

**SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES  
THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 2025  
HELD VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM & IN-PERSON AT THE SBCCOG OFFICE  
2355 CRENSHAW BLVD. SUITE 125, TORRANCE, CA 90501  
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**I CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Tanaka of Gardena started with presentations until a quorum was established at 6:28 pm when he called the SBCCOG Board of Directors meeting to order.

**II. & III. CONFIRM POSTING OF THE AGENDA**

Ms. Bacharach confirmed the posting of the agenda.

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**In attendance were the following voting elected officials:**

Rodney Tanaka, Gardena	Nina Tarnay, Manhattan Beach
Alexandre Monteiro, Hawthorne	Craig Quinn, Palos Verdes Estates
Jim Butts, Inglewood	David Bradley, Rancho Palos Verdes
Bernadette Suarez, Lawndale	Zein Obagi, Redondo Beach
Bill Uphoff, Lomita	Debby Stegura, Rolling Hills Estates
	Jon Kaji, Torrance

**Other Elected Officials in Attendance**

Dean Francois, Hermosa Beach  
Asam Sheikh, Torrance

**Also, in attendance were the following persons:**

Andrea Reilly, South Bay resident	Mary Simun, South Bay Parkland Conservancy and Surfrider Foundation
Andrew Akers, South Bay resident	McKenzie Neely-Wright, AT&T
Arohi Sharma, South Bay resident	Mike Bohlke, Metro
Colleen Villegas, South Bay resident	Colleen Farrell, SBCCOG
Emory Ward, South Bay resident	David Leger, SBCCOG
Holly Osborne, South Bay resident	Jacki Bacharach, SBCCOG
Zac Dean, South Bay resident	Karen Kanda, SBCCOG volunteer
Brianna Egan, South Bay Forward	Kevin Truong, Civic Spark Fellow
Graham Jenkins, South Bay Forward	Kim Fuentes, SBCCOG
Andrew Blackney, SBBC	Lara Gerges, SBCCOG
Andy Sywak, Metro	Jake Romoff, SBCCOG
Brent Grisdale, Fabric Networks	Natalie Champion, SBCCOG
Erik Rodriguez, SCAG	Ronson Chu, SBCCOG
Hildy Stern, South Bay Community Coalition Against Hate	Wally Siembab, SBCCOG
Maggie Bove-LaMonica, South Bay Community Coalition Against Hate	

**IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF ANY CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

Ms. Bacharach clarified that *Opportunities to Serve* is an action item.

## **V.COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Maggie Bove-LaMonica and Hildy Stern presented on behalf of the South Bay Community Coalition Against Hate (SBCCAH). They highlighted the rising incidents of hate in the community and explained that their coalition formed with 15 member organizations. The SBCCAH coordinates activities for United Against Hate Week and collaborates with LA v Hate to reduce hate-based incidents. They meet monthly and serve as a community resource. Ms. Bove-LaMonica formally invited the SBCCOG to join their organization, noting that they regularly meet with the Supervisor's office and are currently the most active group in the area seeking to amplify their message. She explained that while there is no formal infrastructure yet, they are looking for representatives to collaborate with them. Ms. Bacharach mentioned that Supervisor Mitchell wishes to coordinate involvement and suggested discussing this at an upcoming SBCCOG meeting. Councilmember Dean Francois inquired about what constitutes hate crimes and emphasized how hate divides communities, to which Ms. Bove-LaMonica referenced the LA County report. Mr. Tanaka requested a formal proposal to solidify the potential collaboration between the organizations.

Eric Rodriguez from the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) provided an update on the upcoming regional conference scheduled for May 1-2, 2025, noting that attendance is free of charge for elected officials. He distributed informational flyers to the attendees. Mr. Rodriguez highlighted SCAG's key legislative priorities for 2025, specifically emphasizing their focus on addressing regional housing needs and maximizing transportation investment dollars. The housing priorities include codifying the Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) 1.0 program with stable financial support for regional housing planning and implementation and extending the REAP 2.0 expenditure deadline by 12 months. Transportation priorities include supporting the Governor's current transportation budget commitments to various programs and maintaining funding eligibility for SB 1 competitive grant programs. Mr. Rodriguez concluded by encouraging board members to provide their input on these legislative priorities. The legislative priorities are accessible here: <https://cdn.southbaycities.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/09115113/2025-State-Legislative-Priorities-Booklet-1.pdf>

Brianna Egan of South Bay Forward presented two documents including a letter addressed to the SBCCOG Board regarding specific agenda items for the April 24, 2025 meeting. South Bay Forward expressed support for the Caltrans Carson to the Sea project, encouraging the implementation of Class IV protected bike lanes for improved safety. She also voiced support for various Measure R SBTIP and Measure M MSP projects, highlighting Redondo Beach's progress on implementing the South Bay Bicycle Master Plan and expressing strong support for the Metro Active Transportation Redondo Beach Blvd project. She shared the South Bay Forward's comprehensive Transit and Mobility Priorities for 2025, detailing the vision for connected, safe, and sustainable mobility options throughout the South Bay. Ms. Egan noted priorities organized into three categories: Rail Projects (including the C/K Line extension to Torrance, Vermont Transit Corridor extension to San Pedro, and freight rail electrification), Bus Projects (including Harbor Gateway Transit Center improvements, dedicated bus lanes, and expanded service), and Bike/Active Transportation Projects (including implementation of protected bike lanes, completion of the Dominguez Channel Bikeway, and hosting CicLAvia open streets events in the South Bay). Lastly, she emphasized the need for regional coordination, leadership, and technical support for projects spanning multiple jurisdictions. The documents presented are accessible here:

[https://cdn.southbaycities.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/09121815/PUBLIC-COMMENT\\_South-Bay-Forward-Letter-and-Presentation-Transit-Mobility-Priorities-2025.pdf](https://cdn.southbaycities.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/09121815/PUBLIC-COMMENT_South-Bay-Forward-Letter-and-Presentation-Transit-Mobility-Priorities-2025.pdf)

Mary Simun, a South Bay resident, highlighted the difficulties residents face getting around the area and expressed her strong support for the MAT Project. Ms. Simun encouraged board members to consider and explore alternative transportation options, particularly emphasizing the benefits of bicycle infrastructure and increased bike usage. She urged the board to prioritize these transportation initiatives to improve mobility throughout the South Bay.

## **VI. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A. February 27, 2025 minutes (attachments) – Approved**
- B. Southern California Gas Company Amendment #2 – (funds to the SBCCOG) – Approved**
- C. SBCCOG Privacy Policy (attachment) – Approved**
- D. Organic Waste Consultant for SBCCOG work with Rolling Hills (attachment) – Approved**
- E. Contract with Tool Design for the Caltrans Carson to the Sea project (attachment) – Approved**
- F. Legislative Matrix (attachment) – Approved**
  - 1. Support for AB 888, AB 670, AB 875
  - 2. Oppose SB 220 unless amended & AB 11, AB 253, AB 306, AB 507, AB 874, AB 893, AB 1154, SB 79, SB 358, SB 677
- G. SBCCOG Monthly Reports – Received and Filed**
  - 1. City Attendance at SBCCOG Meetings (attachment)
  - 2. Client Aid Report (attachment)
  - 3. Media Report (attachment)
  - 4. Transportation Report (attachment)

**MOTION** by Board Member Stegura, seconded by Board Member Uphoff, to **APPROVE** the Consent Calendar. No Abstention. No Objections. **MOTION Passes.**

## **VII. PRESENTATIONS**

### **A. 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Progress Report on Energy & Climate Recognition Program**

Ms. Bacharach introduced Civic Spark Fellow Kevin Truong who presented the 3rd year quarter update. Mr. Truong explained that cities must complete at least one activity in three different areas (climate action, education, and technical assistance) to qualify for points from the program. He detailed changes to the recognition levels, noting that platinum status now requires 30+ points, and described new point opportunities including communication of residential or commercial programs, presentation of best practices, and obtaining sustainability certifications for municipal buildings. Mr. Truong recognized Torrance and Gardena for achieving gold status, while El Segundo and Manhattan Beach currently hold bronze status. He provided examples of qualifying activities such as implementing renewable energy systems or purchasing clean energy and discussed participation options in SBCCOG or Partner Programs, including metered savings and the Public Power UP Program. Mr. Truong shared that documentation is critical and mentioned that SoCalREN can assist cities in completing projects. When Board Member Obagi inquired about tracking city staff proactivity, Mr. Truong explained that coordination with staff and updates on Board and Steering agendas demonstrate engagement levels. Board Member Uphoff suggested sharing this information during the City Managers' Meetings, and Chair Tanaka encouraged city managers to engage more with the program.

The presentation is available using the following link: [https://cdn.southbaycities.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/24165703/PRESENTATION\\_SB-Energy-Climate-Recognition-Program\\_Board-Presentation-4.2025.pdf](https://cdn.southbaycities.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/24165703/PRESENTATION_SB-Energy-Climate-Recognition-Program_Board-Presentation-4.2025.pdf)

## **B. Climate – for earth month**

SBCCOG Consultant Wally Siembab presented on the collateral damage of extreme weather, referencing the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change which surveys scientific research. He emphasized that "the world needs to peak GHG emissions now at the very latest and nearly halve greenhouse gas emissions. Mr. Siembab discussed a chart showing carbon pollution's impact on climate stability and the increasing frequency of extreme weather events, noting the direct costs of the Palisades and Eaton Fires at \$5-\$10 billion. He warned that at 87°F with 50% humidity, human tolerance reaches its limit, potentially causing brain damage, cardiac arrest, and kidney failure, with children and seniors at highest risk. Mr. Siembab explained that infrastructure designed for different environmental conditions is becoming overwhelmed, creating a slow-moving disaster with significant health impacts, including 3% more deaths in hospitals due to patient congestion. He recommended housing retrofits to maintain temperatures below 82°F and noted the correlation between rising temperatures and interpersonal violence. Mr. Siembab described environmental impacts including accelerated tree mortality, decreasing pollinator populations, northward migration of tropical diseases like Chagas, West Nile, and Lyme, and shortages of essential crops such as coffee, tea, cocoa, corn, rice, wheat, potatoes, and soybeans. He identified climate change as a "threat multiplier" for national defense, intensifying food and water shortages, disease, and poverty, while biodiversity loss threatens ecosystem collapse with keystone species extinctions. Mr. Siembab stressed that business as usual is unsustainable, advocating for "Future Proofing the South Bay" through initiatives like "LUV your neighborhood" (mobility) and "make neighborhood great" (land use). Board Member Uphoff asked about timeframes, to which Mr. Siembab responded that 2030 is essential, while Board Member Obagi highlighted California's biggest toxic algae bloom in history and the spread of bird flu to cows and cats as evidence of urgency. Board Member Quinn inquired about China's impact on global efforts, with Mr. Siembab noting China's leadership in electric vehicles and the benefits of small battery footprints.

The presentation is available using the following link: [https://cdn.southbaycities.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/24174005/PRESENTATION\\_4.25-BOARD-MEETING-Extreme-Weather-Collateral-Damage-v3-.pdf](https://cdn.southbaycities.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/24174005/PRESENTATION_4.25-BOARD-MEETING-Extreme-Weather-Collateral-Damage-v3-.pdf)

## **C. CALCOG Leadership Academy**

SBCCOG Staff David Leger reported on his experience in a 7-month leadership program designed for mid-career professionals. Mr. Leger explained that the program brought together a diverse group of colleagues and focused on leadership development, leveraging individual strengths, improving strategic thinking, and understanding complex government structures. The curriculum included regional executive speaker sessions, a group project, networking opportunities, and two full days of learning per session. Participants engaged in a Book Club featuring "How Leaders Learn" and "The Color of Law," and Mr. Leger's group created a podcast featuring former Caltrans Director Will Kempton. Mr. Leger highlighted key takeaways from his experience, including appreciating one's own strengths, becoming a "multiplier" to amplify others' abilities, building a valuable statewide network of peers, and understanding the distinction between leadership and management. He shared photos from the program and announced his graduation.

The presentation is available using the following link: [https://cdn.southbaycities.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/24170346/PRESENTATION\\_CARL-Takeaways.pdf](https://cdn.southbaycities.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/24170346/PRESENTATION_CARL-Takeaways.pdf)

## **VIII. SBCCOG PROGRAM ACTION ITEMS, REPORTS AND UPDATE**

### **A. General Assembly De-Briefing**

Mr. Leger presented a comprehensive review of the General Assembly, sharing photos and key statistics from the event. The General Assembly drew 327 attendees with a 9.5% walk-in rate,

comprising residents, staff, and elected officials, with the largest representation coming from Torrance. Mr. Leger reported that 90% of attendees rated the event as a 4 or higher, with Dan Sturges highlighted as the most well-received speaker. While networking opportunities were appreciated, noisy doors were identified as an area for improvement. Future topic requests included homelessness and Olympics-related discussions. Positive testimonials were shared, with Board Member Obagi specifically commending the quality of both in-person and virtual experiences. Mr. Leger acknowledged SBCCOG Staff Eleanor Murphy for her valuable contributions in ensuring the General Assembly's success.

### **B. South Bay Fiber Network – Resolution #2025-1 (*attachment*) – Approved**

Ms. Bacharach discussed the partnership with American Dark Fiber and the proposed resolution, drafted by SBCCOG's specialized legal counsel Gail Karish, to approve the sale of the Fiber Network to another vendor, RSG Telecom. She noted that RSG has been working closely with staff on this matter. SBCCOG Staff Jake Romoff shared the needs assessments and how this transition would address city requirements. Brent Grisdale from RSG explained their strategy to aggregate assets and expand the fiber network to better connect small businesses and underserved communities, drawing on his international network-building experience. Ms. Bacharach highlighted that this move would create competition for larger market shareholders. When Board Member Butts inquired about rate guarantee periods, Board Member Obagi asked if rates were contractually specified, to which Ms. Bacharach confirmed they were included in the contract. Board Member Uphoff clarified that the proposal involved transferring the existing agreement rather than selling the network, with the goal of encouraging growth since American Dark Fiber has shown no interest in expansion. Board Member Butts questioned the urgency of the decision, recommending that the SBCCOG maintain negotiating leverage. Ms. Bacharach mentioned that the SBCCOG had spent two years trying to identify a buyer committed to advancing the network. Mr. Grisdale noted the agreement has been in place for five years with ongoing commitment, while Board Member Tarnay emphasized moving forward to position the network for future growth.

**MOTION** by Board Member Uphoff, seconded by Board Member Tarnay, to **APPROVE** the South Bay Fiber Network via Roll Call vote. Objection from Board Member Butts. No Abstentions. **MOTION Passes.**

**NOTE: Agenda Items VIII.I.a. and VIII.I.b. were moved up in the agenda to accommodate Public Comments.**

### **VIII. SBCCOG PROGRAM ACTION ITEMS, REPORTS AND UPDATE**

#### **I.a. Measure R SBTIP Annual Program Update and Measure M MSP Annual Program Update and I.b. City of Inglewood/ITC Measure M SEP Funds Deadline Extension**

Mr. Leger presented a comprehensive overview of the Measure R Transit Program, discussing both existing projects and new proposals from South Bay cities. Mr. Leger addressed funding challenges related to construction cost increases identified across multiple municipalities. The presentation introduced several new project proposals, including Carson's Lenardo Drive Street Construction and Olympics Ready! Smart Transportation initiatives; El Segundo's Safe Routes to School and Smoky Hollow Parking Project; Gardena's Traffic Signal and network upgrade plans; Hermosa Beach's safety improvement measures; Lawndale's local travel network development; and Redondo Beach's Metro active transportation initiatives focusing on the RV Boulevard Corridor and Beach Avenue Bike/Pedestrian Safety projects. The updates included two funding increase requests and one scope modification under Measure R, as well as 16 funding increase requests and 11 new project proposals under Measure M. Projects span transit

infrastructure, bike lanes, pedestrian improvements, traffic signal upgrades, and safety enhancements across multiple jurisdictions. Total Measure R requests amount to \$9.452 million, leaving \$23.16 million in unprogrammed funds. Measure M requests totaled \$84.5 million, with \$56.6 million requested for new projects and \$55.83 million for existing ones, drawing from a \$141.1 million budget through FY 2027-28.

The presentation is available here: [https://cdn.southbaycities.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/24170340/PRESENTATION\\_04.2025-MRT-MM-MSP-annual-program-update-overview.pdf](https://cdn.southbaycities.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/24170340/PRESENTATION_04.2025-MRT-MM-MSP-annual-program-update-overview.pdf)

There were several public comments pertaining to both agenda items as follows:

Brianna Egan of South Bay Forward expressed strong support for the proposed projects, emphasizing points from Wally Siembab's climate presentation regarding the urgency of these initiatives. She specifically called for regional coordination and prioritizing the advancement of bicycle projects throughout the South Bay region.

Andrew Blackney, a Lawndale resident, voiced his support for the projects while urging the SBCCOG to enhance city awareness about available funding opportunities. He highlighted the financial burden of transportation on students, noting that transit costs can rival college expenses. Mr. Blackney stressed the critical importance of safety measures and specifically encouraged the implementation of bike lanes with protective buffers.

Graham Jenkins, representing South Bay Forward, endorsed all the proposals while recommending that future allocations support operational needs. He identified a significant gap in east-west connectivity throughout the South Bay region and recommended sidewalk widening projects and dedicating LACMTA resources to address these infrastructure deficiencies.

Arohi Sharma presented a proposal for MAT class 4 connected bikeways in Torrance, emphasizing the importance of road safety for cyclists. Her proposal recommends utilizing median spaces for dual purposes including establishing protected bike lanes while simultaneously creating habitats for beneficial pollinators, specifically recommending class 4 protected bikeways for these corridors.

Andrew Akers, a Torrance resident, focused his comments on the need for more protected bike lanes throughout the South Bay. He emphasized the need for building comprehensive, connected bike lane networks that extend across municipal boundaries to create a regional cycling infrastructure system.

Councilmember Francois of Hermosa Beach asked about priority of projects and Mr. Leger shared that existing projects get priority.

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**MOTION** by Board Member Obagi, seconded by Board Member Butts, to **APPROVE** the Measure R SBTIP Annual Program Update and Measure M MSP Annual Program Update. No Abstentions. No Objections. **MOTION Passes.**

**MOTION** by Board Member Stegura, seconded by Board Member Monteiro, to **APPROVE** the City of Inglewood/ITC Measure M SEP Funds Deadline Extension. No Abstentions. No Objections. **MOTION Passes**.

#### **H.1. Metro Report – Board member James Butts/Mike Bohlke**

Regarding the Senate Bill that has been introduced to change the Metro Board composition, Board Member Butts raised concerns about potential LA County dominance of the Metro Board under the new bill. Ms. Bacharach reported that opposition letters had been distributed and confirmed that SBCCOG has scheduled a meeting with Senator Ben Allen's office regarding this matter and noted that Senator Allen remains receptive to hearing the Board's perspective on this issue. Mayor Butts specifically referenced SB 2020, to which Mr. Leger added that Cal Cities has indicated they will oppose the legislation. Ms. Bacharach shared that the SBCCOG's letter was also sent to other Councils of Governments throughout the region. Board Member Butts outlined the political implications surrounding the proposed Board expansion.

#### **H.2. Micromobility Programs and Projects**

No verbal updates were provided.

#### **C. SBESC Projects and Programs (*attachment*)**

No verbal updates were provided.

#### **D. Homeless Services**

- A. FY25-26 Local Solutions Fund Budget and Timeline (*attachment*)**
- B. WLCAC Time Limited Subsidy MOU (*attachments*)**

SBCCOG Staff Ronson Chu provided updates on Measure A Local Solutions Fund (LSF) allocation, highlighting the benefits of staying united as a subregion. Despite Los Angeles City diverging from a joint advocacy strategy, SBCCOG secured the highest possible funding allocation under Scenario 4, based on a two-year PIT count and low-income ACS metrics. The approved draft budget is expected to support over 500 individuals annually, with fewer than 1,000 people currently unsheltered in South Bay cities. The SBCCOG will also manage \$3.9 million in LACAHSAs prevention funds for rental subsidies and legal services, either through direct city allocations or contracts with nonprofit providers. A timeline for MOU execution and program rollout was shared. Mr. Chu discussed ongoing positioning efforts, including reference to the San Gabriel COG's Trust Fund as a model for potential implementation. Board Member Uphoff noted that a similar approach could benefit the Trust Fund SBCCOG is considering. Mr. Chu also noted that LACAHSAs will determine eligibility criteria moving forward, and that LA County plans to merge LAHSA into a new housing-focused entity.

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**MOTION** by Board Member Monteiro, seconded by Board Member Uphoff, to **APPROVE** the WLCAC Time Limited Subsidy MOU. No Abstentions. No Objections. **MOTION Passes**.

**MOTION** by Board Member Butts, seconded by Board Member Obagi, to **APPROVE** the Local Solutions Fund Budget and Timeline. No Abstentions. No Objections. **MOTION Passes**.

#### **G. Senior Services**

No verbal updates were provided.

## **J. REAP 2 Updates**

### **Mobility Hub and Housing Trusts**

**Based in the needs assessment report from the Housing Trust consultant, Ms.**

Bacharach reported on the financial challenges related to RHNA allocation requirements. The report noted that approximately \$1.33 billion would be needed annually for the South Bay to meet their RHNA obligations. She indicated that this information has been shared with both SCAG and at the City Managers' Meeting. Ms. Bacharach emphasized feedback from City Managers who expressed that meeting RHNA goals is impossible because cities themselves don't build housing and developers are not pursuing projects due to economic constraints—specifically that affordable housing cannot feasibly be built on multimillion-dollar land in Los Angeles. She advocated for organizing around the true costs of meeting RHNA requirements and referenced Senator Ben Allen's bill regarding relocation of RHNA allocations for burn areas. Ms. Bacharach suggested that we need to continue to advocate that the Trust should share the RHNA allocation to allow everyone to benefit and contribute, but stressing that billions of dollars in advocacy funding would be necessary, and characterized the situation as a "RHNA revolution," reiterating that meeting any of the established RHNA goals is not possible under current conditions.

## **K. Office Space**

SBCCOG Staff David Leger presented on the new office space on 357 Van Ness Way in Torrance. He discussed the floor plan which is 10,560 rentable square feet across two suites: Suite 110-150 and Suite 90. He also shared that the lease term is seven years commencing July 1, 2025 and concluding on December 31, 2032.

**MOTION** by Board Member Butts, seconded by Board Member Quinn, to **APPROVE** the office relocation to 357 Van Ness Way. No Abstentions. No Objections. **MOTION Passes.**

## **L. Legislative Briefing**

No verbal updates were provided.

## **M. Opportunities to Serve (handout) – Approved**

Ms Bacharach shared a handout detailing the recommendations for appointments to outside agencies. The Steering Committee recommended the Board reappoint the uncontested representatives for an additional two years which included Britt Huff (CALCOG), Dean Francois (Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission), and Mark Waronek (SCAG Regional Council District 39 – declared elected after no one else filed). The Steering Committee also recommended that Zein Obagi be appointed to serve as the Alternate on the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission and that David Bradley be appointed as the Delegate to the South Bay Aerospace Alliance, with Rodney Tanaka retaining the Alternate Position. The Appointments Subcommittee recommended that Bill Uphoff and Asam Sheikh be appointed to the SCAG Policy Committee (Transportation); and that Courtney Miles, Andrea Reilly, and Roye Love be appointed to the Metro Service Council.

**MOTION** by Board Member Obagi, seconded by Board Member Monteiro, to **APPROVE** the appointment recommendations from the Steering Committee and Appointments Subcommittee. Abstention from Board Member Uphoff. No Objections. **MOTION Passes.**

## **IX. UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

No verbal updates were provided.

## **X. AGENCY REPORTS**

NOTE: Oral reports will only be made to clarify or amplify written reports

- A. League of California Cities & LA Division Legislative Committee (Britt Huff, Jeff Kiernan, Bea Dieringer) (*attachment*)**
- B. SCAG update (Erik Rodriguez) (*attachment*)**
  - 1. Regional Council (Mark Henderson, Jim Gazeley, Drew Boyles) (*attachment*)
  - 2. Community, Economic, and Human Development (Mark Henderson, Drew Boyles, Mark Waronek)
  - 3. Transportation (Jim Gazeley, Bridgett Lewis)
  - 4. Energy and Environment (Britt Huff) (*attachment*)
- C. Metro Service Council (Don Szerlip) (*attachment*)**
- D. Area G Emergency Management (Brandy Villanueva) (*attachment*)**
- E. South Bay Workforce Investment Board (Chris Cagle) (*attachment*)**
- F. California Association of Councils of Governments – CALCOG (Britt Huff) (*attachment*)**
- G. County Department of Public Health (Alicia Chang) (*attachment*)**
- H. AQMD update (Brandee Keith)**
- I. South Bay Aerospace Alliance (David Bradley/Rodney Tanaka)**
- J. Baldwin Hills and Urban Watersheds Conservancy (Katrina Manning)**
- K. Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission (Dean Francois/ VACANT)**
- L. South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce (Barry Waite)**

## **XI. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PERFORMANCE**

### **EVALUATION – PURSUANT TO GOV. CODE § 54957**

The Board delegates and alternates discussed this matter in closed session.

## **XII. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Tanaka adjourned the meeting at 8:32 pm to proceed with Closed Session and until the next Board Meeting on Thursday, May 22, 2025 at the SBCCOG office.

Respectfully Submitted:

Natalie Champion

SBCCOG Staff