

NO. 547
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
MARCH 7, 2013

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE REGIONAL COUNCIL. A VIDEO RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE ON THE SCAG WEBSITE AT: www.scag.ca.gov/scagtv/index.htm

The Regional Council (RC) of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) held its meeting at the SCAG Los Angeles Office. There was a quorum.

Members Present

Hon. Glen Becerra, President	<i>Simi Valley</i>	District 46
Hon. Greg Pettis, 1 st Vice-President	<i>Cathedral City</i>	District 2
Hon. Carl Morehouse, 2 nd Vice President	<i>Ventura</i>	District 47
Hon. Pam O'Connor, Immediate Past President	<i>Santa Monica</i>	District 41
Hon. Michael D. Antonovich		Los Angeles County
Hon. Shawn Nelson		Orange County
Hon. Jack Terrazas		Imperial County
Hon. Linda Parks		Ventura County
Hon. Bob Botts	<i>Banning</i>	RCTC
Hon. Alan Wapner	<i>Ontario</i>	SANBAG
Hon. Keith Millhouse	<i>Moorpark</i>	VCTC
Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker	<i>El Centro</i>	District 1
Hon. Jim Hyatt	<i>Calimesa</i>	District 3
Hon. Jeff DeGrandpre	<i>Eastvale</i>	District 4
Hon. Ronald Roberts	<i>Temecula</i>	District 5
Hon. Jon Harrison	<i>Redlands</i>	District 6
Hon. Larry McCallon	<i>Highland</i>	District 7
Hon. Deborah Robertson	<i>Rialto</i>	District 8
Hon. Ed Graham	<i>Chino Hills</i>	District 10
Hon. Bill Jahn	<i>Big Bear Lake</i>	District 11
Hon. Mike Munzing	<i>Aliso Viejo</i>	District 12
Hon. Kathryn McCullough	<i>Lake Forest</i>	District 13
Hon. Steven Choi	<i>Irvine</i>	District 14
Hon. Michele Martinez	<i>Santa Ana</i>	District 16
Hon. Leroy Mills	<i>Cypress</i>	District 18
Hon. Art Brown	<i>Buena Park</i>	District 21
Hon. Brett Murdock	<i>Brea</i>	District 22
Hon. Bruce Barrows	<i>Cerritos</i>	District 23
Hon. Gene Daniels	<i>Paramount</i>	District 24
Hon. Jim Morton	<i>Lynwood</i>	District 26
Hon. Frank Gurulé	<i>Cudahy</i>	District 27
Hon. Steven Neal	<i>Long Beach</i>	District 29
Hon. James Johnson	<i>Long Beach</i>	District 30

Members Present - continued

Hon. Stan Carroll	<i>La Habra Heights</i>	District 31
Hon. Margaret Clark	<i>Rosemead</i>	District 32
Hon. Keith Hanks	<i>Azusa</i>	District 33
Hon. Barbara Messina	<i>Alhambra</i>	District 34
Hon. Margaret E. Finlay	<i>Duarte</i>	District 35
Hon. Donald Voss	<i>La Cañada/Flintridge</i>	District 36
Hon. Carol Herrera	<i>Diamond Bar</i>	District 37
Hon. Paula Lantz	<i>Pomona</i>	District 38
Hon. James Gazeley	<i>Lomita</i>	District 39
Hon. Frank Quintero	<i>Glendale</i>	District 42
Hon. Steven Hofbauer	<i>Palmdale</i>	District 43
Hon. Mark Rutherford	<i>Westlake Village</i>	District 44
Hon. Dennis Zine	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 50
Hon. Tom LaBonge	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 51
Hon. Karen Spiegel	<i>Corona</i>	District 63
Hon. Matthew Harper	<i>Huntington Beach</i>	District 64
Hon. Ryan McEachron	<i>Victorville</i>	District 65
Hon. Lisa Bartlett	<i>Dana Point</i>	TCA
Mr. Randall Lewis, Ex-officio		Lewis Operating Group

Members Not Present

Hon. Jeff Stone		Riverside County
Hon. Gary Ovitt		San Bernardino County
Hon. Paul Eaton	<i>Montclair</i>	District 9
Hon. Leslie Daigle	<i>Newport Beach</i>	District 15
Hon. John Nielsen	<i>Tustin</i>	District 17
Hon. Kris Murray	<i>Anaheim</i>	District 19
Hon. Andy Quach	<i>Westminster</i>	District 20
Hon. Mario Guerra	<i>Downey</i>	District 25
Hon. Dan Medina	<i>Gardena</i>	District 28
Hon. Judy Mitchell	<i>Rolling Hills Estates</i>	District 40
Hon. Ed P. Reyes	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 48
Hon. Paul Krekorian	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 49
Hon. Paul Koretz	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 52
Hon. Richard Alarcón	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 54
Hon. Bernard Parks	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 55
Hon. Jan Perry	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 56
Hon. Herb Wesson, Jr.	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 57
Hon. Bill Rosendahl	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 58
Hon. Mitchell Englander	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 59
Hon. Eric Garcetti	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 60
Hon. José Huizar	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 61
Hon. Joe Buscaino	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 62
Hon. Lupe Ramos Watson	<i>Indio</i>	District 66
Hon. Sylvia Ballin	<i>San Fernando</i>	District 67
Hon. Antonio Villaraigosa	<i>Los Angeles</i>	(At-Large)

Staff Present

Hasan Ikhata, Executive Director
Sharon Neely, Chief Deputy Executive Director
Joe Silvey, General Counsel
Joann Africa, Chief Counsel
Basil Panas, Chief Financial Officer
Rich Macias, Director of Transportation Planning
Huasha Liu, Director of Land Use & Environmental Planning
Darin Chidsey, Director of Strategy, Policy and Public Affairs
Lillian Harris-Neal, Clerk of the Board
Tess Rey-Chaput, Office of Regional Council Support

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Glen Becerra called the meeting to order at approximately 12:15 p.m. Councilmember Steven Choi, Irvine, District 14, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

President Becerra opened the Public Comment period.

Pauline Chow, Esq., Southern California Regional Policy Manager, Safe Routes to School National Partnership, is pleased to see the allocation of \$1.1 million for Active Transportation Planning in the Overall Work Program (OWP) noted on Agenda Item No. 4.

Ryan Aubry, Co-Chair, 2013 Urban Land Institute (ULI) Marketplace, announced the upcoming 13th Annual Urban Marketplace event scheduled for Tuesday, April 16, 2013 at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, highlighting SCAG's Compass Blueprint Demonstration Project with discussions on redevelopment.

Arnold Sachs, resident of Lennox, commented regarding an article in the Los Angeles Times regarding the San Onofre Generating System; expressed concerns with its parallel issues with the Redondo Beach Power Plant; and commented regarding affordable housing.

President Becerra closed the Public Comment period.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

There was no reprioritization of the agenda.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**SCAG Strategic Plan Update**

Hasan Ikhata, Executive Director, provided a background on the Strategic Plan; its elements; five (5) goals; and the next steps. With the urging of President Becerra, Mr. Ikhata asked the Regional Council members to provide suggestions in updating the Strategic Plan. Immediate Past President Pam O'Connor

commented that for each report to the Regional Council and Policy Committees, a Strategic Plan goal is noted on the report and how it relates to supporting its goals.

Mr. Ikhmeta announced and congratulated Basil Panas as the new Chief Financial Officer.

Mr. Ikhmeta also announced the retirement of Javier Minjares, Regional Planner Specialist, Land Use and Environmental Planning. He stated that Mr. Minjares worked at SCAG for 23 years and thanked him for his contribution and dedication.

Mr. Ikhmeta also announced the retirement of Will Kempton, CEO, Orange County Transportation Agency (OCTA) and stated that Mr. Kempton will be replaced by Darrell Johnson.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Glen Becerra stated that the March 2013 President's Update was distributed to Regional Council members noting specifically, the discussions at the Cal/EPA Environmental Health Communities Screening (CalEnviroScreen) Tool Second Workshop held at SCAG.

President Becerra reported that the SCAG Legislative Reception held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Sacramento, California was well-attended by Regional Council members, local and business sector representatives and transportation stakeholders who met with State Legislators. He thanked those who attended and participated in the discussions and asked business representative, Randall Lewis, member of the Global Land Use Economic (GLUE) Council, to provide an update. Mr. Lewis reported that the Legislators recognized a common goal with SCAG and is looking forward to future collaboration. Councilmember Barbara Messina, Alhambra, District 34; Councilmember Jim Morton, Lynwood, District 26; Councilmember Michelle Martinez, Santa Ana, District 16; and Councilmember James Johnson, Long Beach, District 30, provided comments.

President Becerra congratulated the Regional Council members who were re-elected in their local Council elections. He also announced the following Regional Council members who were either termed-out or did not seek re-election: Councilmember Keith Hanks, Azusa, District 33 and Councilmember Stan Carroll, La Habra Heights, District 31. Councilmembers Hanks and Carroll expressed appreciation for SCAG staff and their colleagues' efforts. President Becerra also announced that CEHD Policy Committee member Josué Barrios, Cudahy, Gateway Cities Council of Governments (GCCOG), did not retain his City Council seat. To properly acknowledge and honor the outgoing councilmembers, President Becerra invited them to attend the 2013 Regional Conference and General Assembly to be held on May 2 - 3, 2013, at the JW Marriott Desert Springs Resort & Spa.

President Becerra reported that the following individuals have been elected to the:

Regional Council

Hon. Mario Guerra, Downey, District 25

Hon. Ryan McEachron, Victorville, District 65

Finally, President Becerra made the following appointments:

Community, Economic, and Human Development (CEHD) Committee

Hon. Rose Espinoza, City of La Habra, OCCOG

Audit Committee

Hon. Margaret E. Finlay, Duarte, District 35

COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS**Executive/Administration Committee (EAC) Report**1. Approval of the FY 2013/14 Draft Comprehensive Budget

Hasan Ikhata, Executive Director, reported that the Draft Comprehensive Budget is balanced, summarized the components that are needed for the FY 2013/14 Draft Comprehensive Budget and noted that today's action by the Regional Council would authorize the release of the Draft OWP to Caltrans for a 30-day public comment period. He also noted that the proposed General Fund Budget and Membership Assessment will be forwarded to the General Assembly.

A motion was made (Robertson) to: (1) Approve the FY 2013/14 Draft Comprehensive Budget, which includes the following components: The Draft Overall Work Program (OWP), the General Fund Budget and Membership Assessment, the Indirect Cost Budget and the Fringe Benefit Budget; and (2) Authorize the release of the Draft OWP and the Indirect Cost Allocation Plan (ICAP) to Caltrans; initiate the 30-day public comment period; and transmit the General Fund Budget and Membership Assessment to the General Assembly. Motion was SECONDED (Martinez) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Nominating Committee Report2. Nominations for the 2013-2014 SCAG Officers

As Chair of the Nominating Committee, Councilmember Pam O'Connor, Santa Monica, District 41, thanked the Committee and the applicants and stated that the process was very competitive because all of the applicants had great backgrounds. She reported that the Nominating Committee proposed and selected the following Slate of Officers to be presented and ratified at the General Assembly in May 2, 2013. For the position of:

President: Councilmember Greg Pettis, Cathedral City, Regional Council District 2

First Vice- President: Councilmember Carl Morehouse, San Buenaventura, Regional Council District 47

Second Vice-President: Councilmember Cheryl Viegas-Walker, El Centro, Regional Council District 1

A motion was made (O'Connor) to approve the nominations for the 2013-2014 SCAG Officer positions as submitted by the Nominating Committee. Motion was SECONDED (McCallon) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Bylaws and Resolutions Committee3. Consideration of Proposed Changes to the SCAG Bylaws

As Chair of the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee, Councilmember Carl Morehouse, San Buenaventura, District 47, thanked the Committee and reported that staff proposed changes to the Bylaws are part of the annual review. Additionally, the Committee received two (2) proposed Bylaws changes—from the City of Santa Clarita and from Ventura County Supervisor, Councilmember Linda Parks—which were not

recommended for approval by the Committee. Mr. Joseph Silvey, General Counsel, provided a summary of the key proposed amendments.

A motion was made (Morehouse) to approve the proposed changes to the SCAG Bylaws as submitted by the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee and forward its approval of the proposed changes to the General Assembly for action on May 2, 2013. Motion was SECONDED (McCallon) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Community, Economic and Human Development Committee (CEHD)

4. Consider Reconvening the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) Subcommittee

As Vice Chair of the CEHD Committee, Councilmember Margaret Finlay, Duarte, District 35, reported that staff proposed a work plan as a follow-up to the CEHD Committee to develop a process for RHNA and housing element reform. Councilmember Bill Jahn, Big Bear Lake, District 11, reported that a number of concerns were raised during the 5th RHNA Cycle and to address these concerns, the CEHD Committee recommended that the RHNA Subcommittee be reconvened to discuss issues raised and further collaborate with the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) on administrative changes to improve the RHNA and Housing Element processes.

A motion was made (Jahn) to approve the CEHD Committee recommendation to reconvene the RHNA Subcommittee for six (6) months and fund additional costs (staffing, stipends, mileage, meals, etc.) with General Fund reserves. Motion was SECONDED (Finlay) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Energy and Environment Committee (EEC) Report

As Chair of the EEC, Councilmember Cheryl Viegas-Walker, El Centro, District 1, provided a report.

Transportation Committee (TC) Report

As Chair of the TC, Councilmember Keith Millhouse, Moorpark, VCTC, provided a report.

Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee (LCMC)

As Chair of the LCMC, Councilmember Larry McCallon, Highland, District 7, noted that the outcome of the recent election are included in the February 2013 State and Federal legislative report.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval Items

President Glen Becerra noted the following amendments to Agenda Item No. 5, Minutes of the February 7, 2013 meeting: 1) Councilmember Jack Terrazas, Imperial County and Councilmember Steven Hofbauer, Palmdale, District 43, will be noted as being "Present;" and 2) Regional Council members approved as part of District elections will be reflected accordingly instead of being listed under "President's Appointments."

5. Minutes of the February 7, 2013 Meeting

6. SCAG Sponsorship

Receive & File

7. February 2013 State and Federal Legislative Update

8. Contracts/Purchase Orders and/or Amendments between \$5,000 - \$200,000

A motion was made (Hyatt) to approve the Consent Calendar and the amendments to Agenda Item No. 5. Motion was SECONDED (Hofbauer) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

INFORMATION ITEMS

9. CFO Monthly Report

10. Summary Report from Subcommittees

11. California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) Final Housing Element Update Guidance

12. Information Regarding Local Input Process for 2016-40 RTP/SCS and Growth Forecast Development

13. 2013 Regional Council and Policy Committees Meeting Schedule

FUTURE AGENDA ITEM(S)

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

First Vice President Pettis announced and congratulated the City of Irvine for ranking third in the 24/7 Wall Street's 2013 listing of 'Best-Run Cities in America' based on local economy, fiscal management and quality of life measures.

Councilmember Steven Hofbauer, Palmdale, District 43, announced that the Palmdale City Council approved a Resolution to enter into an Assignment Agreement between the City of Palmdale and Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) for the assignment of Palmdale Regional Airport to the City of Palmdale; and expressed appreciation to Councilmember Alan Wapner, Ontario, SANBAG, for his mentorship.

CLOSED SESSION

Public Employee Performance Evaluation - Pursuant to Government Code 54957(b), Title: Executive Director

At the conclusion of the Closed Session, Mr. Joe Silvey, General Counsel, reported that staff provided the Regional Council with an update regarding the evaluation process and that there was no final action taken at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Regional Council meeting adjourned at approximately 1:40 p.m. in memory of Bimla G. Rhinehart, former Executive Director, California Transportation Commission, who recently passed away.



Lillian Harris-Neal, Clerk of the Board