



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (CEHD)
THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 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: <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. Valerie Amezcua	<i>Santa Ana</i>	District 16
Hon. Adele Andrade-Stadler	<i>Alhambra</i>	District 34
Hon. Gary Boyer	<i>Glendora</i>	District 33
Hon. Wendy Bucknum	<i>Mission Viejo</i>	District 13
Hon. Don Caskey	<i>Laguna Hills</i>	OCCOG
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. Claudia M. Frometa	<i>Downey</i>	District 25
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. Lynda Johnson	<i>Cerritos</i>	GCCOG
Hon. Kathleen Kelly	<i>Palm Desert</i>	District 2
Hon. Lauren Kleiman	<i>Newport Beach</i>	District 15
Hon. Jed Leano	<i>Claremont</i>	SGVCOG
Sup. Matt LaVere	<i>Ventura County</i>	CoC
Hon. Anni Marshall	<i>Avalon</i>	GCCOG
Hon. Andrew Masiel, Sr.	<i>Tribal Gov't Reg'l Planning</i>	



Hon. Casey McKeon	<i>Huntington Beach</i>	District 64
Hon. John Mirisch	<i>Beverly Hills, Pres. Appt.</i>	Member at Large
Hon. Joseph Morabito	<i>Wildomar</i>	WRCOG
Hon. Marisela Nava	<i>Perris</i>	District 69
Hon. Ariel Pe	<i>Lakewood</i>	GCCOG
Hon. Rocky Rhodes	<i>Simi Valley</i>	District 46
Hon. Sylvia Robles	<i>Grand Terrace</i>	SBCTA
Hon. Sonny Santa Ines	<i>Bellflower</i>	GCCOG
Hon. Andrew Sarega	<i>La Mirada</i>	District 31
Hon. Becky Shevlin	<i>Monrovia</i>	SGVCOG
Hon. Helen Tran	<i>San Bernardino</i>	SBCTA
Hon. Mark Waronek	<i>Lomita</i>	SBCCOG
Hon. Frank Zerunyan	<i>Rolling Hills Estates</i>	SBCCOG

Members Not Present

Hon. Ashleigh Aitken	<i>Anaheim</i>	District 19
Hon. Al Austin, II	<i>Long Beach</i>	GCCOG
Hon. Drew Boyles	<i>El Segundo</i>	District 40
Hon. Ramon Castro	<i>Imperial County</i>	CoC
Hon. Debra Dorst-Porada	<i>Ontario, Pres. Appt.</i>	Member at Large
Hon. Margaret E. Finlay	<i>Duarte</i>	District 35
Hon. Tammy Kim	<i>Irvine</i>	District 14
Hon. George A. Nava	<i>Brawley</i>	ICTC
Hon. Misty Perez	<i>Port Hueneme, Pres. Appt.</i>	Member at Large
Hon. Nithya Raman	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 51
Hon. Gabriel Reyes	<i>San Bernardino County</i>	CoC
Hon. Celeste Rodriguez	<i>San Fernando</i>	District 67
Hon. Nicholas Schultz	<i>Burbank</i>	AVCJPA
Hon. Acquanetta Warren	<i>Fontana</i>	SBCTA
Hon. Tony Wu	<i>West Covina</i>	SGVCOG

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable Frank Yokoyama called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m. and asked Councilmember Lynda Johnson, City of Cerritos, GCCOG 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, May 31, 2023, would be announced and included as part of the official record of the meeting. He 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 acknowledged there were no written public comments received via email before or after the 5pm deadline on Wednesday, May 31, 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.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval Items

1. Minutes of the Meeting – April 6, 2023

Receive and File

2. CEHD Committee Outlook and Future Agenda Items
3. Status Report on SCAG’s Racial Equity Early Action Plan
4. Connect SoCal 2024: Equity Analysis Update – Priority Equity Communities
5. Guiding Principles for Emerging Technology
6. Connect SoCal 2024: Local Data Exchange (LDX) Survey Results

A MOTION was made (Bucknum) and SECONDED (Hupp) to approve the Consent Calendar Item 1 and Receive and File Items 2 through 6. Motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Amezcua, Andrade-Stadler, Boyer, Bucknum, Caskey, Eich, Engler, Fermon, Frometa, Goodman, Henderson, Hupp, Johnson, Kelly, LaVere, Leano, Marshall, Masiel, Mirisch, Morabito, M. Nava, Pe, Rhodes, Robles, Santa Ines, Sarega, Shapiro, Shevlin, Waronek, Yokoyama and Zerunyan (31)

NOES: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

There were no public comments on this item.

INFORMATION ITEMS

7. Connect SoCal 2024: Policy Development Framework Update

Chair Yokoyama made opening comments providing background information on the Policy Development Framework and draft Connect SoCal 2024 plan. He asked Elizabeth Carvajal, SCAG staff, to provide an overview of the Policy Development Framework Update presentation.

Ms. Carvajal's presentation included background information and a summary of the Policy Development framework which focused on the following updates:

- Draft Vision
- Goals: Mobility Goals and Communities examples which encourage policies that encourage housing and employment in priority development areas and promotions of the 15-minute communities that focus on streets that meet the needs of all users.
- Stakeholder Engagement and Feedback
- Next Steps – Feedback requested from CEHD members; in July 2023 staff will seek approval from the EAC and Regional Council.

SCAG staff responded to comments and questions expressed by the Councilmembers, including comments which focused on quality-of-life concerns for improving the life of a community, homeowner's housing preferences, remote work expansion, and stability that helps communities in being stronger. Additionally, feedback included concerns for safety policies around public transportation that can be included in the mobility, regional planning update, engagement with major private sector employers about strategies for adding jobs in the SCAG region, and encouragement of policies to incentivize carpools and other transportation and mobility alternatives.

The Committee requested staff to establish a way to measure the comments and ideas from the CEHD members to prioritize and focus on those ideas in the short term.

Chair noted that SCAG staff was seeking feedback that will be used to update and revise the draft Regional Planning Policies. He encouraged the Committee to work with their planning staff and share their comments and feedback with SCAG staff.

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

There were no public comments on this item.

8. Connect SoCal Regional Growth Vision & Local Data Exchange Evaluation

Chair Yokoyama provided brief comments and noted that to provide more context before the release of the draft Plan this fall, Dr. Kevin Kane, SCAG staff, would share an evaluation of the regional growth vision based on the housing and sustainability objectives of Connect SoCal.

Mr. Kane provided background information and noted that the Connect SoCal Regional Growth Vision and Local Data Exchange Evaluation (LDX) presentation was about the growth and land use development process. The presentation outline included a high-level overview of the following topics:

1. Recap Connect SoCal 2024 Growth Forecast
2. Forecasted Regional Development Pattern
3. Growth Vision, Growth Prioritization Scale
4. Evaluating SoCal's Path toward Sustainable and Resilient Development
5. LDX Survey Results and Overall Assessment
6. Next Steps, which include release of the draft plan in October 2023.

SCAG staff responded to comments and questions expressed by the Councilmembers including discussions that focused on the short to medium-range economic forecasts, priority development areas and environmental threats to water and infrastructure demands.

There were no public comments on this item.

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

9. Inclusive Economic Recovery Strategy (IERS) Grant Update

Chair Yokoyama provided opening comments. He asked Anna Van and Gigi Moreno, SCAG staff members, to provide an update on the Inclusive Economic Recovery Strategy (IERS) Grant projects.

Ms. Van and Ms. Moreno's presentation included background information of the IERS report which focused on racial and social equity, specifically communities of color and lower-income communities.

Highlights of the presentation included the following topics:

1. Family – Supporting Job Plans, Approach and Expected Outcomes.
2. Human Capital Needs Assessment: A report will be produced with recommendations and best practices around core intersectional issues, with emphasis on lower-income communities and communities of color.
3. Inclusive Contracting Toolkits: The toolkits will provide a roadmap that contain best practices and implementable actions to support and strengthen our region's diverse, local businesses.
4. Tribal Data Needs Assessment: An economic database project to assess tribal data needs for economic development. Engagement with Tribal leaders and key stakeholders will be at the forefront of the projects exploratory phase.
5. Quantify Economic Impacts of Equitable and Inclusive Economic Development in Southern California

SCAG staff responded to comments and questions expressed by the Councilmembers including comments regarding economic development, and the development of metrics to help measure the progress and success of the Inclusive Contracting Toolkits. Additional discussion focused on legislative regulations and barriers to the creation of small businesses and new jobs, including quality-of-life issues, such as crime.

There were no public comments on this item.

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

10. RHNA Reform Process Updates

Chair Yokoyama provided brief comments about the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) Reform update currently in progress. He asked David Kyobe and Ma'Ayn Johnson, SCAG staff, to provide more details on the updates.

Mr. Kyobe's presentation included an overview of the stakeholder engagement process and RHNA Reform timelines. He noted that the input and feedback collected through the June 30th public outreach process would be reviewed and draft recommendations would be forwarded for review by the CEHD Committee for further approval by the Regional Council in August and September 2023, respectively.

Ms. Johnson noted that as part of the California Department of Housing and Community Development's (HCD) statewide RHNA reform, HCD convened a group of experts, also known as the "Sounding Board", to advise and provide direct feedback on various concepts for RHNA reform. Ms. Johnson provided a brief overview of the Sounding Board engagement process and meeting topics, timelines and next steps. She noted that as the SCAG representative, she was focused on simplifying the process, along with increasing transparency to establish trust in the agency's decision-making process.

Comments from the Committee included criticisms of HCD's role in the RHNA reform process, including the agency's lack of public participation and transparency.

Chair Yokoyama requested that Ms. Johnson relay the Committee's feedback at the next Sounding Board session. He encouraged the Committee members to respond to staff's request for attendance at the Special CEHD meeting being scheduled for mid-August.

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 Valerie Amezcua, City of Santa Ana, District 16, Celeste Rodriguez, City of San Fernando, District 67 and Andrew Sarega, City of La Mirada, District 31, 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:

- Update on Connect SoCal Outreach Initiatives, noting that SCAG staff will present highlights and findings from the outreach to the Regional Council (RC) next month and will also ask the Executive/Administration Committee and RC to approve an update to the Connect SoCal Policy Development Framework.
- Update on REAP 2.0 Programs, noting that the application deadline for the Housing Infill on Public and Private Lands (HIPP) Pilot Programs was Monday, July 10 at 5 p.m. He noted that more information could be found on SCAG's website.

STAFF REPORT

SCAG staff Ivette Macias provided a brief report that included an update on the SoCal Greenprint Technical Advisory Committee and a reminder that SCAG will hold a RHNA Reform public listening session on June 22-27, 2023.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEM

Chair Yokoyama asked the CEHD members to email their future agenda items requests to SCAG staff, Ms. Ivette Macias, for consideration.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Yokoyama thanked the CEHD members for their participation and noted that the next meeting of the CEHD would take place on Thursday, July 6, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Yokoyama adjourned the meeting of the Community, Economic and Human Development Committee at 11:48 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	April	May	Total Mtgs Attended To Date
Aitken, Ashleigh	Anaheim, RC District 19													
Amezcuea, Valarie	Santa Ana, District 16	1												1
Andrade-Stadler, Adele	Alhambra, RC District 34	1												1
Austin, II, Al	Long Beach, GCCOG													
Boyer, Gary	Glendora, RC District 33	1		D										1
Boyles, Drew	El Segundo, RC District 40			A										
Bucknum, Wendy	Mission Viejo, RC District 13	1												1
Caskey, Don	Laguna Hills, OCCOG	1		R										1
Castro, Ramon	Imperial County, CoC			K										
Dorst-Porada, Debra	Ontario, Pres. Appt.													
Dunn, Lucy	Ex-Officio, Business Representative	1												1
Eich, Keith	La Cañada Flintridge, RC District 36	1												1
Engler, Bob	Thousand Oaks, VCOG	1												1
Espinoza, Rose	La Habra, OCCOG	1												1
Fermon, Waymond	Indio, CVAG	1												1
Finlay, Margaret E.	Duarte, RC District 35													
Frometa, Claudia M.	Downey, RC District 25	1												1
Goodman, Marshall R.	LaPalma, RC District 18	1												1
Henderson, Mark E.	Gardena, RC District 28	1												1
Hupp, Cecilia	Brea, OCCOG	1		D										1
Johnson, Lynda	Cerritos, GCCOG	1		A										1
Kelly, Kathleen	Palm Desert, RC District 2	1												1
Kim, Tammy	Irvine, RC District 14			R										
Kleiman, Lauren	Newport Beach, RC District 15	1		K										1
LeVere, Matt	Ventura County, CoC	1												1
Leano, Jed	Claremont, SGVCOG	1												1
Marshall, Anni	Avalon, GCCOG	1												1
Masiel, Sr., Andrew	Pechanga Band of Luiseno Indians	1												1
McKeon, Casey	Huntington Beach, RC District 64	1												1
Mirisch, John	Beverly Hills, Pres. Appt.	1												1
Morabito, Joseph	Wildomar, WRCOG	1												1
Nava, George A.	ICTC													
Nava, Marisela	Perris, RC District 69	1												1
Pe, Ariel "Ari"	Lakewood, GCCOG	1												1
Perez, Misty	Port Hueneme, Pres. Appt.													
Raman, Nithya	Los Angeles, District 51			D										
Reyes, Gabriel	San Bernardino County CoC			A										
Rhodes, Rocky	Simi Valley, RC District 46	1												1
Robles, Sylvia	Grand Terrace, SBCTA	1												1
Rodriguez, Celeste	San Fernando, District 67			R										
Santa Ines, Sonny	Bellflower, GCCOG	1		K										1
Sarega, Andrew	La Mirada, District 31	1												1
Schultz, Nick	Burbank, AVCJPA													
Shapiro, David J.	Calabasas, RC District 44	1												1
Shevlin, Becky A.	Monrovia, SGVCOG	1												1
Tran, Helen	San Bernardino, SBCTA	1												1
Waronek, Mark	Lomita, SBCCOG	1												1
Warren, Acquanetta	Fontana, SBCTA													
Wu, Tony	West Covina, SGVCOG													
Yokoyama, Frank Aurelio	Cerritos, RC District 23	1												1
Zerunyan, Frank	Rolling Hills Estates, SBCCOG	1												1
TOTAL ATTENDANCE		36	0		0	0	0		0	0	0	0		

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