Resolution No. 2010-4

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS APPROVING THE SUSTAINABLE SOUTH BAY STRATEGY AS THE BASIS FOR THE SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT’S SUB-REGIONAL SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES STRATEGY AND AS AN OPTION FOR SOUTH BAY CITIES SEEKING A SUSTAINABLE LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION STRATEGY

Whereas SB 375 requires each region in the state to develop a Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) as a chapter in its Regional Transportation Plan that coordinates land use and transportation so as to reduce the demand for travel and the generation of Greenhouse Gas Emissions;

Whereas Sub-Regional Councils of Government in the Southern California Association of Governments’ (SCAG) region have the right to participate in developing their sub-regional SCS;

Whereas the SBCCOG notified SCAG on December 14, 2009 that the two organizations would collaborate in developing a sub-regional SCS for the South Bay Cities;

Whereas the SBCCOG used SCAG funding to research the transportation performance of 8 mixed-use neighborhoods in the South Bay in order to develop a coordinated land use and transportation strategy, referred to as the Sustainable South Bay Strategy (SSBS), that would reduce the demand for travel and the generation of Greenhouse Gas Emissions if implemented by South Bay cities;

Whereas a number of government grants require adherence to a certified sustainable land use and transportation strategy as a criterion for funding;

Whereas the only certified option for South Bay cities to use as a sustainable land use and transportation strategy is SCAG’s Compass principles and its 2% Strategy;

Whereas SCAG’s 2% Strategy relies on development that increases residential density adjacent to transit corridors;

Whereas South Bay cities are not transit rich;

Whereas the SSBS is consistent with Compass Principles while differing from the 2% Strategy

Whereas the SSBS has been certified by SCAG as consistent with its Compass Principles and is an acceptable alternative to the 2% Strategy for South Bay cities;
NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the findings, policies and recommendations of the Sustainable South Bay Strategy may be used as the basis for the SBCCOG's Sustainable Communities Strategy and as an option for South Bay Cities seeking a Sustainable Land Use and Transportation Strategy.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 23rd day of September, 2010

ATTEST:

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Chairperson

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Board Secretary