



MINUTES OF THE MEETING
EXECUTIVE/ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE (EAC)
WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 2023

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES IS A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE EXECUTIVE/ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE (EAC). AN AUDIO RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE AT: <http://scag.ig2.com/Citizens/>.

The Executive/Administration Committee (EAC) of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) held its regular meeting at the JW Marriott Desert Springs Resort and Spa, Director Suite A, 74-855 Country Club Drive, Palm Desert, CA 92260. A quorum was present.

Members Present

Hon. Jan Harnik, President

Sup. Curt Hagman, 2nd Vice President

Hon. Clint Lorimore, Imm. Past President

Hon. Frank Yokoyama, Chair, CEHD

Hon. David J. Shapiro, Vice Chair, CEHD

Hon. Luis Plancarte, Vice Chair, EEC

Hon. Deborah Robertson, Chair, EEC

Hon. Ray Marquez, Chair, TC

Hon. Margaret Finlay, President’s Appt.

Hon. Kathleen Kelly, President’s Appt.

Eastvale

Cerritos

Calabasas

Rialto

Chino Hills

Duarte

Palm Desert

RCTC

San Bernardino County

District 4

District 23

District 44

Imperial County

District 8

District 10

District 35

District 2

Members Not Present

Hon. Art Brown, 1st Vice President

Hon. Tim Sandoval, Vice Chair, TC

Hon. Nithya Raman, President’s Appt.

Hon. Patricia Lock Dawson, Vice Chair, LCMC

Hon. Larry McCallon, President’s Appt.

Hon. Jose Luis Solache, Chair, LCMC

Hon. Andrew Masiel, Sr.

Hon. Lucy Dunn

Buena Park

Pomona

Los Angeles

Riverside

Highland

Lynwood

Pechanga Dev. Corp.

District 21

District 38

District 51

District 68

District 7

District 26

TGRP Representative

Business Representative

Staff Present

Kome Ajise, Executive Director
Darin Chidsey, Chief Operating Officer
Debbie Dillon, Chief Strategy Officer
Cindy Giraldo, Chief Financial Officer
Sarah Jepson, Chief Planning Officer
Javiera Cartagena, Chief Government and Public Affairs Officer
Carmen Flores, Chief Human Resources Officer
Julie Shroyer, Chief Information Officer
Michael Houston, Chief Counsel/Director of Legal Services
Ruben Duran, Board Counsel
Maggie Aguilar, Clerk of the Board
Cecilia Pulido, Deputy Clerk of the Board

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable Jan Harnik called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. President Harnik asked Mayor Kathleen Kelly, Palm Desert, District 2, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

President Harnik opened the Public Comment Period and outlined instructions for public comments. She noted this was the time for persons to comment on any matter pertinent to SCAG's jurisdiction that were not listed on the agenda. She reminded the public to submit comments via email to ePublicComment@scag.ca.gov.

The Clerk acknowledged there no written public comments received before or after the deadline.

Seeing no public comment speakers, President Harnik closed the Public Comment Period.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

There was no prioritization of agenda items.

ACTION ITEM

1. Resolution No. 23-655-1 Approving the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Final Comprehensive Budget

There were no public comments on this item.

Cindy Giraldo, Chief Financial Officer, reported that on March 1st and 2nd, the EAC and Regional Council approved the draft comprehensive budget which included the overall work program and general fund budget. Additionally, staff was authorized to release the draft overall work program for public comment. She noted that the public comment period closed on April 3rd and no public comments were received. She reported that the budget totals were \$350.3 million which was an increase of \$1.37 million from the draft comprehensive budget. She indicated that \$1.2 million of the total increase was due to budget carry over adjustments. There were no other significant changes to the budget.

The comprehensive staff report was included in the agenda packet and posted on the SCAG website. The meeting audio is also available on the SCAG website.

A MOTION was made (Finlay) that the Executive/Administration Committee (EAC) recommend that Regional Council (RC): 1) Adopt Resolution No. 23-655-1 approving the Fiscal Year 2023-24 (FY2023-24) Final Comprehensive Budget, subject to approval of the General Fund Budget and Membership Dues Assessment by the SCAG General Assembly; 2) Authorize the Executive Director, or his designee, to submit the FY 2023-24 Overall Work Program (OWP) to the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), and Federal Transit Administration (FTA); and 3) Authorize the Executive Director, or his designee, to submit the FY24 Indirect Cost Rate Proposal (ICRP) and the FY24 Fringe Benefits Cost Rate Proposal to the FTA. Motion was SECONDED (Hagman) and passed by the following votes:

AYES: Finlay, Hagman, Harnik, Kelly, Lorimore, Marquez, Plancarte, Shapiro, and Yokoyama (9)

NOES: None (0)

ABSTAIN: None (0)

CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no public comments on the Consent Calendar.

Approval Items

2. Minutes of the Regular Meeting – April 5, 2023

Receive and File

3. Purchase Orders, Contracts and Amendments below Regional Council Approval Threshold

4. CFO Monthly Report

A MOTION was made (Hagman) to approve the Consent Calendar Item 2; and Receive and File Items 3 and 4. Motion was SECONDED (Finlay) and passed by the following votes:

AYES: Finlay, Hagman, Harnik, Kelly, Lorimore, Marquez, Plancarte, Shapiro, and Yokoyama (9)

NOES: None (0)

ABSTAIN: None (0)

CFO REPORT

Cindy Giraldo, Chief Financial Officer, reported that the CFO report had a new section that would be included regularly going forward, and it would be titled Updates from the Chief Planning Officer. She indicated that the report would contain timely updates on active and recently completed projects happening in SCAG’s region. Lastly, she introduced the new Controller, Beatrice Valdez.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

President Harnik reported that SCAG’s annual Sacramento Summit took place on April 17th and 18th. She noted that a delegation of elected officials from the region discussed transportation, housing and greenhouse gas reduction goals with more than 30 legislative offices and departments. She stated SCAG hosted the Regional Utilities Supporting Housing Industry Forum on April 28 in partnership with PlaceWorks and the Urban Land Institute of Los Angeles. The forum brought together regional and national thought leaders to discuss recommendations for implementing the basic utility infrastructure needed for housing in the region. She reported SCAG led a roundtable discussion with California Public Utilities Commissioner Darcie Houck on April 26 to discuss opportunities and challenges pertaining to bridging the digital divide in our region. During the roundtable, it was discovered that CPUC commissioners were aware of the concerns and various challenges of local jurisdictions and were developing solutions to streamline the grant process. Lastly, she reported the next meeting of the EAC was scheduled for Wednesday, May 31, 2023 at 3:00 pm.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Executive Director Kome Ajise reported that SCAG had three funding calls open for the Regional Early Action Planning program. He noted that the Subregional Partnership Program, the County



Transportation Commission Partnership Program and the Sustainable Communities Program: Civic Engagement, Equity and Environmental Justice programs were granting \$108 million dollars to advance work to increase housing and improve transportation. He stated the Housing Infill on Public and Private Lands Pilot Program and the Notice of Funds Available for Lasting Affordability calls would be announced May 10. He reported SCAG reached critical milestones in addressing federal corrective action on the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program. He reported that SCAG's Compliance Action Plan was approved by the Regional Council in February 2023 would be effective July 1, 2023. He noted that SCAG has also been working with County Transportation Commissions and partners over the last 10 months to develop draft STBG/CMAQ Program Guidelines to define the specifics of the new process which was presented in draft form to the County Transportation Commissions. He indicated that Staff would be preparing to transmit the draft STBG/CMAQ Program Guidelines to Caltrans and federal agencies for consideration by May 15. He noted that the Program Guidelines were anticipated to be brought to the Regional Council in June 2023. Lastly, he reported The California State Rail Plan was last updated in 2018 and was currently out for public review and comment through May 10. He indicated that SCAG staff reviewed the draft plan and had prepared comments that would be submitted to Caltrans.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no future agenda items.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Harnik adjourned the Meeting of the Executive Administration Committee at 3:32 p.m.

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Executive / Administration Committee Attendance Report

MEMBERS	CITY	Representing	2022-23															Total M Attend To Dat	
			JUN	30-Jun	1-Jul	JULY	AUG	15-Aug	31-Aug	OCT	NOV	30-Nov	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY		
Hon. Jan Harnik, Chair, President, Chair		RCTC	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	15	
Hon. Art Brown, 1st Vice Chair	Buena Park	District 21	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	11	
Hon. Curt Hagman		San Bernardino County										1	1	1	1	0	1	1	6
Hon. Clint Lorimore, Imm. Past President	Eastvale	District 4	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	
Hon. Frank Yokoyama, Chair, CEHD	Cerritos	District 23	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	15	
Hon. David J. Shapiro, Vice Chair, CEHD	Cerritos	District 44	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	15	
Hon. Deborah Roberston, Chair, EEC	Rialto	District 8	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	
Hon. Luis Plancarte, Vice Chair, EEC		Imperial County	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	13	
Hon. Ray Marquez, Chair, TC	Chino Hills	District 10	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	
Hon. Tim Sandoval, Vice Chair, TC	Pomona	District 38	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	
Hon. Jose Luis Solache, Chair, LCMC	Lynwood	District 26	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	8	
Hon. Patricia Lock Dawson, Vice Chair, LCMC	Riverside	District 68										1	1	1	1	0	4		
Hon. Margaret Finlay, President's Appt.	Duarte	District 35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	13	
Hon. Kathleen Kelly, President's Appt.	Palm Desert	District 2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	15	
Hon. Larry McCallon, President's Appt.	Highland	District 7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	14	
Hon. Nithya Ramen, President's Appt.	Los Angeles	District 51	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	
Hon. Andrew Masiel, Sr.	Pechanga Dev. Corporation	Tribal Government Regional Planning Board	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	8	
Ms. Lucy Dunn, Ex-Officio Member	Lucy Dunn Strategic Issues Mar	Business Representative	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	12	
			13	14	13	14	12	13	14	12	13	13	16	14	14	14	10	1	

Attachment: EAC Attendance Sheet 2022-23 May (Minutes of the Meeting - May 3, 2023)