/Transportation sectors over a four-year period. These industries have not traditionally used Registered Apprenticeship, but have workforce needs that are common throughout the state and represent statewide workforce priorities.

“This grant award is definitely a very welcome surprise,” said SBWIB Executive Director Jan Vogel. “We had submitted our project for funding earlier this year, but when the initial grant awards were announced in July, we were excluded. Fortunately, the Labor Department allocated another \$50 million to the apprenticeship campaign, and we were selected,” he further noted.

The Hub will diligently recruit underrepresented populations from underserved communities, including women, people of color, people with disabilities, veterans, formerly incarcerated individuals, youth, and unemployed or dislocated individuals impacted by covid.

The Hub strategy will incorporate the proven and innovative Aero-Flex and Bio-Flex apprenticeship model that West Los Angeles College (WLAC), El Camino College (ECC), and the SBWIB created with guidance from multiple employer partners to meet their workforce needs and demands of emerging technologies. It is employer-centric, market-driven, and uses a multi-sector/ multi-sponsor strategy.

For more information, please visit sbwib.org or call (310) 970-7700.

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