



Southern California Association of Governments
900 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1700, Los Angeles, CA 90017

TC Agenda Item No. 1
March 1, 2018

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2018

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, 900 Wilshire Blvd., 17th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90017. The meeting was called to order by Chair Hon. Curt Hagman, San Bernardino County. A quorum was present.

Members Present:

Hon. Sean Ashton, Downey	District 25
Hon. Rusty Bailey, Riverside	District 68
Hon. Glen Becerra, Simi Valley	District 46
Hon. Ben Benoit, Wildomar	South Coast AQMD
Hon. Will Berg, Port Hueneme	VCOG
Hon. Russell Betts, Desert Hot Springs	CVAG
Hon. Art Brown, Buena Park	District 21
Hon. Joe Buscaino, Los Angeles	District 62
Hon. Ross Chun, Aliso Viejo	OCTA
Hon. Jim Clarke, Culver City	WCCOG
Hon. James Gazeley, Lomita	District 39
Hon. Jeffrey, Giba, Moreno Valley	District 69
Hon. Jack Hadjinian, Montebello	SGVCOG
Hon. Curt Hagman (Chair)	San Bernardino County
Hon. Carol Herrera, Diamond Bar	District 37
Hon. Steven Hofbauer, Palmdale	District 43
Hon. Jim Hyatt, Calimesa	District 3
Hon. Mike T. Judge, Simi Valley	VCTC
Hon. Trish Kelley, Mission Viejo	OCCOG
Hon. Randon Lane, Murrieta (Vice Chair)	District 5
Hon. Clint Lorimore, Eastvale	District 4
Hon. Steve Manos, Lake Elsinore	District 63
Hon. Ray Marquez, Chino Hills	District 10
Hon. Larry McCallon	Highland
Hon. Marsha McLean, Santa Clarita	District 67
Hon. Dan Medina, Gardena	District 28

Hon. Barbara Messina, Alhambra	District 34
Hon. L. Dennis Michael	District 9
Hon. Fred Minagar, Laguna Niguel	District 12
Hon. Carol Moore, Laguna Woods	OCCOG
Hon. Frank Navarro, Colton	District 6
Hon. Sam Pedroza, Claremont	District 38
Hon. Greg Pettis, Cathedral City	District 2
Hon. Charles Puckett, Tustin	District 17
Hon. Teresa Real Sebastian, Monterey Park	SGVCOG
Hon. Ali Saleh, Bell	GCCOG
Hon. Jesus Silva, Fullerton	
Hon. Marty Simonoff, Brea	District 22
Hon. Cynthia Sternquist, Temple City	SGVCOG
Hon. Brent Tercero, Pico Rivera	GCCOG
Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, El Centro	District 1
Hon. Alan Wapner, Ontario	SBCTA/SBCOG
Hon. Alicia Weintraub, Calabasas	LVMCOG
Hon. Michael Wilson, Indio	District 66
Mr. Dan Kopulsky	Caltrans District 7

Members Not Present:

Hon. Austin Bishop, Palmdale	North L.A. County
Hon. Jonathan Curtis, La Cañada-Flintridge	District 36
Hon. Emily Gabel-Luddy	AVCJPA
Hon. Gonzalez, Lena, Long Beach	District 30
Hon. Jan Harnik, Palm Desert	RCTC
Hon. Dave Harrington, Aliso Viejo	OCCOG
Hon. Jose Huizar, Los Angeles	District 61
Hon. Linda Krupa, Hemet	WRCOG
Hon. James C. Ledford	Palmdale
Hon. Kris Murray, Anaheim	District 19
Hon. Shawn Nelson	Orange County
Hon. Dwight Robinson, Lake Forest	OCCOG
Hon. Crystal Ruiz, San Jacinto	WRCOG
Hon. Damon Sandoval	Morongo Band of Mission Indians
Hon. Zareh Sinanyan, Glendale	SFVCOG
Hon. José Luis Solache, Lynwood	District 26
Hon. Barb Stanton, Apple Valley	SBCTA/SBCOG
Hon. Jess Talamantes	SFVCOG

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Hon. Curt Hagman, San Bernardino County, called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public requested to comment.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Minutes of the December 1, 2017 Meeting

A MOTION was made (Brown) and SECONDED (Navarro) to approve the Minutes of the December 1, 2017 meeting. The Motion passed by the following votes:

AYES: Ashton, Bailey, Benoit, Berg, Betts, Brown, Clarke, Gazeley, Giba, Hadjinian, Hagman, Herrera, Hofbauer, Hyatt, Judge, Kelley, Lane, Lorimore, Manos, McCallon, Medina, Messina, Minagar, Moore, Navarro, Pedroza, Puckett, Real Sebastian, Silva, Simonoff, Sternquist, Viegas-Walker, Wapner, Weintraub, Wilson (35)

NOES: None (0)

ABSTAIN: Marquez, McLean, Michael, Pettis, Tercero (5)

Receive and File

2. Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) Proposed SB 743 Implementation Guidelines and Technical Advisory
3. Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) Proposed Updates to the CEQA Guidelines
4. Summary of the Department of Finance's 2017 Population Growth Estimates for the SCAG Region

Hon. Trish Kelley, Mission Viejo, requested an informational presentation on Receive and File item 2; Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) Proposed SB 743 Implementation Guidelines and Technical Advisory.

A MOTION was made (Brown) and SECONDED (Puckett) to approve Consent Calendar items 3 and 4. The Motion passed by the following votes:

AYES: Ashton, Bailey, Benoit, Berg, Betts, Brown, Clarke, Gazeley, Giba, Hadjinian, Hagman, Herrera, Hofbauer, Hyatt, Judge, Kelley, Lane, Lorimore, Manos, Marquez, McCallon, McLean, Medina, Messina, Michael, Minagar, Moore, Navarro, Pedroza, Pettis, Puckett, Real Sebastian, Silva, Simonoff, Sternquist, Tercero, Viegas-Walker, Wapner, Weintraub, Wilson (40)

NOES: None (0)

ABSTAIN: Saleh (1)

2. Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) Proposed SB 743 Implementation Guidelines and Technical Advisory

Michael Gainor, SCAG staff, provided an update on SB 743 Implementation Guidelines. Mr. Gainor noted the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) had prepared a set of proposed updates to the CEQA Guidelines including some significant changes to the transportation impact analysis methodology as required by SB 743. He stated a workshop was conducted January 31, 2018 with SCAG and OPR staff and included the participation of more than 120 stakeholders, including local jurisdictions' planning and public works staff.

A MOTION was made (Kelley) and SECONDED (Navarro) to approve Consent Calendar item 2. The Motion passed by the following votes:

AYES: Ashton, Bailey, Benoit, Berg, Betts, Brown, Clarke, Gazeley, Giba, Hadjinian, Hagman, Herrera, Hofbauer, Hyatt, Kelley, Lane, Lorimore, Manos, Marquez,

McCallon, Medina, Messina, Michael, Minagar, Moore, Navarro, Pedroza, Pettis, Puckett, Real Sebastian, Saleh, Silva, Simonoff, Sternquist, Tercero, Viegas-Walker, Wapner, Weintraub, Wilson (39)

NOES: None (0)
ABSTAIN: McLean (1)

INFORMATION ITEMS

5. California Road Charge Pilot Program

Norma Ortega, Caltrans Chief Financial Officer, reported on the California Road Charge Pilot Program. Ms. Ortega stated the pilot program originated with passage of Senate Bill 1077 (SB 1077) in recognition that the State gas tax had not been raised in over 20 years, and she noted that revenue from the gas tax was not indexed to inflation—resulting in a 50% decrease in purchasing power. Ms. Ortega stated that SB 1077 called for the creation of a Road Charge Technical Advisory Committee, which was formed to study a road charge as an alternative to the gas tax. She noted a series of outreach meetings took place throughout the State seeking public input on the design of the pilot. Ms. Ortega reported 5,000 vehicles statewide participated in the pilot program over a nine-month period, and that further, six mileage reporting methods were used and the pilot included heavy-duty commercial vehicles making it the largest road charge pilot in the nation to date.

Ms. Ortega reviewed the various elements of the pilot program including reporting methods, user privacy, data security, user statements and the revenue neutral per mile charge of 1.8 cents. She noted that 85% of pilot participants were satisfied with the overall program, 78% were satisfied with the pilot and 73% agreed that a road charge was fairer than a gas tax. Ms. Ortega stated that next steps included recommendations from the California Transportation Commission to the State Legislature by December 2018.

Hon. Trish Kelley, Mission Viejo, asked at which stage in the process would there be a deliberation of the per-mile fee. Ms. Ortega responded that those deliberations would be held at the Legislature and was likely five to ten years in the future. She further stated the focus of the pilot was evaluating the functionality, complexity and feasibility of the critical elements of a potential road charge but a range of issues would likely be debated in policy discussions by the Legislature, including the per-mile fee.

Hon. Sam Pedroza, Claremont, asked if vehicle fleets were part of the pilot program. Ms. Ortega responded that several vehicle fleets were part of the program including Caltrans, those from participating cities and counties as well as those from AAA Southern California.

6. How Transit Affects Job Seekers

Marlon Boarnet, Ph.D., Professor and Chair, Department of Urban Planning, University of Southern California, reported on current research that examined the ability of low income workers to access jobs using transit. He noted that transit travel time included time spent accessing/egressing to and from transit stops, waiting or transferring on transit and in-vehicle time. Further, he noted that time spent accessing/egressing to and from transit represented 20% or greater of transit travel time. Dr. Boarnet researched low income Census tracts in San Diego and noted that low wage workers travelling by car could reach 444,677 jobs in the county; however; those travelling on transit could access 24,703 jobs in a 30-minute transit trip. He stated that his study found that improving First/Last Mile access to transit was a more effective

way to increase transit use and less costly than increasing transit line headways. Dr. Boarnet noted that improving transit access/egress could be an effective equity planning tool. He also noted bicycle use or bike sharing programs with seamless transit integration in low-income neighborhoods and shared car services could be explored to improve access to transit in low income neighborhoods.

7. Metro's First/Last Mile Program Update

Katie Lemmon, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro), provided an update on Metro's First/Last Mile program. Ms. Lemmon reported First/Last Mile planning sought to facilitate transit trips by improving station connections and passenger safety for those walking, biking and using other modes to access Metro's stations. She noted improving First/Last Mile connections improved passenger safety, and increased access to schools, jobs, shopping and other destinations. She noted that field observations were conducted to examine typical First/Last Mile barriers, and that those barriers included long street blocks lacking crosswalks, uneven or broken sidewalks, inadequate bicycle facilities, freeway underpasses, inadequate drainage on some streets, lack of bus stop shelters, and inadequate transit way-finding signs.

Ms. Lemmon stated that current projects included First/Last Mile planning for Blue Line stations. Additionally, she stated that First/Last Mile planning and implementation was underway for the Purple Line extensions Phase 2 and 3 as well for Crenshaw Line stations and the Gold Line extension 2B. She noted collaboration with cities was critical to the success of First/Last Mile efforts and stated a First/Last Mile training would be held March 7, 2018 in Palmdale.

Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, El Centro, commented that current efforts ought to include outreach to Chambers of Commerce and those in the regional tourism industry. She noted the tourist population may be uncertain how to access public transit and encouraged more outreach toward this group of potential transit riders.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Curt Hagman, San Bernardino County, reported that a location was being sought in Southern California for autonomous vehicle testing and encouraged a review of future transportation technologies such as personal pods, maglev technology and future trends.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Hon. Jim Clarke, Culver City, asked if SCAG could take an active role with traffic application companies such as Waze to see if they could differentiate HOV and FasTrak lanes so drivers were aware of them and could judge time and distance when taking evaluating travel options.

Hon. Rusty Bailey, Riverside, asked for a discussion on the progress of streetcars in Orange County and Los Angeles. Hon. Jeff Giba, Moreno Valley, asked for a presentation on maintaining roads and highways, the materials used, time involved and cost.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Curt Hagman, San Bernardino County, adjourned the meeting at 11:43 a.m.

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Transportation Committee Attendance Report

2018

	Member (including Ex-Officio) Last Name, First Name	Representing	X = County Represented					X = Attended			= No Meeting			NM = New Member			Mtgs Attended	
			IC	LA	OC	RC	SB	VC	Feb	Mar	April	GA May	June	July	Aug	Sept		Oct
1	Ashton, Sean*	Downey		X					X									
2	Bailey, Rusty*	Riverside, WRCOG				X			X									
3	Becerra, Glen*	Simi Valley						X	X									
4	Benoit, Ben*	South Coast AQMD				X			X									
5	Berg, Will	VCOG, Port Huename							X									
6	Betts, Russell	CVAG				X			X									
7	Bishop, Austin	County																
8	Brown, Art*	Buena Park			X				X									
9	Buscaino, Joe*	Los Angeles		X					X									
10	Castro, Nieves	Caltrans District 7																
11	Chun, Ross	Aliso Viejo, OCTA			X				X									
12	Clarke, Jim	Culver City, WCCOG		X					X									
13	Curtis, Jonathan*	La Cañada Flintridge		X														
14	Gabel-Luddy, Emily	Burbank, AVCJPA		X														
15	Gazaley, James*	Lomita		X					X									
16	Giba, Jeffrey*	Moreno Valley				X			X									
17	Gonzalez, Lena*	Long Beach		X														
18	Hadjinian, Jack	Montebello, SGVCOG		X					X									
19	Hagman, Curt* (Chair)	San Bernardino County					X		X									
20	Harnik, Jan*	Palm Desert, RCTC				X												
21	Harrington, Dave	Aliso Viejo, OCCOG			X													
22	Herrera, Carol*	Diamond Bar		X					X									
23	Hofbauer, Steven*	County		X					X									
24	Huizar, Jose*	Los Angeles		X														
25	Hyatt, Jim*	Calimesa				X			X									
26	Judge, Mike*	Simi Valley, VCTC						X	X									
27	Kelley, Trish	Mission Viejo, OCCOG			X				X									
28	Krupa, Linda	Hemet, WRCOG				X												
29	Lane, Randon* (Vice Chair)	Murrieta				X			X									
30	Ledford, James C.	County		X														
31	Lorimore, Clint*	Eastvale				X			X									
32	Manos, Steve*	Lake Elsinore				X			X									
33	Marquez, Ray*	Chino Hills					X		X									
34	McCallon, Larry	Highland					X		X									
35	McLean, Marsha*	Santa Clarita		X					X									
36	Medina, Dan*	Gardena		X					X									
37	Messina, Barbara*	Alhambra		X					X									
38	L. Dennis Michael*	Rancho Cucamonga					X		X									
39	Minagar, Fred*	Laguna Niguel			X				X									
40	Moore, Carol	Laguna Woods, OCCOG			X				X									
41	Murray, Kris*	Anaheim		X														
42	Navarro, Frank*	Colton					X		X									
43	Nelson, Shawn*	County of Orange			X													
44	O'Connor, Pam*	Santa Monica		X														
45	Pedroza, Sam*	Claremont		X					X									
46	Pettis, Greg*	Cathedral City				X			X									
47	Puckett, Charles*	Tustin							X									
48	Real Sebastian, Teresa	Monterey Park/SGVCOG		X					X									
49	Robinson, Dwight	Lake Forest, OCCOG			X													
50	Ruiz, Crystal	WRCOG/San Jacinto				X												
51	Saleh, Ali*	City of Bell, GCCOG		X					X									
52	Sandoval, Damon	Morongo Band of Mission Indians																
53	Silva, Jesus	Fullerton			X				X									
54	Simonoff, Marty*	Brea			X				X									
55	Sinanyan, Zareh	Glendale		X														
56	Solache, José Luis*	Lynwood		X														
57	Stanton, Barb*	Apple Valley					X											
58	Sternquist, Cynthia	Temple City		X					X									
59	Talamantes, Jess			X														
60	Tercero, Brent	Pico Rivera		X					X									
61	Viegas-Walker, Cheryl*	El Centro	X						X									
62	Wapner, Alan*	SBCTA/SBCOG					X		X									
63	Weintraub, Alicia	Calabasas/LVMCOG		X					X									
64	Wilson, Michael*	Indio, CVAG				X			X									
		Totals	1	24	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11

* Regional Council Member