

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

Steering Committee FOLLOW-UP AGENDA

December 9, 2013

Attendees: Dan Medina (Chair, Gardena), Jim Goodhart (1st Vice Chair, PVE), Jim Knight (RPV), Olivia Valentine (Hawthorne), David Lesser (MB), Ralph Franklin (Inglewood), Ellen Perkins (PVE), Suzy Seamans (RHE), Jim Gazeley (Lomita), Jim Dear (Carson), David Biggs (SBCCOG consultant), Jacki Bacharach & Kim Fuentes (SBCCOG), Steve Lantz (Transportation Consultant), Wally Siembab (consultant), Petra Schneider (resident)

I. REPORT OF POSTING OF AGENDA

- **ACTION:** Received and filed

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF ANY CHANGES TO THE AGENDA - NONE

III. PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR - 12:05 pm – FRANKLIN/SEAMANS APPROVED

- A. Steering Committee – November 12, 2013 meeting minutes attached
 - **ACTION:** Approved
- C. Reliability of the SCE Infrastructure
 - December 16 meeting – attendees are: Jim Goodhart, Dave Lesser, Jim Knight, Susan Brooks, Peter Tucker, Rob Beste, Tony Olmos, Tom Bakaly, Assemblyman Muratsuchi, Timothy Lippman, Jacki Bacharach
- D. Audit Report for 2012-2013 available on the website

V. ITEMS FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL

ADMINISTRATION

- E. SBCCOG Appointments - 12:10 pm
 - Replace Jeff Duclos on Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission
 - **ACTION:** Appointed Judy Mitchell to the I-710 Project Advisory Committee
FRANKLIN/SEAMANS – Gateway COG notified 12/10/13
 - **ACTION: APPOINTED ELLEN PERKINS THE ALTERNATE, JIM KNIGHT THE DELEGATE AND 2ND ALTERNATE? - SUZANNE FUENTES – UNTIL DEC. 2014 – FRANKLIN/SEAMANS – Fuentes asked and SMBRC notified re: Knight and Perkins 12/10/13 – Fuentes accepted.**
 - **FRANKLIN ASKED SMBRC DELEGATE & ALTERNATE TO CONSIDER SETTING UP A TOUR OF THE GAS COMPANY FACILITIES NEAR BALLONA WETLANDS**
- F. Personnel for SBESC – 12:15 pm
 - Benefits – **BIGGS PRESENTED MEMO – INCREASE BENEFITS, CAFETERIA PLAN @ \$500/MO/EMPLOYEE, SET UP DEFERRED COMPENSATION PROGRAM, ADMIN LEAVE CHANGES – APPROVED TO SEND TO BOARD - KNIGHT/GOODHART GAZELEY ARRIVED**
 - Director for SBESC – memo attached

- **ACTION: CONCERN RE: LEGAL STANDPOINT RE: WHETHER THIS IS A CONTRACTOR POSITION, \$1,000/MO IS ARBITRARY. DOES SHE MEET THE CONTRACTOR STATUS? REVIEW THE COMPENSATION AND ANALYSIS OF HOURS.**
- **APPROVED: TABLE UNTIL JANUARY STEERING COMMITTEE. GET LEGAL OPINION ON EMPLOYEE/CONTRACTOR STATUS AND EVALUATE BONUS OR COMPENSATION AT THAT TIME. COMPENSATION WILL BE DETERMINED FOR HOW FAR BACK RETROACTIVELY.**
GOODHART/KNIGHT
DEAR ARRIVED

G. General Assembly - **12:35 pm**

- Why Must We Care: The Cost of the Changing Environment to the South Bay
- Program status attached
- Letters to legislators – **WELCOME LETTERS TO GO INTO GA PROGRAM. NATALIE DID AN EXTRAORDINARY JOB MAKING DIFFERENT LETTERS FOR EACH LEGISLATOR – WELL RECEIVED**
- Invitation to Past Chairs
- Sponsorships as of 12/9/13 - \$47,000 (with \$3,500 in kind)
- **MENU AND ITEM NEXT MONTH**
- **ACTION: DEAR CONFIRMED WELCOME**
- **INVITE: USC - ZERUNYAN AND SUSTAINABILITY DEPARTMENTS & RON WILDERMUTH (FRESH WATER UNDER THE OCEAN?) & SCE PERSON**

H. Approval of Invoices – available at the meeting - **12:50 pm**

- **ACTION: ApproveD** invoices for payment

B. Board Strategic Plan

- All day workshop – January 9
- Surveys completed
- **AFTER WORKSHOP - STEERING COMMITTEE TO ADDRESS:**
 - **SBCCOG vs. SBESC**
 - **BOARD MEETING STRUCTURE AND PRESENTATION**
 - **AUTHORITY OF STEERING COMMITTEE AND BOARD**
 - **MISSION AND VISION**

WORK PROGRAM

I. Sustainable South Bay Strategy Updates – **12:55 pm**

- Report on meeting with Assemblyman Muratsuchi – **1 ½ HOURS. RELIABILITY, SSBS, TODs VS. NODs, HGTAs, ALTERNATIVE MOBILITY STRATEGIES, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ISSUES.**
GOODHART LEFT
- Report on meeting with Hawthorne Economic Development Council- **CHANGE ECONOMICS OF ACCESS. ADD MORE CONCENTRATED BUSINESSES INTO SMALLER AREA. HAWTHORNE NEEDS TO CHANGE THEIR BRAND. VALENTINE – HAWTHORNE WILL FOLLOW-UP.**
- Possible application to the Strategic Growth Council, in partnership with CCSE from San Diego, to fund the Inglewood demonstration project
LESSER AND VALENTINE LEFT
- Follow up on SCAG designated High Quality Transit Areas discussion -- reaction from other sub-regions - **DEFER**

- Discussion of South Bay cities vision for their image – is there another city that your city would most want to be like. Is there a city that your city emulates? –
 - **INGLEWOOD WANTS TO BE PLAYA DEL REY – MOTIVATED BY SBCCOG SSBS**
 - **CARSON WANTS TO BE A DESTINATION COMMUNITY – OUTLET MALL WILL BE A DRAW. PORSCHE CENTER WILL BE ONE OF 5 IN THE WORLD.**
 - **CHALLENGE FOR SBCCOG – CONGESTION, AQ REGULATIONS, COST OF MOBILITY**
 - **VISION OF THE SOUTH BAY IS THE DISCUSSION THAT WE SHOULD HAVE**
 - **BLIMP IS AN ICON OF THE SOUTH BAY**

- J. Transportation Issues – 1:15 pm
 - Monthly transportation update from Steve Lantz
 - **POSSIBLE DISCUSSION NEXT MONTH RE: PORTS AND FED ISSUES**
 - **I-405 OCTA WILL VOTE ON TOLL LANES TODAY**
 - **SLOW LANES TO BE ADDED IN WARNER CENER**
 - **METRO BOARD FARE RE-STRUCTURING**
 - South Bay Boundary issue update – **METRO’S BORDERS INCLUDE LAX. LAX ACCESS ISSUES INVOLVED AND DOLLARS TO PAY FOR IT. UNDER METRO’S CURRENT POLICY WE ARE ON THE HOOK TO PAY FOR COST OVERRUNS.**

- K. South Bay Environmental Services Center – 1:25 pm
 - Memo on SBESC programs to be available at the meeting
 - **PUT COMPLIMENTARY NAVIGANT REPORT QUOTE ON FACEBOOK**
 - Letter supporting Carla Peterman’s appointment to the CPUC - attached
 - **ACTION: Approved - GOODHART/DEAR**
 - Municipal Direct Install – **CARSON, HAWTHORNE, HERMOSA BEACH, LAWDALE, PVE, REDONDO BEACH, RANCHO PALOS VERDES, AND TORRANCE HAVE INDICATED INTEREST IN PARTICIPATING.**
 - **MISSING: EL SEGUNDO, GARDENA, INGLEWOOD, LOMITA, MANHATTAN BEACH, ROLLING HILLS ESTATES, ROLLING HILLS (STILL POSSIBLE)**
 - **FOLLOW-UP WITH MITCH LANSDALL**
 - Sanitation District contract confirmed that they will not reduce our current budget! Thank you for your assistance!
 - HERO & FIGTREE update: **Press release from Figtree, the commercial PACE program that the SBCCOG has endorsed. It tells of the shopping centers, a hotel and a commercial warehouse that have used Figtree financing. City action just makes this program available to your businesses and commercial entities to use if they think that it pencils out. There is no obligation or liability on the city’s part. The cities that have already approved Figtree are: El Segundo, Gardena, Hawthorne, Hermosa Beach, Lomita, Rancho Palos Verdes and Rolling Hills.**
 - **HERO is the other PACE program that the Board is supporting. It is for commercial and residential PACE financing. All of the South Bay cities except for Manhattan Beach (scheduled 1/8/14), Redondo Beach (to be scheduled) and Palos Verdes Estates have signed on to the HERO program.**

- L. Legislative Advocacy - 1:40 pm
 - January 29 – next Legislative Briefing and Breakfast
 - April 9 date no longer available in the theatre room.

Change date to April 30 – *notified Jenn, Natalie and Rosemary and room reservation confirmed 12/12/13*

M. Special Events – 1:45 pm

- Economic Development Roundtable meeting @ Northrop Grumman – 11:30 am – 1:30 pm, Tuesday, December 17

AGENDA DEVELOPMENT – 1:50 pm

N. Board Meeting – January 23, 2014

- ~~Possible~~ Zero Waste presentation by High school student

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!!

NEXT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING – January 13, 2014 @ 12:00 pm

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

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