

Transportation Committee Meeting  
of the  
Southern California Association of Governments  
June 2, 2016  
*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. Barbara Messina, Alhambra. A quorum was present.

**Members Present:**

Hon. Mike Antonovich	Los Angeles County
Hon. Sean Ashton, Downey	District 25
Hon. Russell Betts, Desert Hot Springs	CVAG
Hon. Art Brown, Buena Park	District 21
Hon. Joe Buscaino, Los Angeles	District 62
Hon. Diana Lee Carey, Westminster	OCCOG
Hon. Gene Daniels, Paramount	District 24
Hon. James Gazeley, Lomita	District 39
Hon. Bert Hack, Laguna Woods	OCCOG
Hon. Jan Harnik, Palm Desert	RCTC
Hon. Carol Herrera, Diamond Bar	District 37
Hon. Steven Hofbauer, Palmdale	District 43
Hon. Clint Lorimore, Eastvale	District 4
Hon. Ray Marquez, Chino Hills	District 10
Hon. Michele Martinez, Santa Ana	District 16
Hon. Ryan McEachron, Victorville	District 65
Hon. Marsha McLean, Santa Clarita	District 67
Hon. Dan Medina, Gardena	District 28
Hon. Barbara Messina, Alhambra ( <b>Chair</b> )	District 34
Hon. Keith Millhouse, Moorpark	VCTC
Hon. Fred Minagar, Laguna Niguel	District 12
Hon. Kris Murray, Anaheim	District 19
Hon. Frank Navarro, Colton	District 6
Hon. Pam O'Connor, Santa Monica	District 41
Hon. Sam Pedroza, Claremont	District 38
Hon. Dwight Robinson, Lake Forest	OCCOG
Hon. Ali Saleh, Bell	GCCOG
Hon. David Spence, La Canada-Flintridge	Arroyo Verdugo Cities
Hon. Karen Spiegel, Corona ( <b>Vice Chair</b> )	District 63
Hon. Michelle Steel	County of Orange
Hon. Cynthia Sternquist, Temple City	SGVCOG
Hon. Brent Tercero, Pico Rivera	GCCOG
Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, El Centro	District 1
Hon. Alan Wapner, Ontario	SANBAG
Hon. Chuck Washington, Temecula	Riverside County
Mr. Gary Slater	Caltrans District 7

**Members Not Present:**

Hon. Rusty Bailey, Riverside	District 68
Hon. Glen Becerra, Simi Valley	District 46
Hon. Ben Benoit, Wildomar	WRCOG
Hon. Jonathan Curtis, La Cañada Flintridge	District 36
Hon. Paul Eaton, Montclair	District 9
Hon. Felipe Fuentes, Los Angeles	District 54
Hon. Jeffrey Giba, Moreno Valley	District 69
Hon. Gonzalez, Lena, Long Beach	District 30
Hon. Curt Hagman	San Bernardino County
Hon. Dave Harrington, Aliso Viejo	OCCOG
Hon. Jose Huizar, Los Angeles	District 61
Hon. Jim Hyatt, Calimesa	District 3
Hon. Jim Katapodis, Huntington Beach	District 64
Hon. Linda Krupa, Hemet	WRCOG
Hon. Randon Lane, Murrieta	Murrieta
Hon. Severo Lara, Ojai	VCOG
Hon. James C. Ledford	Palmdale
Hon. Antonio Lopez, San Fernando	District 67
Hon. Carol Moore, Laguna Woods	OCCOG
Hon. Gene Murabito, Glendora	District 33
Hon. Teresa Real Sebastian, Monterey Park	SGVCOG
Hon. Damon Sandoval	Morongo Band of Mission Indians
Hon. Marty Simonoff, Brea	District 22
Hon. Zareh Sinanyan	Glendale
Hon. José Luis Solache, Lynwood	District 26
Hon. Barb Stanton, Apple Valley	SANBAG
Hon. Michael Wilson, Indio	District 66

**CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Eleanor Torres, from Incredible Edible Community Garden, stated their organization received grant funding and worked to plant trees in San Bernardino County in an effort to sequester carbon. Ms. Torres noted they were seeking funding for two additional intern positions.

Ms. Demi Espinoza, Safe Routes to School National Partnership, spoke in support of the 2017 Active Transportation Program (ATP). Ms. Espinoza noted the ATP Regional Call for Projects would help many more communities start or expand Safe Routes to School activities. Additionally, Ms. Espinoza expressed support for SCAG’s request to refine a planning set-aside from 2 percent to 5 percent.

Dr. Mary Petit, Founder and Co-Executive Director of Incredible Edible Community Garden, stated their organization offered trees throughout the region for a tax deductible donation of \$50 per tree. She stated that the organization also worked on youth development, education, and public awareness programs.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### 1. 2017 Active Transportation Program Regional Guidelines

Stephen Patchan, SCAG staff, reported on the 2017 Active Transportation Program (ATP) Regional Guidelines. Mr. Patchan noted approximately \$50 million in funding was available in the Regional Program. He stated that funding would be distributed on a county basis based on population, and that the application process was currently open and would close on June 15, 2016.

Hon. Diana Lee Carey, Westminster, thanked the Active Transportation staff for their partnership at the May 21, 2016 event in Westminster at Hoover Street and Siglar Park. She stated that the open streets event showcased possible improvements that would make walking and biking on Hoover St. safe and more enjoyable for all users.

Gary Slater, Caltrans, stated Caltrans recently hosted a meeting in Pasadena for all cities in Los Angeles County interested in implementing Active Transportation projects. Mr. Slater reported that approximately 30 cities attended the meeting and noted the meeting could be presented in other counties by request.

A MOTION was made (Martinez) and SECONDED (Navarro) to approve the 2017 Active Transportation Program Regional Guidelines. The Motion passed by the following votes:

AYES: Antonovich, Ashton, Betts, Brown, Buscaino, Carey, Daniels, Gazeley, Hack, Harnick, Herrera, Hofbauer, Lorimore, Marquez, Martinez, McEachron, McLean, Medina, Messina, Millhouse, Murray, Navarro, O'Connor, Pedroza, Robinson, Saleh, Spence, Spiegel, Steel, Sternquist, Tercero, Viegas-Walker, Wapner, Washington

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

### 2. Minutes of the April 7, 2016 Meeting

A MOTION was made (Ashton) and SECONDED (Lorimore) to approve Consent Calendar items 2-5. The Motion passed by the following votes:

AYES: Antonovich, Ashton, Betts, Brown, Buscaino, Carey, Daniels, Gazeley, Hack, Harnick, Herrera, Hofbauer, Lorimore, Marquez, Martinez, McEachron, McLean, Medina, Messina, Millhouse, Murray, Navarro, O'Connor, Pedroza, Robinson, Saleh, Spence, Spiegel, Steel, Sternquist, Tercero, Viegas-Walker, Wapner, Washington

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

## **Receive and File**

3. SCAG Invitation to the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Demographic Workshop – June 13, 2016
4. 2016 Regional Council and Policy Committees Meeting Schedule
5. Cap-and-Trade/Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: Affordable Housing & Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Program Update

6. Regional Pavement Management System

Warren Whiteaker, SCAG staff, stated the 2016 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy invested one-half of total expenditures on system preservation and the 2020 RTP/SCS would continue this focus on strategies to achieve a state of good repair. Mr. Whiteaker introduced Margot Yapp, Vice President, Nichols Consulting Engineers, to provide an overview of the Regional Pavement Management System (RPMS).

Ms. Yapp stated local streets and roads were a large part of regional system preservation needs. She noted that there were greater than 50,000 miles of local streets and road regionally with \$80 billion in asset value compared with 15,000 miles of state highways. She stated that the Pavement Condition Index (PCI) was used to determine road conditions measuring pavement on a scale of 0 to 100. She noted that the PCI for the SCAG region was 69, which was rated as “At Risk” but was just under the “Good/Excellent” category. She further noted the cost of maintaining the regional local roads system over the next 25 years was estimated to be \$66 billion, and that current funding during this period was estimated to be \$19 billion, leaving a \$47 billion funding shortfall.

Ms. Yapp provided photos showing examples of various levels of pavement deterioration and PCI ratings. She stated that a PCI rating of 57 indicated the road was experiencing structural failure and repair required reconstruction at a greater cost. Ms. Yapp noted that early preventative maintenance on roadways could be achieved for \$4 to \$5 per square yard. She noted that if maintenance was delayed and reconstruction was needed, then costs could escalate to \$60 to \$80 per square yard. Ms. Yapp encouraged policymakers to consider this escalation of repair costs and noted when maintaining local streets and roads a useful guide was “Pay Now or Pay More Later.”

Hon. Keith Millhouse, Moorpark, asked if there was a listing of PCI ratings for individual counties. Ms. Yapp responded PCI ratings per county were listed at [www.savecaliforniastreet.org](http://www.savecaliforniastreet.org).

Hon. Russell Betts, Desert Hot Springs, asked about options for addressing a PCI condition of 6. Ms. Yapp responded that the pavement would require reconstruction and encouraged recycling old road material to reduce the cost.

Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, El Centro, stated the greatest concern in Imperial County was the poor state of agricultural roads. She noted that the county’s limited population also limited their ability to generate appropriate funding levels to maintain this infrastructure. Mark Baza, Executive Director, Imperial County Transportation Commission, stated current funding allocations were skewed toward the urbanized counties and rural counties would continue to fall behind unless a change in the funding structure was enacted.

Hon. Pam O’Connor, Santa Monica, noted her city employs a “dig once” policy and lays fiber as part of road projects to promote economic development.

7. Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Federal Aviation Administration “Eligibility of Airport Ground Access Transportation Projects for Funding Under the Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) Program”

Ryan N. Hall, SCAG staff, provided an update on proposed FAA rulemaking on usage of the Passenger Facility Charge (PFC), a user fee that airports can add to tickets to pay for on-airport infrastructure. Mr. Hall reported the proposed rulemaking would allow more flexible use of the PFC for ground access projects that connect airports to municipal transit systems. He stated that the current FAA guidelines on PFCs allowed airports to use PFCs only to pay for ground access improvements on airport property and connections solely for airport users, and that the proposed rule would relax this restriction and allow airports and cities to make better planning decisions and possibly save taxpayer time and money. He noted that this proposed rule change was seen as beneficial to SCAG region airports in light of planned rail improvements to regional airports. Mr. Hall noted he would update the committee as the rulemaking process continues.

### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Hon. Barbara Messina, Alhambra, reported that a Regional Forum would take place June 13, 2016, jointly with San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments and San Bernardino Associated Governments at the Kellogg West Conference Center. She explained that this would be an opportunity for elected and appointed officials to discuss a variety of topics, including Ontario Airport access, the I-10 Corridor Study, the future of express lanes in San Bernardino and the SR 60-57 interchange. She noted that all interested cities were welcome to attend.

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Hon. Marsha McLean, Santa Clarita, requested an agenda item on future Metrolink funding.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Hon. Barbara Messina, Alhambra, adjourned the meeting at 11:52 a.m. The next meeting of the Transportation Committee will be July 7, 2016.

  
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Courtney Aguirre, Senior Regional Planner  
Transportation Planning

**Transportation Committee Attendance Report**

**2016**

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	July	Aug	Sep 1	Sep 29	Nov	Dec
1	Antonovich, Michael*	Los Angeles County		X					X					X					
2	Ashton, Sean*	Downey							X				X						
3	Bailey, Rusty*	Riverside, WRCOG				X			X				X						
4	Becerra, Glen*	Simi Valley		X															
5	Benoit, Ben	Wildomar, WRCOG				X													
6	Betts, Russell	Desert Hot Springs, CVAG				X			X				X						
7	Brown, Art*	Buena Park			X				X				X						
8	Buscaino, Joe*	Los Angeles		X					X				X						
9	Carey, Diana Lee	Westminster, OCCOG			X				X				X						
10	Curtis, Jonathan*	La Cañada Flintridge		X					X				X						
11	Daniels, Gene*	Paramount		X					X				X						
12	Eaton, Paul*	Montclair					X		X				X						
13	Fuentes, Felipe*	Los Angeles		X									X						
14	Gazeley, James*	Lomita		X						NM			X						
15	Giba, Jeffrey*	Moreno Valley				X			X										
16	Gonzalez, Lena	Long Beach		X															
17	Hack, Bert	Laguna Woods			X				X				X						
18	Hagman, Curt*	San Bernardino County					X		X				X						
19	Hamik, Jan*	Palm Desert, RCTC				X			X										
20	Hanington, Dave	Aliso Viejo, OCCOG			X				X										
21	Herrera, Carol	Diamond Bar		X					X				X						
22	Hofbauer, Steven*	Palmdale/No. LA County		X					X										
23	Huizar, Jose*	Los Angeles		X															
24	Hyatt, Jim*	Calimesa				X			X				X						
25	Katapodis, Jim*	Huntington Beach			X														
26	Krupa, Linda	Hemet, WRCOG				X													
27	Lane, Randon*	Murieta				X			X										
28	Lara, Severo	Ojai, VCTC						X	X										
29	Ledford, James C.	Palmdale/No. LA County		X															
30	Lopez, Antonio*	San Fernando		X					X				X						
31	Lorimore, Clint*	Eastvale				X			X				X						
32	Marquez, Ray*	Chino Hills					X		X				X						
33	Martinez, Michele*	Santa Ana			X				X				X						
34	McEachron, Ryan*	Victorville					X		X										
35	McLean, Marsha	Santa Clarita		X					X										
36	Medina, Dan*	Gardena		X					X				X						
37	Messina, Barbara* (Vice-Chair)	Alhambra		X					X				X						
38	Millhouse, Keith*	Moorpark						X	X				X						
39	Minagar, Fred	Laguna Niguel			X														
40	Moore, Carol	Laguna Woods, OCCOG			X				X				X						
41	Murabito, Gene*	Glendora		X					X				X						
42	Murray, Kris*	Anaheim			X				X				X						
43	Navarro, Frank*	Colton					X		X				X						
44	O'Connor, Pam*	Santa Monica		X									X						
45	Pedroza, Sam*	Claremont		X					X										
46	Real Sebastian, Teresa	Monterey Park/SGVCOG		X					X				X						
47	Robinson, Dwight	Lake Forest, OCCOG			X														
48	Saleh, Ali*	City of Bell, GCCOG		X									X						
49	Sandoval, Damon	Morongo Band of Mission Indians																	
50	Simonoff, Marty*	Brea			X				X										
51	Sinanyan, Zareh	Glendale		X					X										
52	Slater, Gary	Caltrans District 7							X				X						
53	Solache, José Luis*	Lynwood		X															
54	Spence, David	Flintridge/Arroyo Verdugo Cities		X					X				X						
55	Spiegel, Karen*	Corona/WRCOG				X			X				X						
56	Stanton, Barb	Apple Valley					X												
57	Steel, Michelle*	Orange County			X				X										
58	Stemquist, Cynthia	Temple City		X					X				X						
59	Talamantes, Jess*	Burbank/SFVCOG		X					X				X						
60	Tercero, Brent	Pico Rivera		X									X						
61	Viegas-Walker, Cheryl*	El Centro	X						X				X						
62	Wapner, Alan* (Chair)	Ontario, SANBAG					X		X				X						
63	Washington, Chuck*	Riverside County				X			X				X						
64	Wilson, Michael*	Indio, CVAG				X			X										
	<b>Totals</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>											

\* Regional Council Member