

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (TC) THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 2022

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: <u>http://scag.iqm2.com/Citizens/</u>

The Transportation Committee (TC) of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) held its regular meeting virtually (telephonically and electronically), given the declared state of emergency (pursuant to State of Emergency Proclamation dated March 4, 2020) and local public health directives imposing and recommending social distancing measures due to the threat of COVID-19, and pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(1)(A). A quorum was present.

# **Members Present:**

Sean Ashton, Downey (Chair) Hon. Phil Bacerra, Santa Ana Hon. Hon. Kathryn Barger Hon. Liz Becerra, Victorville Ben Benoit, Wildomar Hon. **Russel Betts, Desert Hot Springs** Hon. Hon. Art Brown, Buena Park (Vice Chair) Hon. Michelle Chambers Hon. Ross Chun, Aliso Viejo Hon. Andrew Do Hon. Darrell Dorris Hon. John Dutrey, Montclair Hon. James Gazeley, Lomita Hon. Jason Gibbs, Santa Clarita Hon. Curt Hagman Hon. Ray Hamada, Bellflower Hon. Jan Harnik, Palm Desert Hon. Laura Hernandez, Port Hueneme Hon. Lindsey Horvath Hon. Mike T. Judge, Simi Valley Hon. Trish Kelley, Mission Viejo

District 25 District 16 Los Angeles County District 65 South Coast AQMD CVAG District 21 City of Compton OCTA Orange County Lancaster, NCTC SBCTA District 39 NCTC San Bernardino County District 24 RCTC District 45 WSCCOG VCTC OCCOG



Hon.	Linda Krupa, Hemet	WRCOG						
Hon.	Richard Loa, Palmdale	NCTC						
Hon.	Clint Lorimore, Eastvale	District 4						
Hon.	Steve Manos, Lake Elsinore	District 63						
Hon.	Ray Marquez, Chino Hills	District 10						
Hon.	Larry McCallon, SBCTA	District 7						
Hon.	Marsha McLean, NLAC	District 67						
Hon.	L. Dennis Michael	District 9						
Hon.	Fred Minagar, Laguna Niguel	District 12						
Hon.	Carol Moore, Laguna Woods	OCCOG						
Hon.	Ara Najarian, Glendale	AVCJPA						
Hon.	Maria Nava-Froelich	ICTC						
Hon.	Frank Navarro, Colton	District 6						
Hon.	Blanca Pacheco	GCCOG						
Hon.	Ed Reece	SGVCOG						
Hon.	Crystal Ruiz, San Jacinto	WRCOG						
Hon.	Ali Saleh, Bell	District 27						
Hon.	Tim Sandoval, Pomona	District 38						
Hon.	Rey Santos, Beaumont	District 3						
Hon.	Zak Schwank, Temecula	District 5						
Hon.	Marty Simonoff, Brea	District 22						
Hon.	Jeremy Smith	Canyon Lake						
Hon.	Ward Smith, Placentia	OCCOG						
Hon.	Jose Luis Solache, Lynwood	District 26						
Hon.	Karen Spiegel	<b>Riverside County</b>						
Hon.	Cynthia Sternquist, Temple City	SGVCOG						
Hon.	Jess Talamantes, Burbank	Pres. Appt.						
Hon.	Steve Tye	District 37						
Hon.	Michael Vargas	<b>Riverside County</b>						
Hon.	Cheryl Viegas-Walker, El Centro	District 1						
Hon.	Don Wagner	Orange County						
Hon.	Colleen Wallace, Banning	Pres. Appt.						
Hon.	Alan Wapner, Ontario	SBCTA/SBCOG						
Hon.	Alicia Weintraub, Calabasas	LVMCOG						
Mr.	Paul Marquez, Caltrans District 7	Ex-Officio Member						
Memb	ers Not Present:							
Hon.	Lorrie Brown	District 47						
Hon.	Joe Buscaino, Los Angeles	District 62						
Hon.	Jonathan Curtis, La Cañada-Flintridge	District 36						





Hon.	Paul Krekorian	District 49
Hon.	Steven Ly, Rosemead	District 32
Hon.	Jon Primuth, S. Pasadena	AVCJPA
Hon.	Scott Voigts, Lake Forest	OCCOG

### CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Hon. Sean Ashton, Downey, District 25, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Hon. Darrell Dorris, Lancaster, NCTC, led the Pledge of Allegiance. A quorum was present.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Hon. Sean Ashton, Downey, District 25, opened the Public Comment Period and outlined instructions for public comments. He noted the total time period for all public comments related to items on the agenda and any other matter within the agency's subject matter jurisdiction was five minutes and the public comment period would be held open for at least 5 minutes to afford the public the ability to comment on all items on this agenda. David Salgado, SCAG staff, reported no public comments were received by email prior to the meeting and none were requested during the public comment period.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

#### Approval Items

1. Minutes of the Meeting, November 4, 2021

#### Receive and File

- 2. Transmittal to South Coast Air Quality Management District of Draft 2022 Air Quality Management Plan Appendix IV-C Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy and Transportation Control Measures
- 3. TDM Strategic Plan Implementation Status Update
- 4. Mobility as a Service (MaaS) Feasibility White Paper Update
- 5. Curb Space Management Study Update

Hon. Marsha McLean, NLAC, District 67, requested a modification to the Future Agenda Items portion of the meeting minutes of November 4, 2021. She clarified that she requested a future



agenda item to discuss the lack of infrastructure to accommodate mandates to electrify transportation, services, and other activities.

A MOTION was made (Moore) to approve Consent Calendar Items 1 - 5 including modified minutes of November 4, 2021. The motion was SECONDED (Talamantes) and passed by the following votes.

- AYES: ASHTON, BACERRA, BARGER, BECERRA, BENOIT, BETTS, BROWN A., CHAMBERS, CHUN, DO, DORRIS, DUTREY, GAZELEY, GIBBS, HAGMAN, HAMADA, HARNIK, HERNANDEZ, JUDGE, KELLEY, KRUPA, LOA, LORIMORE, MANOS, MARQUEZ, MCCALLON, MCLEAN, MICHAEL, MINAGAR, MOORE, NAJARIAN, NAVA-FROELICH, NAVARRO, PACHECO, REECE, RUIZ, SALEH, SANDOVAL, SANTOS, SCHWANK, SIMONOFF, SMITH J., SMITH W., SOLACHE, SPIEGEL, STERNQUIST, TALAMANTES, TYE, VARGAS, VIEGAS-WALKER, WAGNER, WALLACE, WAPNER, WEINTRAUB (54)
- NOES: None (0)
- **ABSTAIN:** None (0)

# ACTION ITEM

6. Regional Transportation Safety Targets 2022

Courtney Aguirre, SCAG staff, provided an update on Regional Transportation Safety Targets. She reported that State departments of transportation (DOTs) are required to establish safety performance measures as part of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Act (MAP-21). Additionally, Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) are required to establish targets for reducing the numbers and rates of transportation fatalities and serious injuries. Ms. Aguirre stated fatalities and serious accidents are increasing regionally and reviewed the proposed safety performance measures and the safety targets for each. Further, SCAG staff recommends adopting region-specific targets consistent with safety models which take into account traffic, socioeconomic, and other trends. She noted the resolution reaffirms regional leadership to achieve these targets through the implementation of safety strategies in Connect SoCal and a Regional Safety Policy to guide the work.

A MOTION was made (Minagar) to recommend that the Regional Council (RC) adopt the 2022 regional safety targets and the supporting Regional Safety Policy Resolution. The motion was SECONDED (Solache) and passed by the following votes.

AYES: ASHTON, BACERRA, BARGER, BECERRA, BETTS, BROWN A., CHAMBERS, DO, DORRIS, GAZELEY, GIBBS, HAGMAN, HAMADA, HARNIK, HERNANDEZ, HORVATH, JUDGE,



KELLEY, KRUPA, LOA, LORIMORE, MANOS, MARQUEZ, MCCALLON, MCLEAN, MICHAEL, MINAGAR, MOORE, NAJARIAN, NAVA-FROELICH, NAVARRO, PACHECO, REECE, RUIZ, SALEH, SANDOVAL, SANTOS, SCHWANK, SIMONOFF, SMITH J., SMITH W., SOLACHE, SPIEGEL, STERNQUIST, TALAMANTES, TYE, VARGAS, VIEGAS-WALKER, WAGNER, WALLACE, WAPNER, WEINTRAUB (52)

NOES: None (0)

**ABSTAIN:** None (0)

# **INFORMATION ITEMS**

7. Regional Express Lanes Concept of Operations Update Overview

Jaimee Lederman, SCAG staff, provided an update on Regional Express Lanes Concept of Operations. Ms. Lederman stated SCAG's Express Lanes Concept of Operations was developed in 2016 to leverage the success of the I-110 and I-10 Express Lanes conversion in 2012 and 2013. She noted there are currently 5 operating express lane networks in the region with others in development which will cross county lines. Since 2016, two new express lane networks have opened. Ben Perez, WSP, continued the presentation and noted Conops is an instructive document to guide policy makers on critical issues particularly on integrating existing and emerging projects into a functional regional system that considers cross boundary issues, tolling and other integration processes. He noted that stakeholders include each county transportation commission, Caltrans, Federal Highway and regional board members and policy makers. Mr. Perez noted that Conops key issues include regional consistency, network coordination, occupancy rates, license plate tolling policies, signage and degradation.

Arthur Sohikian, Executive Director, North Los Angeles Transportation Coalition, provided public comment and noted that residents in outlying areas of the county mostly commute and toll lanes impose a fee. Also, toll lanes ought to be accompanied by enhanced options such as rail and transit.

8. Role of Electric Utilities in Medium/Heavy-Duty Transportation Electrification

Yuliya Schmidt, California Public Utilities Corporation reported on electrification efforts in medium/heavy duty vehicles. Ms. Schmidt stated CPUC has authorized \$1.8 billion toward the electrification of transportation and currently has specific programs for medium and heavy-duty transportation. She reviewed rate structure and examined ways to compare the cost of electricity with gasoline. Additionally, transportation electrification would not represent a significant increase in grid capacity. She noted their approach includes a focus on equity and services to low-income areas.



9. Accelerated Electrification Update on Two Studies

Deferred to a future meeting.

10. 2021 Student Showcase

Deferred to a future meeting.

### CHAIR'S REPORT

Hon. Sean Ashton, Downey, District 25, reminded stakeholders of the January 10, 2022 deadline for applications to the Housing Policy Leadership Academy. Also, SCAG's General Assembly and Regional Conference will be held May 4 - 6, 2022 at the JW Marriott Resort in Palm Desert.

### METROLINK REPORT

Recently the L.A. Metro Board certified the Final Environmental Impact Report for the Antelope Valley Line Improvement project. The improvements include the Balboa Double Track Extension, the Canyon Siding Extension, Lancaster Station Terminal Improvements, and the Brighton to McGinley Double Track project. These projects are part of the Southern California Optimized Rail Expansion program (SCORE) initiative and are fully funded. The improvements will enable 30-minute bi-directional service from Los Angeles Union Station to the City of Santa Clarita and hourly bi-directional service to Palmdale and Lancaster. The projects should be completed in the 2028-2030 timeframe.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Sean Ashton, Downey, District 25, adjourned the meeting of the Transportation Committee at 11:30 a.m.

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