

South Bay Cities Council of Governments Infrastructure Working Group Meeting Notes – February 12, 2020

Attendees: Chair Ted Semaan (Redondo Beach); William Mendoza (Gardena); Marnell Gibson & Lucho Rodriguez (Hermosa Beach); Louis Atwell (Inglewood); Stephanie Katsouleas & Erik Zandvliet (Manhattan Beach); Nasser Razepoor (Rancho Palos Verdes); Andy Winje (Redondo Beach); David Wahba (Rolling Hills Estates); Jimmy Shih & Olivia Harris (Caltrans); William Johnson & Patrick Smith (LA County DPW); Steve Lantz & David Leger (SBCCOG); Anissa Voyiatzes (Ardurra); Steven Anderson (David Evans); Shawn Arianna (Geo-Advantec); Wayne Richardson (HDR); Greg Jaquez & Monica Killen (MNS Engineers); Mathew Carson (Rincon); Tom Choe (System Metrics Group); Julie Ann Anopol (Wildan); Diego Cadena (WKE)

I. **Self-Introductions and Approval of January 8, 2020 IWG Meeting Notes** – Chair Ted Semaan called the meeting to order at 12:04 pm. The January 8, 2020 meeting notes were approved without objection.

II. **Evaluation of Applications Submitted for FY20-21 Metro Budget Request**

Mr. Lantz explained that projects submitted by the October 31 deadline and scheduled to begin over the next 5 years are under consideration. There are 22 highway and 13 transit projects requesting approximately \$1B in funding. Mr. Lantz noted that there is approximately \$140M in Measure M funding available over the next 5 years. At the February Transportation Committee meeting, Metro staff reported that Measure R does not have an annual allocation limit and the SBCCOG could request up to the remaining balance of the SBHP program.

In addition to new project applications, “cost to complete” projects needing additional funding for phases through construction are also under consideration. The SBCCOG must decide if it wishes to prioritize “cost to complete” projects over new projects as there is approximately \$345M in funding needed to complete active projects.

A new matching formula which was proposed by the IWG/TOWG sub-committee raised the 100% funding level to \$20M, which they felt would significantly increase small cities’ ability to deliver projects by eliminating the need for a local match. SBCCOG staff expressed concerns that such a significant increase would limit the number of projects that could be funded and that only 1.2% in matching funds was originally identified in the October 31 call for projects applications. SBCCOG staff will be reaching out to applicants with match requirements based on a variety of match proposals. Staff is interested in learning under which formulas a city may not want to proceed with a project. The SBCCOG Transportation Committee will be making a recommendation to the SBCCOG Steering Committee in March on a proposed new matching formula for Measure R and M projects as well as a Metro Budget Request for both Measures. *(Note: The March SBCCOG Steering Committee meeting serves as a Board of Directors meeting because the Board does not meet that month.)*

III. **Measure R SBHP Transfer Program (SBHP-TP) Update**

Mr. Lantz provided a brief update on the county-wide decennial Measure R Transfer Policy and the SBHP Transfer Program. The Metro Board is expected to vote on the policy by May and would give staff approximately six months to return with administrative guidelines.

IV. **Spotlight Presentation: Optimization in Asphalt Pavement Preservation and Rehabilitation**

Shawn Arianna presented on methods/approaches to extend the life of pavement and reduce the frequency of reconstruction projects. Mr. Arianna discussed optimal preservation and rehab techniques to minimize damage done by water infiltration. By regularly rehabbing the pavement, a city could significantly extend the lifespan of pavement between reconstruction projects, often times by approximately five years. The full presentation is available online here: http://southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/infrastructure/Presentation_Pavement.pdf

V. **Annual Performance Evaluation Report**

Due to Metro’s recent elimination of the monthly reporting requirement, SBCCOG staff has produced a new monthly status report, available online here:

http://southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/infrastructure/HANDOUT_Draft%20SBHP%20Project%20updates-2.pdf

The report will contain a brief narrative update and identify any delay issues. The APE report is still expected to be available on a quarterly basis.

VI. **Three-Month Look Ahead** – Received and filed.

VII. **Announcements & Adjournment**

Mr. Zandvliet reported that the Metro Streets & Freeways sub-committee met and focused on the new cycle of ATP Cycle 5 funding. Applications are due June 2020 for approximately \$445M available through FY25. There were also presentations on Metro's Purple Line project and the Hotspots highway program.

Mr. Smith gave a brief update on LACDPW's South Bay Traffic Forum projects. The Carson and Hawthorne Centracs System project is expected to go to the Board for approval in April. TSSP projects are also proceeding. For details on specific projects, the handout is available online:

http://southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/infrastructure/HANDOUT_%20South%20Bay%20Traffic%20Forum%20Report%20February%202020.pdf

Chair Semaan adjourned the meeting at 1:45 p.m. until March 11, 2020 (public meeting). To include an item on the agenda, please email Steve Lantz (lantzsh10@gmail.com) by March 2, 2020.