



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (TC)
THURSDAY, JULY 6, 2023**

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 both in person and virtually (telephonically and electronically). A quorum was present.

Members Present:

Hon. Konstantine Anthony	District 42
Hon. Kathryn Barger	Los Angeles County
Hon. Liz Becerra, SBCTA/SBCTA	District 65
Hon. Brian Berkson	Jurupa Valley
Hon. Russel Betts, Desert Hot Springs	CVAG
Hon. Art Brown, OCTA	District 21
Hon. Ross Chun, Aliso Viejo	OCCOG
Hon. Denise Delgado, Coachella	Pres. Appt.
Hon. Andrew Do	Orange County
Hon. Darrell Dorris	North LA County
Hon. Jonathan Dumitru, Orange	District 17
Hon. John Dutrey, Montclair	SBCTA/SBCCOG
Hon. James Gazeley, SBCCOG	District 39
Hon. Jason Gibbs, Santa Clarita	NCTC
Hon. Brian Goodell, Mission Viejo	OCTA
Hon. Curt Hagman	San Bernardino County
Hon. Jan Harnik, Palm Desert	RCTC
Hon. Laura Hernandez, VCOG	District 45
Hon. Mike T. Judge, Simi Valley (Vice Chair)	VCTC
Hon. Fred Jung, Fullerton	OCCOG
Hon. Trish Kelley, Mission Viejo	OCCOG
Hon. Linda Krupa, Hemet	WRCOG
Hon. Bridgett Lewis, Torrance	Pres. Appt.



Hon. Malcolm Lilienthal, Hemet	WRCOG
Hon. Richard Loa, Palmdale	NCTC
Hon. Clint Lorimore, Eastvale	District 4
Hon. Ken Mann, Lancaster	District 43
Hon. Steve Manos, Lake Elsinore	District 63
Hon. Ray Marquez, Chino Hills	District 10
Hon. Marsha McLean, NLAC	District 67
Hon. L. Dennis Michael	District 9
Hon. Linda Molina	Calimesa
Hon. Carol Moore, Laguna Woods	OCCOG
Hon. Ara Najarian, Glendale	AVCJPA
Hon. Maria Nava-Froelich	ICTC
Hon. Frank Navarro, Colton	District 6
Hon. Sharona Nazarian, Beverly Hills	WSCCOG
Hon. Jon Primuth, S. Pasadena	AVCJPA
Hon. Gil Rebolgar, ICTC	District 1
Hon. Ed Reece	SGVCOG
Hon. Ali Saleh, Bell	District 27
Hon. Tim Sandoval, Pomona (Chair)	District 38
Hon. Suely Saro, Long Beach	District 29
Hon. Zak Schwank, Temecula	District 5
Hon. Marty Simonoff, Brea	District 22
Hon. Ward Smith, Placentia	OCCOG
Hon. Speake, Wes, Corona	WRCOG
Hon. Karen Spiegel	Riverside County
Hon. Cynthia Sternquist, Temple City	SGVCOG
Hon. Steve Tye	District 37
Hon. Michael Vargas	Riverside County
Hon. Scott Voigts, Lake Forest	OCCOG
Hon. Don Wagner	Orange County
Hon. Wallace, Colleen, Banning	WRCOG
Hon. Alan Wapner, Ontario	SBCTA/SBCOG
Hon. Thomas Wong, Monterey Park	SGVCOG
Mr. Paul Marquez, Caltrans District 7	Ex-Officio Member

Members Not Present:

Hon. Adele Andrade-Stadler, Alhambra	District 34
Hon. Heather Hutt, Los Angeles	District 45
Hon. Paul Krekorian	District 49
Hon. Larry McCallon, SBCTA	District 7



Hon. Crystal Ruiz, San Jacinto	WRCOG
Hon. Jeremy Smith, Canyon Lake	Canyon Lake
Hon. Jose Luis Solache, Lynwood	District 26
Hon. Hilda Solis	Los Angeles County

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Tim Sandoval, Pomona, District 38, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Hon. Gil Rebollar, ICTC, District 1, led the Pledge of Allegiance. A quorum was present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Sandoval 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, Board Counsel, acknowledged there were no public comments received by email before or after the deadline.

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

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no requests to prioritize agenda items.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Chair Sandoval opened the Public Comment Period.

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

Approval Items

1. Minutes of the Meeting – June 1, 2023

Receive and File

2. Transportation Committee Agenda Outlook and Future Agenda Items
 3. REAP 2.0 Program Call for Applications Update
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4. Connect SoCal 2024: Policy Framework
5. Draft Connect SoCal 2024 Performance Measures
6. Connect SoCal 2024 Program Environmental Impact Report (State Clearinghouse No.: 2022100337): Status Update on Additional Stakeholder Outreach and Preliminary Outline of Draft Contents
7. Regional Transit Target Setting
8. Transit Ridership Update

A MOTION was made (Brown) to approve Consent Calendar Item 1 and Receive and File items 2 through 8. The motion was SECONDED (Judge) and passed by the following roll call votes.

AYES: Barger, Becerra, Berkson, Brown, Chun, Dorris, Dumitru, Dutrey, Gazeley, Gibbs, Goodell, Hagman, Harnik, Judge, Jung, Kelley, Krupa, Lewis, Lilienthal, Loa, Lorimore, Mann, Manos, Marquez, Mclean, Michael, Molina, Moore, Najarian, Nava-Froelich, Navarro, Primuth, Rebollar, Reece, Saleh, Sandoval, Saro, Schwank, Simonoff, W. Smith, Speake, Sternquist, Tye, Vargas, Wagner, Wallace, Wapner, Wong (48)

NOES: None (0)

ABSTAIN: None (0)

ACTION ITEM

9. REAP 2.0 CTC Partnership Program Award List

There were no public comments for this item.

Nolan Borgman, SCAG staff, reported on the REAP 2.0 Partnership Program Award List. Mr. Borgman stated the County Transportation Commission (CTC) Partnership program was an \$80 million competitive program to fund transformative projects throughout the region. He noted a call for proposals was released April 2023 and that a project selection process was undertaken, and a list of projects had been identified for final funding approval. He reviewed the project scoring system and evaluation process. Mr. Borgman reported thirty-seven (37) proposals were submitted totaling \$115 million and that it was being recommended that twenty-seven (27) projects be funded and six (6) for partial funding. He noted that approximately \$34 million was recommended for projects that

increase transit ridership, \$36 million to support multimodal communities and \$9 million to support projects designed to shift travel behavior. He reviewed award recommendations for each county and next steps following approval by the Transportation Committee and Regional Council.

A MOTION was made (Barger) to recommend that the Regional Council: 1) approve the REAP 2.0 CTC Partnership Program Project Award List and Contingency List; and 2) authorize the SCAG Executive Director or his designee to enter into agreements with the designated County Transportation Commissions under this program and execute all documents incident to the agreements. The motion was SECONDED (Judge) and passed by the following roll call votes.

AYES: Barger, Becerra, Berkson, Brown, Chun, Delgado, Dorris, Dumitru, Dutrey, Gazeley, Gibbs, Goodell, Hagman, Harnik, Hernandez, Judge, Jung, Kelley, Krupa, Lewis, Lillienthal, Loa, Lorimore, Mann, Manos, Mclean, Michael, Molina, Moore, Najarian, Nava-Froelich, Navarro, Rebollar, Reece, Saleh, Sandoval, Saro, Schwank, Simonoff, W. Smith, Speake, Sternquist, Tye, Vargas, Voigts, Wagner, Wallace, Wapner, Wong (49)

NOES: None (0)

ABSTAIN: None (0)

10. REAP 2.0 Regional Pilot Initiatives Framework

There were no public comments for this item.

Nolan Borgman, SCAG staff, presented a report on the REAP 2.0 Regional Pilot Initiatives (RPI) Program Framework. He stated the program provides \$15 million in funding for projects that have the potential to change transportation and housing paradigms toward more sustainable communities. He reviewed the program development steps, including industry research and stakeholder survey. He noted that the RPI seeks to develop partnerships to advance REAP 2.0 and Connect SoCal 2024 goals. He shared program areas, including big data, accelerating active transportation, mobility hubs and curb space management. He noted next steps include continued partnership development and developing program scopes of work for each focus area.

Hon. Wes Speake, Corona, WRCOG, commented in support of an approach which includes linking housing, transportation and jobs and that continued effort can be made to reward cities that build housing near job rich areas.

A MOTION was made (Wallace) to recommend that the Regional Council approve the REAP 2.0 Regional Pilot Initiatives Program Framework. The motion was SECONDED (Speake) and passed by the following roll call votes.

AYES: Barger, Becerra, Berkson, Betts, Brown, Chun, Delgado, Dorris, Dumitru, Dutrey, Gazeley, Gibbs, Goodell, Hagman, Harnik, Hernandez, Judge, Jung, Kelley, Krupa, Lewis, Lilienthal, Loa, Lorimore, Mann, Manos, Mclean, Michael, Molina, Moore, Nava-Froelich, Navarro, Rebollar, Reece, Saleh, Sandoval, Saro, Schwank, W. Smith, Speake, Spiegel, Sternquist, Tye, Vargas, Voigts, Wagner, Wallace, Wapner, Wong (49)

NOES: None (0)

ABSTAIN: None (0)

INFORMATION ITEMS

11. LOSSAN Rail Corridor Resiliency Subcommittee Update

There were no public comments for this item.

Catherine Blakespear, State Senator, provided an update on the LOSSAN Rail Corridor Resiliency Subcommittee. She noted the LOSSAN corridor extends from San Luis Obispo on the central coast to San Diego in the south, much of it along the coastline. She noted that its 351 miles in length and is the second busiest rail passenger corridor in the country. She shared that it is also a goods movement and transit service connecting six counties. Ms. Blakespear reported service in the southern portion has seen frequent and significant service disruptions over the past several months due to geographic events along the coastline such as erosion and other natural activities preventing service from south Orange County to San Diego. She noted during disruptions passengers are required to undertake a 90-minute bus bridge to complete the trip. Ms. Blakespear stated due to this emergent situation the LOSSAN Corridor Resiliency Subcommittee has been established to understand the scope of the situation and develop an appropriate response.

12. Connect SoCal 2024: Outreach Update

There were no public comments for this item.

Sarah Dominguez, SCAG staff, provided an update on Connect SoCal 2024. Ms. Dominguez stated public outreach was required for proper plan development and an outreach effort was recently concluded. She noted that talking with the public was an essential part of plan development to ensure the plan is guided by public input and is consistent with public concerns. Ms. Dominguez reported that 20 in-person workshops, 7 virtual workshops, 20 pop-up and street team engagements were recently completed involving 15 community partners and a nationwide advertising campaign which resulted in gathering over 3,600 surveys. She shared that outreach

participants responded that top issues facing residents are a shortage of affordable and diverse housing options, limited reliable travel options to everyday destinations beside driving and climate change impacts. When asked about future vision for the region, the top responses include a healthy environment, a prosperous economy with equal opportunity and safe modes of travel.

She reported that input from stakeholder groups reflects concerns that limited transportation options and housing affordability affect quality of life, particularly in historically disinvested areas. Also, infrastructure improvements should be coupled with direct benefits and protections for residents and small businesses at risk of displacement and a desire for continued engagement with community partners on Connect SoCal implementation including updates on strategies and performance metrics.

Hon. Suely Saro, Long Beach, District 29, asked if there was interaction with school age students who often use transit to get to school or those college age who travel frequently to campus as an effort ought to be made to reach out to them. Ms. Dominguez responded that much of the interaction with those demographics was through the community-based organizations and social media rather than through the public workshops.

Hon. Liz Becerra, Victorville, District 65, asked if future workshops could be closer to Victorville as the recently scheduled workshop was a one-hour drive.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Sandoval reported that an agreement had been reached on a \$310 billion state budget and that the agreement includes \$2 billion to support the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program. He shared that it also includes \$1.1 billion for the newly created Zero-Emission Transit Capital Program. Chair Sandoval introduced new committee member Adele Andrade-Stadler, Alhambra, District 34.

METROLINK REPORT

Hon. Art Brown, Buena Park, District 21, reported that Metrolink's Ventura County Line service will now operate seven days a week with the introduction of new Sunday service. He noted that weekend trains were running two roundtrips per day on Saturday and Sunday. He noted that supplemental service was also being provided by the Amtrak Pacific Surfliner. He shared that the City of Camarillo was moving forward with a planned pedestrian tunnel at its train station that would decrease the time it takes to walk between platforms. He explained that there was currently a pedestrian overcrossing that runs parallel to Highway 101, but it takes about five minutes to cross the bridge. He also reported that LA Metro had received a \$38.3 million grant from the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for the agency's Doran Street Grade Separation Project, which seeks to eliminate a street level railroad crossing to improve safety for Metrolink, Amtrak, and freight



trains operating in the cities of Glendale and Los Angeles. He also reported that ridership is currently at about 45% of pre-Pandemic levels and there are trending changes in trip types. He noted that Pre-Pandemic, 80% of trips were commute trips. He noted that the percentage of non-commute trips had more than doubled, from 20% pre-Pandemic to currently 48%.

STAFF REPORT

Erik Rodriguez, SCAG staff, reported that the first meeting of SCAG’s Greenprint Technical Advisory Committee was scheduled for July 26, 2023 from 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. He noted that the second meeting would be August 28, 2023. He thanked members of the committee who would also serve on the Greenprint TAC.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Sandoval adjourned the meeting of the Transportation Committee at 10:57 a.m.

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MEMBERS	CITY	Representing	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB
Anthony, Konstantine	Burbank	District 42	1	1							
Andrade-Stadler, Adele											
Barger, Kathryn		Los Angeles County		1							
Becerra, Liz	Victorville	District 65	1	1							
Berkson, Brian	Jurupa Valley	Pres Appt.	1	1							
Betts, Russell	Desert Hot Springs	CVAG		1							
Brown, Art	Buena Park	District 21	1	1							
Chun, Ross	Aliso Viejo	OCTA	1	1							
Delgado, Denise	Coachella	Pres. Appt.	1	1							
Do, Andrew		Orange County	1	1							
Dorris, Darrell	Lancaster	NCTC	1	1							
Dumitru, Jonathan	Orange County	District 17		1							
Dutrey, J. John	Montclair	SBCTA	1	1							
Gazeley, James	Lomita	District 39	1	1							
Gibbs, Jason	Santa Clarita	NCTC		1							
Goodell, Brian	Mission Viejo	OCTA	1	1							
Hagman, Curt		San Bernardino Cnty	1	1							
Harnik, Jan	Palm Desert	RCTC	1	1							
Hernandez, Laura	Prt Hueneme	District 45		1							
Hutt, Heather	Los Angeles	District 57									
Judge, Mike	Simi Valley	VCTC	1	1							
Jung, Fred		OCCOG	1	1							
Kelley, Trish	Mission Viejo	OCCOG	1	1							
Krekorian, Paul	Public Transit Rep	District 49									
Krupa, Linda	Hemet	WRCOG	1	1							
Lewis, Bridgett	Torrance	Pres. Appt.		1							
Lilienthal, Malcolm	Hemet	WRCOG	1	1							
Loa, Richard	Palmdale	NCTC		1							
Lorimore, Clint	Eastvale	District 4	1	1							
Mann, Ken	No. L.A. County	District 43	1	1							
Manos, Steve	Lake Elsinore	District 63	1	1							
Marquez, Paul	Caltrans District 7	Ex-Officio	1	1							
Marquez, Ray	Chino Hills	District 10	1	1							
McCallon, Larry	SBCTA/SBCCOG	District 7									
McLean, Marsha	No. L.A. County	District 67	1	1							
Michael, L. Dennis	Rancho Cucamonga	District 9	1	1							
Molina, Linda	Calimesa	Pres. Appt.	1	1							
Moore, Carol	Laguna Woods	OCCOG	1	1							
Najararian, Ara	Glendale	AVCJPA	1	1							
Nava-Froelich, Maria		ICTC	1	1							
Navarro, Frank	Colton	District 6		1							
Nazarian, Sharona	Beverly Hills	WSCCOG	1	1							
Primuth, Jon	S. Pasadena	AVCJPA		1							
Rebollar, Gil	ICTC	District 1	1	1							
Reece, Ed	Claremont	SGVCOG	1	1							
Ruiz, Crystal	San Jacinto	WRCOG	1								

Saleh, Ali	City of Bell	GCCOG	1	1						
Sandoval, Tim	Pomona	District 38	1	1						
Saro, Suely	Long Beach	District 29	1	1						
Schwank, Zak	Temecula	District 5	1	1						
Simonoff, Marty	Brea	District 22	1	1						
Smith, Jeremy	Canyon Lake	Canyon Lake								
Smith, Ward	Placentia	OCCOG	1	1						
Solache, Jose Luis	Lynwood	District 26	1							
Solis, Hilda		Los Angeles County								
Speake, Wes	Corona	WRCOG	1	1						
Spiegel, Karen		Riverside County		1						
Sternquist, Cynthia	Temple City	SGVCOG	1	1						
Tye, Steve	Diamond Bar	District 37		1						
Vargas, Michael		Riverside County		1						
Voigts, Scott	Lake Forest	Orange County		1						
Wagner, Don	Orange County	Orange County	1	1						
Wallace, Colleen	Banning	WRCOG	1	1						
Wapner, Alan		SBCTA	1	1						
Wong, Thomas	Monterey Park	SGVCOG	1	1						