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Inactive Membership is automatically re-instated by attending a meeting

## SBCCOG MEETINGS: ATTENDANCE 2015 - 2016

City	Sept - 15	Oct - 15	Nov - 15	Jan - 16	March - 16	April - 16	May - 16	June - 16
<b>Carson</b>		Davis-Holmes		Davis-Holmes	Davis-Holmes	Davis-Holmes		
<b>El Segundo</b>	Fuentes	Fuentes			Fuentes	Fuentes	Fuentes	
<b>Gardena</b>	Medina	Medina	Terauchi	Medina	Medina	Medina	Medina	
<b>Hawthorne</b>			Valentine		Valentine	Awad	Valentine	
<b>Hermosa Beach</b>		Fangary	Fangary	Fangary	Fangary	Fangary	Fangary	
<b>Inglewood</b>	Franklin	Franklin Butts	Franklin	Butts		Franklin	Franklin	
<b>Lawndale</b>	Osborne		Osborne Pullen-Miles	Osborne	Osborne	Osborne	Suarez	
<b>Lomita</b>	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	Gazeley	
<b>Los Angeles</b>		Buscaino				<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Manhattan Beach</b>	Howorth			Howorth		Lesser	Lesser	
<b>Palos Verdes Estates</b>	Vandever	Goodhart				Goodhart		
<b>Rancho Palos Verdes</b>	Knight	Knight	Knight	Misetich		Misetich	Misetich	
<b>Redondo Beach</b>	Emdee	Horvath	Emdee	Horvath Emdee	Horvath	Horvath	Horvath	
<b>Rolling Hills</b>		Dieringer		Dieringer	Dieringer		Dieringer	
<b>Rolling Hills Estates</b>	Huff	Huff	Huff	Huff	Huff Mitchell	Huff	Huff	
<b>Torrance</b>	Weideman	Weideman	Weideman	Weideman	Weideman	Weideman	Weideman	
<b>County of Los Angeles</b>				Riccitiello				
<b>Number of Active Agencies</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>16</b>	
<b>Quorum Required (50% +1)</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	
<b>Number of Agencies Attending</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>13</b>	

**SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
THURSDAY, MAY 26, 2016  
SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THEATER  
20285 S. WESTERN AVENUE, 1ST FLOOR, TORRANCE, CA 90501**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Gazeley called the SBCCOG Board of Directors meeting to order at 6:04pm.

**II. INTRODUCTIONS**

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

Suzanne Fuentes, El Segundo	David Lesser, Manhattan Beach
Dan Medina, Gardena	Anthony Missetich, Rancho Palos Verdes
Olivia Valentine, Hawthorne	Christian Horvath, Redondo Beach
Hany Fangary, Hermosa Beach	Bea Dieringer, Rolling Hills
Ralph Franklin, Inglewood	Britt Huff, Rolling Hills Estates
Bernadette Suarez, Lawndale	Kurt Weideman, Torrance
Jim Gazeley, Lomita	

**Also in attendance were the following persons**

Aaron Baum, SBCCOG	Howard Choy, County of Los Angeles
Greg Stevens, Consulting Engr to SBCCOG	Joe Galliani, South Bay 350
Suzanne Charles, SBCCOG	Chris Cagle, SBWIB
Kim Fuentes, SBCCOG	Jeff Kiernan, League of California Cities
David Leger, SBCCOG	Nathan Holmes, LA Councilmember Buscaino
Rosemary Lackow, SBCCOG	Mike Bohlke, Metro
Steve Lantz, SBCCOG	Joanna Hankamer, City of West Hollywood
Lena Luna, SBCCOG	Norman Emerson, Emerson & Associates
Annaliese Miller, SBCCOG	James LaFourche, State Senator Isadore Hall's Office
Cierra Washington, SBCCOG	Gina Harden, public
Jennifer Zivkovic-LaMarque, SBCCOG	
Jacki Bacharach, SBCCOG	

**III. CONFIRM POSTING OF THE AGENDA BY THE CITY OF TORRANCE**

Jacki Bacharach confirmed that the agenda was properly posted in the City of Torrance.

**IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF ANY CHANGES TO THE AGENDA** – Jacki Bacharach announced that there may be an item in the League of California Cities update that the Board of Directors may want to take a position on at this meeting.

**V. PUBLIC COMMENT**

No Public Comment was received.

**VI. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A. April Board Meeting Minutes (*attachment*) – Approved**
- B. Lending Library Agreement Extension with City of Torrance (*attachments*) – Approved**
- C. Contract for SBCCOG Management Services with Jacki Bacharach and Associates (*attachment*) – Approved**
- D. Status of Legislation of Interest to SBCCOG (*attachment*) – Approved**
- E. Measure R - LRS Program Delivery Professional Services Agreement Ratification (*attachments*) – Received and filed**
- F. Strategic Growth Council Grant – Contract with Fehr and Peers (*attachments*) – Received and filed**
- G. Monthly Reports – Received and Filed**
  - 1. South Bay Environmental Services Center Report (*attachment*)**

2. **Transportation Report** (*attachment*)
3. **SCAQMD Board April Meeting Report** (*attachment*)

**MOTION** by Board Member Weideman, seconded by Board Member Horvath, to **APPROVE** the Consent Calendar. No objection. So ordered.

## **VII. PRESENTATIONS**

### **A. CCA – Community Choice Aggregation - Update**

Howard Choy, General Manager of the Los Angeles County Office of Sustainability gave a presentation on what CCA is, the status of the County's CCA efforts and future plans. Mr. Choy explained that CCA allows local governments to purchase and sell electricity to customers in their jurisdiction as an alternate to traditional investor owned utilities (IOUs), such as Southern California Edison (SCE). CCAs would be able to purchase clean renewable energy to include in their portfolios. A CCA is not a municipal utility, as the IOU will continue to provide transmission and distribution services, power line maintenance, and even customer billing services. The goal of a CCA is to offer the public more choices about where their energy comes from. Municipal utilities are already considered to be public power entities without establishing a CCA. The County initiated a technical feasibility study to determine if it can meet the electrical needs of residents at rates competitive to IOUs. Currently, the County believes it could utilize varying amounts of "green energy" and meet the electrical needs with the following rates: 30% green at a rate 5.3% lower than SCE equivalent, 50% green at a rate 4.4% lower than SCE equivalent, and 100% green at a rate 3.8% above the SCE equivalent.

Mr. Choy explained the fact that renewable energy prices are dropping, local renewable power projects prices are dropping, and other CCAs are successful all point towards the viability of the CCA model. Northern California already has CCAs in operation with many more planned, as well as many under study in the Central/Southern California regions. Mr. Choy believes that the County will launch its pilot program in January 2017 for County facilities in unincorporated areas. If cities wish to participate in this pilot program, they may contact Mr. Choy. The County is not opening the project to private businesses and rate-payers until the system has been shown to work. Phase 2 of the project will begin 6 months after initial launch and will expand the program to all County buildings. Phase 3 will open up participation to all 88 cities in the County.

Board Member Horvath asked Mr. Choy how cities wishing to join the CCA can join once it's on the market. Mr. Choy said that cities can join by passing a resolution at their City Council.

### **B. Energy Leader Partnership First Quarter Update**

Lena Luna, SBCCOG, and Greg Stevens, Engineering Consultant to the SBCCOG, gave an update on the South Bay Cities Energy Efficiency Program through a PowerPoint presentation. Ms. Luna and Mr. Stevens reviewed the Southern California Edison (SCE) Energy Leader Partnership Program, South Bay Energy Efficiency Partnership, SCE Direct Install Program, city projects in the pipeline, on-bill financing, the Energy Management Working Group, and other energy efficiency initiatives.

Ms. Luna and Mr. Stevens highlighted that the Energy Management Working Group is comprised of city staff that come together to discuss challenges and successes of energy management within their cities, as well as the SBCCOG Energy Efficiency Team, Southern California Edison, and Southern California Gas. This working group helps to identify energy efficiency projects to ensure cities receive the maximum cash incentives available. Through these varied efforts, cities have saved 510,830 kWh of electricity so far this year (33.8% of the 2016 goal) with over 4 million kWh in savings in the pipeline. Cities have also saved 14,224 therms of gas, which is 142% of the 2016 goal. These efficiency measures will save cities \$2.8 million per year and reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 9,700 tons per year.

The cities of Torrance and Gardena were honored for their advancement to Gold (Torrance) and Silver (Gardena) tiers in the SCE Energy Leader Partnership Program.

The full presentation can be viewed on the SBCCOG website at:

[http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board\\_directors/meeting/PRESENTATION\\_Energy%20Leader%20Partnership%20First%20Quarter%20Update.pdf](http://www.southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board_directors/meeting/PRESENTATION_Energy%20Leader%20Partnership%20First%20Quarter%20Update.pdf)

## **VIII. SBCCOG ACTION ITEMS – Jacki Bacharach**

- A. Draft 2016-2017 Budget (attachment)**- For review – to be adopted at the June Board meeting  
Suzanne Charles gave a brief description of the SBCCOG budget and received input from Board Members. Discussion centered upon the budget format and a clarification of terminology. Ms. Charles received the input and a revised budget will be brought back and presented to the Steering Committee and Board of Directors in June.

- B. Nominating Committee Report (attachment)** – Nominations from the floor (Election of officers & 4 at large Steering Committee Members will be at the June Board meeting)

Chair Gazeley reported on the actions of the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee members are Chair Gazeley and Board Members Goodhart, Medina, and Franklin. The Committee prepared nominations for the positions of Chairman, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chair, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair, and four Board Members for the at-large Steering Committee seats. All candidates agreed to serve.

The Committee nominated Board Member Osborne for Chairman, Board Member Weideman for 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chair, Board Member Huff for 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair, and Board Members Valentine, Fangary, Howorth, and Horvath for the at-large positions on the Steering Committee.

There being no objection and no additional nominees, this item will return on the agenda for the June Board Meeting where the election of new officers will occur.

- C. Metro Sales Tax – Proposed Changes to the Expenditure Plan**

Steve Lantz reported that the SBCCOG sent a four-page letter to Metro regarding concerns about the proposed ballot measure. Since that time, he's been working with Public Works Directors and other COGs to see whether they share similar concerns. City Managers in the next week will meet with Metro CEO Phil Washington to express their concerns. The public comment period is closed and Metro received input from throughout the county. Metro will now pull those recommendations and come up with a recommendation for the actual ballot measure. The Metro Board has said they will finely tune the ballot measure in June and be done by July in order to get the paperwork finished in time to be on the November ballot. In June, Steve will come back to the Board with a better picture of what the ballot measure will look like and recommend the Board take a position.

Jacki Bacharach added that Metro has not indicated they will increase the Local Return rate as the SBCCOG has requested. Ms. Bacharach told the Board that she feels it is important to stay in sync with the Gateway COG because together, we represent almost half of all the cities in LA County. Carson City Manager Ken Farfsing is leading meetings with the Gateway COG to create a unified message for SBCCOG and Gateway COG in their meeting with Metro CEO Phil Washington. They have agreed that they would negotiate to 20% Local Return with the understanding that the funding formula be changed. They are suggesting a formula of 1/3 lane miles, 1/3 sales tax generation, and 1/3 population. They will also discuss the sunset clause and that if there is, they would want the Local Return to continue as well. Ms. Bacharach stressed to the Board how important it is for City Managers to speak with one voice in their meeting with Phil Washington.

Board Member Horvath asked for clarification on whether the City Managers were told that the goal is to have a uniform voice in their meeting with Phil Washington. He also wants to clarify that when they meet, they are going in asking for 25% Local Return and would negotiate to 20%. Ms. Bacharach responded that 25% was already asked of Metro and it hasn't gotten them anywhere. This group has put 20% Local Return in writing, adding that they knew they wanted 25%, but would be okay with 20% understanding that the formula be changed and that there be no earmarks.

- 1. West Hollywood re: Crenshaw Extension Project Overview (attachment)**

Steve Lantz introduced Joanna Hankamer and Norman Emerson representing the City of West Hollywood. Mr. Lantz informed the Board of a proposal regarding the Crenshaw Line Northern Extension. This proposal states that after extending the Green Line south to Torrance, it should also be extended north and to have it connect with the Expo, Purple, and Red Lines. Upon completion, this would enhance regional connectivity by allowing riders uninterrupted rail service stretching from the Torrance to Hollywood.

This proposal came up as an alternative to a possible subway under the 405 Freeway that would go from the 101 Freeway to the 10 Freeway. That project would potentially cost \$5-8 billion.

Mr. Lantz said that this alternative may be worth further study because the City of West Hollywood believes it offers better regionally connectivity than the tunnel would provide at far less cost. The City of West Hollywood is asking the SBCCOG Board to vote to support the further study of this project and the possibility of its inclusion in the next ballot measure.

Several Board Members raised concerns about the prospects of Green Line extension south to Torrance getting pushed back in order to start this project first. Mr. Lantz informed them that the recommendation to the Board was written that the SBCCOG's support is contingent on the Green Line extension south to Torrance be completed first and added that the Green Line project is far ahead in the planning process than the Crenshaw North proposal.

Board Member Valentine asked if there would be connectivity so that riders did not have to exit a station and walk to other stations to ride the next line. Mr. Lantz informed her that the lines would all connect so riders would not have to leave any of the stations to catch their connecting train.

**MOTION** by Board Member Horvath, seconded by Board Member Weideman, to **SUPPORT** continued study of the Crenshaw North Extension and to write a letter to Metro expressing the SBCCOG's support. No objection. So ordered.

## **IX. SBCCOG PROGRAM REPORTS AND UPDATES**

### **A. Homeless Initiative**

Jacki Bacharach updated the Board that the homeless count for the South Bay is up 22% from 2015 and currently stands at 3,663 people. PATH has been doing numerous ride alongs with law enforcement, held several meetings with service providers, and has made contact with 116 different people. They have been able to link those in need with primary care services, mainstream benefits, substance abuse assistance, as well as mental health care. 3 individuals have been linked to interim/ emergency shelter and 1 person has been permanently housed. The next meeting will be held July 13.

### **B. Green Building Challenge**

Kim Fuentes updated the Board that there are 144 businesses currently participating in the challenge and that number keeps growing weekly. They have met with the utility companies about continuing the program. Statistics for success are being worked on to provide to the utility companies. Because businesses are busy, visiting the online challenge platform is often difficult. Therefore, we are looking at possibly simplifying the process in the future, by still providing the same services, but without the online tool and the expenses that come with it.

### **C. Senior Services Working Group**

Board Member Huff updated the Board about the group's last meeting. Steve Lantz and Jacki Bacharach presented information on Metro's proposed ballot measure and the efforts to accelerate the Green Line Extension south to Torrance. Board Member Huff described the group as enthusiastic in regards to this proposal because it could further connect public transportation dependent seniors to other parts of the region. The attendees were also pleased to hear that PATH was partnering with groups such as churches in the area. They also appreciated Harbor UCLA's efforts to notify PATH directly when a patient is about to be released and has no place to go, in hopes of breaking the cycle of living on the street and returning to the emergency room. The group also received an update from Ms. Bacharach on the Uber, Lyft, and GrandPad proposal, but at this point there hasn't been any response about discounts for cities that would like to begin pilot programs.

### **D. Travel Pal**

Kim Fuentes announced that Travel Pal just launched and is off to a good start. 115 people have registered in the first week and a half, and 241 unique users visiting the site. Most people spent approximately 5 minutes on the site, indicating that they are exploring the tool and figuring out how to use it. SBCCOG staff will be taking the tool to SBCCOG/SBESC events to give the public a chance to enroll there as well. They will also work with local employers to help familiarize them with this tool. The goal is for South Bay residents to use it to look at their travel options for their commute trip and to go to events as well as employers using it for employee ride-matching.

### **E. Broadband Network Study**

Jacki Bacharach thanked Chris Cagle from the South Bay Workforce Investment Board for his work in finding funding for a South Bay Broadband Feasibility Study and announced that there were 11 firms who participated in a phone call re: the Request for Proposals. Chris Cagle will give more information in his report.

**F. Scheduling special events**

**1. Workshop on Broadband**

Ms. Bacharach announced that there will be a workshop on July 21<sup>st</sup> put on by a person involved in the Broadband industry.

**2. Tour of Long Beach Container Terminal**

Ms. Bacharach will send an email out to Board Members with specific dates for their input on a date for the tour.

**G. Other** - No other reports were given

**X. TRANSPORTATION REPORTS**

**A. Metro Report by Mike Bohlke**

Mike Bohlke stated that Mayor Butts is a strong supporter of the Crenshaw North Extension proposal. He also announced that Mayor Garcetti brought in a motion to the Metro Board to eliminate the sunset from the Proposed Ballot Measure. Mr. Bohlke said that it works in the SBCCOG's favor in the sense that in terms of opening up the ballot measure to find ways to accelerate the Green Line Extension to Torrance. Metro may put language in the ordinance that once the Proposed Ballot Measure is passed, it would allow the Metro Board some sort of latitude to figure out how to accelerate that project.

Mr. Bohlke also announced that when the Metro Board passed the Active Transportation Strategic Plan, there was a motion to incorporate into new rail projects, the Active Transportation Project (ATP) as part of the baseline project so that all new rail projects include active transportation. Mr. Bohlke stated that efforts are underway to change Metro's practice of trying to impose a 3% contribution from cities for new rail projects, and that the 3% contribution should go towards the ATP and not the baseline project cost. Mayor Butts is trying to save cities the 3% because this money is a large amount for small cities to come up with. If the efforts are unsuccessful in eliminating the 3% all together, the money would then go towards the ATPs with a nexus to that rail project. The ATPs are projects that the cities themselves actually want.

**B. Service Council report by Ralph Franklin, Chair**

Board Member Franklin reported that he rode the new Exposition Line from Culver City to Santa Monica. He also reported that Metro is trying a new all-door boarding on busses. The new method allows riders to enter in the mid/rear doors using their TAP card. He also announced that the new ticket machines at the Harbor Gateway Transit Center are excellent re: providing services to the riders. Finally, he announced that they are moving forward with the Rosa Parks/Willowbrook Station.

**C. South Bay Measure R Highway Program Steve Lantz**

Steve Lantz reported that all cities but one who had South Bay Highway Program projects with expiring funding agreements accepted the staff recommendations about moving forward. The city that appealed the recommendation made their appeal before the Infrastructure Working Group (IWG). The IWG made a few minor adjustments to the recommendation and will be returning the new recommendation to the Steering Committee next month.

**XI. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Weideman (Torrance) announced that the sale of the ExxonMobil refinery has been put on hold because the plant has not been up and running at full capacity for 15 days. The expected sale date is now July 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Franklin (Inglewood) announced that the 2021 NFL Superbowl will be held in Los Angeles at the Inglewood Stadium.
- Huff (RHE) - The annual Palos Verdes Street Fair hosted by the Chamber will take place June 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>.
- Medina (Gardena) – On June 18<sup>th</sup> from 3-5pm, there will be a free concert in the city.

**XII. AGENCY REPORTS**

**A. League of California Cities**

1. Jeff Kiernan reported on the Governor's "by right" housing proposal that he has proposed as part of his May revise to the State Budget. The League is opposed to this proposal as well as environmental groups and labor groups. Essentially what this proposal will do is allow developers' projects to be approved by city staff, as well as make changes to zoning and variances without any public review or review by a City Council. If this is taken up as part of the budget and is approved, it will go into effect with the budget and cities will have to comply as of July 1<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Kiernan asked all Board Members to ensure their City Managers are aware of this, and to also make calls to local State Assemblymembers and Senators to make sure they know how local cities feel about the proposal. Mr. Kiernan handed out a document explaining the proposal as well as the League's concerns with it.

Because of the urgency of this item, there was a **MOTION** by Board Member Franklin, seconded by Board Member Valentine, to **SUPPORT** addition of this item to the agenda so the Board can take a position. No objection. So ordered.

**MOTION** by Board Member Franklin, seconded by Board Member Horvath, to **OPPOSE** the Governor's proposal. No objection. So ordered.

2. Mr. Kiernan also updated the Board about the work of the Fix Our Roads Coalition. A transportation rally was held at the State Capitol with approximately 600 attendees. Mr. Kiernan said that it looks like there won't be any new transportation funding in the proposed budget, but instead they are going to try and reinvigorate the special session related to transportation funding, which hasn't been active since October 2015. It is hoped that after the budget is passed, this special session will begin working on ways to close the gap in transportation funding that has stemmed from severe declines in gas tax revenues. Mr. Kiernan handout out a document that detailed things that the Fix Our Roads Coalition is asking for as well as new revenues they are suggesting to fill the gap in funding.

Board Member Dieringer also updated the Board on the work of the League's Legislative Committee. They have announced opposition to SB1069 which would greatly alter a city's authority to regulate "second units" in single-family and multifamily residential zones. She also announced efforts by the Legislature to alter the number of members on Los Angeles' Metro Board. The League has been asked for recommendations by State Senator Mendoza. Board Member Dieringer will serve on the Ad-Hoc committee for these proposals.

Board Member Dieringer also announced that LA County Correctional System is asking for funding from the State to cope with mandates to provide medical and mental health services to prisoners.

- B. **South Coast Air Quality Management District** - No report given
- C. **SCAG & Committees** - No report given
- D. **Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission** - No report given
- E. **LA County Community Choice Aggregation Task Force** - No report given
- F. **Stormwater Funding Options Committee** - No report given

**G. South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce**

Board Member Huff reported that Steve Lantz will be making a presentation to the SBACC about the SBCCOG concerns on Metro's Potential Ballot Measure.

**H. Workforce Investment Board**

Chris Cagle handed out the SBWIB Third Quarter Report. In regards to the Broadband Study announced earlier in the meeting, the SBWIB is also including the 4 cities on the Peninsula, which usually do not fall under SBWIB areas. Mr. Cagle added that the RFP is out now, with proposals being due June 1<sup>st</sup>. The SBWIB will then rate the proposals on June 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Their Executive Committee will receive them on June 8<sup>th</sup> and pick somebody to award it to. They hope to have information to tie into the July 21<sup>st</sup> SBCCOG workshop. Mr. Cagle also announced that an agreement was signed between the SBWIB and the LA Air Force Base on May 9<sup>th</sup>. This is the first agreement between a WIB and an Air Force base in the entire nation.

Mr. Cagle also reported on a youth jobs fair that brought in 750 kids from the South Bay to interview with 60-70 companies in attendance. 150 of those students were hired on the spot and 180 came back for follow-up interviews.

**XIII. UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS – No report given.**

**XIII. MAY SBCCOG COMMITTEE MEETINGS & WORKING GROUPS**

Consult website for specific times and places for other meetings – [www.southbaycities.org](http://www.southbaycities.org)

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Gazeley adjourned the meeting at 8:22 pm to Thursday, June 30, 2016 at 6:00 pm.

David Leger

Assistant to the Board Secretary