

**SCAG Community, Economic, and Human Development Report by
Mayor Pro Tem Mark E. Henderson, Ed.D**

CEHD Committee Items:

Agenda Item 3

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES: This item supports the following Strategic Priority 3: Spur innovation and action through leadership in research, analysis and information sharing. 2: Be a cohesive and influential voice for the region. 1: Establish and implement a regional vision for a sustainable future. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: Cities across the region are facing growing and increasingly complex demands to deliver housing, support economic and workforce development, expand parks and community facilities, improve active transportation and infrastructure, and provide critical social services—often amid fiscal constraints and ongoing funding uncertainty. In this context, community development has emerged as a vital framework for advancing resilience, economic competitiveness, and long-term community stability. This staff report convenes a focused discussion on community development funding programs in the post-redevelopment era, highlighting how tools such as Enhanced Infrastructure Financing Districts (EIFDs) and Brownfield Redevelopment programs can be strategically leveraged to address local needs. With the dissolution of redevelopment agencies, cities experienced the loss of a major financing mechanism and now operate within a fragmented landscape of grants, partnerships, and value-capture tools that require greater coordination and creativity. The discussion provides an opportunity to align these funding programs with long-term planning and community development goals, ensuring investments in housing, infrastructure, public spaces, and quality-of-life improvements are equitable, integrated, and responsive to today’s challenges.

Agenda Item 4:

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES: This item supports the following Strategic Priority 1: Establish and implement a regional vision for a sustainable future. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: Every four years, SCAG must prepare and adopt a Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS). In April 2024, SCAG’s Regional Council approved the most recent RTP/SCS, Connect SoCal 2024. The next RTP/SCS, Connect SoCal 2050, is being prepared for adoption by the Regional Council by spring 2028. The purpose of this staff report is to review statutory requirements, outline the process for developing the next RTP/SCS, and highlight major milestones.

Regional Council Committee

1. Heard the reports from the subcommittees.
2. Consent calendar was approved for pending contracts and reconciliation of outstanding invoices.
3. Receive and File February 2026 Federal and State Updates.
4. CFO Monthly Report - No significant action taken.

5. I did make the motion to support sending two SCAG staff personnel to the Winter 2026 Olympics to gather more data to support the TDM plan we are working on to productively move traffic around the L.A. County region.

Agenda Item 16:

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES: This item supports the following Strategic Priority 1: Establish and implement a regional vision for a sustainable future. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: President Allen, in discussion with the Executive Administration Committee, identified three key priorities areas for focused policy leadership and discussion during her term to accelerate progress on the vision and strategies adopted in Connect SoCal 2024. These policy areas include: Clean Transportation Technology, Housing Production, and Regional Planning in support of the 2028 Olympic & Paralympic Games. To reflect on regional progress and facilitate discussion on housing production, staff will provide an update on efforts to address regional housing need and showcase partner projects that are supporting the region in tackling the housing crisis.