

Transportation Committee  
of the  
Southern California Association of Governments  
February 6, 2014  
*Minutes*

**THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE. A DIGITAL RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG’S OFFICE.**

The Transportation Committee (TC) met at SCAG’s office in downtown Los Angeles. The meeting was called to order by Chair Hon. Keith Millhouse, Moorpark. A quorum was present.

**Members Present:**

- Hon. John Addleman, Rolling Hills Estates SBCCOG
- Hon. Rusty Bailey, Riverside District 68
- Hon. Bruce Barrows, Cerritos District 23
- Hon. Glen Becerra, Simi Valley District 46
- Hon. Russell Betts, Desert Hot Springs CVAG
- Hon. Art Brown, Buena Park District 21
- Hon. Gene Daniels, Paramount District 24
- Hon. Jeff DeGrandpre, Eastvale District 4
- Hon. Paul Eaton, Montclair District 9
- Hon. Roy Francis, La Habra Heights District 31
- Hon. Bert Hack, Laguna Woods OCCOG
- Hon. Matthew Harper, Huntington Beach District 64
- Hon. Bill Hodge, Calexico ICTC
- Hon. Jim Hyatt, Calimesa District 3
- Hon. Trish Kelley, Mission Viejo OCCOG
- Hon. Michele Martinez, Santa Ana District 16
- Hon. Andrew Masiel, Sr. Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians
- Hon. Ryan McEachron, Victorville District 65
- Hon. Dan Medina, Gardena District 28
- Hon. Barbara Messina, Alhambra District 34
- Hon. Keith Millhouse, Moorpark (*Chair*) VCTC
- Hon. Brett Murdock, Brea District 22
- Hon. Kris Murray, Anaheim District 19
- Hon. Frank Navarro, Colton SANBAG
- Hon. Shawn Nelson Orange County
- Hon. Micheál O’Leary, Culver City WCCOG
- Hon. Gary Ovitt San Bernardino County
- Hon. Linda Parks Ventura County
- Hon. Greg Pettis, Cathedral City District 2
- Hon. Teresa Real Sebastian, Monterey Park SGVCOG
- Hon. Ron Roberts, Temecula District 5
- Hon. Adam Rush, Eastvale RCTC
- Hon. David Spence, La Canada-Flintridge Arroyo Verdugo Cities
- Hon. Karen Spiegel, Corona District 63
- Hon. Tim Spohn, City of Industry SGVCOG

Hon. Jeff Stone	Riverside County
Hon. Jess Talamantes, Burbank	District 42
Hon. Don Voss, La Cañada-Flintridge	District 36
Hon. Alan Wapner, ( <i>Vice-Chair</i> )	SANBAG

**Members Not Present:**

Hon. Mike Antonovich	Los Angeles County
Hon. Catalina Chacon	Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians
Hon. Mario Guerra, Downey	District 25
Hon. Carol Herrera, Diamond Bar	District 37
Hon. Jose Huizar, Los Angeles	District 61
Hon. Randon Lane, Murrieta	Murrieta
Hon. James C. Ledford	Palmdale
Hon. Brian McDonald	Chemehuevi Indian Tribe
Hon. Marsha McLean, Santa Clarita	District 67
Hon. Leroy Mills, Cypress	District 18
Hon. Steven Neal, Long Beach	District 29
Hon. Pam O'Connor, Santa Monica	District 41
Hon. Bernard C. Parks, Los Angeles	District 55
Hon. Mark Rutherford, Westlake Village	District 44
Hon. Damon Sandoval	Morongo Band of Mission Indians
Hon. Larry Smith, Hemet	WRCOG
Hon. Barb Stanton, Apple Valley	SANBAG
Hon. Brent Tercero, Pico Rivera	GCCOG
Mr. Aziz Elattar	Caltrans District 7

**CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Hon. Keith Millhouse, Moorpark, called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. Hon. Art Brown led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Hon. Keith Millhouse announced new committee members Hon. Rusty Bailey, Riverside, Hon. Larry Smith, Hemet and Hon. Frank Navarro, Colton.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Rye Baerg, Safe Routes to School National Partnership, thanked SCAG for its effort in partnering with member counties and developing active transportation initiatives in the region.

**REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS**

There was no review or prioritization of agenda items.

## **ACTION ITEM**

### 1. Sustainability Joint Work Program Resolution with Imperial County

Jacob Lieb, SCAG staff, reported to further advance and implement key policies and strategies of the 2012 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (2012-2035 RTP/SCS). SCAG and Imperial County Transportation Commission have developed a Sustainability Joint Work Program to better coordinate the two agencies' activities and support implementation of the 2012 RTP/SCS.

A MOTION was made (Brown) to approve the Joint Work Program with Imperial County. The MOTION was seconded (Voss). The motion passed by the following votes:

AYES: Addleman, Barrows, Becerra, Betts, Brown, Daniels, DeGrandepre, Eaton, Francis, Hack, Hodge, Hyatt, Kelley, Martinez, McEachron, Messina, Millhouse, Murdock, Murray, Navarro, O'Leary, Ovitt, L. Parks, Pettis, Real Sebastian, Roberts, Rush, Spence, Spiegel, Spohn, Voss, Wapner

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

## **INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### 2. Imperial County Transit Planning Efforts Update

Mark Baza, Executive Director, Imperial County Transportation Commission, provided an update on the implementation of Imperial County's Long Range Transportation Plan and joint planning studies with SCAG. Mr. Baza stated that recently completed projects include transit centers in Brawley and El Centro as well as two (2) transit terminals at Imperial Valley College. Sunday service is now offered on select routes and headways have been reduced on others. Other items being studied include a proposed intermodal transportation center at the Calexico border as well as inter-college transit shuttle service linking three (3) local college campuses.

Hon. Alan Wapner, Ontario, asked if there are connectors to RTA and San Diego County. Mr. Baza responded that a connection does not currently exist but all options are being considered as service needs grow.

### 3. SCAG-Metro First/Last Mile Strategic Plan Study

Shahzad Amiri, Deputy Executive Officer, Los Angeles MTA, stated the First/Last Mile Strategic Plan grew out of the Metro/SCAG joint work program and seeks to increase the use of transit through infrastructure improvements and maximize multi-modal benefits. Dylan Jones, IBI Group, reviewed the study and noted data indicates 91% of transit riders utilize multi-modal trips to access transit stations and this effort seeks to establish ways to increase speed of active travel, reduce point to point distances and support multimodal transfers. Final adoption will be sought from the Metro Board in spring 2014.

Hon. Russell Betts, Desert Hot Springs, asked if a demonstration project is planned. Ms. Amiri responded that two (2) pilot stations are planned for both the Exposition Line Phase 2 and the Gold Line Phase 2A.

4. California Active Transportation Program Process Update

Sarah Jepson, SCAG staff, provided an update on the California Active Transportation Program (ATP). Ms. Jepson stated the ATP is a new program that will allocate approximately \$124 million annually statewide. It is anticipated the first call for projects will be at the end of March 2014. Ms. Jepson noted SCAG's regional competition will occur concurrent to the statewide effort and the regional call for projects will commence in March 2014.

5. Federal Transit Administration – Notice of Funding Availability for the Low or No Emission (LoNo) Vehicle Deployment Program

Basil Panas, SCAG staff, reported on federal funding for the Low or No Emission (LoNo) Vehicle Deployment Program. Mr. Panas stated SCAG has been informed by the FTA that \$24.9 million is available under the Low or No Emission Vehicle Deployment Program. The purpose is to get into deployment buses that have low or no emission. Funding is available for the acquisition or lease of buses and related facilities such as recharging or refueling facilities.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Approval Item**

6. Minutes of the January 2, 2014 Meeting

**Receive and File**

7. 2014 Regional Council and Policy Committees Meeting Schedule

8. SCAG Sustainability Planning Grants Program- Monthly Update

In response to Council Member Addleman's question, SCAG staff Jacob Lieb stated that all cities within the SCAG region were invited to apply for the Sustainability Planning Grants Program.

A MOTION was made (McEachron) and SECONDED (Rush) to approve Consent Calendar items 6 through 8. The Motion was passed by the following vote:

AYES: Addleman, Bailey, Barrows, Becerra, Betts, Brown, Daniels, DeGrandepre, Eaton, Francis, Hack, Harper, Hyatt, Kelley, Martinez, Masiel, McEachron, Medina, Messina, Millhouse, Murdock, Murray, Navarro, Nelson, O'Leary, Ovitt, Parks L., Pettis, Real Sebastian, Roberts, Rush, Spence, Spiegel, Spohn, Stone, Talamantes, Voss, Wapner

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

## **STAFF REPORT**

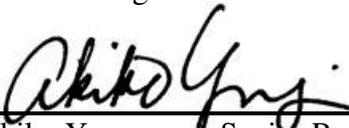
Joann Africa, Chief Counsel, stated SCAG's Draft Public Participation Plan has been released for public review and comments. The comment period ends March 5, 2014. Akiko Yamagami, SCAG staff, announced that the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Sustainability Awards will be presented at SCAG's General Assembly May 1- 2, 2014, and the deadline for submission is March 11, 2014.

## **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Hon. Keith Millhouse, Moorpark, encouraged more effective signage for transit users which better directs riders on priority seating etiquette and provides clearer instructions to those making transfers between transit providers. Hon. Wapner noted the proposed Aviation Task Force, which was approved by the Transportation Committee in 2013, will be brought to the Regional Council at their March 2014 meeting.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 11:03 a.m. The next meeting of the Transportation Committee will be held Thursday, April 3, 2014 at the SCAG Los Angeles office.

  
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Akiko Yamagami, Senior Regional Planner  
Transportation Planning

### Transportation Committee Attendance Report

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	Member (including Ex-Officio) Last Name, First Name	Representing	X = County Represented					X = Attended			= No Meeting		NM = New Member							
			IC	LA	OC	RC	SB	VC	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	GA May	June	No Mtg. July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
1	Addleman, John	Rolling Hills Estates		X					X	X										
2	Antonovich, Michael*	Los Angeles County		X					X											
3	Bailey, Rusty	Riverside, WRCOG				X				NM										
4	Barrows, Bruce*	Cerritos		X					X	X										
5	Becerra, Glen*	Simi Valley		X					X	X										
6	Betts, Russell	CVAG				X			X	X										
7	Brown, Art	Buena Park			X				X	X										
8	Chacon, Catalina	Pechanga Luiseño Indians							X											
9	Daniels, Gene*	Paramount		X					X	X										
10	DeGrandpre, Jeff	Eastvale				X			X	X										
11	Eaton, Paul*	Montclair		X						X										
12	Elattar, Aziz	Caltrans - District 7							X											
13	Francis, Roy	La Habra Heights		X					X	X										
14	Guerra, Mario	Downey		X					X											
15	Hack, Bert	Laguna Woods			X				X	X										
16	Harper, Matthew*	Huntington Beach			X				X	X										
17	Herrera, Carol*	Diamond Bar		X					X											
18	Hodge, Bill	Clexico, ICTC	X							X										
19	Huizar, Jose*	Los Angeles		X																
20	Hyatt, Jim	Calimesa				X			X	X										
21	Kelley, Trish	Mission Viejo			X				X	X										
22	Lane, Randon	Murrieta				x			X											
23	Ledford, James C.	Palmdale/No. LA County		X																
24	Martinez, Michele*	Santa Ana			X				X	X										
25	Masiel, Andrew	Pechanga Luiseño Indians							X	X										
26	McDonald, Brian	Chemehuevi Indian Tribe					X													
27	McEachron, Ryan	Victorville					X		X	X										
28	McLean, Marsha*	Santa Clarita		X					X											
29	Medina, Dan*	Gardena		X					X	X										
30	Messina, Barbara*	Alhambra		X					X	X										
31	Millhouse, Keith* (Chair)	Moorpark						X		X										
32	Mills, Leroy*	Cypress			X				X											
33	Murdock, Brett	Brea			X				X	X										
34	Murray, Kris	Anaheim			X				X	X										
35	Navarro, Frank	Colton							NM	X										
36	Neal, Steven*	Long Beach		X					X											
37	Nelson, Shawn*	Orange County			X				X	X										
38	O'Connor, Pam*	Santa Monica		X					X											
39	O'Leary, Micheál	Culver City/WCCOG		X					X	X										
40	Ovitt, Gary*	San Bernardino County					X			X										
41	Parks, Bernard*	Los Angeles		X																
42	Parks, Linda	Ventura County						X	X	X										
43	Pettis, Gregory*	Cathedral City				X			X	X										
44	Real Sebastian, Teresa	Monterey Park/SGVCOG		X					X	X										
45	Roberts, Ron*	Temecula				X				X										
46	Rush, Adam	Eastvale							X	X										
47	Rutherford, Mark	Westlake Village		X																
48	Sandoval, Damon	Morongo Band of Mission Indians				X														
49	Smith, Larry	Hemet, WRCOG				X														
50	Spence, David	Flintridge/Arroyo Verdugo Cities		X					X	X										
51	Spiegel, Karen	Corona/WRCOG				X			X	X										
52	Spohn, Tim	Industry/SGVCOG		X					X	X										
53	Stanton, Barb	Apple Valley					X		X											
54	Stone, Jeff*	Riverside				X				X										
55	Talamantes, Jess	Burbank/SFVCOG		X					X	X										
56	Tercero, Brent	Pico Rivera		X																
57	Voss, Don*	La Cañada Flintridge		X					X	X										
58	Wapner, Alan* (Vice-Chair)	Ontario					X		X	X										
		<b>Totals</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>												

\* Regional Council Member