

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

Steering Committee September 9, 2019 Minutes

Attendees: Christian Horvath (Chair, Redondo Beach), Geoff Rizzo (Torrance), Cedric Hicks (Carson), Ralph Franklin & James Butts (LEFT AT 12:45) (Inglewood), John Cruickshank (Rancho Palos Verdes), Drew Boyles (El Segundo), Britt Huff (Rolling Hills Estates), Rodney Tanaka (Gardena) & Olivia Valentine (Hawthorne). Other: Tunisia Johnson (Inglewood), Mark Dierking (Metro), Jacki Bacharach, Steve Lantz & Wally Siembab (SBCCOG)

I. INTRODUCTIONS

II. REPORT OF POSTING OF AGENDA

- **ACTION:** Received and filed

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF ANY CHANGES TO THE AGENDA - Transportation Report

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

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

A. Steering Committee – August 12, 2019 meeting minutes – attached (Pages 3-6)

CRUIKSHANK ABSTAINED FROM ITEM A. HICKS/FRANKLIN

- **ACTION:** Approved

B. City Attendance at SBCCOG meetings

- Matrix – attached (Page 7)

- **ACTION:** Receive and file

C. 2019 General Assembly Outstanding Sponsor Payments

- \$2500 from Mark Ridley-Thomas

D. 19-20 Dues Outstanding as of 9/3/19

- El Segundo, Hawthorne, ~~Inglewood~~, Rolling Hills Estates

E. South Bay Environmental Services Center Activities Report – attached (Pages 9-14) – no new Civic Spark fellow yet. **PLEASE NOTE VOLUNTEER RECEPTION ON NOVEMBER 21**

VI. ACTION ITEMS

F. Legislative Matrix – 12:10 pm

- Matrix – attached (Pages 15-22)

- **We probably made an impact on SB 127 – heavily lobbied- We are seeking inclusion of local involvement. The bill was amended but direction was to get clarification on whether it's a state requirement on locals or locals have some say – BOYLES/FRANKLIN**

- **October 10 – Legislative Breakfast – Lieu, Bradford and Muratsuchi confirmed**

- **AB 740 – CRUIKSHANK – RPV RESIDENTS ARE HAVING TROUBLE WITH FIRE INSURANCE BEING CANCELLED. CRUIKSHANK MOVED TO SUPPORT/FRANKLIN – APPROVED**

G. SBCCOG Letter to SCAG on RHNA

- Draft letter available at meeting

- **WALLY - LOCAL ZONING AND LOCAL HOUSING BEING PHASED OUT WITH THESE STATE ACTIONS. THIS IS A PUSH BACK AGAINST HCD.**

- RB LETTER – ALL METHODOLOGIES ARE BAD
- HORVATH – CAN'T DISCUSS AT LAST MINUTE. NEEDED TO SEE IT BEFORE. SHOULD GO TO SCAG AND HCD. PROBABLY WON'T MAKE A DIFFERENCE.
- BUTTS – UPZONING OF NEIGHBORHOODS – WOULD BE DEATH OF NEIGHBORHOODS – NO PARKING OR INFRASTRUCTURE. RECOMMENDATION FOR SOMEONE WHO DOESN'T HAVE TO LIVE THERE.
- VALENTINE – SUPPORTS BUTTS. BUILT-OUT. TREMENDOUS PARKING PROBLEM
- HUFF- LEGISLATION HAS NO SYMPATHY FOR PARKING BECAUSE YOU SHOULD TAKE TRANSIT, WALK AND BIKE
- WALLY – USING 10% OF COMMERCIAL SPACE OVER 10 YEARS FOR HOUSING COULD CREATE 20,000 UNITS AT 10 D.U.
- CRUIKSHANK – RPV ENCOURAGING PEOPLE TO WORK AT HOME AND WILL OPEN COMMERCIAL STOCK FOR MORE HOUSING. ADD MORE TELEWORK. DON'T JUST SAY NO. WE NEED TO BE PART OF THE SOLUTION. COMPTON IS BEGGING FOR MORE HOUSING – COULD THEY BE TRADED?
- BOYLES – DIFFERENCE WITH EL SEGUNDO – 1 SQ MILE RESIDENTIAL, 2 SQ MILE REFINERY. VERY DENSE. SINGLE FAMILY HOMES SO DESIREABLE IN EL SEGUNDO (MAYBE ONLY 12 AVAILABLE AT ONE TIME). OTHER SIDE OF PCH IS ANOTHER SCHOOL DISTRICT. OVER 98% OF REVENUE TO CITY COMES FROM COMMERCIAL SO WHY REPLACE WITH HOUSING?
- TORRANCE – SAME WITH REVENUE FROM COMMERCIAL
- REDONDO BEACH – HAS MORE MULTI-FAMILY THAN SINGLE FAMILY AND THEY ARE GETTING TOLD YOU'RE DOING IT SO DO MORE! ACADEMICS THINK THAT THERE IS NO BUILD-OUT – CAN ALWAYS GO UP. 1397 NOW – JUMPS TO 1800 AT LOWEST LEVEL AND THEN TO 4000.
- WALLY – INGLEWOOD AND CARSON GET THE MOST HAMMERED.
- ACTION: SEND WEDNESDAY NIGHT IN WORD TO THE BOARD MEMBERS & HOLD A WORKSHOP ON RHNA BEFORE BOARD MEETING

H. Communication Needs Assessment Survey – 12:15 pm

- Survey or questions to consider – attached (Pages 23-24)
- Sending this out to Board members AND City Managers AND City staff who interact with SBCCOG (ex. Planning and P & R and I.T. and Energy people) -
- ACTION: CRUIKSHANK ADDED OPEN ENDED QUESTION FOR BOARD RE: HOW CAN SBCCOG IMPROVE COMMUNICATIONS

I. Ad Hoc Finance Committee – HORVATH WILL CHAIR

- Status report and discussion of goals and topics for first meeting – FOLLOW-UP WITH AGENCIES THAT HAVEN'T DESIGNATED ANYONE
 - DUES AND DUES FORMULA GOING FORWARD
 - WHERE ARE WE GOING AND HOW ARE WE PREPARING FOR THE FUTURE – HOW ARE WE SUSTAINABLE.
 - INTERNAL STRUCTURAL FINANCIAL ISSUES
 - CALENDAR YEAR – CHANGE?
 - GOAL TO GO TO FULL BODY BY EARLY NEXT YEAR
- FRANKLIN – LIKES EVERY CITY AT THE TABLE. CRITICAL THAT WE WEIGH IN ON GRANTS AND WHAT WE WILL HAVE AND WHAT NOT. NEED TO UNDERSTAND REGIONAL IMPACT
- BOYLES – NEED OPPORTUNITY TO DO VALUE ASSESSMENT FOR WHAT SBCCOG DOES FOR THE CITIES. WHERE IS THE VALUE ADD?
- VALENTINE – JACKI HAS PROVIDED A STATEMENT OF THE VALUE OF THE SBCCOG. USE THAT AND BUILD ON IT. QUARTERLY REPORTS.
- HORVATH – SBCCOG ADDS INCREDIBLE AMOUNT OF VALUE TO CITIES AND WE COULD DO MORE. FIBER NETWORK IS A GOOD EXAMPLE. WHERE CAN THE SBCCOG PROVIDE MORE VALUE ON MORE SUBREGIONAL PROJECTS AND COULD ACHIEVE COST SAVINGS.

- **DATE FOR OCTOBER TO BE SET WITH CHRISTIAN – DO DOODLE POLL – SEND CHRISTIAN A LIST OF MEMBERS**
- **SEND TO CITIES REMINDER FOR THOSE WHO DON'T HAVE MEMBERS.**

J. Board Meeting agenda development – **12:25 pm**

- September 26 – Torrance Library – draft attached (Pages 25-26)
 - a. Workshop on RHNA before the meeting – **INVITE SCAG REPS.**
 - b. Update on Water Issues in the South Bay – Patrick Sheilds
 - c. Gardena's Lawsuit and how it affects cities and funding under Measure W - Ray Tahir – **CONTACT CITY MANAGER RE: TAHIR'S STATUS WITH GARDENA**
 - d. **Pest Management Budget to the Board – contract with McGowan, two watersheds – Peninsula and Beach Cities**
- October – Redondo Beach Library
 - a. Census speaker – **INVITE SPEAKER**
 - b. Recognition of SolSmart cities and SBCCOG achievements
- November – Torrance Library
 - Annual Volunteer Reception
 - New L.A. County Voting System – Registrar/Recorder Dean Logan (confirmed)
 - Celebration and Recognition of SBWIB, R/T, Hahn and Butts re: SBFN – tentative
- January – New Office
 - a. LAWA Landside Modifications Update

SKYRISE – HELICOPTER COMPANY – DREW WILL MAKE A CONTACT FOR BOARD MEETING PRESENTATION.

K. South Bay Fiber Network – **12:35 pm**

- Contract with ADF – **delayed due to legal review and final site surveys**
- **Vendor needed to move our current office equipment and set-up at the new location - use the vendor who provides our current IT service contract.**
- **IP issues for "bridge" or short-term connection opportunities - RACE is one possible solution. Staff does function in cloud so telecommuting could work.**
- **With regards to connecting to the SBFN, there will be equipment and software upgrades that the SBCCOG will need to invest in so that we can securely take advantage of the new and affordable 1 GB service. These investments, we believe should come from a separate IT budget item (perhaps in October) - that also includes our SBCCOG commitment to participate in the network. Pulling fiber to new office looks feasible.**

L. Office Issues – 12:45 pm

- Move Update and Approval of I.T. Expenditures – attached (Pages 27-28)

Latest build out schedule:

- 1) **Construction Docs estimated to be completed in the next 2-3 weeks**
- 2) **Review with tenant and revise over 2-3 days**
- 3) **Plan check review with an expedite is approx. 3 weeks (normal time is 6-8 weeks)**
- 4) **Bids awarded to GC and construction estimated at 7-9 weeks with inspections by the city – REQUEST EXPEDITED PLAN REVIEW – PAY OVERTIME**

This general time table puts us at somewhere around completion in January provided that the three holidays (Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Years) does not delay us with the inspections.

- **Our agent is going to talk to the new owner of our existing building about swing space. Otherwise we will consider virtual for December and ask a city for storage.**

- **Review made of which furniture is ours.**

DAVID – FURNITURE FROM MEDINA – FILE CABINETS MOSTLY. MOVING QUOTE - \$8900 IS FIRST ONE ASSUMING WE MOVE EVERYTHING. ASSESS NEW FURNITURE OR MOVE IT – want to consider the cost of possibly moving it twice.

- ALL DECEMBER MEETINGS NEED TO BE RE-LOCATED
- ASKED OUR AGENT – CAN THEY STORE THINGS IN NEW BUILDING? CAN THEY PRIORITIZE THE BIG ROOM BUILD OUT AND THEN WE CAN MOVE THINGS INTO THAT ROOM?
- HORVATH – TRY NOT TO MOVE TWICE.
- LEGER – IF WE LEAVE FURNITURE, MARITZ IS RESPONSIBLE FOR IT AND WE DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT IT. WE WON'T PAY FOR DECEMBER IF WE AREN'T MOVED IN.
- CHANDLER RE: I.T. COSTS - HAVE TO MOVE PRINTER/SCANNER AND NEW I.T. NETWORK. SUGAR SHOT FOR I.T. AND QDOX FOR MOVING PRINTER/SCANNER.
- LEGER – WE PAY FOR CABLING.
- CHANDLER - RECOMMENDATIONS MADE FOR NEW EQUIPMENT – GET BREAKDOWN OF COSTS. HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH PHONES.
- HORVATH – HOW MUCH TIME ON LEASE FOR PRINTER/SCANNER – ABOUT ½ WAY THROUGH
- FRANKLIN – SUGAR SHOT WILL AGREE TO HAVE STAFF ON SITE FOR FIRST DAY. CHANDLER – WE HAVE A SUPPORT CONTRACT WITH THEM BESIDES THE FIRST DAY. CONTRACT RUNS OUT END OF JANUARY.
- HORVATH – WORK VIRTUALLY IN DECEMBER IS OK
- ACTION: BRING TO BOARD WITH MORE DETAILS ON NEW EQUIPMENT

M. Approval of Invoices – available at the meeting – 12:55 pm

- ACTION: Approved invoices for payment – FRANKLIN/BOYLES

VII. INFORMATION ITEMS

N. Update on Homeless Program – 1:00 pm

- Shared Housing pilot – **proposal submitted to SD 2 and SD 4; waiting for response**
- Chambers of Commerce are sending out a survey of business perceptions and issues re: homeless. Results will be compiled and reported. **Not much recognition by businesses of services that are available in the South Bay re: homeless**
- Policy Summits for Measure H Funding for Fiscal Years 2020-21, 2021-22, and 2022-23: list of dates and locations to be sent out.
- Christian – **IMPORTANT FOR CITIES TO ENGAGE IN THIS. SOUTH BAY HAS BEEN OUT THERE SPEAKING AND WE HAVE A LOT TO OFFER.**

O. Update on Senior Services/Age Friendly Region – 1:05 pm

- **Partnerships with South Bay Health Care providers re: Age Friendly Region:** “Ask” letter seeking financial funding/partnership sent to the following: Beach Cities Health District, DaVita (HealthCare Partners), and Torrance Memorial Medical Center. SCAN Foundation does not accept unsolicited proposals – they have a grant cycle so we will watch for the next cycle, and we are still trying to find a contact at Providence Little Company of Mary and UCLA Health. GARY OLNEY @ LITTLE COMPANY. CHECK WITH RHE RE: UCLA HEALTH.
- **Next Senior Services Working Group meeting** – Sept. 24, 2019 with a speaker from Affordable Living for the Aging (home-sharing program)
- CRUIKSHANK – LAST COUNCIL MEETING SOMEONE MENTIONED THAT ADA STALLS AND PARKING – NOT ENOUGH BECAUSE THERE ARE SO MANY PEOPLE THAT NEED THEM. – 25% SENIORS

VIII. STRATEGIC POSITIONING ITEMS/ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES

- CPUC coming to office on Wednesday to discuss fiber project and EE – 1:15 pm
- Torrance payment for EE work. February, an assessment was approved for EE work as a % of project incentive which would not have been awarded if they were not part of the SBCCOG. Torrance got over \$1 million and we assessed them the 5% which is \$59,426.45. They will not pay and have said that they will pay only for Greg Stevens time between Feb. 11 and April 3. They will not pay retroactive. We have been sending our correspondence to the Mayor and Council and the responses have been from the City Manager.
- RIZZO - CHECK GREG'S DOLLARS FOR THE TIME PERIOD. TORRANCE COUNCIL HAS INFORMALLY SAID NO. CONTINUE THE CONVERSATION WITH TORRANCE.
- WALLY – WHAT DOES A SUBREGIONAL COMMUNITY MEAN?
- HORVATH – DISCUSS WITHIN CONSTRAINTS OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE. CAN'T FIGHT WITH INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL.
- CRUIKSHANK – WHAT IF A CITY DOESN'T PAY THEIR FAIR SHARE?
- HORVATH – CREATES PROBLEMS FOR WHOLE BODY

NEXT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING – Monday, October 14, 2019 @ 12:00 pm

PLEASE CONSULT WEBSITE IF YOU ARE NOT SURE ABOUT THE MEETING SCHEDULE