JOINT MEETING OF THE
REGIONAL COUNCIL;
COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT;
ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT; AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEES

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

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Board Room
Los Angeles, CA 90017
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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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CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
(Hon. Carl Morehouse, President)

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – 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 Council and Policy Committees
   Attachment 1

DISCUSSION ITEM

   (Hasan Ikhrata, Executive Director)
   Attachment 7

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:

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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  
   Luiseño Indians

34. Ms. Elaheh Yadegar  
   Caltrans, District 7  
   Ex-Officio

CEHD Members – Present:

Chair*  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:

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*Regional Councilmember

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  
   Business Representative

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


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 above-mentioned 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 benefiting 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 5th 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, Ikhrata@scag.ca.gov

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:

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...
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.