

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

Steering Committee FOLLOW-UP AGENDA August 14, 2017

Attendees: Kurt Weideman (Chair, Torrance), Britt Huff (1st Vice Chair, RHE), Christian Horvath (2nd Vice Chair, RB), Jim Osborne (Immediate Past Chair, Lawndale), David Lesser (Manhattan Beach), Suzanne Fuentes (El Segundo), Hany Fangary (Hermosa Beach), Jim Gazeley (Lomita), Ralph Franklin (Inglewood), Dan Medina (Gardena), Olivia Valentine (Hawthorne), John Gran (Redondo Beach), Jacki Bacharach, Wally Siembab, Steve Lantz (SBCCOG), Pamela Manning (LADPW) & Mark Dierking (Metro)

I. INTRODUCTIONS

II. REPORT OF POSTING OF AGENDA

- **ACTION:** Receive and file

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF ANY CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

IV. REVIEW OF HANDOUTS – DAILY BREEZE FIBER ARTICLE

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR – action items noted, remainder are receive & file - 12:05 pm

A. Steering Committee – July 10, 2017 meeting minutes attached -

OSBORNE/HORVATH APPROVED

- **ACTION:** ApproveD

B. Renewal of West Basin Municipal Water District contract

- Contract attached
- **ACTION:** Recommended Board approval contingent on approval by WBMWD Board at their meeting of August 28, 2017

C. Compensation for Metro Deputy

- Memo attached
- **ACTION:** Received and filed and direct staff to reflect this change in the Mid-Year Budget Revisions which will come to the Board in January, 2018.

D. Follow-up re: Public Safety Task Force

- The Steering Committee direction from the last meeting was to ask Bea Dieringer whether she wanted to monitor the CCJCC but she is already a member for the League of Cities. She also said that the CCJCC Executive Director is too busy to come to our meeting to make a presentation. I suggested that she report on issues from the CCJCC at Board meetings when they are pertinent.

E. 17-18 Dues Outstanding as of August 10

- **2 members: Hawthorne, Los Angeles County**

- F. South Bay Environmental Services Center Activities Report – attached
NOTE: The SBCCOG’s annual Holiday Light Exchange is scheduled to take place at the South Bay Environmental Services Center on Thursday and Friday, November 30 and December 1, 2017. Community Partner sponsorship requests were begun in late July.

PULLED FROM CONSENT

- G. **2017 General Assembly Outstanding Sponsorships**
■ As of August 5, 2017 - \$5000 (SCG) - **SEND LETTER IF CHECK DOESN'T ARRIVE WITHIN A WEEK RE: FUTURE ASSEMBLIES TOO – LESSER/OSBORNE - letter sent 8/22/17**

VII. ACTION ITEMS

- H. Homeless funding for SBCCOG – **12:10 pm**

■ Draft scope of work attached –

■ **ACTION:** Recommended approval to Board of Directors contingent on county approval -

FRANKLIN/OSBORNE

■ **2ND CITIES SUMMIT IN CARSON – SEPTEMBER 27 TO ENGAGE CITIES IN THIS ISSUE**

- I. Letter to ARB at the request of SCAG re: GHG emission reductions - **12:20 pm – SCAG’S LETTER IS TECHNICAL REASONS WHY 21% IS NOT A GOOD TARGET. INSTEAD OF RESPONDING AS SCAG HAD ASKED, WE INCLUDED OUR STRATEGY FOR LESS TRANSIT ORIENTED AREAS. GAZELEY – NO ONE AT SCAG THOUGHT THE 21% IS ATTAINABLE**

Draft letter attached

■ **ACTION:** Recommended approval to Board of Directors – **FUENTES/HORVATH**

- J. Stormwater Policy - **12:25 pm**

■ The attached draft policy was finalized by the Stormwater Funding Group which is under the auspices of the League & Contract Cities. It is now going to the League & Contract Cities Executive Boards for their approval. **AT THE BOARD, DIERINGER SPOKE IN FAVOR.**

HANY – WILL PROVIDE UPDATES AT THE MEETING.

■ **ACTION:** Recommended approval to Board of Directors – **ADD TO CONSENT - OSBORNE/HUFF. MEDINA VOTED NO.**

- K. Scope of Work for LARC Forum per Strategic Growth Council funding – **12:35 pm**

■ **HORVATH – DECEMBER 13 GOOD? SAME DAY AS SANITATION DISTRICT. GHG AND QUALITY OF LIFE IMPACTS.**

■ **ACTION:** Reviewed and Recommended approval **IN CONCEPT** to Board of Directors **FRANKLIN/LESSER**

■ **SAVE THE DATE – DECEMBER 13 – NAKANO THEATRE – SBCCOG/LARC FORUM RE: SSBS AND OUR CITY AND SUBREGIONAL CAPS – SPERLING CONFIRMED – TY Weideman**

- L. Audit for 2016-17 - **12:40 pm**

■ Memo attached

■ **ACTION:** Recommended Board approval of a contract extension with Moss, Levy & Hartzheim, LLC at a cost not to exceed \$6200. Staff is directed to negotiate this 3.2% cost increase over last year’s budget and also determine the cost of two 1 year extensions (2018, 2019) to be brought back to the Steering Committee for their consideration.

FRANKLIN/MEDINA

- M. Approval of Invoices – available at the meeting – **12:45 pm**

■ **ACTION:** Approved invoices for payment **OSBORNE/MEDINA**

VIII. INFORMATION & DISCUSSION ITEMS

N. Regional Approach to Illegal Fireworks – requested by Olivia Valentine - 12:50 pm

■ **HAWTHORNE HAS APPROVED LEGAL FIREWORKS. SHE THINKS IT ATTRACTS ILLEGAL FIREWORKS AS WELL. SHE WANTS TO BAN COMPLETELY. WHAT DO OTHER CITIES THINK?**

■ **ING – YES, RB & RHE – NO, LOMITA – NO BUT BAD PROBLEM**

■ **LAWNDALE – YES, TORRANCE – NO, EL SEG – NO, MB – NO, HB – NO, GARDENA YES, CARSON – YES, HAWTHORNE - YES**

■ **FRANKLIN – DISCUSSED SEVERAL YEARS AGO. WANTED TO BAN BUT THEN NON-PROFITS SAID IT IS THE BIGGEST PROFIT THEY MAKE. THEY PUT IT ON THE BALLOT AND VOTERS SAID KEEP SAFE AND SANE FIREWORKS. BUT HAS BEEN BAD.**

■ **HORVATH – BANNED BUT STILL SHOW UP. THIS YEAR SOUNDED LIKE FALLUJA. MANDATED THAT EVERYONE ON THE POLICE DEPT. IS ON FOR 4TH OF JULY.**

■ **HUFF – STARTED MONTH BEFORE AND A MONTH AFTER – ILLEGAL BUT MIGHT NOT BE IN THEIR CITY.**

■ **GAZELEY – BAD THOUGH ILLEGAL**

■ **CAN YOU TELL IF THE FIREWORKS ARE COMING FROM OTHER CITIES WHO SELL SAFE AND SANE (CAN'T GO HIGHER THAN 10 FEET).**

■ **OSBORNE – BALLOT MEASURE AND OVERWHELMING TO KEEP THEM IN PLACE. EVERY YEAR, COMPLAINTS. THEY PUT MORE FUNDING TO SHERIFFS AND IT HAD AN IMPACT. 4X AMOUNT OF DEPUTIES ON PATROL. 5 TIMES NORMAL AMOUNT OF CITATIONS. NEAR HAWTHORNE – WORSE – INCREASE PATROLS. HAS GOTTEN BETTER EACH YEAR FOR LAST 3 YEARS. WILL DO OVERTIME PRIOR TO THE 4TH NEXT TIME TOO.**

■ **WEIDEMAN – CITY FIREWORKS RE-INITIATED. OTHERS ILLEGAL. HE DOESN'T KNOW IF THEY ARE LESS NOW. LOTS BY ALONDRA PARK.**

■ **VALENTINE – THIS YEAR, NO PUSHBACK FROM NON-PROFITS. THEY NOT HAPPY WITH THEIR PROFITS. MAYBE MORE READY TO BAN. LASTS 2 WEEKS AFTER.**

■ **EL SEGUNDO – GOT WORSE THIS YEAR AND CAN BUY IN HAWTHORNE. SOUNDED LIKE BEIRUT. GETTING WORSE AND WORSE. LOOKING AT QUIET FIREWORKS FOR BIG DISPLAY.**

■ **GRAN – VERY NOISY – SAFE AND SANE PROBABLY NOT THAT LOUD.**

■ **LESSER – WORSE THIS YEAR. MAYBE A WORKING GROUP FOR AN EDUCATION CAMPAIGN?? A UNIFORM TEMPLATE MIGHT NOT WORK.**

■ **FANGARY – ILLEGAL. MELLOW DURING THE DAY BUT AFTER REDONDO FIREWORKS, FIREWORKS IN HERMOSA – WENT ON FOR HOURS WITH LITTLE ENFORCEMENT. LOTS OF COMPLAINTS.**

■ **MEDINA – BIG TURNOVER OF CONSTITUENTS TELLING THEM WHERE TO SELL. THIS YEAR, MORE ARRESTED WITH ILLEGAL FIREWORKS THAN EVER. PEOPLE REPORTING MORE AND IT'S WORKING. ON LA SIDE, HAD GARAGE BURNED DOWN WITH FIREWORKS. NON-PROFITS SELLING LIKE GANGBUSTERS. CITY RAISED THE PRICE TO THE FIREWORKS PEOPLE – BETTER QUALITY AND LESS NOISY. SOUND ORDINANCE TOO. JULY 3-JULY 6 – CONSTANT NOISE. VETS JUST GET DRUNK TO HANDLE IT.**

■ **LA COUNTY UNINCORPORATED**

■ **Provide direction on SBCCOG involvement in this issue – CONTACT LAWNDALE'S LT. AND DISCUSS BEST PRACTICES AND LESSONS LEARNED – *contacting Lt. Birtcher with Lawndale Sheriff.***

O. Densifying Sprawl – Wally Siembab - 12:55 pm

■ **Regional economic facts and observations from a report commissioned as part of the land use/transportation chapter of the CAP**

■ **Discussion of public policy re: jobs being the economic driver for cities & the consequences**

■ **4200 DWELLING UNITS – 26,000 JOBS BETWEEN 2004 AND 2014 ADDED INTO THE SOUTH BAY CITIES. 38 MIL SQ FT INDUSTRIAL, RETAIL (80%), OFFICE. 47% OF RETAIL IS IN STRIP COMMERCIAL.**

■ LA County – establishments with less than 10 employees accounted for 76% of all establishments in 2013.

■ Between 2009 and 2013, establishments employing less than 10 people accounted for 99% of job gains in LA County.

■ Telework important

■ HORVATH – THIS IS THE PLACE TO DISCUSS THIS. SOME CITIES HAVE MORE TRAUMA AROUND IT BUT SOME CITIES BUILT OUT. GALLERIA AFFECTS OTHER CITIES HERE. HE TOURED LONG BEACH WITH LINKED HOUSING. EVERYONE HAS TO CHIP IN – WOULD HELP REDUCE TRAFFIC. WORK IN CONJUNCTION WITH EACH OTHER INSTEAD OF ALONE.

■ VALENTINE – AGREES – REGIONAL APPROACH IMPORTANT. DENSITY IS NOW A DIRTY WORD IN THEIR CITY. DEVELOPERS SAY MORE DENSITY IS NEEDED NEAR THE TRANSIT CENTER.

■ OSBORNE – EFFECT STATE IS HAVING EX: PARKING THAT CITIES COULD CONTROL. AND RHNA TOO. PLAYA VISTA – VISION OF THE FUTURE. SO MUCH TO IT AND STILL BEING BUILT. GREEN SPACES IN THE MULTI-STORY HOUSING BUT CONGESTED.

■ FRANKLIN – PLAYA VISTA IS IN A DEVELOPMENT PHASE. INGLEWOOD CHARTERED IN 1911. SINGLE FAMILY HOMES BEING OCCUPIED BY MULTIPLE FAMILIES. ANNUAL CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PLAN WHICH CORRELATES TO THE REGION. TRAFFIC FLOW THROUGH CITIES AFFECTS EACH OTHER.

■ LESSER – POST WALLY'S INFO ON THE WEBSITE. MARKET SBCCOG AS INFORMATION SOURCE. LARGER ISSUE – HOW DO YOU TIE THIS INTO THE REGION? EACH CITY HAS INDIVIDUAL ISSUES.

■ MEDINA – VOTED TO SUPPORT STATE ADU MANDATES (2ND UNITS). GARDENA CAN GO UP TO 5.

■ VALENTINE – WE NEED EXPERTISE TO COMBAT DEVELOPERS

■ FUENTES – THEY PUSH BACK AGAINST DEVELOPERS – ESPECIALLY EAST OF SEPULVEDA.

■ HORVATH – ELECTEDS NEED THE VISION. STAFF FOLLOWS STATUS QUO. EVERYTHING IS CHANGING WHICH COMPLICATES THIS MORE. DENSITY MEANS MORE CONGESTION – PEOPLE CARE ABOUT THE RIPPLE EFFECT. BRAINSTORMING HERE IS GOOD. SBCCOG IS GOOD AT GATHERING INFORMATION BUT NOT GOOD AT DISSEMINATING INFORMATION. SBCCOG SHOULD BE RESOURCE FOR PUBLIC TOO.

■ LANTZ – IS ANYONE LOOKING AT RETAIL RE-USE?

■ SIEMBAB – WE NEED TO DISSEMINATE KNOWLEDGE/EDUCATION. INFORMATION IS ON WEBSITE BUT TOO DENSE (300 PAGE REPORT). DON'T THINK THAT YOU CAN DO BUSINESS AS USUAL. NEW TECHNOLOGY, BUILT OUT. CONTINUING TO BUILD AS WE HAVE CREATES MORE CONGESTION. WILL TAKE INNOVATION.

■ WE WILL FLUSH OUT HOW TO CONTINUE WITH THIS

P. Broadband – update on the initiative – 1:10 pm

Q. Board Meeting agenda development - attached—1:15 pm

■ August

- i. President of El Camino College confirmed
- ii. Stormwater policy – **KEEP ON CONSENT**

■ September

- i. Presentation re: Metro's analysis of slow speed lanes in the South Bay
- ii. Measure R update and status report
- iii. **Greg Stevens EE report - ADDED 8/15/17**

■ October

- i. CAP subregional strategies presentation and adoption
- ii. **Budget status re: income – ADDED 8/15/17**

■ November

- i. President of Cal State Dominguez Hills?

- ii. SCAG RHNA presentation
- iii. Volunteer Reception

R. Special Initiatives – **1:25 pm**

- Short Term Rental Task Force – August 30
 - Los Angeles Rental Alliance & STR Helper speakers
- Coyote Management – September 7
 - City Manager & Attorney from Arcadia re: CEQA issues and lessons learned
- Seminar on Broadband & Applications – September 7
 - Wireless Master Plans
- Homeless Services Task Force – September 13
- **SEND OUTLOOK INVITES**

S. Legislation – **1:30 pm**

- Matrix attached
- HR 1958 – Bd of Realtors re: PACE bill – review discussion
- **MEETING WITH BARRAGAN – AUGUST 24 @ 2:30 PM – cancelled 8/15/17 by their office**

T. Staff Retreat – July 17 – **1:35 pm**

- a. Summary to be provided at the meeting

1. **Suggest we have a brown bag quarterly brainstorming and sharing mandatory gathering. It would be more social and interactive.**
 2. **A universal resume template to be filled out by all including leadership, management, consultants, staff and volunteers. This would give us a true picture of the human capital we actually possess.**
 1. **There is a lack of internal communication. It is almost universal that people do not fully understand what other staff members do.**
 2. **There is a hesitance for the SBCCOG to toot its own horn so as not to step on toes of cities and their elected officials.**
 3. **9/80 came up**
 4. **Board involvement and better understanding of how the organization is run, what is done, etc.**
 5. **Kim and I are following up with the facilitator next week and then possible next steps with staff.**
- STEVE COMMENTED THAT HE NEVER INTERACTED WITH OTHER STAFF BEFORE SO IT WAS GOOD.**

U. Exploration of SBCCOG Alumni Group - **1:40 pm**

1. **Place for those people that were involved with the region who have left public office**
2. **They understand the SBCCOG and we can update them on our work program and then ask for their guidance and assistance with outreach in their cities.**
3. **Meeting with Suzy Seamans next month to flush this out more.**
4. **WOULD HELP TOOT OUR HORN**

V. Progress on Special Purpose Grants - **1:45 pm**

- Currently funded
 - a. Microgrid Project in Carson – CEC
 - b. Broadband implementation – SBWIB - \$15,000
- c. Proposals with applications submitted
 - a. Energy Efficiency Benchmarking Tool - SCE/SCG Strategic Plan – \$82,312

- b. Broadband initial implementation – DRAM (DYNAMIC RANDOM ACCESS MEMORY) settlement funds
- c. Broadband initial implementation – SBWIB & Supervisors Hahn & Ridley-Thomas (\$90,465 is the request)
 - i. R/T staff working on memo of approval for Supervisor. Hahn expected to be supportive. Adding UCLA Harbor Medical Center to RFP for R/T.
- d. CEC - Green Commuter EV rideshare/carshare – City of Inglewood (\$750,000)
- e. UCLA CEC Vanpool project with Inglewood – facilitation & consultation (\$15,000)
- f. **Fuel Cell Drayage Truck and Intelligent Transportation Systems Demonstration (\$15,000)**

W. CCA Report – Christian Horvath – 1:50 pm

- **LA COUNTY CCA HAS 3 CITIES. FIRST BOARD MEETING HELD LAST WEEK. CHRISTIAN IS MEETING WITH GARY GERO NEXT MONDAY. COUNTY TRYING TO MOVE VERY FAST AND PUSH EVERYONE BUT RB IS TAKING TIME TO EVALUATE. THEY ARE PUSHING TOO HARD.**
- **SB CLEAN POWER IS BEING CONSIDERED TOO. GALLIANI IS GOING ON SABBATICAL AND CONSULTANT (GOLDING) WILL MOVE IT FORWARD.**
- **GAZELEY – SOLAR POWER BEING MAXED OUT THROUGHOUT THE STATE.**
- **RB DISCUSSING HOW THIS WORKS FROM THEIR POWER PLANT PERSPECTIVE. NEED MORE IN BATTERY STORAGE INSTEAD OF ARIZONA USING IT.**

VII. STRATEGIC POSITIONING ITEMS/ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES

Other updates since agenda distribution – 1:55 pm

WRD \$25,000. SCOPE THE SAME ACTIVITIES THAT THE SBESC IS DOING IN OUTREACH AND CONTRACT TO BE GIVEN TO THE CHAIR UPON APPROVED BY LEGAL COUNSEL.

NEXT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING – Monday, September 11, 2017 @ 12:00 pm