



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (CEHD)
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2024

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (CEHD). A VIDEO AND AUDIO RECORDING OF THE FULL MEETING IS AVAILABLE AT: <http://scag.iqm2.com/Citizens/>.

The Community, Human and Development Committee (CEHD) of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) held its regular meeting both in person and virtually (telephonically and electronically). A quorum was present.

Members Present:

Hon. Frank Yokoyama, Chair	<i>Cerritos</i>	District 23
Hon. David Shapiro, Vice Chair	<i>Calabasas</i>	District 44
Hon. Gary Boyer	<i>Glendora</i>	District 33
Hon. Wendy Bucknum	<i>Mission Viejo</i>	District 13
Hon. Tanya D. Doby	<i>Los Alamitos</i>	OCCOG
Hon. Debra Dorst-Porada	<i>Ontario, Pres. Appt.</i>	Member at Large
Hon. Bobby Duncan	<i>Yucaipa</i>	SBCTA
Ms. Lucy Dunn		Ex-Officio
Hon. Keith Eich	<i>La Cañada Flintridge</i>	District 36
Hon. Bob Engler	<i>Thousand Oaks</i>	VCOG
Hon. Rose Espinoza	<i>La Habra</i>	OCCOG
Hon. Waymond Fermon	<i>Indio</i>	CVAG
Hon. Margaret E. Finlay	<i>Duarte</i>	District 35
Hon. John Gabbard	<i>Dana Point</i>	District 12
Hon. Camilo Garcia	<i>Imperial County</i>	CoC
Hon. Marshall Goodman	<i>La Palma</i>	District 18
Hon. Mark Henderson	<i>Gardena</i>	District 28
Hon. Cecilia Hupp	<i>Brea</i>	OCCOG
Hon. Kathleen Kelly	<i>Palm Desert</i>	District 2
Sup. Matt LaVere	<i>Ventura County</i>	CoC
Hon. Jed Leano	<i>Claremont</i>	SGVCOG
Hon. Anni Marshall	<i>Avalon</i>	GCCOG
Hon. Andrew Masiel, Sr.	<i>Tribal Gov't Reg'l Planning Rep.</i>	
Hon. Casey McKeon	<i>Huntington Beach</i>	District 64



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Hon. John Mirisch	<i>Beverly Hills, Pres. Appt.</i>	Member at Large
Hon. Geneva Mojado	<i>Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians</i>	
Hon. Joseph Morabito	<i>Wildomar</i>	WRCOG
Hon. Zizette Mullins	<i>Burbank</i>	AVCJPA
Hon. Joseph Murphy	<i>Pechanga Band of Luiseno Indians</i>	
Hon. George A. Nava	<i>Brawley</i>	ICTC
Hon. Ariel Pe	<i>Lakewood</i>	GCCOG
Hon. Misty Perez	<i>Port Hueneme, Pres. Appt.</i>	Member at Large
Hon. Freddy Puza	<i>Culver City</i>	WCCOG
Hon. Gabriel Reyes	<i>San Bernardino County</i>	CoC
Hon. Rocky Rhodes	<i>Simi Valley</i>	District 46
Hon. Becky Shevlin	<i>Monrovia</i>	SGVCOG
Hon. Helen Tran	<i>San Bernardino</i>	SBCTA
Hon. Mark Waronek	<i>Lomita</i>	SBCCOG
Hon. Tony Wu	<i>West Covina</i>	SGVCOG

Members Not Present

Hon. Ashleigh Aitken	<i>Anaheim</i>	OCTA
Hon. Cindy Allen	<i>Long Beach</i>	District 30
Hon. Valerie Amezcua	<i>Santa Ana</i>	District 16
Hon. Al Austin, II	<i>Long Beach</i>	GCCOG
Hon. Drew Boyles	<i>El Segundo</i>	District 40
Hon. Don Caskey	<i>Laguna Hills</i>	OCCOG
Hon. Claudia M. Frometa	<i>Downey</i>	District 25
Hon. Lynda Johnson	<i>Cerritos</i>	GCCOG
Hon. Tammy Kim	<i>Irvine</i>	District 14
Hon. Lauren Kleiman	<i>Newport Beach</i>	District 15
Hon. Carlos Leon	<i>Anaheim</i>	District 19
Hon. Marisela Nava	<i>Perris</i>	District 69
Hon. Nithya Raman	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 51
Hon. Sonny Santa Ines	<i>Bellflower</i>	GCCOG
Hon. Andrew Sarega	<i>La Mirada</i>	District 31
Hon. Mary Solorio	<i>San Fernando</i>	SFVCOG
Hon. Acquanetta Warren	<i>Fontana</i>	SBCTA
Hon. Frank Zerunyan	<i>Rolling Hills Estates</i>	SBCCOG

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable Frank Yokoyama called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. and asked Councilmember Rocky Rhodes, Simi Valley, District 46, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Chair Yokoyama provided detailed instructions and general information on how to provide public comments. Additionally, he noted that public comments received via email to CEHDPublicComment@scag.ca.gov after 5pm on Wednesday, January 31, 2024, would be announced and included as part of the official record of the meeting.

Chair Yokoyama opened the public comment period and noted this was the time for members of the public to offer comment for matters that are within SCAG's jurisdiction but are not listed on the agenda.

SCAG staff noted there were no written public comments received via email before or after the 5pm deadline on 5pm on Wednesday, January 31, 2024. SCAG staff also noted that there were no public comments for matters not listed on the agenda.

Chair Yokoyama closed the public comment period for matters not listed on the agenda.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no reprioritizations made.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval Items

1. Minutes of the January 4, 2024 Meeting

Receive and File

2. CEHD Agenda Outlook and Future Agenda Items
 3. Connect SoCal 2024: Draft Plan Release Activities
 4. Connect SoCal Connect SoCal 2024 Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) (State Clearinghouse No.: 2022100337): Status Update on Additional Stakeholder Outreach and Preliminary Outline for the Proposed Final PEIR
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A MOTION was made (Hupp) to approve Consent Calendar Items 1; and Receive and File Items 2 through 4. Motion was SECONDED (Rhodes) and passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Boyer, Bucknum, Duncan, Eich, Engler, Espinoza, Gabbard, Garcia, Henderson, Hupp, Kelly, LaVere, Leano, Marshall, Masiel, McKeon, Mirisch, Mojado, Morabito, Mullins, G. Nava, Pe, Perez, Puza, Reyes, Rhodes, Shapiro, Shevlin, Waronek, Wu and Yokoyama (31)

NOES: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

There was no public comments on the Consent Calendar.

INFORMATION ITEMS

5. Governor's Budget Update: Regional Early Action Planning Grant 2021 (REAP 2.0)

Chair Yokoyama provided background information on Governor Newsom's proposed budget that includes \$1.2 billion in cuts for housing programs funding. He asked Ms. Javiera Cartagena, Chief Government and Public Affairs officer, to provide additional details and steps that SCAG is taking to preserve the REAP 2.0 program.

Ms. Cartagena provided background information and discussed the potential impacts the cuts would have on the housing crisis and to the REAP 2.0 funding program. She highlighted the funding in projects currently in progress across the six-county Southern California region and tribal communities, as well as describing the important connections between Connect SoCal and Greenhouse Gas strategies. Ms. Cartagena explained that SCAG authored a budget advocacy letter in response to the Governor's budget, including requests that REAP 2.0 funding be protected; the letter and talking points were distributed to the Budget Committee and to members of the Assembly and Senate budget committees in advance of their hearings. She noted that SCAG leadership continues to advocate and engage with stakeholders to save the REAP 2.0 funding program, including the distribution of a legislative toolkit.

Staff responded to comments and questions expressed by the Councilmembers including responses for a SCAG leadership advocacy letter to be signed by Regional Council members, impacts and implications to REAP 2.0 grant funding already awarded, and exploring internal collaborative partnerships to mitigate pausing work orders. Additionally, staff indicated they would provide a list of projects along with a listing of the Assembly Members and Senate district offices.

This item was a verbal report. There were no public comments on Item No. 5.

6. City of Los Angeles Housing Element Assessment of Fair Housing

Chair Yokoyama provided remarks and asked Ma'Ayn Johnson, SCAG staff, to provide background information and to introduce City of Los Angeles speakers who would present an update on the City of L.A.'s 2023-2028 Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) project.

Ms. Johnson highlighted status REAP 1 projects and provided background information on the AFH's mission of addressing racial and wealth income gaps through home ownership. Ms. Johnson introduced Ms. Jackie Cornejo and Ms. Maya Abood, Finance Development Officers, City of Los Angeles Housing Department, and Ms. Nancy Twum-Akwaboah, Housing, Planning & Economic Analyst, City of Los Angeles Housing Department, whose presentations covered background information and an overview of the AFFH analysis project, funded under the REAP 1.0 Subregional Partnership program.

Highlights of the presentation included discussion of the Housing Department's REAP 1.0 activities and goals, the importance of addressing fair housing needs at the local level, the challenges faced in the Housing Element adoption process, the measures taken to ensure compliance with state law, and the strategies implemented to overcome fair housing issues. Additional highlights focused on the city of Los Angeles' current AFH process, key findings of the data and quantitative analysis of segregation patterns and resource allocations within the city.

Staff responded to comments and questions expressed by the Councilmembers including responses to what role or obstacles income and wealth inequality contributed to limitations within the AFH process, consideration for adopting a local — Tenant Opportunity to Purchase Act (TOPA) or Community Opportunity to Purchase Act (COPA) policy in the Housing Element and addressing the education component as it relates to quality housing and home ownership.

Staff noted that the PowerPoint presentation: City of Los Angeles Housing Element Assessment of Fair Housing and a link to the California School Dashboard website would be provided to the CEHD Committee members after the meeting.

There were no public comments on Item No. 6.

7. Preservation Strategy: Project Update

Chair Yokoyama made opening remarks noting that the REAP 1.0 work program directed REAP funding into projects and programs that would increase housing supply and accelerate housing production in the region. He asked presenters Paul Silvern and Adad Peng, Consultants, HR&A Advisors, Inc. (HR&A), who were selected for the Preservation Strategy project, to share

background information, updates on the project progress to-date, and their findings and key recommendations.

Mr. Silvern and Ms. Peng's presentation focused on a high-level overview of the preservation of At-Risk Deed-Restricted Affordable Housing and At-Risk Naturally Occurring Affordable Housing (NOAH) projects. Some highlights included market contexts and regional variance data, members' experience feedback, key observations, and NOAH preservation strategies.

Staff responded to comments and questions expressed by the Councilmembers including responses to lengths of terms for affordability covenants, cost comparisons of preservation units versus investments in new production and transitional rules and regulations that govern income for unequal distribution of resources and education.

Staff noted that the PowerPoint presentation: Preservation Strategy: Project Update, would be provided to the CEHD Committee members after the meeting.

There were no public comments on Item No. 7.

8. SCAG Region Demographic Update

Chair Yokoyama made opening remarks and asked Kevin Kane, SCAG staff, to provide an overview of the SCAG Region Demographic Update.

Kevin Kane's presentation included a brief update which focused on the most-up-to-date population and housing growth information for the SCAG region. He noted that demographic and trends were important in understanding "who we're planning for," a key step in development and implementation of Connect SoCal.

There were no public comments on Item No. 8.

The comprehensive staff report, Charts and PowerPoint presentation: DemogUpdate_CEHD_Feb2024, were provided in the agenda packet.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Yokoyama welcomed Councilmembers Joseph Murphy (Pechanga Band of Indians, Tribal Rep.) and Ashleigh Aitken (OCTA), to the CEHD Committee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Yokoyama provided highlights of the Chair’s Report. He reported on the following SCAG activities and noted that additional information could be found on SCAG’s website. He shared that the SCAG Scholarship Program and Call for Applications was due by March 22, 2024. He noted that the Go Human Call for Applications would close Friday, February 2, 2024. He reported that SCAG colleagues, President Art Brown and CEHD Chair, Frank Yokoyama, attended the LA County Mobile Workshop on January 19, 2024. Lastly, he reported that elected officials, SCAG President Art Brown, CEHD Chair, Frank Yokoyama and SCAG colleagues attended the new Southeast Gateway Line light rail event in Bellflower, CA.

STAFF REPORT

Ivette Macias, Senior Government Affairs Officer, SCAG staff, reported that CEHD Chair and Vice Chair nominations would take place during the April CEHD meeting. She noted that an email with more information would be sent in mid-February regarding information on nominating someone or themselves. Ms. Macias reiterated that next month, all three policy committees would meet in a Joint Policy Meeting to discuss revisions for Connect SoCal 2024 and Draft PEIR.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Yokoyama requested the CEHD Committee’s participation at the March Joint Policy Meeting on Thursday, March 7, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.

There being no further business, Chair Yokoyama adjourned the meeting of the Community, Economic and Human Development Committee at 11:33 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Carmen Summers
Community, Economic and Human Development Committee Clerk

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COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT															
2023-24															
MEMBERS	Representing	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Total Mtgs Attended To Date	
Aitken, Ashleigh	Anaheim, OCTA									0				0	
Allen, Cindy	Long Beach, RC District 30		1	1		0	1		1	0				4	
Amezcuca, Valarie	Santa Ana, RC District 16	1	1	1		0	0		1	0				4	
Austin, II, Al	Long Beach, GCCOG	0	0	0		0	0		0	0				0	
Boyer, Gary	Glendora, RC District 33	1	1	1		1	1		1	1				7	
Boyles, Drew	El Segundo, RC District 40	0	0	1		0	1		1	0				3	
Bucknum, Wendy	Mission Viejo, RC District 13	1	1	1		1	1		1	1				7	
Caskey, Don	Laguna Hills, OCCOG	1	0	1		0	1		1	0				4	
Doby, Tanya D.	Los Alamitos, OCCOG		0	1		0	1		1	1				4	
Dorst-Porada, Debra	Ontario, Pres. Appt. (Member at Large)	0	0	0		1	1		0	1				3	
Duncan, Bobby	Yucaipa, SBCTA								1	1				2	
Dunn, Lucy	Business Representative	1	1	1		1	1		1	1				7	
Eich, Keith	La Cañada Flintridge, RC District 36	1	0	1	D	1	1	D	1	1				6	
Engler, Bob	Thousand Oaks, VCOG	1	0	1		1	1		1	1				6	
Espinoza, Rose	La Habra, OCCOG	1	1	1		1	1		1	1				7	
Fermon, Waymond	Indio, CVAG	1	1	1		0	0		0	1				4	
Finlay, Margaret E.	Duarte, RC District 35	0	1	0		1	1		0	1				4	
Frometa, Claudia M.	Downey, RC District 25	1	0	0		0	0		1	0				2	
Gabbard, John	Dana Point, District 12		1	1		0	0		0	1				3	
Garcia, Camilo	Imperial County CoC		1	0		1	1		0	1				4	
Goodman, Marshall R.	LaPalma, RC District 18	1	0	1	A	0	0	A	1	1				4	
Henderson, Mark E.	Gardena, RC District 28	1	1	1		1	1		1	1				7	
Hupp, Cecilia	Brea, OCCOG	1	1	1		0	1		1	1				6	
Johnson, Lynda	Cerritos, GCCOG	1	1	1		1	1		1	0				6	
Kelly, Kathleen	Palm Desert, RC District 2	1	1	1		1	1		1	1				7	
Kim, Tammy	Irvine, RC District 14	0	1	1		1	1		0	0				4	
Kleiman, Lauren	Newport Beach, RC District 15	1	1	1		1	1		0	0				5	
LaVere, Matt	Ventura County CoC	1	0	1		1	1		1	1				6	
Leano, Jed	Claremont, SGVCOG	1	1	1	R	1	1	R	0	1				6	
Leon, Carlos A.	Anaheim, RC District 19								1	0				1	
Marshall, Anni	Avalon, GCCOG	1	1	1		1	1		1	1				7	
Masiel, Sr., Andrew	Pechanga Band of Luiseno Indians Tribal Gov Reg Planning Board	1	0	1		1	0		1	1				5	
McKeon, Casey	Huntington Beach, RC District 64	1	1	1		0	1		1	1				6	
Mirisch, John	Beverly Hills, Pres. Appt. (Member at Large)	1	1	1		1	1		1	1				7	
Mojado, Geneva	Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians					1	1		1	1				4	
Mullins, Zizette	Burbank, AVCJPA						1		1	1				3	
Morabito, Joseph	Wildomar, WRCOG	1	1	1	K	1	1	K	1	1				7	
Murphy, Joseph	Pechanga Band of Luiseno Indians									1				1	
Nava, George A.	Brawley, ICTC	0	0	1		1	1		1	1				5	
Nava, Marisela	Perris, RC District 69	1	1	1		1	0		0	0				4	
Pe, Ariel "Ari"	Lakewood, GCCOG	1	1	1		1	0		1	1				6	
Perez, Misty	Port Hueneme, Pres. Appt. (Member at Large)	0	1	0		0	0		0	1				2	
Puza, Freddy	Culver City, WCCOG			0		1	1		1	1				4	
Raman, Nithya	Los Angeles, RC District 51	0	0	0		0	0		0	0				0	
Reyes, Gabriel	San Bernardino County CoC	0	0	0		0	1		0	1				2	
Rhodes, Rocky	Simi Valley, RC District 46	1	1	1		1	1		1	1				7	
Santa Ines, Sonny	Bellflower, GCCOG	1	1	1		0	0		1	0				4	
Sarega, Andrew	La Mirada, RC District 31	1	1	1		0	0		0	0				3	
Shapiro, David J.	Calabasas, RC District 44	1	1	1		1	1		1	1				7	
Shevlin, Becky A.	Monrovia, SGVCOG	1	1	1		1	1		1	1				7	
Solorio, Mary	San Fernando, SFVCOG		1	0		1	0		1	0				3	
Tran, Helen	San Bernardino, SBCTA	1	1	1		0	1		0	1				5	
Waronek, Mark	Lomita, SBCCOG	1	0	1		1	0		1	1				5	
Warren, Acquanetta	Fontana, SBCTA	0	1	0		0	1		1	0				3	
Wu, Tony	West Covina, SGVCOG	0	1	1		0	0		0	1				3	
Yokoyama, Frank A.	Cerritos, RC District 23	1	1	1		1	1		1	1				7	
Zerunyan, Frank	Rolling Hills Estates, SBCCOG	1	1	1		1	0		1	0				5	
TOTAL ATTENDANCE		34	35	40		32	36		39	39					

Attachment: CEHD Attendance Sheet FY 2023-24 v2 (Minutes of the February 1, 2024 Meeting)