

NO. 581
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
THURSDAY, JULY 7, 2016

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 818 W. 7th Street, 12th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90017. A quorum was present.

Members Present

Hon. Michele Martinez, President	<i>Santa Ana</i>	District 16
Hon. Margaret E. Finlay, 1st Vice President	<i>Duarte</i>	District 35
Hon. Alan Wapner, 2 nd Vice President	<i>Ontario</i>	SANBAG
Hon. Jack Terrazas		Imperial County
Hon. Michael D. Antonovich		Los Angeles County
Hon. Linda Parks		Ventura County
Hon. Jan Harnik	<i>Palm Desert</i>	RCTC
Hon. Jim Hyatt	<i>Calimesa</i>	District 3
Hon. Clint Lorimore	<i>Eastvale</i>	District 4
Hon. Frank Navarro	<i>Colton</i>	District 6
Hon. Larry McCallon	<i>Highland</i>	District 7
Hon. Ray Marquez	<i>Chino Hills</i>	District 10
Hon. Bill Jahn	<i>Big Bear Lake</i>	District 11
Hon. Fred Minagar	<i>Laguna Niguel</i>	District 12
Hon. Barbara Kogerman	<i>Laguna Hills</i>	District 13
Hon. Steven Choi	<i>Irvine</i>	District 14
Hon. Steve Hwangbo	<i>La Palma</i>	District 18
Hon. Kris Murray	<i>Anaheim</i>	District 19
Hon. Art Brown	<i>Buena Park</i>	District 21
Hon. Marty Simonoff	<i>Brea</i>	District 22
Hon. Gene Daniels	<i>Paramount</i>	District 24
Hon. Sean Ashton	<i>Downey</i>	District 25
Hon. Dan Medina	<i>Gardena</i>	District 28
Hon. Margaret Clark	<i>Rosemead</i>	District 32
Hon. Gene Murabito	<i>Glendora</i>	District 33
Hon. James Gazeley	<i>Lomita</i>	District 39
Hon. Judy Mitchell	<i>Rolling Hills Estates</i>	District 40
Hon. Pam O'Connor	<i>Santa Monica</i>	District 41
Hon. Carmen Ramirez	<i>Oxnard</i>	District 45
Hon. Carl Morehouse	<i>San Buenaventura</i>	District 47

Members Present – continued

Hon. Karen Spiegel	<i>Corona</i>	District 63
Hon. Michael Wilson	<i>Indio</i>	District 66
Hon. Antonio Lopez	<i>San Fernando</i>	District 67
Hon. Jeffrey Giba	<i>Moreno Valley</i>	District 69
Hon. Ross Chun	<i>Aliso Viejo</i>	TCA
Mr. Randall Lewis	<i>Lewis Group of Companies</i>	Business Rep.

Members Not Present

Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, Imm. Past Pres.	<i>El Centro</i>	District 1
Hon. Jim Katapodis		OCTA
Hon. Chuck Washington		Riverside County
Hon. Mark Ridley-Thomas		Los Angeles County
Hon. Michelle Steel		Orange County
Hon. Curt Hagman		San Bernardino County
Hon. Keith Millhouse	<i>Moorpark</i>	VCTC
Hon. Greg Pettis	<i>Cathedral City</i>	District 2
Hon. Randon Lane	<i>Murrieta</i>	District 5
Hon. Deborah Robertson	<i>Rialto</i>	District 8
Hon. Paul Eaton	<i>Montclair</i>	District 9
Hon. Steve Nagel	<i>Fountain Valley</i>	District 15
Hon. John Nielsen	<i>Tustin</i>	District 17
Hon. Tri Ta	<i>Westminster</i>	District 20
Hon. Victor Manalo	<i>Artesia</i>	District 23
Hon. José Luis Solache	<i>Lynwood</i>	District 26
Hon. Ali Saleh	<i>Bell</i>	District 27
Hon. Rex Richardson	<i>Long Beach</i>	District 29
Hon. Lena Gonzalez	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 30
Hon. Andrew Sarega	<i>La Mirada</i>	District 31
Hon. Barbara Messina	<i>Alhambra</i>	District 34
Hon. Jonathan 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. Vartan Gharpetian	<i>Glendale</i>	District 42
Hon. Steven Hofbauer	<i>Palmdale</i>	District 43
Hon. John Sibert	<i>Malibu</i>	District 44
Hon. Glen Becerra	<i>Simi Valley</i>	District 46
Hon. Gilbert Cedillo	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 48
Hon. Paul Krekorian	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 49/Pub. Transit Rep.
Hon. Bob Blumenfield	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 50
Hon. David Ryu	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 51
Hon. Paul Koretz	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 52

Members Not Present - continued

Hon. Nury Martinez	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 53
Hon. Felipe Fuentes	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 54
Hon. Marqueece Harris-Dawson	<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
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. Erik Peterson	<i>Huntington Beach</i>	District 64
Hon. Ryan McEachron	<i>Victorville</i>	District 65
Hon. Rusty Bailey	<i>Riverside</i>	District 68
Hon. Mary “Maxine” Resvaloso	<i>Torres-Martinez, Desert Cahuilla Indians</i>	Tribal Government Rep.
Hon. Eric Garcetti	<i>Los Angeles</i>	(Member-at-Large)

Staff Present

Debbie Dillon, Deputy Executive Director, Administration
 Darin Chidsey, Director, Strategy, Policy and Public Affairs
 Huasha Liu, Director, Land Use and Environmental Planning
 Naresh Amatya, Director, Transportation Planning
 Basil Panas, Chief Financial Officer
 Joe Silvey, General Counsel
 Tess Rey-Chaput, Office of Regional Council Support

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Michele Martinez called the meeting to order at 12:16 p.m. and asked Councilmember Art Brown, Buena Park, District 21, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comment speakers.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

To allow sufficient time for the Closed Session discussion, President Martinez announced that immediately after Presentation Item No. 1, the Regional Council will act upon the following agenda items in this order: Consent Calendar, Agenda Item Nos. 4 through 10; Receive and File Agenda Item Nos. 11 through 17; and Action/Discussion Agenda Item No. 2. These will be followed by the Committee Reports and Executive Director’s Report.



PRESENTATION ITEM

1. “How California is Reinventing the New Economy” – Steve Westly, Founder and Managing Partner, The Westly Group

President Martinez introduced Steve Westly, the Founder and Managing Partner of The Westly Group.

Steve Westly displayed a PowerPoint presentation on “*How California is Reinventing the New Economy.*” He provided an overview on what makes California successful; what is next in the global economy; how can we build a world-class government; and how can we improve California’s business environment. Steve Westly discussed the following: how California became the innovation leader; the new ethos on reinventing the global economy; millennials as the new customers are changing the world; new business models; shared economy and how these are impacting every industry; connectivity using smartphones; big data and its impact in every industry; smart transportation; energy efficiency; utilities and security. In closing, Mr. Westly stated that while California is leading the world—as the sixth largest economy—he would like to see its cities build smart solutions.

President Martinez opened the item for discussion.

Councilmember Kris Murray, Anaheim, District 19, thanked Steve Westly for his presentation and hoped to hear him speak at a future SCAG General Assembly. Councilmember Murray expressed a concern on how to address the issues regarding cities that are faced with challenges with respect to residential properties that are being converted to short-term vacation rentals. Steve Westly suggested finding a middle-ground and ways for an appropriate tax system that provides some revenue to the city and recommended building more housing while exploring the benefits of shared economy.

Councilmember Carl Morehouse, San Buenaventura, District 47, asked a question regarding the implications of major job shift and mechanization; and the shifts in the state’s revenue system and its implications in local government. Steve Westly stated that it is evident we are moving from a manufacturing economy to an information service economy. He suggested changing the tax structure while emphasizing the need for a massive job re-training effort that local officials will have to take the lead to re-tool the students and mid-career workers.

Councilmember Kerry Ferguson, San Juan Capistrano, a member of the Community, Economic and Human Development (CEHD) Committee, asked a question with respect to the high unemployment number in a successful economy. Steve Westly responded that it is important to re-tool and re-train workers in preparation for the jobs of the future because there are jobs out there.

Councilmember Carmen Ramirez, Oxnard, District 45, requested more information with respect to economic inequality. Steve Westly emphasized the importance of providing children with access to global economy through universal preschool, raising the standards of teaching and re-training of its teachers, and accessibility to the internet.

Councilmember Ross Chun, Aliso Viejo, TCA, commented regarding the heightened public interest with accidents caused by autonomous vehicles. Steve Westly stated that although there is more work to be done to make safe autonomous vehicles, there will be less congestion and less pollution.

First Vice President Margaret Finlay, Duarte, District 35, requested a copy of the presentation. Steve Westly acknowledged the request and stated he will provide his presentation along with his contact information.

President Martinez closed the discussion.

On behalf of the Regional Council and the SCAG Board Officers, President Martinez thanked Steve Westly for his presentation and presented him with a token of appreciation.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval Items

4. Minutes of the Regional Council Meeting, June 2, 2016
5. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract Nos. 16-040B-C1 through 16-040B-C9, Information Technology (IT) Technical Project Resources
6. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 16-042-C1, Active Transportation Safety and Encouragement Campaign (Tactical Urbanism)
7. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 16-039-C1, Metro Green Line Extension/Orange County to Los Angeles International Airport Connectivity Study
8. SB 1465 (De León) - Public Contracts: 2024 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games - SUPPORT
9. Approval of Additional Stipend Payment
10. Final Report related to the California Strategic Growth Council's 2012 Sustainable Communities Planning Grant and Incentive Program

A MOTION was made (Lorimore) to approve the Consent Calendar, Agenda Item Nos. 4 through 10. Motion was SECONDED (Navarro) and passed by the following votes:

FOR: Antonovich, Ashton, Brown, Choi, Chun, Clark, Finlay, Harnik, Hwangbo, Jahn, Kogerman, Lopez, Lorimore, Marquez, M. Martinez, McCallon, Medina, Minagar, Mitchell, Morehouse, Murabito, Murray, Navarro, O'Connor, Parks, Ramirez, Simonoff, Spiegel, Terrazas, Wapner and Wilson (31).

AGAINST: None (0).

ABSTAIN: Giba (1).



Receive and File

- 11. Housing Summit - October 11, 2016
- 12. 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
- 13. 2017 Active Transportation Program (ATP) Update
- 14. Highlights from the 27th Annual SCAG/USC Demographic Workshop - June 13, 2016
- 15. 2016 Regional Council and Policy Committees Meeting Schedule
- 16. CFO Monthly Report
- 17. July State and Federal Legislative Update

A MOTION was made (McCallon) to Receive and File Agenda Item Nos. 11 through 17. Motion was SECONDED (Jahn) and passed by the following votes:

FOR: Antonovich, Ashton, Brown, Choi, Chun, Clark, Finlay, Gazeley, Giba, Harnik, Hwangbo, Jahn, Kogerman, Lopez, Lorimore, Marquez, M. Martinez, McCallon, Medina, Minagar, Mitchell, Morehouse, Murabito, Murray, Navarro, O’Connor, Parks, Ramirez, Simonoff, Spiegel, Terrazas, Wapner and Wilson (33).

AGAINST: None (0).

ABSTAIN: None (0).

2. SCAG Scholarship Program

President Martinez introduced the item. Darin Chidsey, Director, Strategy, Policy and Public Affairs, provided background information.

A MOTION was made (Navarro) to approve the Scholarship Committee recommendations for the 2016 Scholarship Program Award. Motion was SECONDED (Ashton) and passed by the following votes:

FOR: Antonovich, Ashton, Brown, Choi, Chun, Clark, Finlay, Gazeley, Giba, Harnik, Hwangbo, Jahn, Kogerman, Lopez, Lorimore, Marquez, M. Martinez, McCallon, Medina, Minagar, Mitchell, Morehouse, Murabito, Murray, Navarro, O’Connor, Parks, Ramirez, Simonoff, Spiegel, Terrazas, Wapner and Wilson (33).

AGAINST: None (0).

ABSTAIN: None (0).



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Committee Appointment

President Martinez announced and congratulated Councilmember Deborah Robertson, Rialto, District 8, for her appointment to the First Responder Network Subcommittee.

Business Update

There was no report provided by Randall Lewis, Lewis Group of Companies, as the business representative for the Regional Council.

Air Resources Board (ARB) – Update

As an ARB Board Member, representing the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD), Councilmember Judy Mitchell, Rolling Hills Estates, District 40, reported on three (3) items that were discussed at the Board meeting which were relevant to SCAG: 1) approval of the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Funding Plan for Low Carbon Transportation and Fuels Investments and the Air Quality Improvement Program which allocates the Low Carbon Transportation and Fuels funding and the Air Quality Improvement Program funding in the Governor's proposed State Budget. However, Councilmember Mitchell stated that the legislature recently decided not to fund at this time; 2) update on the 2030 Target Scoping Plan which provides framing for the Scoping Plan, progress towards achieving the 2020 target, and evaluation of the challenges ahead in reducing greenhouse gas emissions 40 percent below 1990 levels by 2030; and 3) ARB approved the sustainability targets submitted by SCAG.

PRESENTATION ITEM

3. Open Data and SB 272 (Hertzberg) The California Public Records Act: Local Agencies Inventory

President Martinez welcomed and introduced Robb Korinke, Principal, Grassroots Lab.

Robb Korinke provided a presentation and an overview of the open data and compliance to SB 272. He described the concept of open data and the use of information in public settings and public engagement through transparency while understanding its policy framework. As a result of the passage of Proposition 42 in June 2014, Mr. Korinke also described the launch of the Public Health Data Portal by the California and Human Services and, subsequently, the Government Operations Agency launched its pilot data portal in August 2015 which led to the passage of two (2) key data bills: AB 169 and SB 272. He described other legislative bills with respect to new data regulations and guidelines and provided key opportunities of SB 272. In closing, Mr. Korinke reminded the members that local agencies must complete and post the catalog required by SB 272 by July 1, 2016 and thereafter, shall update the catalog annually.

President Martinez thanked Robb Korinke for his presentation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Audit Committee Report

As Chair of the Audit Committee, 2nd Vice President Alan Wapner, SANBAG, reported that the committee met and provided direction to SCAG's external auditor, Vasquez and Co., LLC, to follow the audit workplan for fiscal year ending June 30, 2016. He also reported that SCAG's internal auditor provided overview results of the peer review recommendations and issues that were identified: the agency's shared network drives and recommendations to mitigate the risk of certain sensitive information that might be compromised; separated employees' continued network access; cash review; and contract pre-award audits.

Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee (LCMC) Report

As Chair of LCMC, Councilmember Pam O'Connor, Santa Monica, District 41, noted that the July State and Federal Legislative Update report has been provided to the members. She also thanked the Regional Council for approving support for SB 1465 (De León). With regard to the new SCAG logo and re-branding, Councilmember O'Connor reported that the committee will meet in August to make a recommendation to the Regional Council in September.

Energy and Environment Committee (EEC)

As Chair of EEC, Councilmember Carmen Ramirez, Oxnard, District 45, reported that the committee heard presentations on the Transportation Analysis for the Draft 2017 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) and the Draft 2016 South Coast Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP).

Community, Economic and Human Development (CEHD) Committee Report

As Chair of the of the CEHD Committee, Councilmember Bill Jahn, Big Bear Lake, District 11, reported that the committee approved the recommendation to the Regional Council to release the 2016 RTP/SCS Sub-jurisdictional Level Growth Forecast and Modeling Data; and announced the upcoming Housing Summit scheduled for October 11, 2016.

Transportation Committee (TC) Report

In the absence of Chair Barbara Messina, Alhambra, District 34, Vice Chair Karen Spiegel, Corona, District 63, reported that the committee approved a recommendation to the Regional Council to release the Draft 2017 FTIP; and heard presentations on Industrial Warehousing Study, Mobile Source Strategy, the Draft California Freight Action Plan; and the Metrolink Strategic Plan. With regard to the latter, Vice Chair Spiegel further reported that the Transportation Committee members were asked to submit comments to staff, regarding Metrolink, so that these can be compiled as part of the September TC agenda item report for further discussion.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

President Martinez announced that Darin Chidsey, Director of Strategy, Policy and Public Affairs, will be providing the Executive Director's Report in the absence of Hasan Ikhata.

Darin Chidsey reported that one of SCAG's legislative priorities is federal funding for freight projects and that SCAG has been working with Assembly Member Jim Frazier to get funding for the programs in California into the Trade Corridor Improvement Fund (TCIF) established by Proposition 1B – the Transportation Bond Program. Unfortunately, the other part that SCAG advocated for is the competitive grant program, wherein 16 project applications in the SCAG region worth \$500 million were submitted. He reported that none of those projects were awarded for funding and expressed a huge disappointment since this is a \$760 million worth of projects nationwide and the SCAG region did not even get at least one project approved for funding. He indicated that SCAG is doing some analysis as to why the submitted projects from the SCAG region were unsuccessful and emphasized working with our regional agencies and Congressional delegation on how to address this matter for future rounds. Mr. Chidsey stated he will continue to provide the Regional Council members with an update as they become available.

CLOSED SESSION ITEM

Joe Silvey, General Counsel, announced that the Regional Council meeting would move to Closed Session.

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9 (a)

Conference with Legal Counsel regarding an existing litigation in the matter of City of El Segundo v. SCAG (LASC Case No. BS162452).

A brief update of the status of the case was provided by outside counsel and staff. At the conclusion of the Closed Session, Mr. Silvey reported that no action had been taken that needed to be reported.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Martinez adjourned the Regional Council meeting at 2:35 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Regional Council is scheduled for Thursday, September 1, 2016 at the SCAG Los Angeles Office.