

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS  
EXECUTIVE/ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE (EAC)

June 4, 2015

**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 June 4, 2015 meeting at the SCAG Offices, in Los Angeles, California. The meeting was called to order by Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, President, El Centro, District 1, at 9:03 a.m. There was a quorum.

**Members Present**

Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, El Centro, Chair	District 1
Hon. Michele Martinez, Santa Ana, 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice-Chair	District 16
Hon. Margaret Finlay, Duarte, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair	District 35
Hon. Carl Morehouse, Immediate Past President	District 47
Hon. Bill Jahn, Big Bear Lake	District 11
Mr. Randall Lewis, Ex-Officio	Lewis Group of Companies
Hon. Clint Lorimore, Eastvale	District 4
Hon. Larry McCallon, Highland	District 7
Hon. Barbara Messina, Alhambra	District 34
Hon. Greg Pettis, Cathedral City	District 2
Hon. Carmen Ramirez, Oxnard	District 45
Hon. Rex Richardson, Long Beach	District 29

**Members Not Present**

Hon. Joe Buscaino, Los Angeles	District 62
Hon. Andrew Masiel, Sr.	Pechanga Band of Luiseno Indians
Hon. Kris Murray, Anaheim	District 19
Hon. Pam O'Connor, Santa Monica	District 41
Hon. Deborah Robertson, Rialto	District 8
Hon. Alan Wapner, Ontario	SANBAG

## **CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m., and asked Hon. Barbara Messina to lead all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

There were no public comments.

## **REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS**

There was no reprioritization of the agenda.

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Hasan Ikhata, Executive Director, announced that Rich Macias, SCAG's Director of Transportation Planning, will be retiring on June 30, 2015. He thanked Mr. Macias for his service to our country and for his valuable contributions to the agency. Mr. Macias provided brief remarks, expressed his gratitude and thanked his staff and managers.

Mr. Ikhata commented on Ms. Sharon Neely's retirement and invited the EAC to attend the upcoming event recognizing her retirement.

Mr. Ikhata commented on the 2016-2040 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (2016-2040 RTP/SCS) development workshop schedule. He noted that on May 26, 2015, SCAG began a series of open houses in all six counties to engage residents and stakeholders on the key topics that will be discussed in the plan. He noted that the open houses will continue through the end of June and encouraged all to attend. Mr. Ikhata thanked all the staff involved for their outreach-efforts and dedication, and asked the EAC to provide feedback and or comments.

Mr. Ikhata announced that there will be three (3) Special Joint Meetings of the Regional Council and the Policy Committees to be held at SCAG which will focus on RTP/SCS related topics. The schedule of these Joint Meetings is as follows: Thursday, June 18, 2015; Thursday, July 23, 2015; and, Thursday, August 6, 2015, all from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Lastly, Mr. Ikhata thanked SCAG's Executive Team and Board officers for their leadership.

Additional updates can be found in the Executive Director's Monthly Report which was distributed separately.

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, Chair, asked Hon. Greg Pettis, Delegation Attendee, to provide a summary report on the SCAG Delegation Activities visit in South Korea.

Hon. Greg Pettis provided highlights of the May 11, 2015 Delegation with South Korean Partners. He noted that the visit was an opportunity to introduce and discuss SCAG, the RTP/SCS and SCAG's regional transportation planning efforts with the international

delegation team, which included Myongji University's President and other distinguished hosts.

Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, Chair, asked Hon. Michele Martinez, Host Committee Chair, to provide highlights of the 2015 Regional Conference and General Assembly.

Hon. Michele Martinez, thanked staff and the Host Committee for their planning efforts and contributions. She noted that the conference was well-attended and enormously successful.

Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, Chair, provided an update on SCAG Scholarship Program and Selection Process. She commented that there were several recommended changes from previous year's Program that has helped to see an increase in application submittals. Additionally, students have the ability to apply traditionally on paper and online. She noted that the finalist recommendations from the Scholarship Committee will be forwarded to the Regional Council for approval at the next month's meeting.

### **ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

#### **1. Proposed Changes to Executive Director's Employment Agreement**

Hasan Ikhata, Executive Director, explained that to avoid any conflict, he would be leaving the room for this agenda item. Joe Silvey, General Counsel provided an overview of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2015-2016 Work Plan for the Executive Director. He asked the EAC to approve and recommend to the Regional Council the Work Plan with proposed changes which was prepared in accordance with past guidance offered by the EAC and focuses on the Strategic Plan Goals of SCAG. A copy of the FY 2015-2016 Work Plan, the Modified Executive Director Performance Evaluation Form, and the Merit Increase Matrix was included in the agenda packet.

Staff responded on the comments and questions by the EAC members, including questions related to future adjustments, if any, to the Executive Director's compensation.

A MOTION was made (Jahn) and SECONDED (McCallon) to approve staff's recommendation. The motion was passed by the following vote:

AYES: Viegas-Walker, Martinez, Finlay, Jahn, Lorimore, McCallon,  
Messina, Morehouse, Pettis and Richardson  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None

#### **2. Transportation Finance Bills: a) SB 16 (Beall); b) SCA 7 (Huff); and c) ACA 4 (Frazier) - Support**

Darin Chidsey, Director, Strategy, Policy and Public Affairs provided an overview and background information for each of the Transportation Infrastructure Finance Bills. He noted that staff, as well as the Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee (LCMC), at its May 19, 2015 meeting recommend support

of SB 16, SCA 7, and ACA 4; and requested the EAC to act on a Support position on all three (3) legislative measures.

Staff responded on the comments and questions by the Councilmembers, including clarification on background information and methodology for each of the three legislative measures.

After further discussion which noted concerns on each legislative measure, Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, Chair, for clarification purposes, recommended that the EAC vote on each Transportation Finance Bill separately—noting the voting format for SB 16 will be 2A; SCA 7 will be 2B; and ACA 4 will be 2C.

2A) A MOTION was made (Richardson) and SECONDED (Jahn) to Support SB 16. The motion was passed by the following vote:

AYES: Viegas-Walker, Martinez, Finlay, Jahn, McCallon,  
Messina, Morehouse, Pettis and Richardson  
NOES: Lorimore  
ABSTAIN: None

2B) A MOTION was made (Pettis) and SECONDED (Morehouse) to Support SCA 7. The motion was passed by the following vote:

AYES: Viegas-Walker, Martinez, Finlay, Jahn, Lorimore, McCallon,  
Messina, Morehouse, Pettis and Richardson  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None

2C) A MOTION was made (Morehouse) and SECONDED (Martinez) to Support ACA 4. The motion was passed by the following vote:

AYES: Viegas-Walker, Martinez, Finlay, Jahn, McCallon,  
Messina, Morehouse, Pettis and Richardson  
NOES: Lorimore  
ABSTAIN: None

3. Cap-and-Trade Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: Affordable Housing & Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Program and State Expenditure Plan Update

Darin Chidsey, Director, Strategy, Policy and Public Affairs provided an update on the AHSC Program and on the Revised State Budget for FY 2015-2016. Staff will continue to update the EAC. Information Only-No Action was taken by EAC.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

### **Approval Items**

4. April 2, 2015 Minutes of the Executive/Administration Committee
5. Legal Services

6. Participation at the International Symposium on Sustainable Development hosted by the Myongji (MJU) in Seoul, Korea
7. Authorize Acceptance of the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) FY 2015 Value Pricing Pilot (VPP) Program Grant Funds
8. Contract Amendment Greater Than 30% of the Contract's Original Value, Contract 12-036-C1, Secured and Managed Data Facility
9. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract Nos. 15-011-C1 to C7, Temporary Employment Services
10. SCAG Memberships
11. AB 1074 (Garcia): Alternative Fuels Infrastructure Plan – Support
12. AB 857 (Perea): California Clean Truck, Bus, and Off-Road Vehicle and Equipment Technology Program - Support

**Receive and File**

13. Purchase Orders \$5000 but less than \$200,000; Contracts \$25,000 but less than \$200,000; and Amendments \$5,000 but less than \$75,000
14. June 2015 State and Federal Legislative Update
15. SCAG Sustainability Planning Grants Program – Monthly Update

A MOTION was made (Jahn) and SECONDED (Finlay) to approve the Consent Calendar, Items No. 4-15. The motion was passed by the following vote:

AYES: Viegas-Walker, Martinez, Finlay, Jahn, Lorimore,  
Messina, Morehouse, Pettis and Richardson  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: McCallon

**CFO MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

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

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no future agenda items requested.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements made.

**ADJOURNMENT**

*The EAC adjourned its meeting at 10:01 a.m. The next regular meeting of the EAC is scheduled for Thursday, July 2, 2015, at the SCAG Los Angeles Office.*

**EXECUTIVE/ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT**

Member (including Ex-Officio) LastName, FirstName	Representing	X = County Represented						JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV
		IC	LA	OC	RC	SB	VC						
Walker-Viegas, Cheryl, President	El Centro	X						X					
Martinez, Michele, 1st VP	Santa Ana			X				X					
Finlay, Margaret	Duarte		X					X					
Morehouse, Carl, Imm. Past President	San Buenaventura						X	X					
Buscaino, Joe	Los Angeles		X										
Jahn, Bill	Big Bear Lake					X		X					
Lewis, Randall, Ex Officio	Lewis Op. Corp.							X					
Lorimore, Clint	Eastvale				X			X					
Masiel, Andrew, Sr.	Pechanga Band of Luiseno Indians				X								
McCallon, Larry	Highland					X		X					
Messina, Barbara	Los Angeles		X					X					
Murray, Kris	Anaheim			X									
O'Connor, Pam	Santa Monica		X										
Pettis, Gregory, Imm. Past President	Cathedral City				X			X					
Ramirez, Carmen	Ventura						X						
Rex Richardson	Long Beach		X					X					
Robertson, Deborah	San Bernardino County					X							
Wapner, Alan	Ontario					X							
18	<b>Totals</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>						