

NO. 578
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2016

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE REGIONAL COUNCIL. A VIDEO RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE ON THE SCAG WEBSITE AT: www.scag.ca.gov/scagtv/index.htm

The Regional Council (RC) of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) held its meeting at the SCAG Los Angeles office. There was a quorum.

Members Present

Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, President	<i>El Centro</i>	District 1
Hon. Michele Martinez, 1 st Vice President	<i>Santa Ana</i>	District 16
Hon. Margaret E. Finlay, 2 nd Vice President	<i>Duarte</i>	District 35
Hon. Carl Morehouse, Immediate Past President	<i>San Buenaventura</i>	District 47
Hon. Michael D. Antonovich		Los Angeles County
Hon. Jim Katapodis		OCTA
Hon. Curt Hagman		San Bernardino County
Hon. Linda Parks		Ventura County
Hon. Chuck Washington		Riverside County
Hon. Alan Wapner	<i>Ontario</i>	SANBAG
Hon. Keith Millhouse	<i>Moorpark</i>	VCTC
Hon. Jim Hyatt	<i>Calimesa</i>	District 3
Hon. Clint Lorimore	<i>Eastvale</i>	District 4
Hon. Frank Navarro	<i>Colton</i>	District 6
Hon. Larry McCallon	<i>Highland</i>	District 7
Hon. Deborah Robertson	<i>Rialto</i>	District 8
Hon. Paul Eaton	<i>Montclair</i>	District 9
Hon. Ray Marquez	<i>Chino Hills</i>	District 10
Hon. Mike Munzing	<i>Aliso Viejo</i>	District 12
Hon. Barbara Kogerman	<i>Laguna Hills</i>	District 13
Hon. Steven Choi	<i>Irvine</i>	District 14
Hon. Steve Hwangbo	<i>La Palma</i>	District 18
Hon. Kris Murray	<i>Anaheim</i>	District 19
Hon. Tri Ta	<i>Westminster</i>	District 20
Hon. Art Brown	<i>Buena Park</i>	District 21
Hon. Victor Manalo	<i>Artesia</i>	District 23
Hon. Gene Daniels	<i>Paramount</i>	District 24
Hon. Sean Ashton	<i>Downey</i>	District 25
Hon. José Luis Solache	<i>Lynwood</i>	District 26
Hon. Ali Saleh	<i>Bell</i>	District 27
Hon. Dan Medina	<i>Gardena</i>	District 28



Members Present – continued

Hon. Andrew Sarega	<i>La Mirada</i>	District 31
Hon. Margaret Clark	<i>Rosemead</i>	District 32
Hon. Gene Murabito	<i>Glendora</i>	District 33
Hon. Barbara Messina	<i>Alhambra</i>	District 34
Hon. Jonathan Curtis	<i>La Cañada Flintridge</i>	District 36
Hon. Carol Herrera	<i>Diamond Bar</i>	District 37
Hon. James Gazeley	<i>Lomita</i>	District 39
Hon. Judy Mitchell	<i>Rolling Hills Estates</i>	District 40
Hon. Pam O’Connor	<i>Santa Monica</i>	District 41
Hon. Jess Talamantes	<i>Burbank</i>	District 42
Hon. Steven Hofbauer	<i>Palmdale</i>	District 43
Hon. John Sibert	<i>Malibu</i>	District 44
Hon. Carmen Ramirez	<i>Oxnard</i>	District 45
Hon. Felipe Fuentes	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 54
Hon. Joe Buscaino	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 62
Hon. Karen Spiegel	<i>Corona</i>	District 63
Hon. Erik Peterson	<i>Huntington Beach</i>	District 64
Hon. Ryan McEachron	<i>Victorville</i>	District 65
Hon. Antonio Lopez	<i>San Fernando</i>	District 67
Hon. Rusty Bailey	<i>Riverside</i>	District 68
Hon. Ross Chun	<i>Aliso Viejo</i>	TCA
Mr. Randall Lewis	<i>Lewis Group of Companies</i>	Business Representative

Members Not Present

Hon. Jack Terrazas		Imperial County
Hon. Mark Ridley-Thomas		Los Angeles County
Hon. Michelle Steel		Orange County
Hon. Jan Harnik	<i>Palm Desert</i>	RCTC
Hon. Greg Pettis	<i>Cathedral City</i>	District 2
Hon. Randon Lane	<i>Murrieta</i>	District 5
Hon. Bill Jahn	<i>Big Bear Lake</i>	District 11
Hon. Steve Nagel	<i>Fountain Valley</i>	District 15
Hon. John Nielsen	<i>Tustin</i>	District 17
Hon. Marty Simonoff	<i>Brea</i>	District 22
Hon. Rex Richardson	<i>Long Beach</i>	District 29
Hon. Lena Gonzalez	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 30
Hon. Sam Pedroza	<i>Claremont</i>	District 38
Hon. Glen Becerra	<i>Simi Valley</i>	District 46
Hon. Gilbert Cedillo	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 48
Hon. Paul Krekorian	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 49 / Public Transit Rep. (Metro)
Hon. Bob Blumenfield	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 50
Hon. David Ryu	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 51
Hon. Paul Koretz	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 52



Members Not Present - continued

Hon. Nury Martinez	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 53
Hon. Marqueece Harris-Dawson	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 55
Hon. Curren D. Price, Jr.	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 56
Hon. Herb Wesson, Jr.	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 57
Hon. Mike Bonin	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 58
Hon. Mitchell Englander	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 59
Hon. Mitch O’Farrell	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 60
Hon. José Huizar	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 61
Hon. Michael Wilson	<i>Indio</i>	District 66
Hon. Jeffrey Giba	<i>Moreno Valley</i>	District 69
Hon. Mary “Maxine” Resvaloso	<i>Torres-Martínez, Desert Cahuilla Indians</i>	Tribal Government
Hon. Eric Garcetti	<i>Los Angeles</i>	(Member-at-Large)

Staff Present

- Hasan Ikhata, Executive Director
- Debbie Dillon, Deputy Executive Director, Administration
- Basil Panas, Chief Financial Officer
- Joe Silvey, General Counsel
- Joann Africa, Chief Counsel
- Huasha Liu, Director, Land Use and Environmental Planning
- Darin Chidsey, Director, Strategy, Policy and Public Affairs
- Naresh Amatya, Director, Transportation Planning
- Tess Rey-Chaput, Office of Regional Council Support

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Cheryl Viegas-Walker called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. and asked Councilmember Pam O’Connor, Santa Monica, District 41, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Viegas-Walker announced that all Public Comment speakers for Agenda Item Nos. 2 and 3 will be received when these items are addressed.

Councilmember Joe Lyons, City of Claremont, expressed appreciation and support for SCAG and staff from the City of Claremont.

Councilmember Alan Wapner, SANBAG, expressed thanks to the City of Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti and the members of Los Angeles City Council for cooperating with the transfer of Ontario International Airport to the Ontario International Airport Authority (OIAA). He also thanked SCAG, as one of the early supporters of this effort. Councilmember Wapner announced and introduced OIAA’s new President and Chief Executive Officer, Kelly J. Fredericks, a 33-year aviation veteran, who will oversee the operation and related economic development of Ontario Airport. Mr. Fredericks made remarks and provided an overview of the airport’s goals through optimization of economic impact and customer experience; improvements in air service; and partnerships with agencies.



REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

President Viegas-Walker announced that Action Items/Discussion Items will be taken first to allow ample time for discussion of the 2016 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (2016 RTP/SCS) and its associated Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR). These items will be followed by the Executive Director's Report and the President's Report.

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Executive Director's FY 2015-16 Performance Evaluation

Joe Silvey, General Counsel, reported that the EAC undertakes the Executive Director's Performance Evaluation using input from members of the RC. Starting this year, Mr. Silvey announced that the EAC will also use input from members of the Executive Team that reports to the Executive Director and this input will account for twenty percent of the Executive Director's Performance Evaluation Score. For this year's evaluation process, Mr. Silvey stated that the Executive Director Performance Evaluation materials including the Evaluation Form will be provided electronically to the members of the Regional Council. The materials will include the Executive Director's Duties and Obligations as described in his Employment Agreement; along with accomplishments for the 2015-2016 period. Mr. Silvey announced that completed Evaluation Forms must be submitted no later than 5 pm on Friday, May 13, 2016, for its inclusion to the summary materials that will be provided to the EAC at its scheduled meeting on June 2, 2016.

2. Proposed Final 2016-2040 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (2016 RTP/SCS) Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR)

President Viegas-Walker introduced the item and provided a background of the process of the 2016 RTP/SCS and commended the Regional Council members for their dedication while reminding them of the agency's mission, "*...to facilitate a forum to develop and foster realization of regional plans that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians.*"

In reference to the PowerPoint presentation handout, slide 14, comment 3, President Viegas-Walker noted that the comment should read, "*...the ground-access improvements included in the 2016 RTP/SCS are needed to address not just future demands but also to address congestions that exists [not 'exits'] at LAX today.*"

President Viegas-Walker asked Joe Silvey, General Counsel, to provide an update on the recent correspondence received by SCAG relative to Agenda Items 2 and 3. Mr. Silvey reported several letters were received the previous evening from various organizations and had been distributed electronically to the Regional Council members. He announced that hard-copies were also available at the back of the room. The attachments referenced in these letters had been received separately just before SCAG's meetings and due to the voluminous nature of these attachments, SCAG staff had been unable to reproduce hard-copies for the meeting. However, Mr. Silvey indicated that anyone wishing to obtain a copy of the attachments should contact SCAG staff. He also noted that SCAG staff had reviewed the letters and had provided additional comments which are included in the handout to assist the Regional Council members in the discussion of these items.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

President Viegas-Walker opened the Public Comment Period and announced that comments would be limited to two (2) minutes.

Gary Gileno, resident of West Covina, commented on the following: funding for the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS; carbon dioxide; millennials preference to drive; drought and water shortage; central planning of Southern California; and he shared several articles in the Los Angeles Times and other publications.

Tressy Capps, Toll Free IE, commented regarding the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS.

Melanie Schlotterbeck, Friends of Harbors, Beaches and Parks, thanked SCAG and staff for the inclusion of their agency's comments in the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS and urged the approval of the Plan.

Helen Higgins, Friends of Coyote Hills, expressed support for the approval of the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS. Ms. Higgins commented regarding mapping and opportunities for preservation; and encouraged SCAG to add new layers for possible funding and for unprotected properties that are threatened with development.

Gloria Sefton, Saddleback Canyons Conservancy, expressed support for the approval of the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS and commended the Natural Farmlands Appendix of the Plan.

Dr. Richard Schneider, Councilmember, City of South Pasadena, urged the removal of the 710 Tunnel project in the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS indicating that it does not contribute to air quality conformity and it must be removed from the constrained plan.

Miles Mitchell, Subregional Coordinator, City of Los Angeles, expressed support for the adoption of the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS. He noted support for the SCS component of the Plan that contains information on Cap-and-Trade funding that will be available statewide over the next several years.

Peter Herzog, National Association for Industrial and Office Parks – NAIOP SoCal, and a member of the Global Land Use and Economic (GLUE) Council, expressed support for the adoption of the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS and emphasized the critical importance of the Goods Movement in the region.

Tracy Rafter, BizFed, commented regarding the numerous workshops, meetings and outreach held regarding the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS and expressed support for its adoption. Ms. Rafter echoed Peter Herzog's previous comment regarding Goods Movement while emphasizing the importance of freight and logistics in the economy; and noted technology-neutral solutions in the Plan to achieve climate change, housing solutions and business development. Lastly, Ms. Rafter encouraged SCAG to look at the funding gaps in the Plan while taking into account the recent laws in land use.

Richard Lambros, Southern California Leadership Council (SCLC), expressed support for the adoption of the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS and echoed the comments made by Peter Herzog and Tracy Rafter. He expressed appreciation for honoring local control in the Plan.

Mark Baza, Executive Director, Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC), expressed support for the adoption of the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS—a collection of projects of partner agencies who are responsible for the implementation of the Plan.

Bryan Starr, Senior Vice President, Orange County Business Council (OCBC), stated the agency's engagement in the process of the development of the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS. Mr. Starr commended SCAG President Cheryl Viegas-Walker for her leadership. He also acknowledged Hasan Ikhata, Huasha Liu and Darin Chidsey for their accessibility and willingness to address OCBC's comments.

Lucy Dunn, President and CEO, Orange County Business Council (OCBC), echoed the comments made regarding support for the adoption of the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS. Ms. Dunn emphasized there is still work that will need to be addressed such as funding, implementation at the local and regional level as the success of the Plan is important in the economic prosperity of the region. As a California Transportation Commission (CTC) member, Ms. Dunn commended SCAG for setting the standard in the state level for its innovative efforts.

Jerard Wright, Move LA, commended the Regional Council and SCAG staff in the development of the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS and expressed support for the adoption of the Plan—a blueprint to leverage local control and local investments. Mr. Wright stated Move that LA's interest is in equity, environmental justice, economy and how these relate to infrastructure, transportation, goods movement, etc.

President Viegas-Walker closed the Public Comment Period.

Hasan Ikhata, Executive Director, reported that comment letters, regarding the inclusion of the SR 710-North Project in the Plan, were received last night and responses to these comments had been addressed in the past. Mr. Ikhata noted that a handout of these responses has been distributed to the Regional Council members and copies have been made available for today's meeting. Mr. Ikhata emphasized that, in approving the Plan, it is not approving the SR 710-North study as there is a public process established by Metro and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and should a decision be reached in the process, the Plan will be amended accordingly. Mr. Ikhata emphasized the use of SCAG's state-of-the-art greenhouse gas emission (GHG) modeling tool and methodology that were also reviewed and used by peer state agencies that are responsible for approving the Plan. With regard to the Governor's Executive Orders (EOs), Mr. Ikhata clarified that the goals of the EOs are currently not considered a regulation or requirement to implement a plan for GHG emissions. Mr. Ikhata emphasized the SCAG respects local jurisdiction's authority and that SCAG has no implementation authority on the transportation projects. Lastly, Mr. Ikhata indicated that the aviation forecast for the Los Angeles Airport (LAX) is primarily based on the projected future growth of the region and the economic outlook of the region, the nation and the world at large. In closing, Mr. Ikhata thanked the Regional Council members and indicated the importance of their role in the SCAG region.

As Chair of the Transportation Committee, Councilmember Alan Wapner, SANBAG, thanked Hasan Ikhata for his comments and noted all the public comments received ranging from the 710-North Project, vehicle mileage based user fees, funding commitments to high-speed rail and aviation forecast. When voting for the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS, Chair Wapner cautioned the Regional Council members to

consider the importance of approving the Plan and its associated PEIR in a timely manner and noted that the Plan must also meet both environmental conformity and financial constraints. While some comments were specific to certain projects or components of the Plan, Chair Wapner reiterated that these project-specific concerns should not prevent the approval of the Plan as a whole and urged the Regional Council to support the Plan and its associated PEIR. Chair Wapner suggested that the members voice their concerns on the specific elements of the Plan as these will be noted and recorded. Chair Wapner provided a background on the development of the Plan and its associated PEIR leading up to the adoption of the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS.

Councilmember Steven Choi, Irvine, District 14, thanked SCAG staff for cooperating with City of Irvine staff in addressing comments and noted specifically the development of the policy growth forecast of the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS. Councilmember Choi made a suggestion to allow more time in the future to review the draft Plan and its recirculation and noted for the record that he does not support the California High-Speed Rail project and vehicle miles travelled (VMT) tax. Lastly, he noted the Phase 1 California High-Speed Rail project and the revised proposed Business Plan as referenced in the Plan and stated for the record that he will vote for the adoption of the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS and its associated PEIR to ensure transportation funding will not be jeopardized in the SCAG region.

Councilmember Jonathan Curtis, La Cañada Flintridge, District 36, acknowledged sending a comment letter; thanked the Regional Council and SCAG staff; commented regarding city engagement in the process and opposition to the SR-710 North Project and its environmental impacts; emphasized the importance of educating and promoting Active Transportation in the Plan, including public health, its economic benefits and housing. Lastly, Councilmember Curtis stated he will support the adoption of the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS and thanked President Viegas-Walker for her leadership.

Councilmember Margaret Clark, Rosemead, District 32, stated she will vote for the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS and its associated PEIR; however, would note for the record that she supports the SR-710 North tunnel project, viewing it an environmental justice and social justice issue. She also noted that she does not support the California High-Speed Rail Project but because of the MOU commitment, would support it in the Plan. She also stated she does not support the VMT fee because it punishes those who cannot afford to live close to where they work and other issues. She noted that she was happy with staff for incorporating her suggestion in the Final Plan that states *“the approach is protecting privacy, preventing potential penalties as well as addressing income and geographic equity impacts”* because she fears that the State will impose a penalty for those who drive too many miles and that is not fair. She concluded by stating that she planned to vote for the Plan.

Councilmember Pam O’Connor, Santa Monica, District 41, stated that she represents the cities of Beverly Hills, Culver City, Santa Monica and West Hollywood and majority of these cities support multi-modal transportation options and embrace Active Transportation. Councilmember O’Connor reported that the City of Santa Monica was the first to introduce bike share to allow options and transportation choices for people to travel. She also stated support for the adoption of the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS and invited the members to the Santa Monica Expo on May 20, 2016.

Councilmember Barbara Messina, Alhambra, District 34, commented that in 1996, the multi-modal proposal on the 710 was studied and vetted, and was determined and found, not only it does not work, but



it makes matters worse. Councilmember Messina stated that the study was done by the Federal Highways, Caltrans and Metro; and offered to share the document for those who are interested in reviewing the study.

Councilmember Jess Talamantes, Burbank, District 42, stated he represents the cities of Burbank and Glendale. He reported that the City of Burbank's official position regarding the 710 Tunnel project is "neutral," while Glendale's official position is "opposed." Councilmember Talamantes stated support for the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS although he opposed the 710 Tunnel project.

Councilmember Michele Martinez, Santa Ana, District 16, expressed appreciation for Hasan Ikhata, SCAG staff, and the Regional Council for their efforts in the development of the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS. She also expressed appreciation for transportation choices as indicated in the Plan while emphasizing the importance of equity.

Councilmember Margaret Finlay, Duarte, District 35, expressed appreciation for SCAG staff for their commitment in the development of the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS. While there are differences in opinion, Councilmember Finlay stated she appreciated all the comments received. Lastly, she commended President Cheryl Viegas-Walker for her leadership.

A MOTION was made (Wapner) to certify the Final Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the 2016-2040 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (2016 RTP/SCS) and adopt Findings of Fact, a Statement of Overriding Considerations, and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program associated with the Final PEIR, by adopting Resolution No. 16-578-1. Motion was SECONDED (Robertson) and passed by the following votes.

FOR: Antonovich, Ashton, Bailey, Brown, Buscaino, Choi, Chun, Clark, Daniels, Eaton, Finlay, Fuentes, Gazeley, Hagman, Herrera, Hofbauer, Hwangbo, Hyatt, Kogerman, Lopez, Lorimore, Manalo, Marquez, M. Martinez, McCallon, McEachron, Medina, Messina, Millhouse, Mitchell, Morehouse, Murabito, Murray, Navarro, Nielsen, O'Connor, Parks, Ramirez, Robertson, Saleh, Sarega, Sibert, Solache, Spiegel, Talamantes, Ta, Viegas-Walker, Wapner and Washington (49).

AGAINST: Curtis, Munzing and Peterson (3).

ABSTAIN: None. (0).

3. Proposed Final 2016-2040 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (2016 RTP/SCS)

President Viegas-Walker introduced the item and Transportation Committee Chair Alan Wapner provided a background.

Councilmember Erik Peterson, Huntington Beach, District 64, stated he opposed the vehicle miles travelled tax and commented regarding putting a lot of policy behind science.

Councilmember Mike Munzing, Aliso Viejo, District 12, commented on the various components of the Plan that he disagrees with and stated it is “politically-motivated science.” He stated his observation regarding the lack of awareness of his community regarding the existence of SCAG and the important decisions that are made. For these reasons, Councilmember Munzing stated he will vote against the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS.

Councilmember John Nielsen, Tustin, District 17, echoed the comments Councilmember Mike Munzing made and stated appreciation for his service and the balance he brings to the Regional Council meetings. Councilmember Nielsen also stated he does not agree with AB 32 and SB 375 and fought very hard against these bills. He stated he is against VMT—a violation of personal freedom—and high-speed rail. While these are only two (2) of the many components of the Plan, Councilmember Nielsen stated he will vote for the adoption of the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS.

Councilmember Carl Morehouse, San Buenaventura, District 47, stated appreciation for the comments made by Councilmember Mike Munzing and expressed the same sentiments. He stated that while the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS is underway, a new Plan will be developed in the next four (4) years. He stated that there is a process for amending the Plan, if necessary. Lastly, Councilmember Morehouse stated he will support the adoption of the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS as he understands its purpose.

Councilmember Carmen Ramirez, Oxnard, District 45, stated that she is mindful should there be certain disagreements; however she will support the adoption of the Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS.

Councilmember Karen Spiegel, Corona, District 63, echoed the same comments that Councilmember John Nielsen made and suggested to have the past Minutes of the Meetings available for reference and to follow-up if certain members requested information. She stated the need to support the process of the Plan even though there are certain components that may not be favorable for the sake of the agency as this is a regional decision-making process.

A MOTION was made (Wapner) to adopt Resolution No. 16-578-2, approving the 2016-2040 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (2016 RTP/SCS), including the associated conformity determination and the associated Consistency Amendment No. 15-12 to the 2015 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP). Motion was SECONDED (Murray) and passed by the following votes:

FOR: Antonovich, Ashton, Bailey, Brown, Buscaino, Choi, Chun, Clark, Curtis, Daniels, Eaton, Finlay, Fuentes, Gazeley, Hagman, Herrera, Hofbauer, Hwangbo, Hyatt, Kogerman, Lopez, Lorimore, Manalo, Marquez, M. Martinez, McCallon, McEachron, Medina, Messina, Millhouse, Mitchell, Morehouse, Murabito, Murray, Navarro, Nielsen, O’Connor, Parks, Ramirez, Robertson, Saleh, Sarega, Sibert, Solache, Spiegel, Talamantes, Viegas-Walker, Wapner and Washington (49).

AGAINST: Katapodis, Munzing and Peterson (3).



ABSTAIN: None (0).

RECESS

President Viegas-Walker recessed the April 7, 2016 Regular Meeting of the Regional Council at 12:49 p.m.

RECONVENE

President Viegas-Walker reconvened the April 7, 2016 Regular Meeting of the Regional Council at 1:02 p.m.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Hasan Ikhata, Executive Director, thanked the Regional Council members for the adoption of the Plan; for President Viegas-Walker's leadership; and the Chairs and Vice Chairs of the Policy Committees. He mentioned regarding a specific language in the Business Plan of the California High-Speed Rail Authority regarding its commitment to the \$1 billion dollars in investments in the SCAG region as was agreed in the Memorandum of Understanding signed by SCAG and its partner agencies.

Councilmember Keith Millhouse, Moorpark, VCTC, asked a question as to when will the funds become available. Mr. Ikhata responded that the funding became available two months ago when CHSRA appropriated \$50 million dollars to fund the Union Station project.

Mr. Ikhata reminded the members to attend the 2016 Regional Conference and General Assembly as La Quinta on May 5 – 6, 2016.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Viegas-Walker congratulated Councilmember Pam O'Connor as the new President of the California Association of Council of Governments (CALCOG) and Darin Chidsey as one of members of the CALCOG Directors.

President Viegas-Walker acknowledged and recognized Sarah Jepson, Manager, Active Transportation and Special Programs, for the quality of her recent presentation on the *Go Human* Campaign at the CALCOG Leadership Forum. Ms. Jepson made remarks.

President Viegas-Walker acknowledged and recognized Kimberly Clark, Regional Planner, who participated in an environmental justice event that was recently held in Imperial County. Ms. Clark made remarks.

President Viegas-Walker acknowledged and recognized Mark Baza, Executive Director, Imperial County Transportation Commission, who organized and arranged for transportation at a recent AB 32 field trip and served as the tour guide for the participants.

At the recent Southern California Leadership Council (SCLC) and SCAG Legislative Advocacy trip in Sacramento, President Viegas-Walker asked staff to make the handout available that contains an overview of SCAG Facts and valuable information on various funding sources in the region. President Viegas-Walker acknowledged and recognized Jeff Dunn, Legislative Analyst, and Darin Chidsey, Director, Strategy, Policy and Public Affairs, for coordinating the meeting with the legislators in Sacramento.

President Viegas-Walker reported that she testified before the Assembly Transportation Committee on SCAG's AB 2170 that would directly deposit the Federal FAST Act revenues apportioned to the State from the National Highway Freight Program. President Viegas-Walker thanked the representatives from the region's transportation commissions, ACE, SANDAG, AAA, the Ports and others who supported SCAG's bill.

New Members and Committee Appointments

President Viegas-Walker announced that she will postpone the appointments for the First Responder Network Subcommittee and thanked the following members who expressed interest to serve and noted that there are no representatives yet from Orange, Riverside and Ventura Counties:

Supervisor Curt Hagman (San Bernardino County)
 Hon. Jon Curtis, La Cañada Flintridge (Los Angeles County)
 Hon. Steven Hofbauer (Palmdale, Los Angeles County)
 Hon. Margret Clark (Rosemead, Los Angeles County)
 Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker (El Centro, Imperial County)

New Member Appointments

Hon. Paul Krekorian, Los Angeles, Public Transportation Representative, Metro
 Hon. Vartan Gharpetian, Glendale, representing San Fernando Valley COG (New Member to EEC)

Recent District Election Results

Hon. Marty Simonoff, Brea, District 22 (retained seat)
 Hon. Tri Ta, Westminster, District 20 (retained seat)
 Hon. Ray Marquez, Chino Hills, District 10 (retained seat)
 Hon. Deborah Robertson, Rialto, District 8 (retained seat)
 Hon. Frank Navarro, Colton, District 6 (retained seat)
 Hon. Clint Lorimore, Eastvale, District 4 (retained seat)

New Regional Council Member

Hon. Fred Minagar, Laguna Niguel, District 12

Scholarship Committee Members

1. Hon. Clint Lorimore, Eastvale, District 4
2. Hon. Jan Harnik, RCTC
3. Hon. Judy Mitchell, Rolling Hills Estates, District 40
4. Hon. Jon Curtis, La Cañada Flintridge, District 36
5. Hon. Jess Talamantes, Burbank, District 42
6. Hon. Jose Luis Solache, Lynwood, District 26
7. Hon. Ross Chun, TCA



8. Hon. Margaret Clark, Rosemead, District 32
9. Hon. Deborah Robertson, Rialto, District 8
10. Mr. Randall Lewis, Lewis Group of Companies
11. Dr. Dohyung Kim, Cal Poly Pomona
12. Dr. Ron Loveridge, UCR
13. Dr. James Moore, USC

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval Items

4. Minutes of the March 3, 2016 Regional Council Meeting
5. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 16-013-C1, Customer-Based Ridesharing and Transit Interconnectivity Study
6. Contract Amendment that exceeds 30% of the contract's original value: Contract No. 15-034-C1, to provide additional services Active Transportation Safety and Encouragement Campaign (Tactical Urbanism)
7. Contract Amendment that exceeds 30% of the contract's original value: Contract No. 15-004-C1, to provide additional services for 2016-2040 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (2016 RTP/SCS) Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR)
9. Resolution No. 16-578-3 for the United States Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy (EERE) Clean Cities Outreach, Education, and Performance Tracking Grant
10. SCAG Sponsorship
11. SCAG Conflict of Interest Code
12. AB 1780 (Medina) – Trade Corridor Improvement Fund (TCIF)
13. AB 1813 (Frazier)- High-Speed Rail Authority: Membership
14. AB 2452 (Quirk) – California Environmental Quality Act
15. Approval of Additional Stipend Payments

Receive & File

16. Status Update on Transportation Control Measure (TCM) Substitutions by Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro), Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC), and San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG)
17. Save the Date: The 27th Annual SCAG/USC Demographic Workshop - June 13, 2016



- 18. SCAG Housing Summit, October 11, 2016
- 19. Cap-and-Trade Green House Gas Reduction Fund: Affordable Housing & Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Program Concept Application Review
- 20. 2016 Regional Council and Policy Committees Meeting Schedule
- 21. Purchase Orders \$5,000 but less than \$200,000; Contracts \$25,000 but less than \$200,000; and Amendments \$5,000 but less than \$75,000
- 22. CFO Monthly Report
- 23. April State and Federal Legislative Update

A MOTION was made (Millhouse) to approve the Consent Calendar, except for Agenda Item No. 8. The Motion was SECONDED (McCallon). After the vote was taken electronically, Councilmember Carmen Ramirez, Oxnard, District 45, indicated that she intended to vote “Yes” on the Consent Calendar; however, inadvertently voted “Against.” With the advice from General Counsel, Joe Silvey, President Viegas-Walker directed staff to note on the record regarding Councilmember Ramirez’s “Yes” vote; and is annotated* below. Motion passed by the following votes:

FOR: Antonovich, Ashton, Brown, Choi, Chun, Clark, Curtis, Finlay, Gazeley, Herrera, Hofbauer, Hwangbo, Katapodis, Kogerman, Lopez, Lorimore, Manalo, M. Martinez, McCallon, Medina, Messina, Millhouse, Morehouse, Munzing, Murray, Navarro, O’Connor, Ramirez,* Robertson, Sibert, Solache, Spiegel, Talamantes, Viegas-Walker, Wapner and Washington (36).

AGAINST: Nielsen (1).

ABSTAIN: None (0).

PULLED AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

- 8. Contract Amendment that Exceeds \$75,000: Contract No. 13-023-C1, Regional Transportation Plan Implementation and Project Management Assistance Services

Councilmember Alan Wapner, SANBAG, requested to pull Agenda Item No. 8, for a possible conflict of interest.

A MOTION was made (McCallon) to approve Agenda Item No. 8. Motion was SECONDED (Robertson) and passed by the following votes:

FOR: Antonovich, Ashton, Brown, Choi, Chun, Clark, Curtis, Finlay, Gazeley, Herrera, Hofbauer, Hwangbo, Katapodis, Kogerman, Lopez, Lorimore, Manalo, M. Martinez, McCallon, Medina, Messina, Millhouse, Morehouse, Murray, Navarro, Nielsen, O’Connor, Ramirez, Robertson, Sibert, Solache, Spiegel, Talamantes, Viegas-Walker and Washington (35).



AGAINST: Munzing (1).

ABSTAIN: Wapner (1).

COMMITTEE REPORTS

General Assembly Host Committee

As Chair of the General Assembly Host Committee, Councilmember Margaret Finlay, Duarte, District 35, invited the members to the May 5 – 6, 2016, Regional Conference and General Assembly. A Leadership Symposium on the *Go Human* Campaign is scheduled on May 4. This year's theme is "*Power of the Past, Force of the Future*" with exciting panel discussions and breakout sessions and encouraged the members to seek sponsorships for the event.

Executive/Administration Committee (EAC) Report

President Viegas-Walker thanked the members who filed their FPPC Form 700 as the external auditors will be looking into SCAG's Regional Council and Policy Committee members' compliance in filing their Annual Statement of Economic Interests.

Community, Economic and Human Development (CEHD) Committee

As a member of the CEHD Committee, Councilmember Barbara Kogerman, Laguna Hills, District 13, reported regarding discussions on the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA); affordable housing; and addressing safety in Active Transportation.

Councilmember Carl Morehouse, San Buenaventura, District 47, reported on the committee's election results for 2016-17 that current Chair Bill Jahn and current Vice Chair Larry McCallon were elected to continue to serve.

Energy and Environment Committee (EEC)

As Chair of the EEC, Councilmember Deborah Robertson, Rialto, District 8, reported on the committee's election results for 2016-17 Chair and Vice Chair are: Councilmember Carmen Ramirez, Oxnard, District 45 and Councilmember Ross Chun, Aliso Viejo, TCA, respectively. She also reported on a presentation from a representative from California EPA and discussions on potential contamination into the groundwater. Lastly, Councilmember Robertson invited the members to the May 6 plenary session on "Monetizing Waste."

Legislative, Communications and Memberships Committee (LCMC)

As Chair of the LCMC, Councilmember Pam O'Connor, Santa Monica, District 41, noted the legislative update and informed the members of the SCAG Logo Re-design Subcommittee have met several times and that the new logo will be unveiled at the General Assembly.

Transportation Committee (TC)



Councilmember Barbara Messina, Alhambra, District 34, reported that she was elected as the new Chair 2016-17 Chair and Councilmember Karen Spiegel, Corona, District 63 as Vice Chair.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEM/S

None

Councilmember Carl Morehouse, San Buenaventura, District 47, expressed appreciation for President Viegas-Walker's leadership.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Viegas-Walker adjourned the Regional Council meeting at 2:15 p.m.

In conjunction with the 2016 Regional Conference and General Assembly, the next meeting of the Regional Council is scheduled for Thursday, May 5, 2016 at La Quinta Resort & Club, La Quinta, CA.