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# JOINT MEETING OF THE

REGIONAL COUNCIL; COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT; ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT; AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEES

<u>Please Note Time</u> Thursday, February 5, 2015 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

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The Regional Council consists of 86 elected officials representing 191 cities, six counties, six County Transportation Commissions, one representative from the Transportation Corridor Agencies, one Tribal Government representative and one representative for the Air Districts within Southern California.

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# JOINT MEETING OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL AND POLICY COMMITTEES (COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE; ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE; TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE) AGENDA FEBRUARY 5, 2015

# CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(Hon. Carl Morehouse, President)

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD</u> – Members of the public desiring to speak on items on the agenda, or items not on the agenda, but within the purview of the Council, must fill out and present a Public Comment Card to the Assistant prior to speaking. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. The President has the discretion to reduce the time limit based upon the number of speakers. The President may limit the total time for all public comments to twenty (20) minutes.

# **CONSENT CALENDAR**

# **Approval Item**

 1. Minutes of the November 6, 2014 Joint Meeting of the Regional
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 Council and Policy Committees

# **DISCUSSION ITEM**

 <u>Framework for Development of the 2016-2040 Regional Transportation</u> Attachment 7 <u>Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (2016 RTP/SCS) and Progress</u> <u>Report on 2012-2035 RTP/SCS</u> (Hasan Ikhrata, Executive Director)

# **ADJOURNMENT**



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# MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL, COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT (CEHD) COMMITTEE; ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE (EEC); AND THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (TC) OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS NOVEMBER 6, 2014

### THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS AND/OR DISCUSSIONS THAT OCCURRED AT THE JOINT MEETING. A VIDEO RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE AT http://scag.ca.gov/NewsAndMedia/Pages/SCAGTV.aspx

The Joint Meeting of the Regional Council and Policy Committees of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) held its meeting at the SCAG Los Angeles Office. There was a quorum.

#### **TC Members – Present:**

| Chair* | 1.  | Hon. | Alan Wapner           | Ontario              | SANBAG             |
|--------|-----|------|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| *      | 2.  | Hon. | Dante Acosta          | Santa Clarita        | District 67        |
| *      | 3.  | Hon. | Michael D. Antonovich |                      | Los Angeles County |
| *      | 4.  | Hon. | Rusty Bailey          | Riverside            | District 68        |
| *      | 5.  | Hon. | Bruce Barrows         | Cerritos             | District 23        |
| *      | 6.  | Hon. | Art Brown             | Buena Park           | District 21        |
|        | 7.  | Hon. | Diana Lee Carey       | Westminster          | OCCOG              |
| *      | 8.  | Hon. | Jonathan Curtis       | La Cañada/Flintridge | District 36        |
| *      | 9.  | Hon. | Gene Daniels          | Paramount            | District 24        |
|        | 10. | Hon. | Bert Hack             | Laguna Woods         | OCCOG              |
| *      | 11. | Hon. | Carol Herrera         | Diamond Bar          | District 37        |
| *      | 12. | Hon. | Steve Hofbauer        | Palmdale             | District 43        |
| *      | 13. | Hon. | Jim Hyatt             | Calimesa             | District 3         |
|        | 14. | Hon. | Trish Kelley          | Mission Viejo        | OCCOG              |
| *      | 15. | Hon. | Michele Martinez      | Santa Ana            | District 16        |
| *      | 16. | Hon. | Ryan McEachron        | Victorville          | SANBAG             |
|        | 17. | Hon. | Marsha McLean         | Santa Clarita        | North L. A. County |
| *      | 18. | Hon. | Dan Medina            | Gardena              | District 28        |
| *      | 19. | Hon. | Brett Murdock         | Brea                 | District 22        |
| *      | 20. | Hon. | Kris Murray           | Anaheim              | District 19        |
| *      | 21. | Hon. | Shawn Nelson          |                      | Orange County      |

# **TC Members – Present** (continued):

| * | 22. | Hon. | Pam O'Connor          | Santa Monica         | District 41           |
|---|-----|------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
|   | 23. | Hon. | Micheál O'Leary       | Culver City          | WSCCOG                |
| * | 24. | Hon. | Gary Ovitt            |                      | San Bernardino County |
| * | 25. | Hon. | Linda Parks           |                      | Ventura County        |
| * | 26. | Hon. | Gregory Pettis        | Cathedral City       | District 2            |
|   | 27. | Hon. | Teresa Real Sebastian | Monterey Park        | SGVCOG                |
|   | 28. | Hon. | David Spence          | La Cañada/Flintridge | Arroyo Verdugo Cities |
| * | 29. | Hon. | Karen Spiegel         | Corona               | District 63           |
|   | 30. | Hon. | Tim Spohn             | City of Industry     | SGVCOG                |
| * | 31. | Hon. | Jess Talamantes       | Burbank              | District 42           |
|   | 32. | Hon. | Brent Tercero         | Pico Rivera          | GCCOG                 |
|   | 33. | Hon. | Andrew Masiel, Sr.    | Pechanga Band of     | Tribal Government     |
|   |     |      |                       | Luiseño Indians      |                       |
|   | 34. | Ms.  | Elaheh Yadegar        | Caltrans, District 7 | Ex-Officio            |

# **CEHD Members – Present:**

| <b>Chair*</b> 1. | Hon. | Margaret E. Finlay  | Duarte                | District 35           |
|------------------|------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Vice Chair* 2.   | Hon. | Bill Jahn           | Big Bear Lake         | District 11           |
| 3.               | Hon. | Carol Chen          | Cerritos              | GCCOG                 |
| * 4.             | Hon. | Steven Choi         | Irvine                | District 14           |
| 5.               | Hon. | Jeffrey Cooper      | Culver City           | WSCCOG                |
| 6.               | Hon. | Debbie Franklin     | Banning               | WRCOG                 |
| 7.               | Hon. | Ron Garcia          | Brea                  | OCCOG                 |
| * 8.             | Hon. | James Gazeley       | Lomita                | District 39           |
| * 9.             | Hon. | Micheal Goodland    | Jurupa Valley         | District 4            |
| 10.              | Hon. | Tom Hansen          | Paramount             | GCCOG                 |
| 11.              | Hon. | Robert Joe          | South Pasadena        | Arroyo Verdugo Cities |
| * 12.            | Hon. | Larry McCallon      | Highland              | District 7            |
| * 13.            | Hon. | Carl Morehouse      | San Buenaventura      | District 47           |
| 14.              | Hon. | Steve Nagel         | Fountain Valley       | OCCOG                 |
| 15.              | Hon. | John Nielsen        | Tustin                | District 17           |
| 16.              | Hon. | Edward Paget        | Needles               | SANBAG                |
| * 17.            | Hon. | Julio Rodriguez     | Perris                | District 69           |
| 18.              | Hon. | Sonny R. Santa Ines | Bellflower            | GCCOG                 |
| 19.              | Hon. | Becky Shevlin       | Monrovia              | SGVCOG                |
| 20.              | Hon. | Frank Zerunyan      | Rolling Hills Estates | SBCCOG                |

\*Regional Councilmember

#### **EEC Members – Present:**

| Chair*                | 1.  | Hon. | <b>Deborah Robertson</b> | Rialto                | District 8            |
|-----------------------|-----|------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| *                     | 2.  | Hon. | Margaret Clark           | Rosemead              | District 32           |
|                       | 3.  | Hon. | Jordan Ehrenkranz        | Canyon Lake           | WRCOG                 |
|                       | 4.  | Hon. | Larry Forester           | Signal Hill           | GCCOG                 |
|                       | 5.  | Hon. | Laura Friedman           | Glendale              | Arroyo Verdugo Cities |
|                       | 6.  | Hon. | Sandra Genis             | Costa Mesa            | OCCOG                 |
|                       | 7.  | Hon. | Ed Graham                | Chino Hills           | District 10           |
|                       | 8.  | Hon. | Diana Mahmud             | South Pasadena        | SGVCOG                |
|                       | 9.  | Hon. | Thomas Martin            | Maywood               | GCCOG                 |
| *                     | 10. | Hon. | Judy Mitchell            | Rolling Hills Estates | District 40           |
| *                     | 11. | Hon. | Mike Munzing             | Aliso Viejo           | District 12           |
| *                     | 12. | Hon. | Sam Pedroza              | Claremont             | District 38           |
|                       | 13. | Hon. | David Pollock            | Moorpark              | VCOG                  |
| *                     | 14. | Hon. | Carmen Ramirez           | Oxnard                | District 45           |
|                       | 15. | Hon. | Lupe Ramos Watson        | Indio                 | District 66           |
|                       | 16. | Hon. | Meghan Sahli-Wells       | Culver City           | WCCOG                 |
|                       | 17. | Hon. | Diane Williams           | Rancho Cucamonga      | SANBAG                |
|                       | 18. | Hon. | Edward Wilson            | Signal Hill           | GCCOG                 |
| egional Councilmember |     |      |                          |                       |                       |

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#### **Regional Councilmembers who are not in Policy Committees – Present:**

| 1. | Hon. Ross Chun     | Aliso Viejo              | TCA                            |
|----|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 2. | Hon. Leslie Daigle | Newport Beach            | District 15                    |
| 3. | Hon. Jan Harnik    |                          | RCTC                           |
| 4. | Hon. Tom LaBonge   | Los Angeles              | District 51                    |
| 5. | Hon. Ray Marquez   | Chino Hills              | District 10                    |
| 6. | Mr. Randall Lewis  | Lewis Group of Companies | <b>Business Representative</b> |

#### **Staff Present**

Hasan Ikhrata, Executive Director Debbie Dillon, Deputy Executive Director, Administration Joe Silvey, General Counsel Joann Africa, Chief Counsel Basil Panas, Acting Chief Financial Officer Rich Macias, Director of Transportation Planning Huasha Liu, Director of Land Use & Environmental Planning Darin Chidsey, Director of Strategy, Policy and Public Affairs Lillian Harris-Neal, Clerk of the Board Tess Rey-Chaput, Office of Regional Council Support

# CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Carl Morehouse called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Councilmember Bill Jahn, Big Bear Lake, District 11, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

President Morehouse opened the Public Comment period.

Nancy Pfeffer, Regional Planning Director, Gateway Cities Council of Governments (GCCOG), expressed concern regarding the many smaller jurisdictions in the Gateway Cities that lack the resources and capacity to apply for funding and expressed hope that state agencies consider providing targeted advance assistance to disadvantaged communities to be able to apply and compete effectively to receive funding.

President Morehouse closed the Public Comment period.

# CONSENT CALENDAR

### Approval Item

### 1. Minutes of the March 6, 2014 Joint Meeting of the Regional Council and Policy Committees

A MOTION was made (M. Martinez) to approve the Minutes of the March 6, 2014 Regional Council and Policy Committees' Meeting. Motion was SECONDED (Finlay) and passed by the following votes:

- AYE/S: Barrows; Brown; Chen; Choi; Clark; Cooper; Daniels; Eaton; Finlay; Forester; Franklin; Gazeley; Graham; Hack; Hansen; Herrera; Hofbauer; Hyatt; Jahn; Kelley; M. Martinez; Masiel, Sr.; McCallon; McEachron; Morehouse; Murdock; Murray; O'Leary; Ovitt; Pedroza; Pettis; Pollock; Ramirez; Robertson; Santa Ines; Real Sebastian; Shevlin; Spence; Spohn; Wapner; Williams; and Wilson.
- NOE/S: [None]
- **ABSTAIN:** Bailey; Carey; Chun; McLean; and Tercero.

# **DISCUSSION ITEM**

#### 2. Cap-and-Trade Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF) Workshop

Hasan Ikhrata, Executive Director, provided background information since the passage of SB 375 in 2008. Mr. Ikhrata recalled that SCAG supported the Air Resources Board (ARB) in setting targets to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through a bottom-up process. Over the years, SCAG secured monies to fund local sustainability planning projects and to build active transportation infrastructure. Mr. Ikhrata stated that the Cap-and-Trade Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF) is an opportunity to implement the Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS). He stated that more

information will be shared by the panel of speakers and introduced workshop Moderator, Jonathan Parfrey, Executive Director, Climate Resolve.

Mr. Parfrey stated that this is the first year of the Cap-and-Trade allocations and \$832 million dollars will be disbursed and allocated for the following twelve (12) programs: high-speed rail; transit and intercity, rail capital program; improvement for low carbon transit operations program; Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Program; low-carbon transportation; weatherization upgrades; energy efficiency of public buildings; agricultural operations; water energy efficiency programs; wetlands and watershed restoration efforts; sustainable forest and urban forestry; and waste diversion administered by California's Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle). Mr. Parfrey introduced the panel of speakers to provide more information regarding the various stages of development of the abovementioned programs: Claudia Cappio, Director, California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD); Kate White, Deputy Secretary, Environmental and Housing (CalSTA); Ashley Conrad-Saydah, Deputy Secretary, Climate Policy (CalEPA); Cynthia Marvin, Chief, Transportation and Toxics Division, California Air Resources Board (ARB); and Krista Kline, Managing Director, Los Angeles Regional Collaborative (LARC) for Climate Action and Sustainability.

Ms. Cappio discussed housing-related initiatives as part of the Cap-and-Trade; provided background information regarding the Strategic Growth Council; GGRF proceeds investments; purpose of the AHSC; projects that must demonstrate GHG reductions through Vehicle Miles Travelled (VMT); and application process for eligible applicants, project types and estimated timelines.

Ms. White discussed the direct future proceeds from the GGRF on Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) and Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP); the difference between these two (2) programs with respect to processes, policy objectives, roles of the state agencies, necessary requirements for projects, eligible applicants and timelines.

Ms. Conrad-Saydah discussed and provided an overview of SB 535, SB 862, CalEnviroScreen Tool for disadvantaged communities; identifying disadvantaged communities based on the tool indicators, census tracts, use of Method 1 for top CalEnviroScreen scores; and inter-agency coordination to ensure that the benefits are felt at the regional, state, and local levels stemming from California's climate action.

Ms. Marvin discussed ARB's role in providing the Interim Guidance for investments to benefit disadvantaged communities; auction proceeds; explained how will we meet or exceed the investment targets; provided information on disadvantaged communities in the SCAG region; discussed ARB's full-funding guidelines in mid-2015 and provided an update on the 3-year investment plan.

Ms. Kline provided an overview of LARC; emphasized the importance of cross-jurisdictional collaboration throughout the SCAG region and the coordination of Climate Action to proceed with the Cap-and-Trade funds; and encouraged SCAG to identify the appropriate committees and task forces to create a protocol funding availability, grant requirements and applications.

Discussion ensued and questions were raised regarding the program complexities and timelines; concerns that county line projects may not align due to various funding mechanisms; AHSC program planning funds for future funding; public outreach workshops per program and the availability of resources for disadvantaged communities; role of MPOs in the ranking process and COGs eligibility to apply for

funding; role of the Department of Finance in regard to funding distribution; the percentage of funds benefitting the disadvantaged communities; affordable housing as part of the requirement for the application; continuous appropriations of 5% to fund transportation operations; and the integrated connectivity project portion of the AHSC program (McCallon; Pedroza; Murray, Finlay; Jahn; Robertson; O'Leary; Pollock; Carey; and Pettis).

Hasan Ikhrata, Executive Director, provided closing remarks. On behalf of the Regional Council and Policy Committee members, President Morehouse thanked the panel of speakers and provided each of them with a token of appreciation.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

President Morehouse announced that in lieu of a regular meeting of the Regional Council and Policy Committees in December, the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Economic Recovery and Job Creation Summit will held on December 4, 2014 at the Westin Bonaventure Hotel, Los Angeles.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Morehouse adjourned the Joint Meeting of the Regional Council and Policy Committees at 11:56 a.m.

Lillian Harris-Neal, Clerk of the Board

## **DATE**: February 5, 2015

- TO: Regional Council (RC) Transportation Committee (TC) Community, Economic and Human Development (CEHD) Energy and Environment Committee (EEC)
- FROM: Hasan Ikhrata, Executive Director, 213-236-1944, <u>Ikhrata@scag.ca.gov</u>
- **SUBJECT:** Framework for Development of the 2016-2040 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) and Progress Report on 2012-2035 RTP/SCS

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL: for the hult

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

For Information Only – No Action Required.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Staff will provide an overview of the framework for the development of the draft 2016-2040 RTP/SCS (2016 RTP/SCS) and an update on progress to-date on the implementation of the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS (2012 RTP/SCS).

#### **STRATEGIC PLAN:**

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan, Goal 1: Improve Regional Decision Making by Providing Leadership and Consensus Building on Key Plans and Policies; Objective: a) Create and facilitate a collaborative and cooperative environment to produce forward thinking regional plans.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Every four years, SCAG as the metropolitan planning organization for the six-county region of Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, Riverside, Ventura and Imperial is required by federal law (23 USCA §134 et seq.) to prepare and update a long-range (minimum of 20 years) regional transportation plan (or "RTP") that provides for the development and integrated management and operation of transportation systems and facilities that will function as an intermodal transportation network for the SCAG metropolitan planning area. The process for development of the RTP takes into account all modes of transportation and is accomplished by a "continuing, cooperative and comprehensive" (the 3 C's) planning approach which is also performance-driven and outcome-based. In addition, because the SCAG region is designated as nonattainment for ozone or carbon monoxide under the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. §7401 et seq.), the RTP must conform to applicable air quality standards.

The passage of California Senate Bill 375 (SB 375) in 2009 requires that the RTP also include a sustainable communities strategy (or "SCS") which outlines certain land use growth strategies that provides for more integrated land use and transportation planning which would also reduce the state's greenhouse gas emissions (GHS) emissions from cars and light trucks. The current 2012 RTP/SCS is the agency's first regional transportation plan to include a SCS. However, the requirements that SCAG prepare a SCS, as outlined in California Government Code Section

# REPORT

65080(b)(2)(B), does not establish a mandate that the land use strategies be implemented at the local level. Rather, the SCS is intended to provide a regional land use policy framework for which local governments may consider and build upon. Finally, development of the RTP/SCS is subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and therefore, SCAG also prepares a program environmental impact report (PEIR) for the RTP/SCS that evaluates the potential environmental impacts associated with the adoption of the RTP/SCS.

At today's Joint Meeting of the SCAG Policy Committees, staff will provide a general overview of the framework for development of 2016-2040 RTP/SCS, with a focus on the components of the current 2012 RTP/SCS, a high level progress report on the implementation of the 2012 RTP/SCS, emerging policy issues, challenges and opportunities, and general assumptions for the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS, as well as the schedule for the development of the 2016 RTP/SCS and the respective roles of the Policy Committees and the Regional Council. Attached to this staff report is a PowerPoint presentation that will be used to facilitate this discussion at the Joint Meeting.

### NEXT STEPS

Over the course of the next several months, staff will be presenting to the Regional Council and the Policy Committees in either a joint meeting setting or individual committee meetings key issues, analyses, and policy considerations for development of the 2016 RTP/SCS leading up to the approval to release of the draft 2016 RTP/SCS for formal public review and comment in October 2015. Staff will document all formal public comments, prepare responses to each of the comments, and make necessary adjustments to the draft 2016 RTP/SCS in response to the comments, culminating in the presentation of the proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS for review and adoption by the Regional in April of 2016.

# FISCAL IMPACT:

Work associated with this item is included in the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Overall Work Program (WBS Number 15-010.SCG00170.01: RTP Support, Development, and Implementation).

# **ATTACHMENT:**

PowerPoint Presentation will be provided under separate cover.