



Southern California Association of Governments Remote Participation Only July 1, 2021

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (TC) THURSDAY, JUNE 3, 2021

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.igm2.com/Citizens/

The Transportation Committee of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) held its meeting telephonically and electronically given public health directives limiting public gatherings due to the threat of COVID-19 and in compliance with the Governor's recent Executive Order N-29-20. A quorum was present.

Members Present:

Hon.	Sean Ashton, Downey (Chair)	District 25
Hon.	Phil Bacerra, Santa Ana	District 16
Hon.	Liz Becerra, Victorville	District 65
Hon.	Ben Benoit, Wildomar	South Coast AQMD
Hon.	Russel Betts, Desert Hot Springs	CVAG
Hon.	Art Brown, Buena Park (Vice Chair)	District 21
Hon.	Ross Chun, Aliso Viejo	OCTA
Hon.	Darrell Dorris	Lancaster, NCTC
Hon.	John Dutrey, Montclair	SBCTA
Hon.	James Gazeley, Lomita	District 39
Hon.	Ray Hamada, Bellflower	District 24
Hon.	Jan Harnik, Palm Desert	RCTC
Hon.	Laura Hernandez, Port Hueneme	District 45
Hon.	Christian Horvath	Pres. Apt.
Hon.	Lindsey Horvath	WSCCOG
Hon.	Mike T. Judge, Simi Valley	VCTC
Hon.	Trish Kelley, Mission Viejo	OCCOG
Hon.	Linda Krupa, Hemet	WRCOG
Hon.	Clint Lorimore, Eastvale	District 4
Hon.	Steven Ly, Rosemead	District 32
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. Frank Navarro, Colton District 6 Hon. Blanca Pacheco GCCOG Hon. Jon Primuth, S. Pasadena **AVCJPA** Hon. Ed Reece **SGVCOG** District 27 Hon. Ali Saleh, Bell Hon. Tim Sandoval, Pomona District 38 Hon. Rey Santos, Beaumont District 3 Hon. Zak Schwank, Temecula District 5 Hon. Tim Shaw **OCTA** Hon. Jeremy Smith Canyon Lake Hon. Ward Smith, Placentia OCCOG

Hon. Jose Luis Solache, Lynwood District 26

Hon. Karen Spiegel **Riverside County**

Hon. Cynthia Sternguist, Temple City **SGVCOG** Hon. Jess Talamantes, Burbank Pres. Appt. Hon. Steve Tye District 37 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 **LVMCOG** Hon. Alicia Weintraub, Calabasas

Ex-Officio Member Mr. Paul Marquez, Caltrans District 7

Members Not Present:

Hon. Kathryn Barger Los Angeles County

District 47 Hon. Lorrie Brown Hon. Joe Buscaino, Los Angeles District 62 Hon. Jonathan Curtis, La Cañada-Flintridge District 36

Hon. Curt Hagman San Bernardino County

Hon. Paul Krekorian District 49 Hon. Richard Loa, Palmdale NCTC Hon. Maria Nava-Froelich **ICTC**



Hon.Crystal Ruiz, San JacintoWRCOGHon.Marty Simonoff, BreaDistrict 22Hon.Scott Voigts, Lake ForestOCCOG

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Hon. Sean Ashton, Downey, District 25, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Hon. Marsha McLean, NLAC, District 67, led the Pledge of Allegiance. A quorum was present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

John Asuncion, SCAG staff, reported no public comments were received up to the moment and none are requested from the floor.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval Items

1. Minutes of TC Meeting, April 1, 2021

Receive and File

- 2. Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (CAPTI) Comment Letter
- 3. Update on SCAG's Broadband Programs
- 4. Community Project Funding

A MOTION was made (Wallace) to approve Consent Calendar Items 1 through 3. The motion was SECONDED (Gazeley). The motion passed by the following votes.

AYES:

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NOES: None (0)



ABSTAIN: HORVATH C., MINAGAR, PACHECO (abstained on Item No. 1) (3)

Hon. Marsha McLean, NLAC, District 67, asked for a separate discussion on item 4 and requested that it be presented in length at a future meeting. Staff provided a brief update. A MOTION was made (McCallon) to file item 4 with a request for future staff updates. The motion was SECONDED (Gazeley) and passed by the following votes.

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NOES: None (0)

ABSTAIN: McLean (1)

INFORMATION ITEMS

5. SCAG and UC Davis: COVID-19 Mobility Study Preliminary Findings

Dr. Giovanni Circella, UC Davis, reported on the effects of COVID-19 on mobility. He stated most elements of transportation have been affected by the pandemic and reported changes for different transportation modes. He noted all transportation types saw a decline during the pandemic year except active transportation. Dr. Circella stated driving has nearly rebounded to pre-pandemic levels while transit use has not. Further, interest in private vehicle ownership has increased which could raise concerns about future traffic congestion. He reported transportation changes for each county and demographic and noted the next steps of the study.

6. Southern California Edison Charge Ready Program

Irfan Parekh, Southern California Edison (SCE), reported on SCE's effort to deploy charging stations for light duty vehicles. Mr. Parekh stated the \$432 million program will launch July 2021 with a goal to install 35,000 – 40,000 charging ports in the ensuing 5 years to support electric vehicles and larger climate goals. He noted the program strategy includes disadvantaged areas as well as multifamily housing. The various elements were explained including program requirements, incentives, rebates, and equity efforts. He reviewed anticipated grid demand, service considerations and how cities can partner in the effort.



7. Future of the Office After COVID-19

Amber Schiada, Insight & Advisory, reported on office work post COVID-19. Ms. Schiada stated that in the future companies will likely design offices for a hybrid approach mixing both office and virtual work although critical office functions won't be easily replaced by virtual work. Additionally, it is anticipated that 80% of workers will return to office work in fall 2021. Further, it is expected that working from home will not increase to a great degree. She reviewed the office strategy for the region's largest employers. Next, she reviewed the trend of business and personal relocations stating companies maintain a presence in their home state while expanding to additional job centers instead of fully relocating. Ms. Schiada stated most employers value employee office collaboration and will continue to maintain an office profile.

METROLINK REPORT

Hon. Art Brown, Buena Park, District 21 reported that Arnold Hackett has been named Interim Chief Executive Officer following the departure of former CEO Stephanie Wiggins. Also, Saturday service has been launched on the Ventura County Line from the Moorpark station to downtown Los Angeles with a morning departure and evening return. Additionally, the Board adopted an Accessibility and Affordability Study, which includes recommendations that the Authority adopt a definition of equity and that the agency consider a low-income fare discount program as immediate next steps.

ADJOURNMENT

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

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