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I. CALL TO ORDER
Chair Huff called the SBCCOG Board of Directors meeting to order at 6:06pm.

II. INTRODUCTIONS
In attendance were the following voting elected officials:
Drew Boyles, El Segundo
Dan Medina, Gardena
Olivia Valentine, Hawthorne
Ralph Franklin, Inglewood
Bernadette Suarez, Lawndale
Jim Gazeley, Lomita
Suzanne Hadley, Manhattan Beach
Kenny Kao, Palos Verdes Estates
Christian Horvath, Redondo Beach
Eric Alegría, Rancho Palos Verdes
Britt Huff, Rolling Hills Estates
Geoff Rizzo, Torrance
Lacy Johnson, LA County District 2 (arrived 7:09pm)
Jennifer LaMarque, LA County District 4

Other elected officials in attendance:
Jim Osborne, Lawndale
Robert Pullen-Miles, Lawndale
John Cruikshank, Rancho Palos Verdes
Pat Wilson, Rolling Hills
Steve Zuckerman, Rolling Hills Estates
Milton Herring, Torrance
Scott Houston, West Basin MWD
Harold Williams, West Basin MWD

Also in attendance were the following persons
Susan Kamada, Lomita
Greg Grammer, Rolling Hills Estates
Alexa Davis, Rolling Hills Estates
Heidi Luce, Rolling Hills Estates
Patrick Sheilds, West Basin MWD
Connie Turner, SCE
Joshua Torres, SCE
Sarah Patterson, SCAG
Mark Dierking, Metro
Olina Wibroe, Sen. Allen’s Office
Cody Bridges, Asm. Muratsuchi’s Office
Aurelia Friedman, Rep. Lieu’s Office
Jeff Kiernan, League of CA Cities
David Daigle, American Dark Fiber
Jackie Yim, Mercury Public Affairs
Joe Perri, The Olson Company
Jacki Bacharach, SBCCOG
Grace Farwell, SBCCOG
David Leger, SBCCOG
Natalie Champion, SBCCOG
Kim Fuentes, SBCCOG
Karen Kanda, SBCCOG Volunteer

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
Ms. Bacharach requested that the Board consider removing the Item F (Status of Legislation) from the Consent Calendar and move it to the end of Item 8 due to the changes since the agenda was mailed out.

MOTION by Board Member Horvath, seconded by Board Member Valentine to REMOVE Item F from the Consent Calendar and move it to follow Item 8-K. No objection. So ordered.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT
No public comment received.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR
A. May Board Meeting Minutes (attachment) – Approved
B. Resolution #2019-1 – Designating a New SBCCOG Treasurer (attachment) – Approved
C. Resolution #2019-2 – Authorizing Investment in Local Agency Investment Fund (attachment) – Approved
D. Metro Shared Mobility Contract *(attachment)* – Approved
E. West Basin Municipal Water District Annual Contract Renewal *(attachment)* – Approved
F. Status of Legislation of Interest to SBCCOG *(attachment)* – moved to follow Item 8-K
   1. AB 1279 – Oppose
   2. AB 228 – Steering Committee took oppose position – due to time critical hearing
F.1 Contract with CDM Smith on behalf of the Dominguez Channel Watershed Management Group *(attachment)* – Approved
G. 3rd Quarter Budget Report *(attachment)* – Received and Filed
H. Monthly Reports – Received and Filed
   1. South Bay Environmental Services Center Report *(attachment)*
   2. Transportation Report *(attachment)*
   3. Service Council Report by Ralph Franklin, Chair *(attachment)*

**MOTION** by Board Member Valentine, seconded by Board Member Franklin, to **APPROVE** the Consent Calendar as modified. No objection. So ordered.

**VII. PRESENTATIONS**

A. Certificate of Appreciation
   Chair Huff presented Susan Kamada with a certificate of appreciation for her service as SBCCOG Treasurer.

B. Face of the Program
   Natalie Champion gave her “SBCCOG: Face of the Program” presentation, which introduces SBCCOG staff and their program responsibilities at the SBCCOG. Ms. Champion touched on her South Bay connections, being born in Torrance and raised in Compton. She also focused on the sense of community that was instilled in her by her parents through church, family, and social justice work. This heavily influenced her educational background in Urban and Environmental Policy and Politics, particularly her studies abroad at the University of Ghana in Africa. Upon completing college, Ms. Champion went to work in the City Manager’s office in the City of Compton because she wanted to help oversee the quality of life for residents. Ms. Champion then touched on her role at the SBCCOG as administrative staff to the Board of Directors, working on Form 700s, agenda distribution for multiple Board committees, General Assembly work, and more. She concluded by touching on her other work in the fields of maternal mortality/morbidity, mental health advocacy, violence prevention, census outreach, amongst other things. Ms. Champion loves to spend time with her husband and twin daughters. Ms. Champion’s presentation can be viewed on the SBCCOG’s website at: [http://southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board_directors/meeting/PRESENTATION_Face%20of%20the%20COG_Natalie%20Champion%20.pdf](http://southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board_directors/meeting/PRESENTATION_Face%20of%20the%20COG_Natalie%20Champion%20.pdf)

C. EV Ready Communities
   Joshua Torres presented Southern California Edison’s (SCE) EV-Ready Communities program that aims to help local governments prepare for increased adoption of electric vehicle technology by their residents, businesses, and visitors in their jurisdictions. Mr. Torres went on to review SCE’s recommendations for cities to encourage EV adoption as well as the programs and incentives that are being developed to help accomplish the program’s goals. Mr. Torres’ full presentation is online at: [http://southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board_directors/meeting/PRESENTATION_Local%20Govt%20TE%20Readiness.pdf](http://southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board_directors/meeting/PRESENTATION_Local%20Govt%20TE%20Readiness.pdf)

**VIII. SBCCOG PROGRAM ACTION ITEMS, REPORTS AND UPDATES**

A. Election of Officers *(attachment)* - **APPROVED**

   **MOTION** by Board Member Suarez, seconded by Board Member Gazeley, to close the nominations and **APPROVE** the new slate of officers as presented by the Nominating Committee. No objection. So ordered.

   **MOTION** by Board Member Alegria, seconded by Board Member Horvath, to close the nominations and **APPROVE** the at-large Steering Committee members as presented by the Nominating Committee. No objection. So ordered.

   Board Member Horvath followed this item by thanking Chair Huff for her service to the SBCCOG as well as reviewing some of the accomplishments made during her term as Chair. Members of the Board,
representatives of legislative offices, representatives from SBCCOG partners, and officials from the City of Rolling Hills Estates presented Chair Huff with certificates of recognition and thanked her for her dedication to public service.

Chair Huff thanked everyone for their kind remarks and for the opportunity to serve as Chair.

B. 2019-2020 Budget (attachments) – APPROVED
Chair Huff asked if there were any comments on the proposed 2019-2020 budget as presented. Board Member Alegria reiterated his comment from May’s Board meeting in which he stated that he’d like to consider shifting the SBCCOG budget year so that deficit budgets are not proposed. Councilmember Wilson relayed a similar message from Board Member Dieringer who was unable to attend the meeting herself.

Ms. Bacharach explained that due to budget timing and when grants are often awarded, the SBCCOG has tended to begin its budget year in a deficit which is then closed as grants are received throughout the year. She noted that incoming Chair Horvath intends to restart the Finance Committee which will consider changes such as altering the budget year to address issues such as that. Ms. Bacharach added that the deficit appears larger than normal due to an allocation of $100,000 for moving expenses for the upcoming office move.

MOTION by Board Member Franklin, seconded by Board Member Gazeley, to APPROVE the 2019-2020 budget. No objection. So Ordered.

C. Regional Broadband Initiative (attachment) – APPROVED
Ms. Bacharach introduced the “South Bay Fiber Network” (SBFN), the new name for the broadband project. She went on to give a brief history of the project and introduced David Daigle from ADF – American Dark Fiber who is leading the team working on the project.

Mr. Daigle briefly reviewed the project and explained the concept of the South Bay Fiber Network. Mr. Daigle explained that ADF is leveraging its partnerships to deliver this project, which will provide cities with access to 1GB speeds for $1,000/month. Beyond transportation related applications, the network will provide access to education, economic development, municipal, and yet-to-be identified benefits. Mr. Daigle also added that there will be clauses in the agreements to state maximum downtimes/repair response times, local maintenance crews, etc. There will also be a three-year price lookback that will re-evaluate prices.

The SBCCOG will receive a 1.5% revenue share percentage once 55 sites are connected to the network and are billing in good-standing. This revenue will be used to help develop applications for the network. Ms. Bacharach also reported that there is an opportunity to develop additional applications via funding from the State Budget (requested by Asm. Muratsuchi).

Ms. Bacharach asked the Board to review the Letter of Intent that they will be asked to sign at a future time. Ms. Bacharach also asked the Board to authorize a $100,000 “good-faith” payment to ADF to hold its prices and begin work on the project. It will be applied to the first payment for services. Ms. Bacharach explained that the SBCCOG has received a letter of no prejudice from Metro that will allow the SBCCOG to bill for reimbursable expenses incurred before the funding agreement is executed that will fund the SBFN’s non-recurring costs. The $100,000 will be reimbursed upon execution of the funding agreement. Board Member Franklin expressed his concern about using these funds as there is no guarantee that Metro will reimburse for the funds. Ms. Bacharach explained the letter of no prejudice as a common tool to allow projects to begin. Also, she is working with Metro staff to seek funding for payments in advance and not on a reimbursement basis.

Board Member Medina asked Mr. Daigle if the network would allow for city-wide WIFI service. Mr. Daigle explained that the concept of the network is to get the city connected to the high-speed service, upon which they can develop city-wide WIFI, which ADF could help facilitate.

MOTION by Board Member Horvath, seconded by Board Member Medina, to APPROVE a $100,000 payment to ADF to begin work on the SBFN. No objection. Abstention by Board Member Franklin. Motion passes.
D. General Assembly topic – March 19, 2020 (attachment)
Ms. Bacharach reported that the working theme of the 2020 GA is “Intersections: Housing, Mobility, Tech/Access, Commerce and how they are informed by data” and the program would seek to address whether the South Bay can achieve goals set by the State and locally for housing, mobility, access, and economic vitality, and if so, how. The format will be similar to TED talks and therefore be different from previous GAs.

E. Senior Services
Chair Huff reported that the next meeting will take place on July 23rd and asked for Board Members to attend or send staff from their city. She explained that there will be a regional effort to become an AARP Age Friendly Region, which is a multi-year process.

F. Homeless Services (attachment)
Ms. Bacharach announced that the SPA-8 city numbers are released. However, LAHSA plans to release updated numbers in mid-July because particular sub-groups were not counted. Cities will be asked to review the updated figures and provide comments prior to public release July 14th. There are also significant efforts to convert vacant motel rooms to housing for individuals experiencing homelessness.

G. Slow Speed/Local Travel Network Project
Ms. Bacharach reported the technical consultant, Fehr and Peers, has been hired and is working on data analysis currently.

H. Metro Report
Ms. Bacharach handed out the notice on Green Line closures. Mr. Dierking added that this is work to tie in to the Crenshaw Line. Ms. Bacharach reported that the Metro Board approved the Measure R budget request earlier today as well as the SBCCOG nominees for the Metro South Bay Service Council. There is also a Strategic Plan for Transit to the Parks that was based off a Board motion to further emphasize bringing transit service to park locations. There will be further study of this as part of the NextGen Bus Study. The Green Line closures notice is available online here: http://southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/board_directors/meeting/HANDOUT_19-3444_Crenshaw_Green_Line_Tie_In_Closure_Flyer_Map.pdf

I. SBCCOG Transportation Update
Items were discussed above. No other report given.

J. Office Move
Ms. Bacharach shared the news that the SBCCOG will no longer have access to the Board Room/Client Theater after July 15th. The next Board meeting will take place at the Redondo Beach library. Ms. Bacharach also reported that the Park Del Amo location process continues, with comments on architectural plans being submitted to the building owner. There will be a significant time crunch now to get a lease signed, permits processed, and construction completed before the end of November.

K. Other
The Board discussed Consent Calendar item F (Legislation). Ms. Bacharach explained that two bills have been added to the legislative matrix (AB 1763 and SB 592) in addition to a last minute request from the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy to support legislation (AB 1694) that would add the Dominguez Channel Watershed to the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy. Ms. Bacharach continued by reporting AB 36 is now a two-year bill. AB 1279 is no longer expected to move through the legislature. SB 592 was gutted and amended and has a recommended oppose position.

Mr. Kiernan added that SB 330 was amended but noted the League is still opposed. AB 1112 is another scooter-share bill that the League currently opposes because it is not as good as AB 1286 (Muratsuchi). Mr. Kiernan also shared that SB 592 began as a barbering bill and is now an expansion of the Housing Accountability Act (HAA) and expands the act to include ADUs and other items. The HAA imposed financial penalties on cities that did not approve a housing plan that fits within its general plan at $10,000/unit/day.

MOTION By Board Member Horvath, seconded by Board Member Valentine to ADD AB 1694 to the legislative matrix and to SUPPORT the legislation. No objection. So ordered.
MOTION By Board Member Horvath, seconded by Board Member Alegria to ADD AB 1286 to the legislative matrix and to SUPPORT the legislation. No objection. Abstention by Board Member Boyles. Motion passes.

MOTION By Board Member Franklin, seconded by Board Member Valentine to ADD AB 592 to the legislative matrix and to OPPOSE the legislation. No objection. So ordered.

IX. AGENCY REPORTS
A. League of California Cities & LA Division Legislative Committee
   Jeff Kiernan reported that the Legislature is considering several workers compensation bills that the League is closely monitoring and encouraged cities to look into taking positions on them. Mr. Kiernan also announced that AB 516 is gaining traction in the Legislature and could deeply impact a city’s ability to tow vehicles.

MOTION By Board Member Valentine, seconded by Board Member Hadley to ADD AB 516 to the legislative matrix and to OPPOSE the legislation. No objection. So ordered.

Mr. Kiernan continued and announced that the Housing Trailer Bill will be signed on Monday and provides $2.5B for housing and homelessness but noted that Governor Newsom is attempting to link it to requirements for housing planning. He noted that if a city has an approved housing element, they likely will not be affected.

Mr. Kiernan concluded by announcing a couple upcoming events: The Division Installation is taking place August 1st in Bellflower; The Annual Conference will take place October 16th-18th in Long Beach.

B. South Coast Air Quality Management District – No report given.

C. SCAG & Committees
   2. Transportation – No report given.
   4. Regional Council – No report given.
      Ms. Bacharach noted that the RHNA subcommittee will be meeting at the SBCCOG office on July 22nd. Setting the recommended numbers for the region has been very controversial at SCAG.

D. Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission – No report given.

E. Stormwater Funding
   1. CCCA/LCC Stormwater Funding Options Committee – No report given.

F. South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce
   Board Member Valentine reported on legislative positions taken at SBACC and noted that AT&T presented their employment figures and impacts in the Los Angeles region

G. South Bay Aerospace Alliance – No report given.

H. KHHR (Hawthorne Airport) Committee re: Community Impacts – No report given.

I. South Bay Workforce Investment Board – No report given.

J. California Association of Councils of Governments
   Board Member Huff reported that she attended the CALCOG Board meeting.
X. UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS
Gazeley (Lomita): Founders Day Event is taking place this Saturday and will have a performance by the Elected Officials Band with Board Members Medina and Osborne.

Medina (Gardena): The City won its lawsuit against the state regarding the MS4 permits. The Judge is now deciding if the whole permit will be voided or not.

Alegria (Rancho Palos Verdes): The City’s 4th of July event is taking place at Point Vicente on Thursday from 11am-5pm.

XI. ADJOURNMENT
Chair Huff thanked Ms. Bacharach for her assistance and guidance during her term as Chair and adjourned the meeting at 8:17 pm to Thursday, July 25, 2019 at 6:00 pm.

David Leger
Assistant Board Secretary