



**REPORT** 

Southern California Association of Governments

June 1, 2023

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (CEHD) THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 2023

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: <a href="http://scag.iqm2.com/Citizens/">http://scag.iqm2.com/Citizens/</a>.

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), given the declared state of emergency (pursuant to State of Emergency Proclamation dated March 4, 2020) and local public health directives imposing and recommending social distancing measures due to the threat of COVID-19, and pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(1)(A). A quorum was present.

# **Members Present:**

Hon. Frank Yokoyama, Chair	Cerritos	District 23
Hon. David Shapiro, Vice Chair	Calabasas	District 44
Hon. Gary Boyer	Glendora	District 33
Hon. Wendy Bucknum	Mission Viejo	District 13
Hon. Letitia Clark	Tustin	District 17
Hon. Steve De Ruse	La Mirada	GCCOG
Hon. Debra Dorst-Porada	Ontario, Pres. Appt.	Member at Large
Ms. Lucy Dunn		Ex-Officio
Hon. Keith Eich	La Cañada Flintridge	District 36
Hon. Rose Espinoza	La Habra	OCCOG
Hon. Waymond Fermon	Indio	CVAG
Hon. Margaret E. Finlay	Duarte	District 35
Hon. Marshall Goodman	La Palma	District 18
Hon. Mark Henderson	Gardena	District 28
Hon. Cecilia Hupp	Brea	OCCOG
Hon. Lynda Johnson	Cerritos	GCCOG
Hon. Tammy Kim	Irvine	District 14
Hon. Lauren Kleiman	Newport Beach	District 15
Sup. Matt LaVere	Ventura County	CoC





Avalon **GCCOG** Hon. Anni Marshall **Huntington Beach** District 64 Hon. Casey McKeon Hon. Bill Miranda Santa Clarita **SFVCOG** Hon. John Mirisch Beverly Hills, Pres. Appt. Member at Large Hon. Joseph Morabito Wildomar WRCOG Hon. Marisela Nava Perris District 69 Hon. Ariel Pe Lakewood **GCCOG** Member at Large Hon. Misty Perez Port Hueneme, Pres. Appt. Hon. Sandy Rains Laguna Niguel District 12 Hon. Rocky Rhodes Simi Valley District 46 Hon. Sonny Santa Ines Bellflower GCCOG Hon. Becky Shevlin Monrovia SGVCOG Hon. Helen Tran San Bernardino **SBCTA** Hon. Acquanetta Warren Fontana **SBCTA** Hon. Frank Zerunyan Rolling Hills Estates **SBCCOG** 

# **Members Not Present**

Anaheim Hon. Ashleigh Aitken District 19 Hon. Adele Andrade-Stadler Alhambra District 34 Hon. Al Austin. II Long Beach **GCCOG** Hon. Drew Boyles El Segundo District 40 OCCOG Hon. Don Caskey Laguna Hills Hon. Ramon Castro Imperial County CoC Hon. Bob Engler **Thousand Oaks** VCOG Hon. Claudia M. Frometa Downey District 25 Hon. Jed Leano Claremont SGVCOG Hon. Kathleen Kelly Palm Desert District 2 Hon. Andrew Masiel. Sr. Tribal Gov't Reg'l Planning Hon. George A. Nava Brawley ICTC Hon. Nithya Raman Los Angeles District 51 Hon. Gabriel Reyes San Bernardino County CoC Hon. Rex Richardson Long Beach District 29 Hon. Sylvia Robles **Grand Terrace SBCTA** Hon. Nicholas Schultz Burbank **AVCJPA SBCCOG** Hon. Mark Waronek Lomita Hon. Tony Wu West Covina **SGVCOG** 

# CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE



The Honorable Frank Yokoyama called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m. and asked Councilmember Gary Boyer, City of Glendora, District 33, 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 <a href="mailto:cehDPublicComment@scag.ca.gov">CEHDPublicComment@scag.ca.gov</a> after 5pm on Wednesday, April 5, 2023, 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 Wednesday, April 5, 2023. 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**

No reprioritizations were made.

# **ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**

Michael Houston, Chief Counsel, announced there was one nominee for the CEHD Chair position and one nominee for the position of Vice Chair. He recited SCAG's election rules for nominating from the floor and asked the Committee to proceed with those nominations.

By Acclamation, entered by Mirisch and Santa Ines:

A MOTION was made (Zerunyan) to elect Hon. Frank Yokoyama as the CEHD Chair. Motion was SECONDED (Tran) and passed by the following roll call vote:

**AYES:** 

Boyer, Bucknum, Clark, DeRuse, Dorst-Porada, Eich, Espinoza, Fermon, Finlay, Goodman, Henderson, Hupp, Johnson, Kim, Kleiman, LaVere, Marshall, Miranda, Mirisch, Morabito, M. Nava, Pe, Perez, Rains, Rhodes, Santa Ines, Shapiro, Shevlin, Tran, Warren, Yokoyama and Zerunyan (32)



NOES: None (0)

**ABSTAIN:** McKeon (1)

A MOTION was made (Mirisch) to elect Hon. David Shapiro as the CEHD Vice Chair. Motion was SECONDED (Bucknum) and passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Boyer, Bucknum, Clark, DeRuse, Dorst-Porada, Eich, Espinoza, Fermon, Finlay,

Goodman, Henderson, Hupp, Johnson, Kim, Kleiman, LaVere, Marshall, Miranda, Mirisch, Morabito, M. Nava, Pe, Perez, Rains, Rhodes, Santa Ines, Shapiro, Shevlin,

Tran, Warren, Yokoyama and Zerunyan (32)

NOES: None (0)

ABSTAIN: McKeon (1)

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

# Approval Items

1. Minutes of the February 2, 2023 Meeting

# Receive and File

- 2. CEHD Committee Outlook and Future Agenda Items
- 3. Connect SoCal 2024 Program Environmental Impact Report (State Clearinghouse No.: 2022100337): Status Update on Stakeholder Outreach and Highlights of Preliminary Approaches to Major Components
- 4. Connect SoCal 2024: Locally-Reviewed Forecast Demographic and Economic Evaluation
- 5. Connect SoCal 2024: Equity Analysis Update Priority Equity Communities

A MOTION was made (Finlay) and SECONDED (Pe) to approve the Consent Calendar Item 1 and Receive and File Items 2 through 5. Motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Boyer, Bucknum, Clark, DeRuse, Dorst-Porada, Eich, Espinoza, Fermon, Finlay,

Goodman, Henderson, Hupp, Johnson, Kim, Kleiman, LaVere, Marshall, McKeon.





Miranda, Mirisch, Morabito, M. Nava, Pe, Perez, Rains, Rhodes, Santa Ines, Shapiro, Shevlin, Tran, Warren and Yokoyama (32)

NOES: None (0)

**ABSTAIN:** Fermon, McKeon and Perez, (Minutes) (3)

There were no public comments on this item.

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

# 6. Connect SoCal: 15 Minute Communities

Chair Yokoyama made opening comments providing background information of the 15 Minutes Communities program. He noted that staff has invited three speakers to discuss the 15 Minutes Communities concept being explored as part of the development of various land use strategies for Connect SoCal 2024. He asked Grieg Asher to introduce the panelist and to moderate the discussions.

Mr. Asher provided additional background and introduced the panelist.

Chris Pountney, Associate Director of Arup's London office who discussed the importance of unique neighborhood opportunities to accelerate green and thriving neighborhoods and resilient, peoplecentered needs that support and encourages healthy, sustainable lifestyles and inclusive communities close to home.

Jackie Bacharach, Executive Director, South Bay Cities Council of Governments, (SBCCOG) and Wally Siembab, Research Director, SBCCOG, whose work includes accelerating strategic goals including resilience, digital equity and commercial revitalization. Their presentation included a brief overview of the 15-Minute Paris concept which was developed primarily to reduce urban carbon emissions. A discussion ensued regarding the new tools and infrastructure required to reduce greenhouse house gas (GHG) emissions from mobility to help transform neighborhoods that are proximate, affordable, connected and vibrant.

Lindsay Sturman and Eduardo Mendoza, Co-Founder and Policy Director of Livable Communities Initiative (LCI) discussed their vision for a 15-minute Communities concept in Los Angeles. Their presentation focused on a community's support and preferences, standard plans, infrastructure and architecture for housing projects, and safe streets within a 15-minute community.



SCAG staff and panelist responded to comments and questions expressed by the Councilmembers, including questions which focused on residential density, housing costs, and incentives for builders to develop 15-minute communities.

The comprehensive staff report, and PowerPoint presentations were included in the agenda packet. Staff noted that additional PowerPoint presentations, not included in the agenda packet, would be sent to the CEHD members.

There were no public comments on this item.

# 7. Economic Update: Job Quality Index

Chair Yokoyama provided brief comments on the Economic Update: Job Quality Index project. He asked Gigi Moreno, SCAG staff, to provide an overview of the project.

Ms. Moreno provided background information and an update on three SCAG economic programs, and stakeholder outreach plan. The presentation included an overview of the following topics:

- SCAG Economic Roundtable
- Economic Trends Tool, and
- SCAG County Job Quality Index

SCAG staff responded to comments and questions expressed by the Councilmembers including comments regarding corporate profits that impact the quality of life for most residents.

There were no public comments on this item.

The comprehensive staff report, and PowerPoint presentation were included in the agenda packet.

# 8. RHNA Reform Update

Chair Yokoyama provided brief comments about the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) Reform Update. He asked Ma'Ayn Johnson, SCAG staff, to provide more details on the process.

Ms. Johnson provided a brief update which included details on the State RHNA Reform process, their public engagement plan and schedule, and next steps. She noted that SCAG would be submitting a comment letter by mid-September to HCD on its recommendations after a public input process and CEHD and Regional Council review and approval.



Ms. Johnson asked the CEHD members to provide their feedback and noted that a timeline was being developed and would be shared with the Committee.

There were no public comments on this item.

The comprehensive staff report, and PowerPoint presentation were included in the agenda packet.

#### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Chair Yokoyama welcomed and recognized Councilmembers Marshall Goodman, City of La Palma, District 18, Lynda P. Johnson, City of Cerritos, GCCOG and Bob Engler, City of Thousand Oaks, VCOG, to the CEHD Committee. Chair Yokoyama also recognized the CEHD members who attended the meeting in person and virtually.

Chair Yokoyama provided a brief overview of the Chair's Report which included highlights of the following topics:

- The 2023 General Assembly and Regional Conference taking place May 4 and 5 in Palm Desert.
- SCAG Kick Off Public Outreach Initiatives for Connect SoCal 2024. He noted that every four years, SCAG updates its visionary plan for the future of the region, Connect SoCal. He explained that this process was now underway, and they wanted to hear from their stakeholders.
- SCAG's Development Streamlining Effort which include user-friendly materials and workshops to support local agencies to identify appropriate streamlining tools to help expedite reviews for housing projects. He noted that registration details, additional guidance materials and workshop information were all available on SCAG's website.

# **STAFF REPORT**

SCAG staff Jonathan Hughes provided a brief report that included information on the upcoming General Assembly and Regional Conference, REAP program goals, and SCAG co-sponsored events.

#### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEM**

There was a request for future meeting topics on foreign investment and speculation in the housing market and a recommendation to share suggestions that come from the Los Angeles County Affordable Housing Solutions Agency.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



Chair Yokoyama thanked the CEHD members for their participation and noted that the next meeting of the CEHD would take place on Thursday, June 1, 2023.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Yokoyama adjourned the meeting of the Community, Economic and Human Development Committee at 11:45a.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

2022-23

		2022	2-23											
MEMBERS	Representing	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar JC	April	May GA	Total Mtgs Attended To Date
Aitken, Ashleigh	Anaheim, RC District 19								1	1				2
Andrade-Stadler, Adele	Alhambra, RC District 34	1	1		1	1				1				5
Austin, II, Al	Long Beach, GCCOG													_
Boyer, Gary	Glendora, RC District 33			D	1	1	1	D	1	1		1		6
Boyles, Drew	El Segundo, RC District 40	1	1	A	1	1	1	A	1	1				7
Bucknum, Wendy	Mission Viejo, RC District 13	1	1		1	1	1		_	1		1		7
Caskey, Don	Laguna Hills, OCCOG													
Castro, Ramon	Imperial County, CoC			R				R						
Clark, Letitia	Tustin, RC District 17	1	1	K	1		1	K	1	1		1		7
De Ruse, Steve	La Mirada, RC District 31	1	1	- `	_	1	1		1	1		1		7
Dorst-Porada, Debra	Ontario, Pres. Appt.	_	_			1	1		1	1		1		5
•	Ex-Officio, Business Representative					_			1	1		1		3
Dunn, Lucy	·	1	1		1	1	1		1	1		1		8
Eich, Keith	La Cañada Flintridge, RC District 36		1		1		1		-			-		
Engler, Bob	Thousand Oaks, VCOG								1			1		2
Espinoza, Rose	La Habra, OCCOG		1			1			1			1		4
Fermon, Waymond	Indio, CVAG		1		1	1	1		1	1		1		6
Finlay, Margaret E.	Duarte, RC District 35		1		1		1		1	1				0
Frometa, Claudia M.	Downey, RC District 25											1		1
Goodman, Marshall R.	LaPalma, RC District 18	4	1			1	1		1	1		1		1
Henderson, Mark E.	Gardena, RC District 28	1	1	-		1	1	6	1	1		1		7
Hupp, Cecilia	Brea, OCCOG	1	1	D	1		1	D	1	1		1		7
Johnson, Lynda	Cerritos, GCCOG											1		1
Kelly, Kathleen	Palm Desert, RC District 2	1	1	A	1	1	1	Α	1	1				7
Kim, Tammy	Irvine, RC District 14	1	1	R	1	1	1	R	1	1		1		8
Kleiman, Lauren	Newport Beach, RC District 15									1		1		2
LeVere, Matt	Ventura County, CoC	1	1	K	1	1	1	K	1	1		1		8
Leano, Jed	Claremont, SGVCOG	1	1				1							3
Marshall, Anni	Avalon, GCCOG	1	1		1	1			1	1		1		7
Masiel, Sr., Andrew	Pechanga Band of Luiseno Indians				1		1		1	1				4
McKeon, Casey	Huntington Beach, RC District 64								1			1		2
Miranda, Bill	Santa Clarita, SFVCOG	1	1		1		1		1	1		1		7
Mirisch, John	Beverly Hills, Pres. Appt.		1		1	1	1		1	1		1		7
Morabito, Joseph	Wildomar, WRCOG								1	1		1		3
Nava, George A.	ICTC					1								1
Nava, Marisela	Perris, RC District 69	1	1		1	1	1		1	1		1		8
Pe, Ariel "Ari"	Lakewood, GCCOG	1	1		1							1		4
Perez, Misty	Port Hueneme, Pres. Appt.				1		1		1			1		4
Rains, Sandy	Laguna Niguel, RC District 12									1		1		2
Raman, Nithya	Los Angeles, District 51			D				D						
Reyes, Gabriel	San Bernardino County CoC			Α				Α						
Rhodes, Rocky	Simi Valley, RC District 46									1		1		2
Richardson, Rex	Long Beach, RC District 29			R				R						
Robles, Sylvia	Grand Terrace, SBCTA									1				1
Santa Ines, Sonny	Bellflower, GCCOG		1	K	1	1		K		1		1		5
Schultz, Nick	Burbank, AVCJPA	1	1			1	1		1	1				6
Shapiro, David J.	Calabasas, RC District 44	1	1		1	1	1		1	1		1		8
Shevlin, Becky A.	Monrovia, SGVCOG	1	1		1	1	1		1	1		1		8
Tran, Helen	San Bernardino, SBCTA									1		1		2
Waronek, Mark	Lomita, SBCCOG				1	1	1		1	1				5
Warren, Acquanetta	Fontana, SBCTA		1		1	1	1		1	1		1		7
Wu, Tony	West Covina, SGVCOG	1	1		H	<u> </u>				<u> </u>				2
Yokoyama, Frank Aurelio	Cerritos, RC District 23	1	1		1	1	1		1	1		1		8
Zerunyan, Frank	Rolling Hills Estates, SBCCOG	1			H	1	1		1	<u> </u>		1		5
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