

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

Steering Committee Minutes Monday, June 8, 2020

Attendees: Christian Horvath (Chair, Redondo Beach), Olivia Valentine (1st Vice Chair, Hawthorne), Drew Boyles (2nd Vice Chair, El Segundo), Hildy Stern (Manhattan Beach), Rodney Tanaka (Gardena), Britt Huff (Rolling Hills Estates), Jim Gazeley (Lomita), John Cruikshank (Rancho Palos Verdes), Stacey Armato (Hermosa Beach), Bernardette Suarez (Lawndale), Kenny Kao (Palos Verdes Estates), Ralph Franklin (Inglewood), Cedric Hicks (Carson), Carol Kwan (WBMWD), Jacki Bacharach, Kim Fuentes, Steve Lantz, Wally Siembab, Brooke Heri, David Leger, Natalie Champion (SBCCOG), Crystal Crawford (Ygrene), Mark Dierking (Metro), Philip Friess, Pete Marsh, William Nash, Jeffrey Cohlberg, Kit Hohler, Jim Hannon, Edric Guise, Perla Solis (public)

I. INTRODUCTIONS

II. REPORT OF POSTING OF AGENDA

- **ACTION:** Received and filed

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF ANY CHANGES TO THE AGENDA - ADD SEVERAL ITEMS TO LEGISLATIVE MATRIX

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

V. CONSENT CALENDAR – action items noted, remainder are receive & file - 12:05 pm – Cruikshank/huff approved

- A. Steering Committee – May 11, 2020 meeting minutes attached
 ■ **ACTION:** Approved

- B. **No Cost Contract Extension with Fehr & Peers for Local Travel Network Project**
 ■ Memo and Contract Amendment attached
 ■ **ACTION:** Recommended Board approval

- C. **South Bay Environmental Services Center Activities Report – attached**
 ■ **SO CAL REN WILL BECOME SBESC PARTNERS - \$100,000 FOR 3 YEARS**

- D. **City Attendance at SBCCOG meetings**
 ■ Matrix attached

■ VII. ACTION ITEMS

- E. **South Bay Fiber Network – 12:10 pm**
 ■ **Work order #2 change order and Work Order #3 – to be available at the meeting**
 ■ **Status of Fiber sign-ups - \$23,950 SIGNED with \$3000 more committed but unsigned (MB & RH) and another \$10,500 being worked on.**

MRC SUMMARY	Sites	Base Jul MRC	Addl Aug MRC	Addl Sep MRC	Addl Oct MRC	Beyond
Under Contract	17	\$ 11,300	\$ 9,900	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
To City Councils in June	4	\$ 1,000	\$ 3,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
In Process ; No Approval Date	6	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,500	\$ -	\$ -
Cannot exit current contract; Dormant for COVID-19	4	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,000
Monthly Additional MRC MRC:	31	\$ 12,300	\$ 17,900	\$ 5,500	\$ -	\$ 4,000
CUMULATIVE MRC:	31	\$ 12,300	\$ 30,200	\$ 35,700	\$ 35,700	
■ 1. Excludes WO #3, to be defined by Baum, Dalgic, Carella, by June 5, 2020						

- El Segundo already connected
- Construction schedule update - Part of Work Order #1 and 2.
 - a. Delay to 6/22 for Phase 1 which includes: Gardena, SBWIB (Gardena), Lomita, Rolling Hills, Rolling Hills Estates, Rancho Palos Verdes & Carson (connection but no service)
 - b. Delay to 7/30 for Phase 2 which includes: Palos Verdes Estates, Torrance, Redondo Beach, Manhattan Beach, Inglewood, Hermosa Beach, Beach Cities Health District, SBWIB (3 sites), Metro
 - c. COVID-19 and access issues were the main reasons for the delay
- POSSIBLE INTEREST FROM LA CITY – SAN PEDRO AND WILMINGTON
- MAGELLAN PROPOSAL - technical consulting \$63,000 (25 HOURS) & ITS planning \$37,800 (15 HOURS) \$100,800 + city network design for 6 cities (150 HOURS EACH) \$189,000 for total of \$289,800
- HORVATH – WHY MAGELLAN FOR 25 HOURS/MONTH? NEED TO BE MORE SPECIFIC. ON CALL AND NOT TO EXCEED.
- CRUIKSHANK – AARON FORBURGER IS NEW REP FOR MURATSUCHI & MURATSUCHI IS PROPOSING A BOND MEASURE RE: BROADBAND FUNDING
- HORVATH – CPUC POINTED OUT THAT THE CALIF ADVANCE SERVICE FUND EXPIRING – SBCCOG SHOULD ADVOCATE RENEWAL. NEEDS CONTINUOUS FUNDING. CPUC ALSO MENTIONED OUR PROJECT AT LCC POLICY MTG. FOLLOW-UP WITH COMMISSIONER
- POSSIBLE CARES ACT GRANT IDEA – call with SBWIB 6/9/20 – 20% match, 1st come, first served
- ACTION: Recommended Board approval of Work Order #2 change order and Work Order #3 – and WILL BRING RECOMMENDATION ON MAGELLAN PROPOSAL TO BOARD – FRANKLIN/CRUIKSHANK – (sent comments to Magellan 6/9/20)

F. Legislative Issues – 12:20 pm

- Legislative Briefing scheduled for July 9 - approved
- PUBLIC COMMENT – 6 – ON FILE RE: HR 763
- Legislative Matrix – attached
- ADD HR 763 AND MURATSUCHI BALLOT MEASURE
- ADD SCA 6 RE: GAMING
 - FRANKLIN – LEGISLATORS PROTECTING CARD CLUBS IN CALIF. SUSTAINS CURRENT WAY CARD CLUBS PLAY THEIR GAMES.
 - TANAKA – HURTING GARDENA AND LOTS OF JOBS
- HICKS – INCLUDES BINGO? NO
- SCA 6 & ACA 16 SUPPORTED - MOTION FRANKLIN/TANAKA 8/0/5
- YES – SUAREZ, KAO, TANAKA, HICKS, FRANKLIN, VALENTINE GAZELEY, HUFF
- ABSTAIN – BOYLES, HORVATH, ARMATO, STERN, CRUIKSHANK
 - c. SB1120 – MOTION TO OPPOSE APPROVED VALENTINE/HICKS
- MURATSUCHI BALLOT MEASURE RE: BROADBAND – HIS OFFICE REQUESTED SUPPORT
- MOTION TO APPROVE – ARMATO/VALENTINE APPROVED 7/0/6
- ABSTAIN: BOYLES, TANAKA, SUAREZ, KAO & GAZELEY CRUIKSANK
- HR 763 – SUPPORT ON MOTION BY FRANKLIN/KAO APPROVED 9/1/3
- NO – CRUIKSHANK
- ABSTAIN – SUAREZ, BOYLES, GAZELEY
- LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES SUPPORT LOCAL RECOVERY COALITION – SBCCOG SIGNED UP – FACT SHEET ON FILE
- SBACC HOUSING POLICY COMMENTS ON FILE

G. PACE Financing– 12:30 pm

- The SBCCOG has been promoting HERO and Ygrene. HERO has been part of the county program and Ygrene has been separate. The County has removed their unincorporated areas from the PACE program but cities are still in.
- Memos attached
- Crystal Crawford, Ygrene rep, has asked for a statement of continued support.

- HUFF – WHAT IS THE PROBLEM? CONTRACTOR INFORMATION TO PROPERTY OWNER.
- ANSWER – THERE HAS BEEN LEGISLATION TO MAKE SURE ANOTHER PHONE CALL IS MADE TO CLIENT WITH SEVERAL DAYS TO CANCEL. CALLS RECORDED AND KEPT ON FILE.
- HERO AND YGRENE HAVE AUTHORIZED LIST OF CONTRACTORS TOO. EXTENSIVE VETTING.
- HUFF – PENALTIES? YGRENE – THEY COLLABORATE WITH STATE LICENSING BOARD. MONITOR CONTRACTORS.
- TANAKA - WHAT ABOUT SUBCONTRACTORS? YGRENE – PACE PROGRAMS LICENSED BY DEPT. OF BUSINESS OVERSIGHT. LOOK AT ALL WORKING ON THE PROJECT. HAVE A TEAM THAT STANDS BEHIND PROPERTY OWNER AND WORKS WITH THEM.
- HORVATH USED HERO. WORKED WELL.
- STERN – ARE CHANGES IN RESPONSE TO CRITICISMS? RESPONSE - YGRENE HAS ALWAYS DONE THINGS THIS WAY. BUT OTHERS HAVEN'T ALWAYS DONE THAT. ARE THEY LETTING ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES MANAGERS KNOW CHANGES IN PRACTICES? YGRENE HAS WORKED THROUGH SBCCOG.
- WE CAN SEND E-MAIL TO OUR CITIES.
- FRANKLIN /TANAKA – RE-AFFIRM SUPPORT - 6/9/20 asked Crawford for document of support that they are looking for via e-mail. Also, asked Brooke to work on renewing 5 year contract.

H. Board Meeting agenda development – 12:40 pm

- June – Election of Officers and Adoption of the Budget & Joe Buscaino re: NLC – draft attached
 - BIZFED PERSON WITH PRESENTATION ON BUSINESS' CONSIDERATIONS RE: RE-OPENING, ETC. (FROM SBACC)
- July – LTN project final – ERROL SOUTHERS?
- BOYLES - RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION SPEAKER? – 6/9/20 asked Boyles for contact

I. Budget – 12:45 pm

- Budget documents attached with revisions to reflect Board discussion
- 3 PERSONNEL DOCUMENTS – ORG CHART; SBCCOG STAFFING FUNCTION; JB&A COMPENSATION
- ACTION: ReviewED and recommendED Board adoption – CRUIKSHANK/ARMATO – PUT ON CONSENT CALENDAR

J. Approval of Invoices – available at the meeting – 1:00 pm

- ACTION: ApproveD invoices for payment HUFF/HICKS

VII. INFORMATION ITEMS

K. Telework Workshops – 1:05 pm

- SURVEY to be distributed from Metro.

L. Update on Homeless Program and Innovation Project Funding - 1:10 pm

Update on Regional Programs – Innovation Funds

- Education & Training (\$100,000) – move funds (\$70,000) from this program to Safe Parking
 - LACHI & LAHSA, along with input from SBCCOG and Beach cities, is developing training modules for city staff; these trainings can be customized for individual cities
 - Develop talking points for elected officials
 - Develop talking points for businesses
 - Develop PSAs related to homelessness & panhandling
- Home Sharing (\$50,000) – working with SilverNest; program on hold due to COVID-19

- **Safe Parking (\$70,000)** – LAHSA’s most recent RFP on Safe Parking was in Feb 2020; another RFP is not expected for 3 years; there is currently no Safe Parking program in SPA 8
 - Would like to add funds (\$70,000) from Education & Training to this program in order to fund a Safe Parking program for cars (not RVs)
 - Fund 10-12 cars at \$30 per night for 1 year
- **Client Aid (\$140,000)** – change name to Flex Funds – provides funding for gap areas not provided or fully funded by other funding sources:
 - motel stays for individuals for 1-2 nights prior to housing interview or job interview;
 - property storage – allows law enforcement ability to store property for people experiencing homelessness;
 - rental assistance for those enrolled and working with housing navigator – capped at \$1,500-2,000 per person; for those with a mid-range acuity score for whom there are not a lot of services available
- **Emergency Shelter & Interim Housing (\$20,000)** – review of city ordinances; will develop plan to include coordination with cities

Update on Measure H funding (from Phil Ansell as he reported to the Measure H Oversight Advisory Committee on June 4, 2020):

FY 2019-2020 (current year) –

- substantial reduction in revenue as result of pandemic;
- reduction of expenditures
 - difficult for service providers to hire staff
 - difficult to place people in interim housing
 - reduction in capacity in interim housing due to social distancing
 - Project RoomKey (funded by Feds/State)
- impact on revenue is offset by reduced expenditures

FY 2020-2021

- facing reduced revenue
- focusing on finding additional revenue resources to supplement FY 20-21
- CARES Act funding
- expecting a meaningful curtailment (~10% reduction) but not at a catastrophic level

Draft Measure H funding recommendations

- June 22nd – LA County is releasing recommendations for public comment
- August 14th – going to Board of Supervisors Homeless Policy Deputies
- August 28th – if needed, a follow up meeting with Homeless Policy Deputies
- September 16th – Board of Supervisors to consider recommendations
 - HUFF – CLIENT AID \$ - AND \$20,000 – IS THIS A RESOURCE FOR CITIES TO USE?RESPONSE - NO - \$20,000 IS OUR RESEARCH PROJECT

M. Update on Senior Services – 1:20 pm

- SENIOR SERVICES CHART WILL BE SENT OUT SHORTLY.

VIII. STRATEGIC POSITIONING ITEMS/ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES

- OLD SCAG MONITORS – HOW TO GET RID OF THEM? GIVE TO STAFF? LOTTERY? - NO LONGER SUPPORTED. USE ECO FRIENDLY DISPOSAL. MAYBE VALUE IS \$100. LOTTERY FOR STAFF? – OUR CALL
- SET UP MEETING FOR SCAG REPRESENTATIVES – WITH WALLY TO ORIENT DREW, MARK AND JIM G.

- **WALLY – WE ASKED SCAG TO DELAY RTP BECAUSE IT’S JOBS DRIVEN – AFFECTS RHNA. SCAG REPS NEED TO MONITOR THIS AND REPORT BACK. NOT RATIONAL TO NOT ASSESS THE IMPACT OF THE PANDEMIC ON FUTURE GROWTH.**
- **KAO – APPEAL DATE FOR RHNA? MAY 25**
- **GAZELEY – WE NEED TO CONTINUE THE FIGHT. REAL MESS. NOT RATIONAL.**
- **RALPH – JOINT COMMITMENT FOR I-105 EXPRESSLANE – PHONE OUTREACH ON JUNE 11. – STEVE SEND RALPH INFO.**
- **WALLY – LINK BETWEEN BUILDING ON PERIMETER AND CALLING IT SPRAWL IS BAD ASSUMPTION. BUILD ON AFFORDABLE LAND. LOOK AT COMMERCIAL LAND FOR VACANCIES.**
- **GAZELEY – REALLY APPRECIATES SIEMBAB’S PAPERS. OUR LEGISLATORS NOT BACKING WIENER.**
- **SIEMBAB – HOUSING ISSUE IS INCOME ISSUE, NOT SUPPLY. MORE VACANT UNITS THAN HOMELESS PEOPLE IN LA COUNTY.**
- **SUAREZ – WORKS IN REAL ESTATE. MORE PEOPLE BUYING SINGLE FAMILY HOMES. NOT CONDOS.**

- **ARMATO – PEACEFUL PROTEST IN PIER PLAZA TOMORROW NIGHT ORGANIZED BY HERMOSA YOUTH**
- **STERN – NEXT MEETING – INCLUDE DISCUSSIONS RE: POLICE PRACTICES. HATE CAN’T WAIT CAMPAIGN. POLICE DEPARTMENTS WORK TOGETHER.**
- **HUFF – INCLUDE LARGER VOICE RE: SHERIFF.**
- **CRUIKSHANK – POLICE PRACTICES AND INCREASING EXPENSES OF SHERIFF. PEACEFUL PROTESTS AT TRUMP NATIONAL – CA. 450 PEOPLE. NEW DEPUTY CITY MANAGER, KARINA BANALES**
- **VALENTINE – YES – LET’S HAVE DISCUSSION OF THIS. GOOD POLICING PROGRAM IN HAWTHORNE – THEY ARE PROUD OF THEIR PROGRAM. COFFEE WITH A COP STARTED IN HAWTHORNE**
- **KAO – WALLY SEND WHITE PAPER. PVE HAD PEACEFUL PROTESTS. REALLY GOOD EVENT. POLICE SUPPORTIVE. ON LCC PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – LAST WEEK WAS A 4 HOUR MEETING – WANTED FORMAL STATEMENT TO RECOMMEND TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE LEAGUE. HE WILL SEND IT TO ME.**
- **TANAKA – ONE SMALL NEIGHBORHOOD PROTEST.**
- **HICKS – PROTEST ON JUNE 6 WITH BLACK LIVES MATTER. BARRAGAN TOO – 4-500 PEOPLE IN ATTENDANCE. TALKED ABOUT INCIDENTS THAT HAPPENED TO ME. HE WAS SHOT AT. HE RAN COMMUNITY POLICING PROGRAM FOR COMPTON AS A POLICE OFFICER. SBCCOG SUPPORT REMOVING CHOKEHOLD AND COMMUNITY POLICING. THIS IS A DIFFERENT TYPE OF MOVEMENT. DOESN’T WANT TO DEFUND POLICE BUT MAKE IT SAFER**
- **BOYLES – WEDNESDAY MOSTLY STUDENT PROTESTERS. 100-125 PEOPLE. HE WALKED WITH THEM AND ADDRESSED THE GROUP. TOOK HARD QUESTIONS – EX. DEFUNDING THE POLICE BUT HE DIDN’T REALLY UNDERSTAND. PLEDGE TO COMMIT TO CALL FOR ACTION – 4 POINTS FROM PRESIDENT OBAMA. DREW SIGNED UP FOR IT. GET COPY**
500 PEOPLE LAST WEEK AT CIVIC PLAZA. NEED TO FOCUS ON LISTENING. HAVE WORK TO DO. CHALLENGING WEEK FOR ALL OF THE RIGHT REASONS.

SUP HAHN ASKED MAYORS IN HER DISTRICT TO SUPPORT THE 8 POINT PLAN. NOT AGREEMENT ON ALL 8. WANTS SUPPORT TOMORROW AT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

HORVATH – HOSTING TOWN HALL ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT – POLICE CHIEF WILL BE PART OF THAT. CHIEF STARTED COFFEE WITH COP WHEN HE WAS IN HAWTHORNE. MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL TOO. INVITING EVERYONE. RB CITY ATTORNEY DREW UP MEMO ON 8 CAN'T WAIT.

FOLLOW-UP:

- SCHEDULE SPECIAL MEETING.
- KAO & HICKS & STERN – WALLY'S PAPER.

OLIVIA WILL INVITE HAWTHORNE POLICE CHIEF

NEXT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING – Monday, July 13, 2020 @ 12:00 pm @ ZOOM