

Energy and Environment Committee
of the
Southern California Association of Governments
April 2, 2015

Minutes

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE. A DIGITAL RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG'S OFFICE.

The Energy and Environment Committee (EEC) held its meeting at the SCAG Los Angeles Office.

Members Present

Hon. Ross Chun, Aliso Viejo	TCA
Hon. Larry Forester, Signal Hill	GCCOG
Hon. Laura Friedman, Glendale	Arroyo Verdugo Cities
Hon. Sandra Genis, Costa Mesa	OCCOG
Hon. Ed Graham, Chino Hills	District 10
Hon. Shari Horne, Laguna Woods	OCCOG
Hon. Judy Mitchell, Rolling Hills Estates	District 40
Hon. Mike Munzing, Aliso Viejo	District 12
Hon. David Pollock, Moorpark	VCOG
Hon. Carmen Ramirez, Oxnard	District 45
Hon. Lupe Ramos Watson, Indio	CVAG
Hon. Deborah Robertson, Rialto (Chair)	District 8
Hon. Eric Schmidt, Hesperia	SANBAG
Mr. Steve Schuyler, Ex Officio	Building Industry Association
Hon. Jack Terrazas	Imperial County
Hon. Diane Williams, Rancho Cucamonga	SANBAG
Hon. Edward Wilson, Signal Hill	Gateway Cities

Members Not Present

Hon. Denis Bertone, San Dimas	SGVCOG
Hon. Margaret Clark, Rosemead	District 32
Hon. Jordan Ehrenkranz, Canyon Lake	WRCOG
Hon. Mitchell Englander, Los Angeles	District 59
Hon. Steve Hwangbo, La Palma	District 18
Hon. Diana Mahmud, South Pasadena	SGVCOG
Hon. Thomas Martin, Maywood	GCCOG
Hon. Geneva Mojado, Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians	Tribal COG
Hon. Linda Parks	Ventura County
Hon. Meghan Sahli-Wells, Culver City	WCCOG
Hon. Stephen Sammarco, Redondo Beach	SBCCOG
Hon. John Sibert, Malibu	District 44
Hon. Bonnie Wright, Hemet	WRCOG

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Hon. Deborah Robertson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:16 a.m. and led the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

In response to a call for nominations emailed to members of the committee, Hon. Deborah Robertson was nominated for Chair and Hon. Carmen Ramirez was nominated for Vice Chair. No other nominations were received by the deadline however, nominations are allowed by the floor. There were no other nominations made by the Committee.

Seeing that no opposing candidates were nominated, the nominations were closed. A MOTION was made (Forester) to elect the Hon. Deborah Robertson as Chair and the Hon. Carmen Ramirez as Vice Chair of the EEC. The MOTION was SECONDED (Pollock) and APPROVED by the following votes:

AYES: Chun, Forester, Friedman, Genis, Graham, Horne, Mitchell, Munzing, Pollock, Ramirez, Ramos-Watson, Robertson, Schmidt, Terrazas, Williams, Wilson
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No Public Comments

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

ACTION ITEM

1. Transportation Control Measure (TCM) Substitution by San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG)

Rongsheng Luo, SCAG Staff, briefed the EEC on the TCM substitution requested by SANBAG. Mr. Luo first presented background information about the definition of TCMs and the TCM substitution process as specified under the federal Clean Air Act. He then briefly described the SANBAG TCM substitution as follows:

- SANBAG is requesting to substitute two existing TCM projects in the 2015 FTIP. Both are Metrolink station park and ride lot expansion projects located in the City of Upland and City of Rialto respectively.
- For the Upland project, the scope will be reduced by 300 parking spaces while for the Rialto project, the scope will be reduced by 429 spaces, resulting in a total loss of 729 spaces. The project scope downsizing is due to revenue loss from the dissolution of the redevelopment agencies in California.
- To mitigate the impact, SANBAG is proposing a new regional vanpool program as the substitute TCM. The new vanpool program will start with at least 128 vanpools in the first year and is projected to grow to 1,459 vanpools by 2035.

Mr. Luo reported that SANBAG staff has performed the required TCM substitution analysis; and the analysis demonstrates meeting all requirements. SCAG staff has reviewed the SANBAG TCM substitution analysis and concurs with both the methodology and results of the analysis. Mr. Luo recommended that EEC approve the TCM substitution and recommend the RC adopt and direct staff to forward it to U.S. EPA and ARB for concurrence.

A MOTION was made (Forester) to approve substitution by SANBAG of two (2) Metrolink station park and ride lot expansion TCM projects to meet federal Clean Air Act requirements and recommend that the Regional Council adopt and direct staff to forward it to U.S. EPA and ARB for concurrence. The MOTION was SECONDED (Graham) and APPROVED by the following votes:

AYES: Chun, Forester, Friedman, Genis, Graham, Horne, Mitchell, Munzing, Pollock, Ramirez, Ramos-Watson, Robertson, Schmidt, Terrazas, Williams, Wilson
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

2. Minutes of the October 2, 2014 Meeting

A MOTION was made (Forester) to approve the Minutes. The MOTION was SECONDED (Pollock) and APPROVED by the following votes:

AYES: Forester, Friedman, Genis, Graham, Mitchell, Munzing, Pollock, Ramirez, Ramos-Watson, Robertson, Terrazas, Williams, Wilson
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: Chun, Horne, Schmidt

CONSENT CALENDAR

Receive and File

3. 2015 Regional Council and Policy Committees Meeting Schedule
4. SCAG Sustainability Planning Grants Program – Monthly Update
5. Regional Open-Space Conservation Planning
6. 2015 Active Transportation Program (ATP) Regional Guidelines

A MOTION was made (Forester) to move the Consent Calendar. The MOTION was SECONDED (Schmidt) and APPROVED by the following votes:

AYES: Chun, Forester, Friedman, Genis, Graham, Horne, Mitchell, Munzing, Pollock, Ramirez, Ramos-Watson, Robertson, Schmidt, Terrazas, Williams, Wilson
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

INFORMATION ITEMS

7. Metro Green Construction Policy (GCP)

Rongsheng Luo, SCAG Staff, introduced Dr. Cris Liban, Deputy Executive Officer, Metro's Environmental Compliance and Services Department, to present an overview of the Metro GCP.

Dr. Liban, Metro, first briefly described the reality of air emissions effects and policies in the South Coast Air Basin, followed by major milestones of the GCP development timeline. He reported on the following major elements of the policy:

- The GCP is effective and enforceable immediately upon adoption for all new Metro construction projects;
- The GCP will not be retroactive to existing projects as of September 22, 2011 but all Contractors are encouraged to implement the GCP policy provisions to the greatest extent feasible;
- The GCP contains separate requirements for on- and off-road equipment and generators, as well as exceptions;
- There are also other policy provisions such as institutionalizing common mitigation measures during the CEQA process.

Dr. Liban also compared the stringency between the GCP and the California Air Resources Board (ARB) regulations, and reported the following implementation efforts:

- Design criteria and specifications have been incorporated into all procurement documents;
- On-going stakeholder meetings;
- ARB/Air District enforcement training;
- Pilot projects and adoption by other jurisdictions; and
- Toolbox of information

Dr. Liban concluded his presentation by introducing the Green Equipment Web Toolkit and the GCP website at <http://www.metro.net/gcp>.

CHAIR'S REPORT - None

STAFF REPORT - None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Hon. Larry Forester: Follow up on US Mayors' conference on storm water affordability
- Hon. Deborah Robertson: Invite US EPA and CA EPA to discuss issues surrounding Superfund sites

ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Deborah Robertson adjourned the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

The next meeting of the Energy & Environment Committee will be held on Thursday, June 4, 2015 at the SCAG Los Angeles Office.

Energy and Environment Committee Attendance Report

2015

Member (including Ex-Officio) LastName, FirstName	Date Appointed if after 1/1/14	Representing	X = County Represented						X = Attended Black Shading = Dark												Total Mtgs Attended		
			Imperial	Los Angeles	Orange	Riverside	San Bernar dino	Ventura	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec			
Bertone, Denis		SGVCOG		X					J	J	X		G										2
Chun, Ross		TCA							O	O		X	E										1
Clark, Margaret		Rosemead		X					I	I	X		N										1
Ehrenkranz, Jordan		WRCOG				X			N	N	X		E										1
Englander, Mitchell		Los Angeles		X					T	T			R										
Forester, Larry		Gateway Cities		X							X	X	A										2
Friedman, Laura		AVCOG		X					M	M	X	X	L										2
Genis, Sandra		OCCOG			X				E	E	X	X											2
Graham, Ed	Feb. 2015	SANBAG		X					E	E	X	X	A										2
Horne, Shari	Apr. 2015	OCCOG			X				T	T		X	S										1
Hwangbo, Steve	Jan. 2015	La Palma			X				I	I	X		S										1
Mahmud, Diana		SGVCOG		X					N	N	X		E										1
Martin, Thomas		GCCOG		X					G	G	X		M										1
Mitchell, Judy		SBCCOG		X								X	B										1
Mojado, Geneva		Tribal COG											L										
Munzing, Mike		District 12			X						X	X	Y										2
Parks, Linda	Feb. 2015	Ventura						X			X												1
Pollock, David		VCOG						X			X	X											2
Ramirez, Carmen		Oxnard						X			X	X											2
Ramos-Watson, Lupe		CVAG				X	X				X	X											2
Robertson, Deborah		District 8		X							X	X											2
Sahli-Wells, Meghan		WCCOG		X							X												1
Sanmarco, Stephen		SBCCOG						X															
Schmidt, Eric		SANBAG		X								X											1
Schuyler, Steve		BIASC			X						X	X											2
Sibert, John		District 44	X								X												1
Terrazas, Jack		Imperial County	X								X	X											2
Williams, Diane		SANBAG		X							X	X											2
Wilson, Edward		Signal Hill				X					X	X											2
Wright, Bonnie	Jan. 2015	WRCOG						X			X												1
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