

## **South Bay Cities Council of Governments Infrastructure Working Group Meeting Notes – March 11, 2020**

**Attendees:** Chair Ted Semaan (Redondo Beach); Gilbert Marquez (Carson); William Mendoza (Gardena); Stephanie Katsouleas & Erik Zandvliet (Manhattan Beach); James Lee (Torrance Transit); Jimmy Shih (Caltrans); John Ickis & William Johnson (LA County DPW); Isidro Panuco & Nour Abou-Fadel (Metro); Jacki Bacharach, Steve Lantz & David Leger (SBCCOG); Vik Bapna (CWE); Steven Anderson (David Evans); Natasha DeBenon (Ghirardelli); Devin Dunbar (Graybar); Janna McKhann & Aaron Edwards (NextTech); Diego Cadena (WKE)

- I. **Self-Introductions and Approval of February 12, 2020 IWG Meeting Notes** – Chair Ted Semaan called the meeting to order at 12:07 pm. The February 12, 2020 meeting notes were approved without objection.
  
- II. **Agency & Other Update Reports**
  - A. SBCCOG: Ms. Bacharach reported that the new SBCCOG offices will be open for business April 1<sup>st</sup> if all goes according to plan. The SBCCOG Steering Committee approved the Measure R and M Metro Budget Requests at their last meeting. The General Assembly is scheduled to take place next Thursday but may be postponed to May or October dependent on the current health emergency. The South Bay Fiber Network currently has commitments from all cities except Lawndale and Metro is looking at adding additional sites.
  - B. South Bay Traffic Forum (LACDPW): Mr. Ickis reported that the contract documents are still being worked on for the County's CENTRACS project. There are some minor delays in the Gardena/Carson Arterial Performance Measurement Project which have pushed back completion to April. The System Detection Analysis project is in design and the County will be reaching out to cities for collaboration on that project. Minor changes were made to the County's TSSP projects. All updates are available on the report here: [http://southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/infrastructure/HANDOUT\\_March%202020%20South%20Bay%20Traffic%20Forum%20Report.pdf](http://southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/infrastructure/HANDOUT_March%202020%20South%20Bay%20Traffic%20Forum%20Report.pdf)
  - C. Caltrans District 7: Mr. Shih reported the I-405/Crenshaw Blvd project is scheduled to be listed for construction in May; The PCH CAPM project cooperative agreement will be started soon.
  - D. LA Metro
    - 1) LA Metro Board: no update given.
    - 2) Metro TAC & Streets and Freeway Subcommittee: Mr. Marquez announced that Dr. Maria Slaughter is no longer with the City of Carson. He requested that the SBCCOG consider new representatives to the Metro TAC. He also reported that there was information on Metro's microtransit endeavors, Goods Movement Master Plan, and Purple Line Extension provided at the last meeting. Mr. Zandvliet reported that at the February Streets & Freeways meeting, they also received a presentation on Metro's microtransit pilot projects, future open streets funding for CicLaVia type events, and the Measure Up online tool license renewal.
  
- III. **Applications Submitted for FY20-25 Measure M MSPs & Measure R SBHP Metro Budget Requests Updates**

Mr. Lantz reported that the SBCCOG's Steering Committee recently approved the two Metro Budget Requests (MBR). The Steering Committee acts as the SBCCOG's Board of Directors meeting due to no Board Meeting being scheduled in the month of March. The Measure M MBR contains only highway projects while the Measure R MBR also includes proposed transit capital projects subject to approval of the Decennial Measure R Transfer Policy. If approved as recommended by the Metro Board, the Measure R MBR uses up almost all funding through 2039 as there is no annual allocation limit in Measure R. There is approximately \$40-50M reserved for "cost to complete" expenses and some cost increases. Mr. Lantz reminded city staff in attendance that it is critical to begin working on funding agreement documentation as early as possible to facilitate a timely start to projects.
  
- IV. **Measure R Decennial Transfer Policy 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. It is likely that any transit capital projects would not receive funding until after the completion of the guidelines.
  
- V. **Spotlight Presentation: Illegal Dumping**

This spotlight presentation was postponed.

VI. **Monthly Project Progress 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\\_February%202020%20SBHP%20Update.pdf](http://southbaycities.org/sites/default/files/infrastructure/HANDOUT_February%202020%20SBHP%20Update.pdf)

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

VIII. **Announcements & Adjournment**

Chair Semaan adjourned the meeting at 12:53 p.m. until April 8, 2020 (public meeting). To include an item on the agenda, please email Steve Lantz ([lantzsh10@gmail.com](mailto:lantzsh10@gmail.com)) by April 1, 2020.