MINUTES OF THE MEETING
EXECUTIVE/ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE (EAC)
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2019

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE EXECUTIVE/ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE (EAC).

The Executive/Administration Committee (EAC) of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) held its regular meeting at 900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1700, Los Angeles, CA 90017. A quorum was present.

Members Present
Hon. Bill Jahn, President
Hon. Rex Richardson, 2nd Vice President
Hon. Alan Wapner, Imm. Past President
Hon. Stacy Berry, Vice Chair, CEHD
Sup. Linda Parks, Chair, EEC
Hon. David Pollock, Vice Chair, EEC
Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, Chair, TC
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Sup. Luis Plancarte, President’s Appt.
Mr. Randall Lewis, Ex-officio
Hon. Brian McDonald

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Member Not Present
VACANT, 1st Vice President
Hon. Peggy Huang, Chair, CEHD
Hon. L. Dennis Michael, President’s Appt.
Yorba Linda
Rancho Cucamonga
TCA
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Staff Present
Kome Ajise, Executive Director
Darin Chidsey, Chief Operating Officer
Debbie Dillon, Chief Strategy Officer
Joann Africa, Chief Counsel/Director of Legal Services
Sarah Jepson, Acting Director of Planning
Basil Panas, Chief Financial Officer
Art Yoon, Director of Policy and Public Affairs
Julie Loats, Chief Information Officer
Tess Rey-Chaput, Office of Regional Council Support

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable Bill Jahn called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and asked Ex-Officio Member Randall Lewis, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There was no public comment speaker.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

There was no prioritization of agenda items.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval Items

1. Minutes of the Meeting - August 1, 2019
2. SCAG Memberships and Sponsorships
3. SB 664 (Allen) – Electronic Toll and Transit Fare Collection Systems
4. Contracts $200,000 or Greater: 18-040-C01, Regional Data Platform (Approval to Increase Contract Award)

Receive and File

5. EAC Retreat Housing Discussion Follow-Up
6. September State and Federal Legislative Update

7. Purchase Orders $5,000 - $199,999; Contracts $25,000 - $199,999 and Amendments $5,000 - $74,999

8. CFO Monthly Report

A MOTION was made (Walker) to approve the Consent Calendar Agenda Items 1 – 4; Receive and File Items 5 – 8. Motion was SECONDED (Finlay) and passed by the following votes:

AYE/S: Clark, Finlay, Jahn, Lorimore, McDonald, Navarro, Plancarte, Pollock, Walker and Wapner (10)

NOE/S: None (0)

ABSTAIN: None (0)

CFO MONTHLY REPORT

Basil Panas, Chief Financial Officer, reported that SCAG is waiting for a response from Caltrans regarding cost substitution with respect to the repayment amounts from the audits. Effective July 22, 2019, SCAG’s external auditors, Vavrinek Trine, Day, & Co. LLP joined the regional CPA and business advisory firm of Eide Bailly LLP. They will be presenting their audit plan to SCAG’s Audit Committee at its next meeting and will conclude its final field work later this month. To date, all member cities have renewed its membership except for the cities of Orange and Rancho Santa Margarita.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

President Jahn reported that HCD provided a regional RHNA determination on August 22, 2019. The number is intended to reflect the number of housing units that jurisdictions together as a region must plan for in their housing elements between October 2021 and October 2029. Per statute, President Jahn stated that SCAG may object to the regional determination provided by HCD—which is the recommended action by staff for this item at today’s CEHD and RC meetings. In order to be considered, President Jahn stated that SCAG’s objection must be based on the technical merits of the analysis and not on regional or local policy objectives. He emphasized that policy discussions will be an important next step in the process once HCD, at their sole discretion, has finalized our RHNA regional determination in consideration of technical factors our staff has aimed to clarify in the objection.
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Executive Director Kome Ajise reported that SCAG has been very busy with RHNA and as mentioned by President Jahn, the objection is not based on the regional housing need determination total number but on the process. Mr. Ajise stated that he hoped for a collaboration with HCD to consider SCAG’s alternative determination in order to provide a robust and reasonable a planning target as possible in order to affirmatively address the challenge in meeting the regional and state housing needs.

Mr. Ajise also reported that SCAG has been busy with Connect SoCal with a draft Plan and the programmatic environmental impact report being developed and on track for release this November. He thanked the leadership of Acting Planning Director, Sarah Jepson, and her staff.

On behalf of SCAG, Mr. Ajise reported that he testified in Sacramento in support of David S. Kim became the third Secretary of the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) who has deep roots in California.

Finally, Mr. Ajise reminded the members of the EAC Retreat, held this past July. He emphasized the outcome of the discussions will and should affect the work that we do regarding housing and going forward and in future years. He referenced Agenda Item No. 5 regarding the EAC Retreat Housing Discussion report that is included in the packet.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEM/S
None

ANNOUNCEMENT/S
None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Jahn adjourned the meeting at 9:31AM.

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# Executive / Administration Committee Attendance Report

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