



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (TC)
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2024**

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES IS A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (TC). A VIDEO AND AUDIO RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE AT: <http://scag.iqm2.com/Citizens/>

The Transportation Committee (TC) of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) held its regular meeting in person and virtually (telephonically and electronically). A quorum was present.

Members Present:

Hon. Mike T. Judge (Vice Chair)

Hon. Adele Andrade-Stadler	<i>Alhambra</i>	VCTC District 34
Hon. Liz Becerra	<i>Victorville</i>	District 65
Hon. Brian Berkson	<i>Jurupa Valley, Pres. Appt.</i>	Member at Large
Hon. Russel Betts	<i>Desert Hot Springs</i>	CVAG
Hon. Daniel Brotman	<i>Glendale</i>	AVCJPA
Hon. Art Brown	<i>Buena Park</i>	District 21
Hon. Jeanette Burns		Morongo Band of Mission Indians
Hon. Ross Chun	<i>Aliso Viejo</i>	OCCOG
Hon. Denise Delgado	<i>Coachella, Pres. Appt.</i>	Member at Large
Hon. Andrew Do	<i>Orange County</i>	CoC
Hon. John Dutrey	<i>Montclair</i>	SBCTA
Hon. James Gazeley	<i>Lomita</i>	District 39
Hon. Jason Gibbs	<i>Santa Clarita</i>	NCTC
Hon. Curt Hagman		San Bernardino County
Hon. Jan Harnik		RCTC
Hon. Laura Hernandez	<i>Port Hueneme</i>	District 45
Hon. Fred Jung	<i>Fullerton</i>	OCCOG
Hon. Trish Kelley		TCA
Hon. Linda Krupa	<i>Hemet</i>	District 3
Hon. Malcolm Lilienthal	<i>Hemet</i>	WRCOG
Hon. Richard Loa	<i>Palmdale</i>	NCTC
Hon. Clint Lorimore	<i>Eastvale</i>	District 4
Hon. Ken Mann	<i>Lancaster</i>	District 43



Hon. Steve Manos	<i>Lake Elsinore</i>	District 63
Hon. Ray Marquez	<i>Chino Hills</i>	District 10
Hon. Larry McCallon		Air District Representative
Hon. Marsha McLean	<i>Santa Clarita, Pres. Appt.</i>	Member at Large
Hon. L. Dennis Michael	<i>Rancho Cucamonga</i>	District 9
Hon. Linda Molina	<i>Calimesa, Pres. Appt.</i>	Member at Large
Hon. Carol Moore	<i>Laguna Woods</i>	OCCOG
Hon. Ara Najarian	<i>Glendale</i>	SFVCOG
Hon. Maria Nava-Froelich		ICTC
Hon. Frank Navarro	<i>Colton</i>	District 6
Hon. Sharona Nazarian	<i>Beverly Hills</i>	WSCCOG
Hon. Gil Rebollar	<i>Brawley</i>	District 1
Hon. Ed Reece	<i>Claremont</i>	SGVCOG
Hon. Celeste Rodriguez	<i>San Fernando</i>	District 67
Hon. Crystal Ruiz	<i>San Jacinto</i>	WRCOG
Hon. Ali Saleh	<i>Bell</i>	District 27
Hon. Suely Saro	<i>Long Beach</i>	District 29
Hon. Zak Schwank	<i>Temecula</i>	District 5
Hon. Marty Simonoff	<i>Brea</i>	District 22
Hon. Ward Smith	<i>Placentia</i>	OCCOG
Hon. Jose Luis Solache	<i>Lynwood</i>	District 26
Hon. Karen Spiegel		Riverside County
Hon. Cynthia Sternquist	<i>Temple City</i>	SGVCOG
Hon. Steve Tye	<i>Diamond Bar</i>	District 37
Hon. Michael Vargas	<i>Riverside County</i>	CoC
Hon. Don Wagner		Orange County
Hon. Colleen Wallace	<i>Banning</i>	WRCOG
Hon. Thomas Wong	<i>Monterey Park</i>	SGVCOG
Mr. Marlon Regisford	<i>Caltrans District 7</i>	Ex-Officio Member

Members Not Present:

Hon. Konstantine Anthony	<i>Burbank</i>	District 42
Hon. Kathryn Barger		Los Angeles County
Hon. Jonathan Dumitru	<i>Orange</i>	District 17
Hon. Lauren Hughes-Leslie	<i>Lancaster</i>	NCTC JPA
Hon. Heather Hutt	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 57
Hon. Paul Krekorian	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 49/Public Transit Rep.
Hon. Bridgett Lewis	<i>Torrance, Pres. Appt.</i>	Member at Large
Hon. Tim McOsker	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 62
Hon. Tim Sandoval (Chair)	<i>Pomona</i>	District 38



Hon. Jeremy Smith	<i>Canyon Lake, Pres. Appt.</i>	Member at Large
Hon. Hilda Solis		Los Angeles County
Hon. Wes Speake	<i>Corona</i>	WRCOG
Hon. Scott Voigts	<i>Lake Forest</i>	OCCOG
Hon. Alan Wapner		SBCTA
Hon. Jeff Wood	<i>Lakewood</i>	District 24

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chair Mike Judge, Simi Valley, VCTC, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Hon. Larry McCallon, Air District Representative, led the Pledge of Allegiance. A quorum was present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Vice Chair Judge opened the Public Comment Period and outlined instructions for public comments. He noted this was the time for persons to comment on any matter pertinent to SCAG’s jurisdiction that were not listed on the agenda. He reminded the public to submit comments via email to TCPublicComment@scag.ca.gov.

Ruben Duran, Committee Counsel, acknowledged there were no public comments received by email before or after the deadline.

Seeing no public comment speakers, Vice Chair Judge closed the Public Comment Period.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no requests to prioritize the agenda item.

CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no public comments on the Consent Calendar.

Approval Items

1. Minutes of the Meeting – January 4, 20204

Receive and File

2. Transportation Committee Agenda Outlook and Future Agenda Items
3. 2022 Trade Corridor Enhancement Program

4. Connect SoCal 2024: Draft Plan Release Activities
5. Active Transportation Cycle 7 and Sustainable Communities Program Update
6. Connect SoCal 2024 Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) (State Clearinghouse No.: 2022100337): Status Update on Additional Stakeholder Outreach and Preliminary Outline for the Proposed Final PEIR

A MOTION was made (Navarro) to approve Consent Calendar Item 1; and Receive and File items 2 through 6. The motion was SECONDED (Nazarian) and passed by the following roll call votes.

AYES: Becerra, Betts, Brown, Do, Dutrey, Gazeley, Hagman, Harnik, Jung, Kelley, Krupa, Loa, Lorimore, Mann, Manos, Marquez, McCallon, McLean, Michael, Moore, Najarian, Nava-Froelich, Navarro, Nazarian, Reece, Rodriguez, Saleh, Schwank, Simonoff, W. Smith, Solache, Sternquist, Tye, Vargas, Wallace (35)

NOES: None (0)

ABSTAIN: None (0)

Hon. Adele Andrade-Stadler, Alhambra, District 34, expressed support for Item the Consent Calendar. Her vote is not reflected in the count as she was not at a noticed location and there was not a quorum of the membership present in the room for her to use the “just cause” provision.

INFORMATION ITEMS

7. Quick Build Projects

There were no public comments on Item No. 7.

Rachel Om, SCAG staff, reported that these are commonly pilot or interim capital improvement projects for streets and communities using low-cost materials that are relatively easy to install and uninstall. These can include pop up demonstration projects for a few hours to several months. Quick Build can include a protected bike lane using planters, parking, plastic posts, rubber curbs, pavement paintings and other elements to highlight visibility promoting safety. These projects begin with community engagement, understanding the area conditions and examining the community’s challenges with the project area. This informs the project’s design and after a project is completed, an evaluation is conducted. Ms. Om reviewed current and completed Quick Build projects in Beverly Hills, Calexico, Hermosa Beach, Long Beach, Ojai, El Monte, and Pasadena.

Margot Ocañas, Safe Routes to School, Los Angeles, continued the presentation. She stated that her approach to design involves calming streets to match context and Quick Build projects are an opportunity for trial approaches, innovative ideas and a key opportunity to engage city staff in new safety approaches. She reported on a recent project for Young Oak Kim Academy on Shatto Place. The project was 18 months in length and was set in motion with a pop-up demonstration project at the school site. She reviewed critical project elements including stakeholder engagement, enhanced wayfinding and signage, and processing multiple iterations of design. Quick Build changes were reviewed including creating a pedestrian plaza and a dedicated student drop-off and pick-up lane. The idea was to establish organization and predictable vehicle patterns for the street and sidewalk particularly during busy student pick-up and drop-off times. Vertical delineators were used to eliminate vehicle U-turns for improved safety. Shade trees were added to the pedestrian area and concrete seating further defined purpose for the space. She reported engagement with the school staff and students was critical in changing user behaviors around student drop-off and pick-up. Results indicated that traffic speeds on the street were reduced achieving the goals of traffic calming and improved safety. She noted the cost of the project was approximately \$250,000.

Hon. Colleen Wallace, Banning, WRCOG, asked about intersection roundabouts and data regarding their use. Ms. Ocañas responded that reports from traffic engineers indicated greater traffic flow and improved safety conditions where roundabouts were used.

Hon. Linda Molina, Calimesa, commented in support of reaching out to students and parents to encourage desired behaviors.

Hon. Curt Hagman, County of San Bernardino, asked about the long-term effects to traffic on the street due to its redesign to improve conditions around the school. Ms. Ocañas responded that other corridor users such as local residents and a business on the block saw lasting benefits.

8. Mobility Hubs - Lessons Learned

There were no public comments on Item No. 8.

Grecia White, City of Boston, provided an update on Mobility Hubs. Ms. White reported that Mobility Hubs are spaces to connect people to transportation options and enhance the space through placemaking amenities. She noted these spaces can vary according to purpose and location. Some include structures linking accessible shared roads and transit services. She reviewed new Mobility Hubs in the Boston area noting that neighborhood hubs can be simpler in design and include bike share facilities, nearby seating, well-lit areas, an information kiosk, and access to a bike path. These can also be smaller spaces which may look like a bus stop but includes seating, bike facilities, a covered waiting area and mobility information. She stated that Mobility Hubs are not a

one-size-fits-all solution. Each one ought to support its strategic needs and challenges while working with the specific conditions of its location.

Ms. White introduced a guidebook produced by City of Boston where Mobility Hubs are categorized as Gateways, Squares and Points. Gateways are often a natural gate path to a neighborhood. She noted the city also created a Kit of Parts to help build spaces and explore different street and neighborhood treatments. Lessons learned included the importance of community engagement particularly a survey of users to understand their preferences and behaviors. Placemaking amenities are essential and can include benches, planters and shade canopies. Branding and additional signage can be useful to guide users to other mobility hubs and enhance familiarity with the hub network.

Hon. Suely Saro, Long Beach, District 29, asked about safety concerns with promoting micro mobility. Ms. White responded there is frequently concerns about making way for active transportation as it might take away vehicle space on the right of ways but their installed bikeshare stations, as an example, were well received and attracted users.

9. Advanced Air Mobility (AAM) Update: AAM 101

There were no public comments on Item No. 9.

Ricky Sandhu, CEO, Urban-Air Port, provided a report on Advanced Air Mobility (AAM). He noted AAM involves moving passengers and cargo by aircraft over local and regional trips. It differs from traditional air travel in that it refers to shorter trips at lower altitudes using new technology such as electric aircraft that utilize vertical takeoffs and landing. He noted the goal of the Urban-Air Port is to help global cities operate better and safely incorporate the benefits of this aviation service. He noted the basic design of the Urban-Air Port involves electric, zero-emission aircraft which land at the highest level of the building and are then lowered to a different level to unload passengers and service the crafts. The design enables the building footprint to fit well into the urban landscape and efficiently facilitate a high number of aircraft. Mr. Sandhu noted the strength of the design enables a city to do more with less and bring this technology to its full advantage.

Hon. Carol Moore, Laguna Woods, OCCOG, asked who manages air traffic for this type of air travel. Mr. Sandhu responded that the existing governing body such as the FAA would oversee this activity. The vertiport acts as a miniature version of the larger aviation system with aircraft operating at lower altitudes and shorter distances.

10. Governor's Budget Update: Regional Early Action Planning Grant 2021 (REAP 2.0)

There were no public comments on Item No. 10.

Kevin Gilhooley, SCAG staff, provided an update on Regional Early Action Planning Grant 2021 (REAP). Mr. Gilhooley reported the governor recently proposed a \$291 billion budget which includes \$1.2 billion in cuts to housing programs including a \$300 million cut to REAP. He noted that REAP is the only program specifically designed to implement the region's Sustainable Communities Strategy. Further, he noted that the state is undergoing a housing crisis and has also set a course to reduce GHG emissions. Mr. Gilhooley stated cutting REAP funding undercuts the region's ability to address these and other critical goals. He noted SCAG entered an MOU with HCD for \$237 million in summer 2023 and has since sub allocated \$192 million to member jurisdictions. SCAG has engaged in an advocacy campaign and legislative outreach actions to help secure full REAP funding on behalf of our region. An advocacy letter template is available, and members are encouraged to submit one on behalf of their cities and counties.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Hon. Mike Judge, Simi Valley, VCTC, welcomed new members Jeanette Burns, Morongo Band of Mission Indians, and Marlon Regisford, Caltrans District 7. He also reported that there would be a Joint Policy Committees meeting on March 7. He also noted that SCAG was hosting an equity training for Regional Council and Policy Committee members February 22nd and that the training would be virtual and led by Charles Brown from Equitable Cities.

METROLINK REPORT

Hon. Art Brown, Buena Park, District 21, reported that Amtrak and other service along the LOSSAN corridor had been closed due to landslides in the San Clemente area. He shared there were efforts to restore service and long-term solutions were being explored. He indicated that Metrolink would provide free service February 4th in honor of transit equity day.

STAFF REPORT

David Salgado, SCAG staff, reported that the April TC meeting would have an item to elect a Chair and Vice Chair for the coming year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hon. Linda Molina, Calimesa, asked if the Chair's report can be placed in the agenda packet for committee members.



ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Vice Chair Judge adjourned the meeting of the Transportation Committee at 11:43 a.m.

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Transportation Committee Attendance Report

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MEMBERS	Representing	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	Total Mtgs Attended To Date
Andrade-Stadler, Adele	Alhambra, RC District 34		0			1	1		0	1				3
Anthony, Konstantine	Burbank, RC District 42	1	1			0	0		0					2
Barger, Kathryn	Los Angeles County	0	1			0	0		0					1
Becerra, Liz	Victorville, RC District 65	1	1			1	1		1	1				6
Berkson, Brian	Jurupa Valley, Pres. Appt. (Member at Large)	1	1			1	1		1	1				6
Betts, Russell	Desert Hot Springs, CVAG	0	1			1	1		1	1				5
Brotman, Daniel	Glendale, AVCJPA					1	1		1	1				4
Brown, Art	Buena Park, RC District 21	1	1	D	D	1	1	D	1	1	D			6
Burns, Jeanette	Morongo Band of Mission Indians									1				1
Chun, Ross	Aliso Viejo, OCCOG	1	1			0	1		0	1				4
Delgado, Denise	Coachella, Pres. Appt. (Member at Large)	1	1			0	0		1	1				4
Do, Andrew	Orange County CoC	1	1			1	1		1	1				6
Dumitru, Jonathan	Orange, RC District 17	0	1			1	0		1					3
Dutrey, J. John	Montclair, SBCTA	1	1			1	1		1	1				6
Gazeley, James	Lomita, RC District 39	1	1			1	1		0	1				5
Gibbs, Jason	Santa Clarita, NCTC	0	1			1	0		1	1				4
Hagman, Curt	San Bernardino County	1	1			1	0		0	1				4
Harnik, Jan	RCTC	1	1			1	1		1	1				6
Hernandez, Laura	Port Hueneme, RC District 45	0	1			1	0		1	1				4
Hughes-Leslie, Lauren	Lancaster, NCTC JPA						1		1					2
Hutt, Heather	Los Angeles, RC District 57	0	0			0	0		0					0
Judge, Mike	VCTC	1	1			1	1		1	1				6
Jung, Fred	Fullerton, OCCOG	1	1			1	1		1	1				6
Kelley, Trish	TCA Representative	1	1	A	A	1	1	A	1	1	A			6
Krekorian, Paul	Los Angeles, RC District 49/Public Transit Rep.	0	0			0	0		0					0
Krupa, Linda	Hemet, RC District 3	1	1			1	1		1	1				6
Lewis, Bridgett	Torrance, Pres. Appt. (Member at Large)	0	1			0	1		1					3
Lilienthal, Malcolm	Hemet, WRCOG	1	1			1	0		1	1				5
Loa, Richard	Palmdale, NCTC	0	1			0	0		0	1				2
Lorimore, Clint	Eastvale, RC District 4	1	1			1	1		1	1				6
Mann, Ken	Lancaster, RC District 43	1	1			1	1		1	1				6
Manos, Steve	Lake Elsinore, RC District 63	1	1			1	1		1	1				6
Marquez, Ray	Chino Hills, RC District 10	1	1			1	1		1	1				6
McCallon, Larry	Air District Representative	0	0			1	1		1	1				4
McLean, Marsha	Santa Clarita, Pres. Appt. (Member at Large)	1	1			1	1		1	1				6
McOsker, Tim	Los Angeles, RC District 62					1	0		0					1
Michael, L. Dennis	Rancho Cucamonga, RC District 9	1	1			0	0		1	1				4
Molina, Linda	Calimesa, Pres. Appt. (Member at Large)	1	1			0	1		1	1				5
Moore, Carol	Laguna Woods, OCCOG	1	1			1	1		1	1				6
Najarian, Ara	Glendale, SFVCOG	1	1			1	1		1	1				6
Nava-Froelich, Maria	ICTC	1	1			1	1		1	1				6
Navarro, Frank	Colton, RC District 6	0	1			1	1		1	1				5
Nazarian, Sharona	Beverly Hills, WSCCOG	1	1			1	1		1	1				6
Rebollar, Gil	Brawley, RC District 1	1	1			0	0		1	1				4
Reece, Ed	Claremont, SGVCOG	1	1	R	R	1	1	R	0	1	R			5
Regisford, Marlon	Caltrans, District 7, Ex-Officio Member								1	1				2

Attachment: TCAttendance Sheet February 1, 2024 (Minutes of TC Meeting, February 1, 2024)

Rodriguez, Celeste	San Fernando, RC District 67					1			1	1				3
Ruiz, Crystal	Sna Jacinto, WRCOG	1	0			1	1		1	1				5
Saleh, Ali	Bell, RC District 27	1	1			1	1		1	1				6
Sandoval, Tim	Pomona, RC District 38	1	1			1	1		1					5
Saro, Suely	Long Beach, RC District 29	1	1			0	0		1	1				4
Schwank, Zak	Temecula, RC District 5	1	1			1	1		0	1				5
Simonoff, Marty	Brea, RC District 22	1	1			1	1		0	1				5
Smith, Jeremy	Canyon Lake, Pres. Appt. (Member at Large)	0	0			0	0		0					0
Smith, Ward	Placentia, OCCOG	1	1			1	0		1	1				5
Solache, Jose Luis	Lynwood, RC District 26	1	0			1	1		1	1				5
Solis, Hilda	Los Angeles County	0	0			0	0		0					0
Speake, Wes	Corona, WRCOG	1	1	K	K	1	1	K	1		K			5
Spiegel, Karen	Riverside County	0	1			1	1		1	1				5
Sternquist, Cynthia	Temple City, SGVCOG	1	1			1	1		1	1				6
Tye, Steve	Diamond Bar, RC District 37	0	1			0	1		0	1				3
Vargas, Michael	Riverside County CoC	0	1			1	1		1	1				5
Voigts, Scott	Lake Forest, OCCOG	0	1			1	0		0					2
Wagner, Don	Orange County	1	1			1	1		1	1				6
Wallace, Colleen	Banning, WRCOG	1	1			0	1		0	1				4
Wapner, Alan	SBCTA	1	1			1	1		1					5
Wong, Thomas	Monterey Park, SGVCOG	1	1			1	1		1	1				6
Wood, Jeff	Lakewood, RC District 24					1	1		0					2