

Southern California Association of Governments 900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1700, Los Angeles, California 90017 March 5, 2020

# ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES OF THE MEETING THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2020

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE (EEC). A DIGITAL RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE AT: <a href="http://scag.iqm2.com/Citizens/">http://scag.iqm2.com/Citizens/</a>

The Energy and Environment Committee (EEC) met at SCAG, 900 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1700, Los Angeles, CA 90017. A quorum was present.

## **Members Present**

Sup. Linda Parks (Chair)	Ventura County
Hon. David Pollock, Moorpark (Vice Chair)	District 46
Hon. Ana Beltran, Westmoreland	ICTC
Hon. Margaret Clark, Rosemead	District 32
Hon. Robert Copeland, Signal Hill	GCCOG
Hon. Ned Davis, Westlake Village	LVMCOG
Hon. Paula Devine, Glendale	AVCJPA
Hon. Jordan Ehrenkranz, Canyon Lake	WRCOG
Hon. Sandra Genis, Costa Mesa	OCCOG
Hon. Shari Horne, Laguna Woods	OCCOG
Hon. Elaine Litster, Simi Valley	VCOG
Hon. Diana Mahmud, South Pasadena	SGVCOG
Hon. Judy Mitchell, Rolling Hills Estates	District 40
Hon. Toni Momberger, Redlands	SBCTA
Hon. Oscar Ortiz, Indio	CVAG
Hon. James Osborne, Lawndale	SBCCOG
Hon. Jeannine Pearce, Long Beach	District 30
Hon. Carmen Ramirez, Oxnard	District 45
Hon. Deborah Robertson, Rialto	District 8
Hon. Richard Rollins, Port Hueneme	VCOG
Hon. Meghan Sahli-Wells, Culver City	WCCOG
Hon. Rhonda Shader, Placentia	President's Appointment
Hon. Emma Sharif, Compton	GCCOG
Hon. Sharon Springer, Burbank	SFVCOG

#### OUR MISSION

To foster innovative regional solutions that improve the lives of Southern Californians through inclusive collaboration, visionary planning, regional advocacy, information sharing, and promoting best practices. OUR VISION Southern California's Catalyst for a Brighter Future

OUR CORE VALUES Be Open | Lead by Example | Make an Impact | Be Courageous





Hon. Edward H.J. Wilson, Signal Hill	GCCOG
<u>Members Not Present</u> Hon. Maria Davila, South GateGCCOG	
Hon. Cynthia Moran, Chino Hills	SBCTA
Hon. Greg Morena, Santa Monica Sup. Luis Plancarte	WSCCOG Imperial County
Hon. Greg Raths, Mission Viejo	occog
Hon. Bonnie Wright, Hemet	WRCOG
Hon. John Valdivia, San Bernardino	SBCCOG

### **CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

EEC Chair Linda Parks called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and asked Vice Chair David Pollock to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Chair Linda Parks opened the Public Comment period.

Leeor Alpern, South Coast AQMD, announced the following: more information will be shared regarding the nominations for the Clean Air Awards; SCAQMD has established a residential Electric Lawn Mower Rebate Program to offset the cost of an electric lawn mower whereby the incentive has been increased to 75%; and more information may be obtained from <a href="https://www.aqmd.gov/">https://www.aqmd.gov/</a>

Chair Linda Parks closed the Public Comment period.

#### **REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS**

There was no prioritization of the agenda.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Approval Item

1. Minutes of the Meeting - February 6, 2020

Receive and File



- 2. Go Human Outlook Safety Strategies and Resources
- 3. Advancement of the Growth Vision for Connect SoCal
- 4. Resolution No. 20-618-1 Regarding Regional Funding for Housing

A MOTION was made (Sahli-Wells) to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion was SECONDED (Ramirez) and passed by the following votes:

- AYE/S: Beltran, Clark, Copeland, Devine, Horne, Lister, Momberger, Ortiz, Parks, Pollock, Ramirez, Rollins, Sahli-Wells, Shader and Springer (15)
- NOE/S: None (0)
- ABSTAIN/S: Osborne (1)

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

5. Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS)

Chair Parks welcomed and introduced Garrett Wong, Climate Program Manager for the County of Santa Barbara and Board Chair for the Local Government Sustainable Energy Coalition (LGSEC), to provide a presentation.

Mr. Wong remarked that LGSEC is a member-dues supported coalition with a primary function to provide regulatory advocacy. He discussed PSPS, a de-energization event to prevent ignitions of wildfires from power lines. He also provided a PSPS regulatory update; California Public Utilities Commission's proposed PSPS protocols; state funding; the Governor's proposed 2020 state budget; Senate Bill 45 (SB 45 Allen) and what local governments and SCAG can do? He emphasized the importance of understanding the vulnerability of local governments with working with community-based organizations and health agencies while providing pre-planning for energy resilience. In closing, Mr. Wong invited the members to become a party to CPUC regulatory hearings.

On behalf of the EEC, Chair Parks thanked Garrett Wong for his presentation.

6. Update on AB 617 Community Plans in the South Coast AQMD

Chair Parks welcomed and introduced Dr. Jo Kay Ghosh, Director of Community Air Programs for South Coast AQMD.



Dr. Ghosh provided background information regarding AB 617, a statewide environmental justice program designed to address equity through efforts that will benefit environmental justice communities. She remarked that she would specifically discuss community air monitoring and emissions reduction plans. She provided information on community prioritization elements; technical data sources; AB 617's designated and potential future communities for 2018 and 2019; and community steering committees and public engagement. Dr. Ghosh provided examples of air quality priorities in Wilmington, Carson and West Long Beach communities including east Los Angeles, Boyle Heights and west Commerce communities. She discussed the strategies used in Community Emissions Reduction Plans (CERPs) and other community-driven efforts to develop CERPs. In closing she provided examples of actions to reduce stationary source emissions; exposure reduction; and summary of the CERP process.

On behalf of the EEC, Chair Parks thanked Dr. Jo Kay Ghosh for her presentation.

7. SCAG Regional Greenprint

Chair Parks introduced the item and asked India Brookover, SCAG staff, to provide background information.

Ms. Brookover stated that the Regional Greenprint is a tool to help users make better land use and transportation infrastructure decisions and support conservation investments based on the best available scientific data. She discussed the importance of The Regional Greenprint and how the tool may benefit various agencies and local governments. In closing, Ms. Brookover provided a timeline of the project to be launched in 2021 and evaluated in 2022.

On behalf of the EEC, Chair Parks thanked India Brookover for her presentation.

8. Clean Power Pathway Plan

Chair Parks introduced the item and asked Joshua Torres, Senior Policy Advisor for Southern California Edison (SCE), to provide background information.

Mr. Joshua Torres began his presentation with SCE's vision of 2045, to achieve a carbon neutral future. He discussed customer benefits for cleaner air, savings and economic opportunities. In closing, Mr. Torres stated partnering with local governments is an ongoing two-way dialogue with meeting energy goals.

On behalf of the EEC, Chair Parks thanked Joshua Torres for his presentation.



### CHAIR'S REPORT

A report was not provided.

### **STAFF REPORT**

A report was not provided.

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

Regional Councilmember Deborah Robertson, Rialto, District 8, reminded staff regarding the request last month to add to a future agenda item a discussion regarding "water in the region" and that an invitation be extended to Gloria Gray, Chairwoman of the Metropolitan Water District. Staff acknowledged the request and indicated the item has been included on the committee's running list of agenda items.

Councilmember Diana Mahmud, So. Pasadena, SGVCOG, asked to invite the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board to provide a presentation to the EEC. Staff acknowledged the request.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Parks adjourned the Energy and Environment Committee meeting at 11:52 a.m.

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## ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

2019-20															
MEMBERS	Date Appointed if after 5/1/19	Representing	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Total Mtgs Attended To Date
Beltran, Ana		Westmoreland, ICTC		0		0	1	0	0			1			2
Clark, Margaret		Rosemead, RC District 32		1		1	1	1	1			1			6
Copeland, Robert	Jun-19	Signal Hill, GCCOG		1 0	1	0	1	0	1			1			4
Davila, Maria		South Gate, GCCOG			0	0	0	0			0			0	
Davis, Ned		Westlake Village, LVMCOG		1		1	0	1	1			1			5
Devine, Paula		Glendale, AVCJPA		1		0	1	0	1			1			4
Ehrenkranz, Jordan		Canyon Lake, WRCOG		1		0	1	0	1			1			4
Gardner, Mike		Riverside, WRCOG		1		1	1	0	1						4
Genis, Sandra		Costa Mesa, OCCOG		1		1	1	1	1			1			6
Horne, Shari		Laguna Woods, OCCOG		1		1	1	0	1			1			5
Litster, Elaine	Feb-20	Simi Valley, VCOG					1	1	1			1			
Mahmud, Diana		So. Pasadena, SGVCOG		1		0	1	1	1			1			5
Mitchell, Judy		Rolling Hills Estates, RC District 40		0		0	1	1	1			1			4
Momberger, Toni	Aug-19	Redlands, SBCTA				1	0	1				1			4
Moran, Cynthia		Chino Hills, SBCTA	D	0	D	0	0	0	0	D	D	0			0
Morena, Greg	May-19	Santa Monica, WCCOG		0		1	0	0	1			0			2
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Plancarte, Luis		Imperial County		0		1	1	1	1	-		0			4
Pearce, Jeannine		Long Beach, District 30				0	0	0	1			1			2
Pollock, David (Vice Chair)		Moorpark, VCOG		1		1	1	1	1			1			6
Pulido, Miguel	Feb-20	ОСТА										0			
Ramirez, Carmen		Oxnard, RC District 45		1		1	1	1	1			1			6
Raths, Greg		Mission Viejo, OCCOG		0		0	0	1	0			0			1
Robertson, Deborah		Rialto, RC District 8		0		1	1	0	1			1			4
Sahli-Wells, Meghan		Culver City, RC District 41		0		1	1	1	1			1			5
Shader, Rhonda	Jun-19	Placentia, President's Appointment		0		0	0	1	1			1			3
Sharif, Emma		Compton, RC District 26		1		1	1	1	1			1			6
Springer, Sharon	1	Burbank, SFVCOG		1		1	1	1	1			1			6
Valdivia, John		San Bernardino, SBCCOG		0		1	0	0	0			0			1
Wilson, Edward H.J.		Signal Hill, GCCOG		1		0	0	1	1			1			4
Wright, Bonnie	1	Hemet, WRCOG		0		0	0	0	0			0			0

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