

**NO. 560**  
**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS**  
**REGIONAL COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**  
**THURSDAY, JUNE 5, 2014**

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**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](http://www.scag.ca.gov/scagtv/index.htm)**

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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. Carl Morehouse, President	<i>San Buenaventura</i>	District 47
Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	<i>El Centro</i>	District 1
Hon. Michele Martinez, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	<i>Santa Ana</i>	District 16
Hon. Greg Pettis, Immediate Past President	<i>Cathedral City</i>	District 2
Hon. Jack Terrazas		Imperial County
Hon. Michael D. Antonovich		Los Angeles County
Hon. Shawn Nelson		Orange County
Hon. Jeff Stone		Riverside County
Hon. Matthew Harper	<i>Huntington Beach</i>	OCTA
Hon. Alan Wapner	<i>Ontario</i>	SANBAG
Hon. Keith Millhouse	<i>Moorpark</i>	VCTC
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. Frank Navarro	<i>Colton</i>	District 6
Hon. Larry McCallon	<i>Highland</i>	District 7
Hon. Deborah Robertson	<i>Rialto</i>	District 8
Hon. Paul Eaton	<i>Montclair</i>	District 9
Hon. Ed Graham	<i>Chino Hills</i>	District 10
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. Leslie Daigle	<i>Newport Beach</i>	District 15
Hon. John Nielsen	<i>Tustin</i>	District 17
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. Ali Saleh	<i>Bell</i>	District 27
Hon. Dan Medina	<i>Gardena</i>	District 28
Hon. Roy Francis	<i>La Habra Heights</i>	District 31

**Members Present – continued**

Hon. Margaret Clark	<i>Rosemead</i>	District 32
Hon. Gene Murabito	<i>Glendora</i>	District 33
Hon. Barbara Messina	<i>Alhambra</i>	District 34
Hon. Margaret E. Finlay	<i>Duarte</i>	District 35
Hon. John Curtis	<i>La Cañada/Flintridge</i>	District 36
Hon. Carol Herrera	<i>Diamond Bar</i>	District 37
Hon. Sam Pedroza	<i>Claremont</i>	District 38
Hon. James Gazeley	<i>Lomita</i>	District 39
Hon. Jess Talamantes	<i>Burbank</i>	District 42
Hon. Steven Hofbauer	<i>Palmdale</i>	District 43
Hon. Carmen Ramirez	<i>Oxnard</i>	District 45
Hon. Glen Becerra	<i>Simi Valley</i>	District 46
Hon. Karen Spiegel	<i>Corona</i>	District 63
Hon. Jim Katapodis	<i>Huntington Beach</i>	District 64
Hon. Michael Wilson	<i>Indio</i>	District 66
Hon. Dante Acosta	<i>Santa Clarita</i>	District 67
Hon. Julio Rodriguez	<i>Perris</i>	District 69
Hon. Andrew Masiel, Sr.	<i>Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians</i>	Tribal Government Rep.
Hon. Lisa Bartlett	<i>Dana Point</i>	TCA
Mr. Randall Lewis	<i>Lewis Group of Companies</i>	Business Representative

**Members Not Present**

Hon. Gary Ovitt		San Bernardino County
Hon. Linda Parks		Ventura County
Hon. Mark Ridley-Thomas		Los Angeles County
Hon. Adam Rush	<i>Eastvale</i>	RCTC
Hon. Bill Jahn	<i>Big Bear Lake</i>	District 11
Hon. Kris Murray	<i>Anaheim</i>	District 19
Hon. Tri Ta	<i>Westminster</i>	District 20
Hon. Mario Guerra	<i>Downey</i>	District 25
Hon. Steven Neal	<i>Long Beach</i>	District 29
Hon. James Johnson	<i>Long Beach</i>	District 30
Hon. Judy Mitchell	<i>Rolling Hills Estates</i>	District 40
Hon. Pam O'Connor	<i>Santa Monica</i>	District 41
Hon. Mark Rutherford	<i>Westlake Village</i>	District 44
Hon. Gilbert Cedillo	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 48
Hon. Paul Krekorian	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 49
Hon. Bob Blumenfield	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 50
Hon. Tom LaBonge	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 51
Hon. Paul Koretz	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 52
Hon. Nury Martinez	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 53
Hon. Felipe Fuentes	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 54
Hon. Bernard C. Parks	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 55
Hon. Curren D. Price, Jr.	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 56
Hon. Herb Wesson, Jr.	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 57
Hon. Mike Bonin	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 58

**Members Not Present - continued**

Hon. Mitchell Englander	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 59
Hon. Mitch O’Farrell	<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. Ryan McEachron	<i>Victorville</i>	District 65
Hon. Rusty Bailey	<i>Riverside</i>	District 68
Hon. Eric Garcetti	<i>Los Angeles</i>	(At-Large)

**Staff Present**

- Hasan Ikhata, Executive Director
- Joe Silvey, General Counsel
- Joann Africa, Chief Counsel
- Debbie Dillon, Deputy Executive Director, Administration
- Basil Panas, Chief Financial Officer
- Catherine Kirschbaum, Chief Information 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 Greg Pettis called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. Councilmember Julio Rodriguez, Perris, District 69, led 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, thanked the Regional Council members for their leadership and support on the recent 2014 SCAG Regional Conference and General Assembly.

Mr. Ikhata reported that the California Strategic Growth Council (SGC) awarded nearly \$1 million to SCAG as part of its Sustainable Communities Planning Grant.

Mr. Ikhata invited the Regional Council members to the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Demographic Workshop on June 9, 2014 at The Davidson Continuing Education Conference Center, University of Southern California, Los Angeles.

Mr. Ikhata announced the departure of SCAG Media and Public Affairs Manager, Angela Rushen Ross. Ms. Ross made remarks.

### August 20, 2014 – Summit on Poverty

As a follow-up to the General Assembly and the Economic Summit discussions, Mr. Ikhata announced that SCAG is co-hosting the 2014 Summit on Poverty to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the signing of the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 by U.S. President Johnson that authorized the formation of local Community Action Agencies as part of the War on Poverty. Mr. Ikhata stated that details of the upcoming Summit will follow.

### Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Release for Public Comment

Mr. Ikhata reported the Transportation Committee authorized the release of the 2015 FTIP and Amendment No. 2 of the 2012-2035 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (2012 RTP/SCS) for public review and comment.

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

### Electronic Voting System

President Carl Morehouse explained that SCAG's new electronic voting system had been previously tested at the April Executive/Administration Committee (EAC) meeting. The EAC provided feedback and evaluation of the equipment and this voting system was used at today's EAC meeting and will be used at today's RC meeting and future meetings. Catherine Kirschbaum, Chief Information Officer, noted that copies of the e-voting system FAQs have been distributed to the Regional Councilmembers. She illustrated the use of the communicator keypad and its pre-coded identifying smartcard. Joe Silvey, General Counsel, cautioned the members to use care when selecting their votes while using the keypad since the Minutes of the Meetings will be based on these electronically recorded votes to indicate how each member voted.

President Morehouse announced the following and congratulated the named individuals:

### New Regional Council Members

Hon. Sam Pedroza, Claremont, District 38  
Hon. Jonathan Curtis, La Cañada-Flintridge, District 36  
Hon. Frank Navarro, Colton, District 6  
Hon. Mike Wilson, Indio, District 66  
Hon. Dante Acosta, Santa Clarita, District 67

### Appointments to the Community, Economic and Human Development (CEHD) Committee

Hon. Steve Nagel, Fountain Valley, representing OCCOG  
Hon. Paula Lantz, Pomona, representing SGVCOG  
Hon. Joe Lyons, Claremont, representing SGVCOG  
Hon. Becky Shevlin, Monrovia, representing SGVCOG (Re-Appointment)  
Hon. Joe McKee, Desert Hot Springs, representing CVAG

Appointments to the Transportation Committee (TC)

Hon. Diana Lee Carey, Westminster, representing OCCOG

Hon. Dwight Robinson, Lake Forest, representing OCCOG

Hon. Michael Wilson, Indio, representing District 66

Hon. Marsha McLean, Santa Clarita, representing North L.A. County

Appointments to the Energy and Environment Committee (EEC)

Hon. Meghan Sahli-Wells, Culver City, representing Westside Cities COG

Hon. Eric Schmidt, Hesperia, representing SANBAG

May 13, 2014 Senate Transportation and Housing Hearing on SB 375

President Morehouse reported that he testified before the California Senate Committee on Transportation and Housing regarding the implementation of SB 375. His testimony included the benefits of SCAG's 2012 RTP/SCS in the environment, economy and the transportation system; and the need for a dedicated funding source to assist with the implementation of the 2012 RTP/SCS.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS****Executive/Administration Committee (EAC) Report**1. SCAG-Metro First Mile/Last Mile Strategic Plan

Hasan Ikhmeta, Executive Director, introduced the item and provided background information regarding the First Mile/Last Mile Strategic Plan (Plan) that was developed through collaboration with Metro. The Plan outlines the opportunities for local and partner agencies to apply and help advance planning concepts and strategies.

A MOTION was made (Martinez) to adopt the SCAG-Metro First Mile/Last Mile Strategic Plan and support continued collaboration with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) and other local agencies on activities to implement the Plan. Motion was SECONDED (Choi) and passed by the following votes:

**AYE/S:** Acosta, Antonovich, Barrows, Bartlett, Becerra, Brown, Choi, Clark, Curtis, Daigle, Daniels, DeGrandpre, Eaton, Finlay, Francis, Gazeley, Graham, Harper, Herrera, Hofbauer, Hyatt, Katapodis, Martinez, Masiel, Sr., McCallon, McCullough, McEachron, Medina, Messina, Millhouse, Mills, Morehouse, Murabito, Murdock, Navarro, Nelson, Nielsen, Pedroza, Pettis, Ramirez, Roberts, Robertson, Rodriguez, Saleh, Spiegel, Stone, Talamantes, Terrazas, Viegas-Walker, Wapner and Wilson.

**NOE/S:** Munzing

**ABSTAIN:** None

2. SCAG Scholarship Program

As Chair of the Scholarship Committee, President Morehouse introduced the item and provided background information regarding the selection process; program award; and the recommendations by the committee comprised of members of the EAC and academia.

A MOTION was made (Stone) to approve the Scholarship Committee recommendations for the 2014 SCAG Scholarship Program Award. Motion was SECONDED (Martinez) and passed by the following votes:

**AYE/S:** Acosta, Antonovich, Barrows, Bartlett, Becerra, Brown, Choi, Clark, Curtis, Daigle, Daniels, DeGrandpre, Eaton, Finlay, Francis, Gazeley, Graham, Harper, Herrera, Hofbauer, Hyatt, Katapodis, Martinez, Masiel, Sr., McCallon, McCullough, McEachron, Medina, Messina, Millhouse, Mills, Morehouse, Munzing, Murabito, Murdock, Navarro, Nelson, Nielsen, Pedroza, Pettis, Ramirez, Roberts, Robertson, Rodriguez, Saleh, Spiegel, Stone, Talamantes, Terrazas, Viegas-Walker, Wapner and Wilson.

**NOE/S:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

### **Transportation Committee (TC) Report**

As Chair of the TC, Councilmember Alan Wapner, SANBAG, reported that the TC authorized the release of the Draft 2015 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) and Amendment No. 2 to the 2012 RTP/SCS, on July 1, 2014 for public review and comment period.

### **Community, Economic, and Human Development (CEHD) Committee Report**

As Chair of the CEHD Committee, Councilmember Margaret Finlay, Duarte, District 35, reported that at the May 29, 2014 Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) and Housing Element Reform Subcommittee meeting, the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) Assistant Deputy Director, Glen Campora, provided an update regarding possible legislative changes to RHNA and Housing Element process.

### **Energy and Environment Committee (EEC) Report**

As Chair of the EEC, Councilmember Deborah Robertson, Rialto, District 8, reported regarding two (2) presentations at the EEC meeting on Annual Household Costs Water, Flood Control, Storm Water and Wastewater Survey; and Natural Gas Pathways: Towards a Clean and Renewable Energy Future.

### **Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee (LCMC) Report**

As Vice Chair of the LCMC, Councilmember Larry McCallon, Highland, District 7, reported on the committee's recommendation of the following bills: support for AB 2707; support-in-concept with requested amendments SB 1228; and support SB 1418, if amended.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

### **Approval Items**

Agenda Item No. 3 was pulled (Morehouse) for a separate discussion.

### 3. Minutes of the May 1, 2014 Meeting

President Morehouse pulled the item to enable members who had missed the previous meeting to abstain from the vote regarding approval of the May 1, 2014 meeting minutes.

A MOTION was made (Pettis) to approve the Minutes of the May 1, 2014 meeting. Motion was SECONDED (Viegas-Walker) and passed by the following votes:

**AYE/S:** Antonovich, Barrows, Bartlett, Becerra, Brown, Choi, Clark, Daigle, Daniels, DeGrandpre, Finlay, Gazeley, Graham, Harper, Herrera, Hofbauer, Hyatt, Katapodis, Martinez, McCallon, McCullough, McEachron, Medina, Messina, Millhouse, Mills, Morehouse, Munzing, Murabito, Murdock, Nelson, Nielsen, Pettis, Roberts, Robertson, Saleh, Spiegel, Stone, Terrazas, Viegas-Walker, Wapner and Wilson.

**NOE/S:** None

**ABSTAIN:** Acosta, Curtis, Eaton, Francis, Masiel, Sr., Navarro, Pedroza, Ramirez, and Talamantes

Agenda Item No. 9 was pulled (Antonovich) for a separate discussion.

9. SB 1228 (Hueso) – Trade Corridors Improvement Fund (TCIF)

Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich, Los Angeles County, asked for clarification regarding the status of SB 1228 in the State Assembly. Darin Chidsey, Director, Strategy, Policy and Public Affairs, responded that the Senate bill is currently on its way to the Assembly Committee and that staff recommended the Regional Council approve a support-in-concept position and request that the author of the bill amend the legislation to incorporate the existing program guidelines adopted by the California Transportation Commission and to specify that future revenue sources be allocated through the Trade Corridors Improvement Fund.

A MOTION was made (Brown) to support-in-concept SB 1228 (Hueso) – Trade Corridors Improvement Fund, with a request to the author to incorporate the described amendments in the staff report. Motion was SECONDED (Wilson) and passed by the following votes:

**AYE/S:** Acosta, Antonovich, Barrows, Bartlett, Becerra, Brown, Choi, Clark, Curtis, Daigle, Daniels, DeGrandpre, Eaton, Finlay, Francis, Gazeley, Graham, Harper, Herrera, Hofbauer, Hyatt, Katapodis, Martinez, Masiel, Sr., McCallon, McCullough, McEachron, Medina, Messina, Millhouse, Mills, Morehouse, Munzing, Murabito, Murdock, Navarro, Nelson, Nielsen, Pedroza, Pettis, Ramirez, Roberts, Robertson, Saleh, Spiegel, Stone, Talamantes, Terrazas, Viegas-Walker, Wapner and Wilson.

**NOE/S:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

4. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 14-001-B04A, Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG) Climate Action Plan
5. Legal Services Contract
6. SCAG Participation at the American Public Transportation Association (APTA) 2014 Rail Conference

7. SCAG Participation at the International Planning and Policy Conference in Beijing, China, Hosted by the Institute of Policy and Managements, Chinese Academy of Sciences
8. AB 2707 (Chau) – Triple Bike Racks
10. SB 1418 (DeSaulnier) – Vehicle Weight Fees: Transportation Bond Debt Service
11. SCAG Sponsorships
12. SCAG Participation at the Sustainability and Smart Growth Conference Hosted by the Hebei Province, China

### **Receive and File**

13. SCAG Sustainability Planning Grants Program – Monthly Update
14. Progress of One-on-One Meetings with Local Jurisdictions to Provide Assistance for a Bottom-up Local Input Process
15. 2014 Regional Council and Policy Committees Meeting Schedule
16. Purchase Orders \$5,000 but less than \$200,000; Contracts \$25,000 but less than \$200,000; and Amendments \$5,000 but less than \$75,000
17. June 2014 State and Federal Legislative Update
18. CFO Monthly Report

A MOTION was made (Mills) to approve Agenda Item Nos. 4 to 8 as well as Agenda Item Nos. 10 to 12, and to receive and file Agenda Items 13 to 18. Motion was SECONDED (Robertson) and passed by the following votes:

**AYE/S:** Acosta, Antonovich, Barrows, Bartlett, Becerra, Brown, Choi, Clark, Curtis, Daigle, Daniels, DeGrandpre, Eaton, Finlay, Francis, Gazeley, Graham, Harper, Herrera, Hofbauer, Hyatt, Katapodis, Martinez, Masiel, Sr., McCallon, McCullough, McEachron, Medina, Messina, Millhouse, Mills, Morehouse, Munzing, Murabito, Murdock, Navarro, Nelson, Nielsen, Pedroza, Pettis, Ramirez, Roberts, Robertson, Saleh, Spiegel, Stone, Talamantes, Terrazas, Viegas-Walker, Wapner and Wilson.

**NOE/S:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

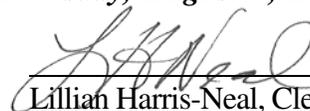
### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEM/S**

- Councilmember Larry McCallon, Highland, District 7, requested that the recipients of the Scholarship Program Award be invited to attend the Regional Council meeting.
- Councilmember Deborah Robertson, Rialto, District 8, requested to agendized a presentation by City of Monrovia Mayor Maryann Lutz on Annual Household Costs Water Survey.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Regional Council meeting adjourned at approximately 1:19 p.m.

*The next meeting of the Regional Council is scheduled for Thursday, August 7, 2014 at the Los Angeles office.*

  
Lillian Harris-Neal, Clerk of the Board