

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

Legislative Committee Meeting Notes
April 17, 2007

Attendees: Mark Waronek, Lomita; John Parsons & Steve Diels (Redondo Beach); Veronica Zendejins (Sen. Oropeza); Rose Hernandez (Asm. Richardson); E.J. Caldwell (WBMWD); Darin Chidsey (SCAG); Ron Ketcham, AQMD; Jim Kennedy & Jessica Duboff (Cong. Harman); Claudette Moody (Metro); Michael Pucci (Cal State Domingas Hills) and Kim Fuentes (SBCCOG)

No Actions were taken due to a lack of a Quorum

Update on Legislative Priorities:

- A. SCAQMD Board Composition – AB 391 (Lieu) Assembly Member Lieu is talking to Negrete-McLeod to work on adding AB 391 with SB 886. As of last Friday the bill has not been amended. SB 886 currently removes term limits on the AQMD Board Chair. Also, there may be some language that gives the Leg. Of Cal. Cities the ability to decide which cities are in which districts.
- B. Review of Bills that the SBCCOG has a position on: Reviewed the positions to be recommended to the Board: AB 640 recommend oppose; AB 1407 recommend support; and SB 12 which has become law.

AQMD report: AQMD is supporting (PUT ON THE SBCCOG LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA FOR NEXT MONTH)

- SB 1028 that provides a framework for the AQMD to provide incentives and other funding mechanisms for emission reductions beyond those required.
- SB 857 that would allow air districts to explore various incentive methods such as tax incentives.
- AB 630 gives the AQMD authority over mobile sources

SCAG report: SCAG is having a bond workshop on funding called "Show Us the Money". Two other events coming up include General Assembly and Housing Summit. Also, the RHNA bill is now in law.

South Bay RHNA update: the SBCCOG has taken delegation only one city – Rancho Palos Verdes – submitted a revision. The COG will be voting at the April Board meeting to create a hearing body. This body will review the revision. There will be a public hearing on May 14. On May 14 the Steering Committee will accept the hearing board's decision. The final allocation of local housing needs will be approved by the SBCCOG Board on May 24 and then sent to SCAG before June 1.

Water District: Took an opposed position on AB 640 de la Torre bill. They would like the COG to take an opposed position also. They are offering assistance to cities and will provide a sample letter. It is anticipated that the City of Manhattan Beach will be taking an opposed position to night.

Metro:

- Set funding marks for all the Call for Projects. There is \$450 million in total for the Call. Regarding the goods movement issue of inland port Antonovich's office is talking about, Metro is waiting until SCAG's goods movement study is done so that they can use the data. Then Metro will start working on their own study. After that it will go into the

strategic plan. It will take about 6 to 8 months for Metro to development the Strategic Plan.

- Crenshaw Corridor Prairie – the environmental clearance and preliminary engineering study contract has just been awarded. This project is a baseline project which means it is in line for funding. The study will determine what type of line will be on this corridor - rail, orange line, etc. Burk has wanted this project for a long time.

Harman office – Congressmember Harman felt the energy efficiency expo went well. She is also promoting a cool cities campaign. Torrance was the most recent city to join.

Cal State Dominguez Hills – Michael Pucci is the new local government representative. This is a new position as the school has not had anyone in the position for a while now. He has just started and is looking forward to working with local governments.