

Transportation Committee Meeting
of the
Southern California Association of Governments
November 2, 2017

Minutes

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE. A DIGITAL RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG'S OFFICE.

The Transportation Committee (TC) met at SCAG's office in downtown Los Angeles. The meeting was called to order by Chair Curt Hagman, San Bernardino County. A quorum was present.

Members Present:

Hon. Sean Ashton, Downey	District 25
Hon. Will Berg, Port Hueneme	VCOG
Hon. Russell Betts, Desert Hot Springs	CVAG
Hon. Art Brown, Buena Park	District 21
Hon. Ross Chun, Aliso Viejo	OCTA
Hon. Jim Clarke, Culver City	WCCOG
Hon. James Gazeley, Lomita	District 39
Hon. Jeffrey, Giba, Moreno Valley	District 69
Hon. Jack Hadjinian, Montebello	SGVCOG
Hon. Curt Hagman (Chair)	San Bernardino County
Hon. Carol Herrera, Diamond Bar	District 37
Hon. Mike T. Judge, Simi Valley	VCTC
Hon. Trish Kelley, Mission Viejo	OCCOG
Hon. Randon Lane, Murrieta (Vice Chair)	District 5
Hon. Clint Lorimore, Eastvale	District 4
Hon. Steve Manos, Lake Elsinore	District 63
Hon. Ray Marquez, Chino Hills	District 10
Hon. Marsha McLean, Santa Clarita	District 67
Hon. Dan Medina, Gardena	District 28
Hon. Barbara Messina, Alhambra	District 34
Hon. Fred Minagar, Laguna Niguel	District 12
Hon. Carol Moore, Laguna Woods	OCCOG
Hon. Kris Murray, Anaheim	District 19
Hon. Frank Navarro, Colton	District 6
Hon. Sam Pedroza, Claremont	District 38
Hon. Greg Pettis, Cathedral City	District 2
Hon. Charles Puckett, Tustin	District 17
Hon. Teresa Real Sebastian, Monterey Park	SGVCOG
Hon. Crystal Ruiz, San Jacinto	WRCOG
Hon. Ali Saleh, Bell	GCCOG
Hon. Cynthia Sternquist, Temple City	SGVCOG
Hon. Jess Talamantes	SFVCOG
Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, El Centro	District 1
Hon. Alan Wapner, Ontario	SBCTA/SBCOG
Hon. Alicia Weintraub, Calabasas	LVMCOG
Hon. Michael Wilson, Indio	District 66
Ms. Nieves Castro	Caltrans District 7

Members Not Present:

Hon. Rusty Bailey, Riverside	District 68
Hon. Glen Becerra, Simi Valley	District 46
Hon. Ben Benoit, Wildomar	South Coast AQMD
Hon. Austin Bishop, Palmdale	North L.A. County
Hon. Joe Buscaino, Los Angeles	District 62
Hon. Jonathan Curtis, La Cañada-Flintridge	District 36
Hon. Gonzalez, Lena, Long Beach	District 30
Hon. Janice Hahn	Los Angeles County
Hon. Jan Harnik, Palm Desert	RCTC
Hon. Dave Harrington, Aliso Viejo	OCCOG
Hon. Steven Hofbauer, Palmdale	District 43
Hon. Jose Huizar, Los Angeles	District 61
Hon. Jim Hyatt, Calimesa	District 3
Hon. Linda Krupa, Hemet	WRCOG
Hon. James C. Ledford	Palmdale
Hon. Larry McCallon	Highland
Hon. L. Dennis Michael	District 9
Hon. Richard D. Murphy, Los Alamitos	OCTA
Hon. Shawn Nelson	Orange County
Hon. Pam O'Connor, Santa Monica	District 41
Hon. Dwight Robinson, Lake Forest	OCCOG
Hon. Damon Sandoval	Morongo Band of Mission Indians
Hon. Jesus Silva, Fullerton	
Hon. Marty Simonoff, Brea	District 22
Hon. Zareh Sinanyan, Glendale	SFVCOG
Hon. José Luis Solache, Lynwood	District 26
Hon. Barb Stanton, Apple Valley	SBCTA/SBCOG
Hon. Brent Tercero, Pico Rivera	GCCOG

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Hon. Curt Hagman, San Bernardino County, called the meeting to order at 10:13 a.m. Hon. Alan Wapner, Ontario, led the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public requested to comment.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Minutes of the October 5, 2017 Meeting

Receive and File

2. ARB Final Staff Recommendations on SB 375 Regional GHG Target for the 2020 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (2020 RTP/SCS) and Beyond
3. Status Update on Implementation of 2016 South Coast Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP)
4. Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA): Infill Infrastructure Grant (IIG)
5. SB 1 Sustainable Communities Planning Grant Program – Formula Funds

6. 2018 Schedule of Regional Council and Policy Committees

A MOTION was made (Brown) and SECONDED (Wilson) to approve Consent Calendar items 1 – 6. The Motion passed by the following votes:

AYES: Ashton, Berg, Betts, Brown, Chun, Clarke, Gazeley, Giba, Hadjinian, Hagman, Herrera, Judge, Kelley, Lane, Lorimore, Manos, Marquez, McLean, Medina, Messina, Minagar, Moore, Murray, Navarro, Pedroza, Pettis, Puckett, Ruiz, Saleh, Sternquist, Talamantes, Viegas-Walker, Wapner, Weintraub, Wilson (35)

NOES: None (0)

ABSTAIN: Real Sebastian (1)

After the vote, Hon Real Sebastian, Monterey Park, noted for the record that her abstention was intended for Consent Item No. 1 (Approval of the Minutes) and that she approved Consent Items No. 2 to 6.

INFORMATION ITEMS

7. Mobility Innovations: Encouraging and Facilitating Research, Pilots, and Demonstrations in the SCAG Region

Marco Anderson, SCAG staff, stated that mobility innovations referred to a broad range of near- and long-term transportation technologies, including electric vehicles, car sharing, transportation network companies such as Lyft and Uber, and connected automated vehicles (CAV). He noted that in May 2017, SCAG entered into an agreement with the state’s major Metropolitan Planning Organizations to establish the Future Mobility Research Program to combine resources, streamline consulting contracts, and to investigate the impacts of shared mobility, ride sourcing, and CAVs on modeling and the development of regional transportation plans. He noted that it was important that the public and private sectors work together in deploying CAVs in the region to incentivize the benefits while avoiding negative aspects such as increased vehicle miles traveled, congestion, and greenhouse gas emissions. He shared that CAVs may be uniquely suited for low speed operation and that the SCAG region was well suited to support the technology.

Steven Gota, Deputy Executive Officer, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro), shared information regarding the Coalition for Transportation Technology. He stated the coalition was a group of public agencies that sought to advance the discussion of transportation innovations by building partnerships and lines of communication from those partners vital to the process. He referenced partners such as Los Angeles Metro, Los Angeles Department of Transportation, Caltrans, and SCAG. He reviewed the coalition’s history, charter, and structure. Mr. Gota noted key objectives included identifying funding and bringing together key industry partners.

Judy Kruger, Director, Advanced Transportation and Aerospace, Los Angeles Economic Development Corporation (LAEDC) reported on the e4 Mobility Alliance. Ms. Kruger noted the Alliance’s areas of focus included connected autonomous vehicles, logistics and goods movement, fleet and transit vehicles, smart grid and charging infrastructure and alternative fuels. She shared that key objectives included promoting Southern California’s participation in the advancement of transportation technology and ensuring an increased share of local, state, and federal funding for advanced transportation including demonstrations and pilots.

Hon. Alicia Weintraub, Calabasas, asked what cities could do to be involved in the advancement of transportation technology. Mr. Anderson responded that it was useful to identify a specific mobility challenge that a city was facing that a demonstration project could solve. He urged interested cities to participate in the coalitions and to consider infrastructure development that could promote connected autonomous vehicle penetration and other innovative technologies.

Hon Curt Hagman, San Bernardino County, stated that as cities look to the future of smart technology they can consider infrastructure choices such as signal coordination and fiber networks. He also recommended the Southern California Logistics Airport in Victorville as a potential test site for connected autonomous vehicle development.

8. Bus Rapid Transit and Changing Neighborhoods in Los Angeles

Anne Brown, PhD Candidate, Department of Urban Planning, UCLA, reported on her current research which examines Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) and its effects on accelerating gentrification on Metro's Orange Line. Ms. Brown stated that while the study was focused on the Orange Line, it investigated larger questions of neighborhood change around transit and gentrification's effect on local residents who are transit dependent. She stated that the study's goal was to examine whether neighborhoods closer to Orange Line stations experienced change compared to those farther from it, and also, to determine whether some neighborhoods were more likely to experience displacement. She stated that findings from the research could help policy makers who could act in advance to protect local transit dependent residents and others as gentrification progressed. She noted that gentrification could be a slow process where steadily changing conditions caused lower income families to move out and then higher income families to move in.

Ms. Brown stated her approach was to examine areas one-half mile, two, and five miles around each Orange Line station. She investigated variables such as median household income, median home value, median rent, and education levels. Ms. Brown noted that areas within one-half mile of an Orange Line station did experience a greater level of change in these variables than those within two or five miles as well as those in the greater Los Angeles area. She stated both median home prices and median rents increased in those areas closest to the Orange Line. Additionally, she noted that the racial composition of the neighborhoods did not see significant change. Ms. Brown stated that the Orange Line analysis could be instructive to future policy makers regarding the effects of gentrification on bus rapid transit routes, and the study highlighted the importance of planning for affordable housing near transit stations. She stated that policies such as just cause eviction control, community housing plans, and others could be used to preserve affordable housing around transit corridors so that existing residents were not displaced.

Hon. Steve Manos, Lake Elsinore, asked if data was collected on residents who moved out of the neighborhoods and was it possible they experienced upward mobility. Ms. Brown responded that the data was not collected, and that in light rail studies, typically displacement, which could be a slow process, did accompany this type of gentrification.

9. Update on Clean Freight Technologies

Matt Miyasato, Deputy Executive Officer, South Coast Air Quality Management District, reported on Clean Freight Technologies. Mr. Miyasato stated the district contained 44% of the state's population and received 40% of the nation's containerized goods, and the

movement of those goods could produce unhealthful impacts for residents. He noted the greatest environmental impacts came from mobile sources such as heavy duty diesel trucks, marine vessels, locomotives, automobiles, and light duty trucks. He also reviewed upcoming technology, such as ultra-low emission heavy-duty natural gas engines, which produce significantly less harmful NOx emissions.

Mr. Miyasato noted that different truck technologies could be used for specific purposes in the supply chain, for example, for deliveries under 10 miles, battery electric, plug-in hybrid or a catenary system would be most beneficial. He stated that for distances greater than 10 miles, fuel cell, near-zero natural gas, and plug-in hybrid could provide a delivery system with reduced emissions. He noted the move toward these technologies would be achieved through both regulatory direction and market incentives toward their continued development.

Hon. Kris Murray, Anaheim, asked how to address idling trains near residential communities as it presented a significant problem in her district. Mr. Miyasato responded that local regulation of locomotives was difficult as the Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) had jurisdiction over rail engines. Ms. Murray suggested that SCAG consider this as part of its federal legislative initiative.

CHAIR'S REPORT

No chair's report provided.

METROLINK REPORT

Hon. Art Brown, Buena Park, reported that at the October 13th Metrolink Board meeting it was noted that actual yearly revenues to expenses resulted in a \$13 million surplus. He stated that this money would be available to the county transportation commissions to be used at their discretion. He stated that the first Tier 4 locomotives began revenue service on October 12th on the San Bernardino Line, and that the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA) had signed a lease with the Wilshire Grand. He stated that SCRRA was scheduled to move into the building in spring 2018. He reported that Metrolink's 25th anniversary event was held on October 27th at Union Station and there were various festivities, and Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti spoke, along with other dignitaries.

STAFF REPORT

No staff report provided.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Hon. Russell Betts, Desert Hot Springs, requested an item on idling trains.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Randon Lane, Murrieta, adjourned the meeting at 11:58 a.m.

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Courtney Aguirre, Senior Regional Planner
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**Transportation Committee Attendance Report
2017**

Member (including Ex-Officio) Last Name, First Name	Representing	X = County Represented						X = Attended				= No Meeting				NM = New Member				
		IC	LA	OC	RC	SB	VC	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	GA May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	
1	Ashton, Sean*	Downey		X					X	X	X	X			X	X		X	X	X
2	Bailey, Rusty*	Riverside, WRCOG				X			X	X	X			X			X	X		
3	Becerra, Glen*	Simi Valley					X				X					X			X	
4	Benoit, Ben*	South Coast AQMD				X			X	X	X	X			X	X			X	
5	Berg, Will	VCOG, Port Hueneme													X	X		X	X	X
6	Betts, Russell	CVAG				X			X		X				X	X		X	X	X
7	Bishop, Austin	County																		
8	Brown, Art*	Buena Park			X					X	X	X			X	X		X	X	X
9	Buscaino, Joe*	Los Angeles		X									X			X				
10	Castro, Nieves	Caltrans District 7																		
11	Chun, Ross	Aliso Viejo, OCTA			X											NM		X	X	X
12	Clarke, Jim	Culver City, WCCOG		X					X	X	X	X			X	X		X	X	X
13	Curtis, Jonathan*	La Cañada Flintridge		X							X				X	X		X		
14	Gazeley, James*	Lomita		X					X	X	X	X			X	X		X	X	X
15	Giba, Jeffrey*	Moreno Valley				X			X	X	X	X			X	X		X	X	X
16	Gonzalez, Lena*	Long Beach		X																
17	Hadjinian, Jack	Montebello, SGVCOG		X											X	X		X	X	X
18	Hagman, Curt* (Chair)	San Bernardino County					X		X		X	X			X	X		X	X	X
19	Hahn, Janice*	Los Angeles County		X							NM									
20	Harnik, Jan*	Palm Desert, RCTC				X			X	X	X				X			X		
21	Harrington, Dave	Aliso Viejo, OCCOG			X															
22	Herrera, Carol*	Diamond Bar		X					X	X		X			X	X		X		X
23	Hofbauer, Steven*	County		X					X	X	X	X			X					
24	Huizar, Jose*	Los Angeles		X																
25	Hyatt, Jim*	Calimesa				X			X	X	X	X			X	X		X	X	
26	Judge, Mike*	Simi Valley, VCTC						X			NM	X			X	X		X	X	X
27	Kalley, Trish	Mission Viejo, OCCOG			X										NM	X		X	X	X
28	Krupa, Linda	Hemet, WRCOG				X				X	X	X			X			X	X	X
29	Lane, Randon* (Vice Chair)	Murrieta				X			X	X	X	X			X	X		X	X	X
30	Ledford, James C.	County		X																
31	Lorimore, Clint*	Eastvale				X			X	X	X	X			X	X		X		X
32	Manos, Steve*	Lake Elsinore				X										NM		X	X	X
33	Marquez, Ray*	Chino Hills					X		X		X	X			X			X	X	X
34	McCallon, Larry	Highland					X								X	X		X	X	
35	McLean, Marsha*	Santa Clarita		X					X	X	X	X			X	X		X	X	X
36	Medina, Dan*	Gardena		X					X	X	X	X			X	X		X	X	X
37	Messina, Barbara*	Alhambra		X					X		X	X			X	X		X	X	X
38	L. Dennis Michael	Rancho Cucamonga					X			X		X			X			X	X	
39	Minagar, Fred*	Laguna Niguel			X				X	X	X	X			X	X		X	X	X
40	Moore, Carol	Laguna Woods, OCCOG			X				X	X	X	X			X	X		X	X	X
41	Murphy, Richard	Los Alamitos/OCTA			X					X					X	X		X		
42	Murray, Kris*	Anaheim			X				X	X	X				X			X	X	X
43	Navarro, Frank*	Colton					X		X	X	X	X			X	X		X	X	X
44	Nelson, Shawn*	County of Orange			X						NM									
45	O'Connor, Pam*	Santa Monica		X					X			X			X					
46	Pedroza, Sam*	Claremont		X					X	X	X	X			X	X		X		X
47	Pettis, Greg*	Cathedral City					X									NM			X	X
48	Puckett, Charles	Tustin																X	X	X
49	Real Sebastian, Teresa	Monterey Park/SGVCOG		X					X		X	X			X	X		X		X
50	Robinson, Dwight	Lake Forest, OCCOG			X															
51	Ruiz, Crystal	WRCOG/San Jacinto				X						NM			X	X		X	X	X
52	Saleh, Ali*	City of Bell, GCCOG		X						X	X	X			X			X	X	X
53	Sandoval, Damon	Morongo Band of Mission Indians																		
54	Silva, Jesus	Fullerton			X													NM	X	
55	Simonoff, Marty*	Brea			X				X	X	X	X			X	X		X	X	
56	Sinanyan, Zareh	Glendale		X																
57	Solache, José Luis*	Lynwood		X														X		
58	Stanton, Barb	Apple Valley						X		X	X									
59	Sternquist, Cynthia	Temple City		X					X	X	X	X			X			X	X	X
60	Talamantes, Jess			X							X	X			X			X	X	X
61	Tercero, Brent	Pico Rivera							X			X								
62	Viegas-Walker, Cheryl*	El Centro		X					X	X	X	X			X	X		X	X	
63	Wapner, Alan*	SBCTA/SBCOG					X		X	X		X			X	X		X	X	X
64	Weintraub, Alicia	Calabasas/LVMCOG		X						X	X				X			X		X
65	Wilson, Michael*	Indio, CVAG				X				X		X						X		X
		Totals	1	24	12	12	7	2												

* Regional Council Member