

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL JOINT MEETING OF THE
COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT (CEHD) COMMITTEE;
ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE (EEC); AND THE
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (TC) OF THE
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
MARCH 21, 2012**

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS AND/OR DISCUSSIONS THAT OCCURRED AT THE SPECIAL MEETING. A DIGITAL RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING/VIEWING AT www.scag.ca.gov/scagtv.

The CEHD, EEC and TC held its Special Meeting at SCAG’s Los Angeles Office.

CEHD Members Present

Representing

Chair*	1. Hon. Paula Lantz	Pomona	District 38
Vice Chair*	2. Hon. Ginger Coleman	Apple Valley	District 65
	3. Hon. Josue Barrios	Cudahy	GCCOG
	4. Hon. Carol Chen	Cerritos	Gateway Cities
	* 5. Hon. Margaret Finlay	Duarte	District 35
	6. Hon. Ron Garcia	Brea	OCCOG
	* 7. Hon. James Gazeley	Lomita	District 39
	* 8. Hon. Jon Harrison	Redlands	District 6
	* 9. Hon. Steven Hofbauer	Palmdale	District 43
	* 10. Hon. Bill Jahn	Big Bear Lake	District 11
	* 11. Hon. Darcy Kuenzi	Menifee	District 63
	12. Hon. Randon Lane	Murietta	WRCOG
	* 13. Hon. Joel Lautenschleger	Laguna Hills	District 13
	* 14. Hon. Ronald Loveridge	Riverside	District 4
	* 15. Hon. Larry McCallon	Highland	District 7
	16. Hon. Kathryn McCullough	Lake Forest	OCCOG
	* 17. Hon. Carl Morehouse	San Buenaventura	District 47
	* 18. Hon. Kris Murray	Anaheim	District 19
	19. Hon. Ray Musser	Upland	SANBAG
	* 20. Hon. John Nielsen	Tustin	District 17
	* 21. Hon. Deborah Robertson	Rialto	District 8
	22. Hon. Gino Sund	Altadena	SGVCOG

TC Members Present:

Representing

Chair * 1.	Hon. Keith Millhouse	Moorpark	VCTC
Vice-Chair * 2.	Hon. Alan Wapner	Ontario	SANBAG
* 3.	Hon. Bruce Barrows	Cerritos	District 23
* 4.	Hon. Glen Becerra	Simi Valley	District 46
* 5.	Hon. Stan Carroll	La Habra Heights	District 31
* 6.	Hon. Mary Craton	Canyon Lake	RCTC
* 7.	Hon. Gene Daniels	Paramount	District 24
8.	Hon. Steven Diels	Redondo Beach	SBCCOG
* 9.	Hon. Frank Gurulé	Cudahy	District 27
10.	Hon. Bert Hack	Laguna Woods	OCCOG
* 11.	Hon. Matthew Harper	Huntington Beach	District 64
* 12.	Hon. Carol Herrera	Diamond Bar	District 37
* 13.	Hon. Jim Hyatt	Calimesa	District 3
14.	Hon. Trish Kelley	Mission Viejo	OCCOG
* 15.	Hon. Michele Martinez	Santa Ana	District 16
16.	Hon. Marsha McLean	Santa Clarita	North L. A. County
* 17.	Hon. Barbara Messina	Alhambra	District 34
* 18.	Hon. Leroy Mills	Cypress	District 18
* 19.	Hon. Steven Neal	Long Beach	District 29
* 20.	Hon. Pam O'Connor	Santa Monica	District 41
* 21.	Hon. Gary Ovitt		San Bernardino County
* 22.	Hon. Gregory Pettis	Cathedral City	District 2
* 23.	Hon. Frank Quintero	Glendale	District 42
* 24.	Hon. Ronald Roberts	Temecula	District 5
25.	Hon. David Spence	La Cañada/Flintridge	Arroyo-Verdugo Cities
26.	Hon. Karen Spiegel	Corona	WRCOG
27.	Hon. Tim Spohn	City of Industry	SGVCOG
* 28.	Hon. Jeff Stone		Riverside County
29.	Hon. Jess Talamantes	Burbank	SFVCOG
* 30.	Hon. Donald Voss	La Cañada/Flintridge	District 36

EEC Members Present:

Representing

Chair* 1.	Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker	El Centro	District 1
Vice-Chair* 2.	Hon. James Johnson	Long Beach	District 30
3.	Hon. Jordan Ehrenkranz	Canyon Lake	WRCOG

EEC Members Present - continued:

Representing

4.	Hon. Larry Forester	Signal Hill	Gateway Cities
* 5.	Hon. Keith Hanks	Azusa	District 33
* 6.	Hon. Mario Hernandez	San Fernando	District 67
* 7.	Hon. Margaret Clark	Rosemead	District 32
8.	Hon. Phil Leubben	Cypress	OCCOG
9.	Hon. Thomas Martin	Maywood	District 27
10.	Hon. Dan Medina	Gardena	District 28
* 11.	Hon. Judy Mitchell	Rolling Hills Estates	District 40
12.	Hon. Jeffrey Prang	West Hollywood	District 41

* Regional Council Member

Staff Present

Hasan Ikhata, Executive Director
 Joann Africa, Chief Counsel
 Wayne Moore, Chief Financial Officer
 Debbie Dillon, Deputy Executive Director, Administration
 Sharon Neely, Deputy Executive Director, Strategy, Policy & Public Affairs
 Huasha Liu, Director of Land Use & Environmental Planning
 Rich Macias, Director of Transportation Planning
 Sylvia Patsouras, Interim Director of Regional Services and Public Affairs
 Deby Salcido, Officer to the Regional Council
 Tess Rey-Chaput, Office of Regional Council Support

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Pam O'Connor, Santa Monica, District 41, called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m. and First Vice President Glen Becerra, Simi Valley, District 46, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Pam O'Connor, Santa Monica, District 41, reported that Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians' longtime Chairman, Richard Milanovich, passed away recently and asked for a moment of silence in his memory.

President O'Connor announced the meeting is being video-conferenced to SCAG's satellite offices and that the members will be taking a formal action by a roll call vote. President O'Connor called on the following councilmembers who were present at the Riverside office: Councilmember Darcy Kuenzi, Menifee, District 63; Councilmember Mary Craton, Canyon Lake, Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC); Councilmember Ron Roberts, Temecula, District 5; Councilmember Ron Loveridge, Riverside, District 4; and Councilmember Jordan Ehrenkranz, Canyon Lake, Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG); at the

San Bernardino office: Councilmember Randon Lane, Murrieta, WRCOG; and Councilmember Ray Musser, Upland, San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG); at the Ventura County office: Councilmember Carl Morehouse, San Buenaventura, District 47; at the Orange County office: Councilmember John Nielsen, Tustin, District 17; Councilmember Joel Lautenschleger, Laguna Hills, District 13; Councilmember Kathryn McCullough, Lake Forest, Orange County Council of Governments (OCCOG); Councilmember Ron Garcia, Brea, OCCOG; Councilmember Phil Leubben, Cypress, OCCOG; and Councilmember Matthew Harper, Huntington Beach, District 64; at the Hesperia office: Councilmember Ginger Coleman, Town of Apple Valley, District 65; at the Imperial office: Councilmember Cheryl Viegas-Walker, El Centro, District 1; and announced that there were no councilmembers present at the Palmdale office.

Joann Africa, Chief Counsel, announced that a quorum was established for all three (3) Policy Committees. President O'Connor stated the names of the three (3) Regional Councilmembers who are not Policy Committee members, therefore, cannot vote on the matter being presented: Councilmember Tom LaBonge, Los Angeles, District 51; Councilmember Lillie Dobson, Compton, District 26; and Mr. Randall Lewis, ex-officio member, Lewis Group of Companies.

DISCUSSION ITEM

1. Proposed Final 2012-2035 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) and the associated Proposed Final Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR)

President O'Connor reiterated that a roll call vote will be taken on the matter and that the recommended actions are: (1) to recommend to the Regional Council to adopt Resolution No. 12-538-1, certifying the Final Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the 2012-2035 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) and adopting Findings, a Statement of Overriding Considerations (SOC) and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) associated with the Final PEIR; and (2) recommend to the Regional Council to adopt Resolution No. 12-538-2, adopting the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS, including the associated conformity determination and the associated Consistency Amendment #11-24 to the 2011 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP); and to authorize the Executive Director to make administrative changes to the RTP/SCS.

RTP Subcommittee Chair Alan Wapner thanked the RTP Subcommittee members and the High-Speed Rail Subcommittee members for their time, effort, and dedication on the development of the draft RTP/SCS. He also thanked the Policy Committee Members for their participation at the special meetings and SCAG staff for their diligence in keeping up with all the policy recommendations and decisions made. Councilmember Wapner summarized the Subcommittees' work in the development of the RTP/SCS and stated that there are two (2) new projects that the subcommittee will be recommending that the Regional Council include in the Final RTP/SCS, which are: the Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS) rail component of the High Desert Corridor; and the Coachella Valley Neighborhood Electric in the Active Transportation Project. Lastly, Councilmember Wapner reported that the recommended action is to recommend RC adoption of two (2) resolutions certifying the Final PEIR and

adopting the RTP/SCS as well as authorizing the Executive Director to make administrative changes to the RTP/SCS that is consistent with the Policy Committees' direction.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

President Pam O'Connor opened the Public Comment Period and announced that each of the public comment speakers will be allowed to speak for one (1) minute.

Hector Madariaga, Director of Environmental Affairs, Southern California Gas Company, expressed concerns regarding the RTP/SCS, specifically, the lack of alternative vehicle fuel options leaving out natural gas options; he acknowledged the inclusion of near-zero emissions technology in the Plan; and stated concerns on zero tailpipe technologies as a long-term solution.

Jean Armbruster, Director, PLACE Program, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, urged the members to prioritize Active Transportation in the RTP/SCS, specifically, to ensure sufficient funding for pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure; prioritize first and last mile connections to transit stations; and encouraged measuring the public health impacts of transportation investments.

Patricia Ochoa, Environment and Health Coordinator, Physicians for Social Responsibility – Los Angeles, commented regarding her organization's support for Active Transportation in the RTP/SCS including increased investment in the following: zero-emissions transportation; Active Transportation; improving health benefits; additional health and equity performance indicators in the SCS; and ensuring gentrification displacement is captured in the Environmental Justice analysis.

Ellen Alkon, M.D., Southern California Public Health Association (SCPHA), stated that the American Public Health Association and SCPHA jointly designed a fact sheet that contains ten (10) principles that support improved community health on transportation issues and shared copies of the fact sheets with the councilmembers as the principles are consistent with the 2012 RTP/SCS.

Trisha Murakawa, Board Member and Immediate Past Chair, American Lung Association in California (ALAC), thanked the councilmembers for their leadership in the development of the 2012 RTP/SCS and commented regarding public health impacts of air pollution in the region.

Rye Baerg, Southern California Regional Policy Manager, Safe Routes to School National Partnership, thanked the councilmembers and SCAG staff for their efforts in the development of the 2012 RTP/SCS and requested that information be included in future RTPs regarding the state, federal, and local funding for Active Transportation; the percentage of funding allocated for Complete Streets Projects; and the assurance that will allow children to have an opportunity to walk/bike to school.

Ryan Johnson, student, UCLA Urban Planning, commented regarding funding prioritization for bicycle and pedestrian projects and suggested a formation of a SCAG Active Transportation committee to identify projects that could be implemented.

Luis R. Cabrales, Deputy Director of Campaigns, Coalition for Clean Air, thanked SCAG staff for their collaboration in the development of the 2012 RTP/SCS and stated concerns regarding goods movement in the region while suggesting more of local government involvement.

Deny Zane, Executive Director, Move LA, congratulated the councilmembers and SCAG staff for their efforts in the development of the 2012 RTP/SCS and urged the councilmembers to adopt the 2012 RTP/SCS and consideration for future RTPs and SCSs regarding the need to modernize the Metrolink system; freight system; expand an Active Transportation system; and build upon an extraordinary Compass Blueprint Program. Mr. Zane stated that he provided a document to the councilmembers that reflected combined recommendations from Move LA, ALAC, Safe Routes to School National Partnership and the Los Angeles County Bicycle Coalition, to ensure future efforts and activities to enhance the Plan.

John Buccola, VCCool, Ventura Bicycle Union, commented regarding the difficulties involved in accessing public transit; stated that a 45-second video he created, “Imbalanced Transportation Funding,” illustrates his personal experience in accessing public transit; and emphasized that “an investment in active transit is an investment in public transit.”

Tyrone Lafay, VCCool, Ventura Bicycle Union, commented regarding a presentation he created regarding “Ghost Bikes and Shrines” illustrates the challenges and tragedies that affect all individuals in Southern California.

Andrew Henderson, Vice President & General Counsel, Building Industry Association of Southern California (BIASC), complimented SCAG staff for their patience and professionalism in the development of the 2012 RTP/SCS; and asked the councilmembers to adopt the RTP/SCS—although expressed concerns regarding its unintended consequences specifically relating to SB 375.

Phoebe Seaton, Program Director, California Rural Legal Assistance, Inc. (CRLA), commented regarding the inadequate or lack of public transit in east Coachella Valley and suggested that future RTPs must include access to transportation to that portion of the region and urged the councilmembers to consider the health impacts for this region.

Jacqueline Hernandez, Advocacy Director, American Heart Association (AHA), commented that the number one cause of death is related to heart disease and how air pollution contributes to this disease; and urged the councilmembers to create pedestrian-friendly communities to allow movement of people.

John Longville, Board of Trustees, San Bernardino Community College District and former SCAG President (1992-1993), thanked the councilmembers for their efforts in the development of the 2012 RTP/SCS. Mr. Longville stated that several students from Arroyo Valley High School will provide remarks regarding the RTP/SCS.

Luis Tirado, Arroyo Valley High School, San Bernardino Unified School District, urged the councilmembers to provide an efficient transportation system for future generations.

Alicia Aguayo, Arroyo Valley High School, San Bernardino Unified School District, urged the councilmembers to follow the examples of former U.S. President Dwight Eisenhower and former California Governor Pat Brown by building much-needed facilities.

Katherine Alfaro, Arroyo Valley High School, San Bernardino Unified School District, urged support for increased Active Transportation facilities for the overall interest of public health.

David Servin; Deidre Ramirez; and Bernard de la Garza, students from Arroyo Valley High School, San Bernardino Unified School District, thanked the councilmembers for their efforts in the development of the 2012 RTP/SCS.

Kristin Eberhard, Legal Director, Western Energy and Climate Projects for the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), thanked the councilmembers for their efforts in the development of the 2012 RTP/SCS; suggested the need for more funding in key aspects of the Plan including Metrolink upgrades, Active Transportation projects, clean Goods Movement, and Compass Blueprint Projects to allow local governments to implement the Plan.

Ezequiel Gutierrez, Attorney-at-Law, commented regarding transit-dependent populations, specifically, the low-income communities of Los Angeles County who use transit more than other income groups; and commented regarding the co-benefits in achieving Active Transportation by use of a network of Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) and urged the councilmembers to consider this matter.

Jenny Bard, Regional Air Quality Director, American Lung Association in California (ALAC), commented regarding a letter submitted to SCAG from ALAC and the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) that indicated support for increased focus on Active Transportation and Clean Goods Movement; and invited the councilmembers to join ALAC's Healthy Growth Leaders Campaign.

Dr. Bill Sherman, "No on 710" Action Committee, commented regarding the 2012 RTP/SCS and its laudable projects although largely unfunded, as the Plan calls for Vehicle Miles Travelled (VMT) user tax fee; and stated that the RTP does not adequately recognize the California voters' desire for clean air and healthy environment in that it contained highway projects with pollution levels not in compliance with SB 375 and AB 32.

Joanne Nuckols, "No on 710" Action Committee, stated that the most controversial project in the 2012 RTP/SCS is the SR-710 North Extension Tunnel; and urged that the proposed 710 Tunnel project be moved to the strategic, unfunded plan due to the unavailability of reasonable funds as required by Federal law. Ms. Nuckols shared a document with the councilmembers illustrating a chart of the cost estimates of the proposed 710 Tunnel project since 1992 that, she said, have been so wildly invariable as to be invalid.

Dennis Woods, South Pasadena, California, stated the City Council's support for multi-modalism and commented specifically regarding page 5 of the staff report that outlines the absence of funding to support the SR-710 North Extension Tunnel Project in the 2012 RTP/SCS and stated

that the project does not meet the Federal criteria to be in the constrained plan as a funded project; therefore, he requested the project be removed from the Plan; and commented regarding the false assumption that building freeways will reduce congestion, and that in actuality, will increase pollution.

Michelle K. Wolf, Director of Foundation and Government Relations, American Diabetes Association, urged the councilmembers to approve a strong Sustainable Communities Strategy due to the diabetes epidemic and encouraged safe walking and biking communities, especially in high-risk, low-income communities, to increase physical activity in abetting the ill-effects of diabetes.

Dr. Tom Williams, Board Member, LA-32 Neighborhood Council, commented regarding the SR 710 North Extension Project in the 2012 RTP/SCS and expressed concerns with what he considers inadequate and incomplete responses to his submitted comments regarding this matter.

President Pam O'Connor closed the Public Comment Period.

Hasan Ikhata, Executive Director, thanked the councilmembers for their participation in the special meeting and echoed Councilmember Wapner's comments regarding the 2012 RTP/SCS—a reasonably funded Plan—that meets state and federal requirements and also charts regional transportation and land use strategies for the region's future. Mr. Ikhata addressed some of the questions raised during the Public Comment Period. First, he stated his appreciation for SCAG staff's collaboration with The Gas Company, as the Plan is technology-neutral and will not favor one technology over another. Mr. Ikhata asked the councilmembers to approve the recommended action to authorize the Executive Director to make administrative changes to the Plan, which would include technology neutral language that is consistent with policy direction. Mr. Ikhata also addressed the concerns raised in regard to the availability of funds for the SR 710 North Extension Project in the 2012 RTP/SCS. He stated that all of the projects in the Plan are funded with reasonably available funds and meets the financial constraint requirements of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). In regard to comments relating to choices, options, and public health impacts, Mr. Ikhata stated that there are remarkable benefits and co-benefits of the Plan. In closing, Mr. Ikhata stated that he could not be more pleased with SCAG staff for their efforts, integrity and professionalism in the development of the RTP/SCS.

ACTION ITEM:

1. Proposed Final 2012-2035 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) and the associated Proposed Final Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR)

President Pam O'Connor reiterated that the recommended actions are: (1) that the Regional Council adopt Resolution No. 12-538-1, certifying the Final PEIR for the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS including adopting Findings, a SOC and a MMRP associated with the Final PEIR; (2) that the Regional Council adopt Resolution No. 12-538-2, adopting the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS, including the associated Conformity Determination and the associated Consistency Amendment #11-24 to the 2011 FTIP, and to authorize the Executive Director to make administrative changes to the RTP/SCS such as adding technology neutral language in the Plan.

Councilmember Bert Hack, Laguna Woods, OCCOG, commented regarding the difficulties and funding challenges involved in the 2012 RTP/SCS as it required adherence to various standards mandated by agencies.

Supervisor Gary Ovitt, San Bernardino County, stated that he is pleased that the technology-neutral language will be included in the Plan for short- and long-term planning and stated his confidence that this will be reflected in the final 2012-2035 RTP/SCS.

Supervisor Jeff Stone, Riverside County, commented regarding the development of the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS and stated support for the inclusion of the technology neutral language in the Plan.

Councilmember Kris Murray, Anaheim, District 19, reiterated support for the inclusion of technology neutral language in the final 2012-2035 RTP/SCS.

Councilmember Ginger Coleman, Apple Valley, District 65, thanked SCAG staff and the RTP Subcommittee for their efforts in the development of the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS.

Councilmember Cheryl Viegas-Walker, El Centro, District 1, requested that written materials provided by the public comment speakers also be made available to the satellite offices.

Councilmember Deborah Robertson, Rialto, District 8, thanked SCAG staff for their efforts in the development of the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS and also thanked the public comment speakers who continue to voice suggestions and concerns regarding health impacts. In addition, Councilmember Robertson acknowledged the students from the San Bernardino Unified School District and appreciated their time to participate in today's meeting.

Councilmember Karen Spiegel, Corona, WRCOG, echoed Councilmember Hack's comments and suggested to start working on the accumulated numbers as it relates to Active Transportation in preparation for the next Plan.

Councilmember Carol Herrera, Diamond Bar, District 37, echoed comments made by Supervisor Ovitt and stated appreciation for the inclusion of technology neutral language in the Plan and emphasized its importance in the short-term and long-term planning.

Randall Lewis, Ex-Officio Member, speaking on behalf of the business community, he stated support for the Plan and appreciated the leadership of Hasan Ikhata, President O'Connor, Councilmembers Becerra and Wapner; and thanked the efforts of the SCAG staff in the development of the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS.

First Vice President Glen Becerra, Simi Valley, District 46, commented on the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS and the benefits of the development of transit while envisioning its progress in the region and stated anticipation for a robust Active Transportation component in the next and future RTPs; and suggested that all stakeholders—business and environmental communities, labor groups and elected officials—continue to work collaboratively to implement the Plan, to

make the Plan successful and a tangible reality. He thanked the public comment speakers, the various stakeholder groups, other elected officials, SCAG staff, and the Regional Council and Policy Committee members for their efforts to have a successful RTP/SCS.

Councilmember Barbara Messina, Alhambra, District 34, acknowledged and thanked the efforts and flexibility of SCAG staff who worked with the RTP Subcommittee members in the development of the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS.

Councilmember Paula Lantz, Pomona, District 38, stated support for alternative transportation fuel technology and clarified that some of the projects in the constrained portion of the RTP mean they are eligible for other funding options and does not necessarily mean allocation of funds.

Councilmember Dan Medina, Gardena, District 28, commented regarding the allocation of funding for the region's system maintenance and preservation in the Plan; and thanked the students from San Bernardino Unified School District who provided comments.

Immediate Past President Larry McCallon, Highland, District 7, thanked the San Bernardino Unified School District students for their participation; and echoed the comments made regarding Active Transportation and stated that San Bernardino County has a Non-Motorized Transportation Plan which contains extensive amount of information for current and future conditions for pedestrians and bicyclists.

President O'Connor announced that a roll call vote will be taken on the matter and reiterated the recommended actions. Joann Africa, Chief Counsel, confirmed that a quorum was established for each of the Policy Committees. Deby Salcido, Officer to the Regional Council, proceeded with the roll call vote of the CEHD Committee members followed by EEC and TC members, starting at the Los Angeles office and then the satellite offices in Orange County, Riverside County, and San Bernardino County.

A motion was made (Hack) to recommend that the Regional Council: (1) adopt Resolution No. 12-538-1, certifying the Final Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS and adopting Findings, a SOC and a MMRP associated with the Final PEIR; (2) adopt Resolution No. 12-538-2, adopting the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS, including the associated conformity determination and the associated Consistency Amendment #11-24 to the 2011 FTIP; and (3) to authorize the Executive Director to make necessary administrative edits to the Final 2012-2035 RTP/SCS, including adding clarifying language to the Final 2012-2035 RTP/SCS relating to being technology neutral in the Plan as it relates to alternative transportation fuel technology. Motion was SECONDED (Kelley) and passed by a MAJORITY VOTE with three (3) NOES (Lane, Leubben, Herrera).

RTP Subcommittee Chair Alan Wapner urged the need to start a work plan to implement the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS and to form subcommittees to work on items such as Active Transportation, financing programs, health impacts of the RTP and begin the implementation of a study for the next RTP.

A MOTION was made (Wapner) to develop a work plan to implement the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS that directs SCAG staff to proceed with the recommendations outlined in Move LA's document (as distributed to the Joint Policy Committee members) and to return with amendments to the Final 2012-2035 RTP/SCS and/or SCAG's Overall Work Program (OWP) addressing these recommendations as the necessary revenues are identified. Motion was SECONDED (Martinez). President Pam O'Connor provided a clarification on the motion made and stated the motion will include as part of the implementation efforts of the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS: "enhancing investments by identifying new revenue sources to invest in regionally significant systems; to expand Compass Blueprint Program regionally; to enhance the Metrolink System's regional capacity, efficiency and connectivity; to enhance clean Goods Movement investments; to improve and assess by enhancing health and equity performance measures; to look at the regional investments in Active Transportation, regional Safe Routes to School including bicycle and pedestrians systems."

Councilmember Keith Hanks, Azusa, District 33, requested additional clarification regarding the action taken and expressed concern with the associated costs of the Plan and how this should be part of the necessary implementation efforts. Councilmember Hanks stated that at the November 16, 2011 Special EEC meeting, an action was taken to form a subcommittee to research funding alternatives and provide recommendations to reduce and mitigate the costs and impacts of taxes related to the RTP and future RTPs.

Hasan Ikhata, Executive Director, stated full support of the motion made by Councilmember Wapner with a commitment to form a subcommittee as mentioned and suggested by Councilmember Hanks.

First Vice President Glen, Berra, Simi Valley, District 46, suggested adding the clarifying language to the motion. RTP Subcommittee Chair Alan Wapner further clarified that the intent of the motion is to create appropriate subcommittee(s) for each of the three (3) standing Policy Committees that include identifying new revenue sources to reduce and mitigate costs of the impact.

President O'Connor announced that a roll call vote will be taken on the matter and Deby Salcido, Officer to the Regional Council, proceeded with the roll call vote of the CEHD Committee members followed by EEC and TC members, starting with at the Los Angeles office and followed by the satellite offices in Orange County, Riverside, and San Bernardino. Joann Africa, Chief Counsel announced that the motion passed by a UNANIMOUS VOTE with a 47:0 roll call vote.

CONSENT CALENDAR APPROVAL ITEM:

2. Minutes of the February 21, 2012 and March 1, 2012 Regional Council and Joint Policy Committees Meetings

President Pam O'Connor announced that in the interest of time, the approval of the Minutes of the February 21, 2012 and March 1, 2012 Regional Council and Joint Policy Committees' meetings will be considered at a future Joint Meeting.

President O'Connor reiterated that the Policy Committees will recommend that the Regional Council certify the Final 2012-2035 RTP/SCS PEIR and adopt the Final 2012-2035 RTP/SCS at the April 4, 2012 Regional Council meeting which will take place in conjunction with the April 5, 2012 General Assembly, both meetings to be held at the Westin Bonaventure Hotel in downtown Los Angeles. In regard to the General Assembly, Councilmember Leroy Mills, Cypress, District 18, asked for clarification regarding the registration fee associated for those attending the General Assembly. Hasan Ikhata, Executive Director, responded that there is no charge for any member of the public who wishes to provide a public comment or speak at the Regional Council and General Assembly meetings. However, Mr. Ikhata stated that a \$100 registration fee is charged per person attending the regional conference to cover the cost of meals and refreshments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Special Meeting of the Joint Regional Council and Policy Committees adjourned at 1:33 p.m.



Deby Salcido, Officer to the Regional Council