

**MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL,
COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT (CEHD) COMMITTEE;
ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE (EEC); AND THE
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (TC) OF THE
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
NOVEMBER 6, 2014**

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS AND/OR DISCUSSIONS THAT OCCURRED AT THE JOINT MEETING. A VIDEO RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE AT <http://scag.ca.gov/NewsAndMedia/Pages/SCAGTV.aspx>

The Joint Meeting of the Regional Council and Policy Committees of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) held its meeting at the SCAG Los Angeles Office. There was a quorum.

TC Members – Present:

Chair* 1.	Hon. Alan Wapner	Ontario	SANBAG
* 2.	Hon. Dante Acosta	<i>Santa Clarita</i>	District 67
* 3.	Hon. Michael D. Antonovich		Los Angeles County
* 4.	Hon. Rusty Bailey	<i>Riverside</i>	District 68
* 5.	Hon. Bruce Barrows	<i>Cerritos</i>	District 23
* 6.	Hon. Art Brown	<i>Buena Park</i>	District 21
7.	Hon. Diana Lee Carey	<i>Westminster</i>	OCCOG
* 8.	Hon. Jonathan Curtis	<i>La Cañada/Flintridge</i>	District 36
* 9.	Hon. Gene Daniels	<i>Paramount</i>	District 24
10.	Hon. Bert Hack	<i>Laguna Woods</i>	OCCOG
* 11.	Hon. Carol Herrera	<i>Diamond Bar</i>	District 37
* 12.	Hon. Steve Hofbauer	<i>Palmdale</i>	District 43
* 13.	Hon. Jim Hyatt	<i>Calimesa</i>	District 3
14.	Hon. Trish Kelley	<i>Mission Viejo</i>	OCCOG
* 15.	Hon. Michele Martinez	<i>Santa Ana</i>	District 16
* 16.	Hon. Ryan McEachron	<i>Victorville</i>	SANBAG
17.	Hon. Marsha McLean	<i>Santa Clarita</i>	North L. A. County
* 18.	Hon. Dan Medina	<i>Gardena</i>	District 28
* 19.	Hon. Brett Murdock	<i>Brea</i>	District 22
* 20.	Hon. Kris Murray	<i>Anaheim</i>	District 19
* 21.	Hon. Shawn Nelson		Orange County

TC Members – Present (continued):

* 22.	Hon. Pam O'Connor	<i>Santa Monica</i>	District 41
23.	Hon. Micheál O’Leary	<i>Culver City</i>	WSCCOG
* 24.	Hon. Gary Ovitt		San Bernardino County
* 25.	Hon. Linda Parks		Ventura County
* 26.	Hon. Gregory Pettis	<i>Cathedral City</i>	District 2
27.	Hon. Teresa Real Sebastian	<i>Monterey Park</i>	SGVCOG
28.	Hon. David Spence	<i>La Cañada/Flintridge</i>	Arroyo Verdugo Cities
* 29.	Hon. Karen Spiegel	<i>Corona</i>	District 63
30.	Hon. Tim Spohn	<i>City of Industry</i>	SGVCOG
* 31.	Hon. Jess Talamantes	<i>Burbank</i>	District 42
32.	Hon. Brent Tercero	<i>Pico Rivera</i>	GCCOG
33.	Hon. Andrew Masiel, Sr.	<i>Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians</i>	Tribal Government
34.	Ms. Elaheh Yadegar	<i>Caltrans, District 7</i>	Ex-Officio

CEHD Members – Present:

Chair*	1. Hon. Margaret E. Finlay	<i>Duarte</i>	District 35
Vice Chair*	2. Hon. Bill Jahn	<i>Big Bear Lake</i>	District 11
	3. Hon. Carol Chen	<i>Cerritos</i>	GCCOG
* 4.	Hon. Steven Choi	<i>Irvine</i>	District 14
5.	Hon. Jeffrey Cooper	<i>Culver City</i>	WSCCOG
6.	Hon. Debbie Franklin	<i>Banning</i>	WRCOG
7.	Hon. Ron Garcia	<i>Brea</i>	OCCOG
* 8.	Hon. James Gazeley	<i>Lomita</i>	District 39
* 9.	Hon. Micheal Goodland	<i>Jurupa Valley</i>	District 4
10.	Hon. Tom Hansen	<i>Paramount</i>	GCCOG
11.	Hon. Robert Joe	<i>South Pasadena</i>	Arroyo Verdugo Cities
* 12.	Hon. Larry McCallon	<i>Highland</i>	District 7
* 13.	Hon. Carl Morehouse	<i>San Buenaventura</i>	District 47
14.	Hon. Steve Nagel	<i>Fountain Valley</i>	OCCOG
15.	Hon. John Nielsen	<i>Tustin</i>	District 17
16.	Hon. Edward Paget	<i>Needles</i>	SANBAG
* 17.	Hon. Julio Rodriguez	<i>Perris</i>	District 69
18.	Hon. Sonny R. Santa Ines	<i>Bellflower</i>	GCCOG
19.	Hon. Becky Shevlin	<i>Monrovia</i>	SGVCOG
20.	Hon. Frank Zerunyan	<i>Rolling Hills Estates</i>	SBCCOG

*Regional Councilmember

EEC Members – Present:

Chair*	1. Hon. Deborah Robertson	<i>Rialto</i>	District 8
	* 2. Hon. Margaret Clark	<i>Rosemead</i>	District 32
	3. Hon. Jordan Ehrenkranz	<i>Canyon Lake</i>	WRCOG
	4. Hon. Larry Forester	<i>Signal Hill</i>	GCCOG
	5. Hon. Laura Friedman	<i>Glendale</i>	Arroyo Verdugo Cities
	6. Hon. Sandra Genis	<i>Costa Mesa</i>	OCCOG
	7. Hon. Ed Graham	<i>Chino Hills</i>	District 10
	8. Hon. Diana Mahmud	<i>South Pasadena</i>	SGVCOG
	9. Hon. Thomas Martin	<i>Maywood</i>	GCCOG
	* 10. Hon. Judy Mitchell	<i>Rolling Hills Estates</i>	District 40
	* 11. Hon. Mike Munzing	<i>Aliso Viejo</i>	District 12
	* 12. Hon. Sam Pedroza	<i>Claremont</i>	District 38
	13. Hon. David Pollock	<i>Moorpark</i>	VCOG
	* 14. Hon. Carmen Ramirez	<i>Oxnard</i>	District 45
	15. Hon. Lupe Ramos Watson	<i>Indio</i>	District 66
	16. Hon. Meghan Sahli-Wells	<i>Culver City</i>	WCCOG
	17. Hon. Diane Williams	<i>Rancho Cucamonga</i>	SANBAG
	18. Hon. Edward Wilson	<i>Signal Hill</i>	GCCOG

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Regional Councilmembers who are not in Policy Committees – Present:

1.	Hon. Ross Chun	<i>Aliso Viejo</i>	TCA
2.	Hon. Leslie Daigle	<i>Newport Beach</i>	District 15
3.	Hon. Jan Harnik		RCTC
4.	Hon. Tom LaBonge	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 51
5.	Hon. Ray Marquez	<i>Chino Hills</i>	District 10
6.	Mr. Randall Lewis	<i>Lewis Group of Companies</i>	Business Representative

Staff Present

Hasan Ikhata, Executive Director
 Debbie Dillon, Deputy Executive Director, Administration
 Joe Silvey, General Counsel
 Joann Africa, Chief Counsel
 Basil Panas, Acting Chief Financial Officer
 Rich Macias, Director of Transportation Planning
 Huasha Liu, Director of Land Use & Environmental Planning
 Darin Chidsey, Director of Strategy, Policy and Public Affairs
 Lillian Harris-Neal, Clerk of the Board
 Tess Rey-Chaput, Office of Regional Council Support

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Carl Morehouse called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Councilmember Bill Jahn, Big Bear Lake, District 11, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

President Morehouse opened the Public Comment period.

Nancy Pfeffer, Regional Planning Director, Gateway Cities Council of Governments (GCCOG), expressed concern regarding the many smaller jurisdictions in the Gateway Cities that lack the resources and capacity to apply for funding and expressed hope that state agencies consider providing targeted advance assistance to disadvantaged communities to be able to apply and compete effectively to receive funding.

President Morehouse closed the Public Comment period.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval Item

1. Minutes of the March 6, 2014 Joint Meeting of the Regional Council and Policy Committees

A MOTION was made (M. Martinez) to approve the Minutes of the March 6, 2014 Regional Council and Policy Committees' Meeting. Motion was SECONDED (Finlay) and passed by the following votes:

AYE/S: Barrows; Brown; Chen; Choi; Clark; Cooper; Daniels; Eaton; Finlay; Forester; Franklin; Gazeley; Graham; Hack; Hansen; Herrera; Hofbauer; Hyatt; Jahn; Kelley; M. Martinez; Masiel, Sr.; McCallon; McEachron; Morehouse; Murdock; Murray; O'Leary; Ovitt; Pedroza; Pettis; Pollock; Ramirez; Robertson; Santa Ines; Real Sebastian; Shevlin; Spence; Spohn; Wapner; Williams; and Wilson.

NOE/S: [None]

ABSTAIN: Bailey; Carey; Chun; McLean; and Tercero.

DISCUSSION ITEM

2. Cap-and-Trade Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF) Workshop

Hasan Ikhata, Executive Director, provided background information since the passage of SB 375 in 2008. Mr. Ikhata recalled that SCAG supported the Air Resources Board (ARB) in setting targets to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through a bottom-up process. Over the years, SCAG secured monies to fund local sustainability planning projects and to build active transportation infrastructure. Mr. Ikhata stated that the Cap-and-Trade Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF) is an opportunity to implement the Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS). He stated that more

information will be shared by the panel of speakers and introduced workshop Moderator, Jonathan Parfrey, Executive Director, Climate Resolve.

Mr. Parfrey stated that this is the first year of the Cap-and-Trade allocations and \$832 million dollars will be disbursed and allocated for the following twelve (12) programs: high-speed rail; transit and intercity, rail capital program; improvement for low carbon transit operations program; Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Program; low-carbon transportation; weatherization upgrades; energy efficiency of public buildings; agricultural operations; water energy efficiency programs; wetlands and watershed restoration efforts; sustainable forest and urban forestry; and waste diversion administered by California's Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle). Mr. Parfrey introduced the panel of speakers to provide more information regarding the various stages of development of the above-mentioned programs: Claudia Cappio, Director, California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD); Kate White, Deputy Secretary, Environmental and Housing (CalSTA); Ashley Conrad-Saydah, Deputy Secretary, Climate Policy (CalEPA); Cynthia Marvin, Chief, Transportation and Toxics Division, California Air Resources Board (ARB); and Krista Kline, Managing Director, Los Angeles Regional Collaborative (LARC) for Climate Action and Sustainability.

Ms. Cappio discussed housing-related initiatives as part of the Cap-and-Trade; provided background information regarding the Strategic Growth Council; GGRF proceeds investments; purpose of the AHSC; projects that must demonstrate GHG reductions through Vehicle Miles Travelled (VMT); and application process for eligible applicants, project types and estimated timelines.

Ms. White discussed the direct future proceeds from the GGRF on Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) and Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP); the difference between these two (2) programs with respect to processes, policy objectives, roles of the state agencies, necessary requirements for projects, eligible applicants and timelines.

Ms. Conrad-Saydah discussed and provided an overview of SB 535, SB 862, CalEnviroScreen Tool for disadvantaged communities; identifying disadvantaged communities based on the tool indicators, census tracts, use of Method 1 for top CalEnviroScreen scores; and inter-agency coordination to ensure that the benefits are felt at the regional, state, and local levels stemming from California's climate action.

Ms. Marvin discussed ARB's role in providing the Interim Guidance for investments to benefit disadvantaged communities; auction proceeds; explained how will we meet or exceed the investment targets; provided information on disadvantaged communities in the SCAG region; discussed ARB's full-funding guidelines in mid-2015 and provided an update on the 3-year investment plan.

Ms. Kline provided an overview of LARC; emphasized the importance of cross-jurisdictional collaboration throughout the SCAG region and the coordination of Climate Action to proceed with the Cap-and-Trade funds; and encouraged SCAG to identify the appropriate committees and task forces to create a protocol funding availability, grant requirements and applications.

Discussion ensued and questions were raised regarding the program complexities and timelines; concerns that county line projects may not align due to various funding mechanisms; AHSC program planning funds for future funding; public outreach workshops per program and the availability of resources for disadvantaged communities; role of MPOs in the ranking process and COGs eligibility to apply for

funding; role of the Department of Finance in regard to funding distribution; the percentage of funds benefitting the disadvantaged communities; affordable housing as part of the requirement for the application; continuous appropriations of 5% to fund transportation operations; and the integrated connectivity project portion of the AHSC program (McCallon; Pedroza; Murray, Finlay; Jahn; Robertson; O’Leary; Pollock; Carey; and Pettis).

Hasan Ikhata, Executive Director, provided closing remarks. On behalf of the Regional Council and Policy Committee members, President Morehouse thanked the panel of speakers and provided each of them with a token of appreciation.

ANNOUNCEMENT

President Morehouse announced that in lieu of a regular meeting of the Regional Council and Policy Committees in December, the 5th Annual Economic Recovery and Job Creation Summit will held on December 4, 2014 at the Westin Bonaventure Hotel, Los Angeles.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Morehouse adjourned the Joint Meeting of the Regional Council and Policy Committees at 11:56 a.m.



Lillian Harris-Neal, Clerk of the Board