
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
EXECUTIVE/ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE (EAC)
MARCH 6, 2014

MINUTES

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE EXECUTIVE/ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE. A RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG’S OFFICE.

The Executive/Administration Committee (EAC) held its March 6, 2014 meeting at the SCAG Offices, in Los Angeles, California. The meeting was called to order by Hon. Greg Pettis, Chair, Cathedral City, District 2, at 9:07 a.m. There was a quorum.

Members Present

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| Hon. Greg Pettis, Cathedral City, President | District 2 |
| Hon. Carl Morehouse, 1st Vice-President | District 47 |
| Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, El Centro, 2nd Vice-President | District 1 |
| Hon. Glen Becerra, Simi Valley, Imm. Past President | District 46 |
| Margaret Finlay, Duarte | District 35 |
| Hon. Bill Jahn, Big Bear Lake | District 11 |
| Hon. James Johnson, Long Beach | District 30 |
| Mr. Randall Lewis, Ex-Officio | Lewis Group of Companies |
| Hon. Andrew Masiel, Sr. | Pechanga Band of Luiseno Indians |
| Hon. Keith Millhouse, Moorpark | VCTC |
| Hon. Kris Murray, Anaheim | District 19 |
| Hon. Michele Martinez, Santa Ana | District 16 |
| Hon. Pam O’Connor, Santa Monica | District 41 |
| Hon. Deborah Robertson, Rialto | District 8 |
| Hon. Alan Wapner, Ontario | SANBAG |

Members Not Present

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| Hon. Lisa Bartlett, Dana Point | TCA Hon. |
| Hon. Tom LaBonge, Los Angeles | District 51 |
| Hon. Gary Ovitt | San Bernardino County |

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Hon. Greg Pettis, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

Chair Greg Pettis noted that staff has requested that Agenda Item No. 8 (Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 14-013-C1), be continued to next month's meeting and therefore, he announced that this agenda item will not be discussed today.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Hasan Ikhata, Executive Director, provided highlights of the Executive Director's report which was previously distributed.

Mr. Ikhata announced that he along with several Regional Council members met this morning with High Speed Rail Authority (HSR) Chairman, Dan Richard. An overview and update of the Draft 2014 Business Plan will be presented at the April 3, 2014 meetings of the Transportation Committee (TC) and Regional Council (RC).

Mr. Ikhata announced the "Call for Nominations: SCAG Sustainability Awards" which recognizes sustainability projects from member cities and agencies that demonstrate excellence in integrated land use, transportation and environmental planning. Awards will be presented as part of SCAG's Regional Conference & General Assembly, May 1-2, 2014. Additional details, including the nomination packet and the application deadline is posted on SCAG's website.

Mr. Ikhata provided an update of the March 4, 2014 special Toolbox Tuesday workshop which focused on the new Active Transportation program setup under SB-99. He noted that nearly 200 participants registered for the workshop, and approximately \$125 million in grants will be awarded each year for active transportation projects. Mr. Ikhata clarified that Toolbox Tuesday training is available and free to all member cities, stakeholders, academics and students.

Mr. Ikhata provided an update of the Strategic Growth Council (SGC) Grant Application status. He noted that SCAG's proposal included six (6) sustainability projects which focused on key strategies in the 2012 RTP/SCS. The SGC is scheduled to make the grant award decisions at its meeting on June 3, 2014.

Mr. Ikhata commented on the SANDAG litigation and reported that the Court of Appeal denied SCAG and five (5) other applications to file an amicus brief on February 21. The Court did not give an explanation for the rejection. SCAG staff will continue to apprise the EAC of developments in the litigation.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hon. Greg Pettis commented on the upcoming key events listed in the President's Monthly Report which was previously distributed to the EAC. He asked the Committee to let staff know of their interest in the upcoming events. In addition, Hon. Pettis announced that SCAG staff will be pilot-testing the new E-Voting system at the next RC meeting.

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Approval of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2-14-15 Comprehensive Budget

Hasan Ikhata, Executive Director, requested EAC to recommend to the Regional Council approval of the release of the FY 2014-15 Draft Comprehensive Budget (budget) which will also initiate the 30-day public comment period. He further noted that the proposed work program outlined in SCAG's Overall Work Program (OWP) will continue to move the mandated priorities and strategic initiatives forward.

Staff responded to comments and questions expressed by the Councilmembers. In addition, Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker requested staff modify the Comprehensive Line Item Budget columns going forward to include percentage increases from the prior year.

An outline of the FY 2014-15 Draft Budget was included in the agenda packet.

A MOTION was made (Jahn) and SECONDED (Becerra) to approve the release of the FY 2014-15 Draft Comprehensive Budget; and initiate the 30-day public comment period; and transmit the General Fund Budget and Membership Assessment to the General Assembly. The motion was passed by the following vote:

AYES: Pettis, Becerra, Finlay, Jahn, Johnson, Masiel, Millhouse, Martinez, Morehouse, Murray, O'Connor, Robertson, Viegas-Walker, Wapner
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

2. Sustainability Joint Work Program with Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC)

There were no additional discussions or comments made on this item.

A MOTION was made (O'Connor) and SECONDED (Morehouse) to adopt a Joint Work Program with Imperial County Transportation Commission. The motion was passed by the following vote:

AYES: Pettis, Becerra, Finlay, Jahn, Johnson, Masiel, Millhouse, Martinez, Morehouse, Murray, O'Connor, Robertson, Viegas-Walker, Wapner
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

3. Designation of Representatives to Assist with Negotiation of Executive Director's Employment Agreement

Joseph Silvey, General Counsel, requested EAC to Designate the President; First Vice-President; and General Counsel as representatives of EAC to assist with possible changes to the Employment Agreement of the Executive Director.

A MOTION was made (Wapner) and SECONDED (Johnson) to approve the Designation of Representatives to Assist with Negotiation of Executive Director's Employment Agreement. The motion was passed by the following vote:

AYES: Pettis, Becerra, Finlay, Jahn, Johnson, Masiel, Millhouse, Martinez, Morehouse, Murray, O'Connor, Robertson, Viegas-Walker, Wapner
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval Items

Executive Director Hasan Ikhata, stated that item 8 (Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 14-013-C, Regional Aviation Demand Forecast and Airport Ground Access Analysis and Aviation Economic Impact Analysis), has been removed from the Consent Calendar.

4. Minutes of the February 6, 2014 Meeting
5. SCAG Annual Memberships
6. H.R. 3978 (Sires): The New Opportunities for Bicycle and Pedestrian Infrastructure Financing Act of 2014 – SUPPORT
7. SB 511 (Lieu): Trade Promotion of California Ports - SUPPORT
8. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 14-013-C, Regional Aviation Demand Forecast and Airport Ground Access Analysis and Aviation Economic Impact Analysis

Receive & File

9. SCAG Sustainability Planning Grants Program – Monthly Update
10. Purchase Orders \$4,000 but less than \$200,000; Contracts \$25,000 but less than \$200,000; and Amendments \$5,000 but less than \$75,000
11. March 2014 State and Federal Legislative Update

A MOTION was made (Jahn) and SECONDED (Finlay) to approve the Consent Calendar, Items 1-7 and 9-11. The motion was passed by the following vote:

AYES: Pettis, Becerra, Finlay, Jahn, Johnson, Masiel, Millhouse, Martinez, Morehouse, Murray, O'Connor, Robertson, Viegas-Walker, Wapner
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

CFO MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Basil Panas, CFO, provided highlights of the CFO Monthly Financial Report.

There were no additional discussions or comments made on this item.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEM

There were no future agenda items requested.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hon. Greg Pettis, Chair, announced that details of the SCAG Board Officer's tour of Barstow, Needles and Blythe will be presented at the beginning of the Joint Meeting of the RC and Policy Committees later today, along with a presentation to Hasan Ikhata, Executive Director, by Ed Paget, Mayor of Needles.

CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Government Code Section 54957(b)
Title: Executive Director

Conference with Labor Negotiators – Government Code Section 54957.6
Agency Designated Representative(s): Pettis, Morehouse and Silvey
Unrepresented Employee: Executive Director

Mr. Joe Silvey, General Counsel, announced that the EAC would proceed into Closed Session pursuant to Government Code's Section 54957(b), and 54957.6. At the conclusion of the Closed Session, Mr. Silvey reported that staff and the Agency Designated Labor Negotiators received direction regarding the evaluation process. There was no further action to report.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Executive/Administration Committee will be held on Thursday, April 3, 2014 at the SCAG Los Angeles office.

Approved by: TO BE APPROVED



Lillian Harris-Neal, CMC
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Clerk of the Board

EXECUTIVE/ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

| Member (including Ex-Officio) LastName, FirstName | Representing | X = County Represented | | | | | | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUNE |
|---|----------------------------------|------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|
| | | IC | LA | OC | RC | SB | VC | | | | | | |
| Pettis, Gregory, Chair | Cathedral City | | | | X | | | X | X | X | | | |
| Bartlett, Lisa | Dana Point | | | X | | | | X | X | | | | |
| Becerra, Glen, Imm. Past President | Simi Valley | | | | | | X | X | X | X | | | |
| Finlay, Margaret | Duarte | | X | | | | | | X | X | | | |
| Jahn, Bill | Big Bear Lake | | | | | X | | X | X | X | | | |
| Johnson, James | Long Beach | | X | | | | | X | X | X | | | |
| LaBonge, Tom | Los Angeles | | X | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lewis, Randall, Ex Officio | Lewis Op. Corp. | | | | | X | | X | X | X | | | |
| Masiel, Andrew, Sr. | Pechanga Band of Luiseno Indians | | | | X | | | X | | X | | | |
| Martinez, Michele | Santa Ana | | | X | | | | X | X | X | | | |
| Millhouse, Keith | VCTC | | | | | | X | | X | X | | | |
| Morehouse, Carl, 1st VP | San Buenaventura | | | | | | X | X | X | X | | | |
| Murray, Kris | Anaheim | | | X | | | | X | X | X | | | |
| O'Connor, Pam | Santa Monica | | X | | | | | X | | X | | | |
| Ovitt, Gary | San Bernardino County | | | | | X | | | X | | | | |
| Robertson, Deborah | San Bernardino County | | | | | X | | | X | X | | | |
| Walker-Viegas, Cheryl, 2nd VP | El Centro | X | | | | | | X | X | X | | | |
| Wapner, Alan | Ontario | | | | | X | | X | X | X | | | |
| Totals | | 1 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 3 | | | | | | |