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**NO. 639
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 2022**

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE REGIONAL COUNCIL. A VIDEO RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE ON THE SCAG WEBSITE AT: <http://scag.iqm2.com/Citizens/>

The Regional Council (RC) of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) held its regular meeting 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. Clint Lorimore, President	<i>Eastvale</i>	District 4
Hon. Jan Harnik, 1st Vice President		RCTC
Sup. Carmen Ramirez, 2nd Vice President		Ventura County
Supervisor Kathryn Barger		Los Angeles County
Supervisor Don Wagner		Orange County
Supervisor Karen Spiegel		Riverside County
Supervisor Curt Hagman		San Bernardino County
Hon. Maria Nava-Froelich		ICTC
Hon. Alan Wapner		SBCTA
Hon. Peggy Huang		TCA
Hon. Mike T. Judge		VCTC
Hon. Ben Benoit		Air District Representative
Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker	<i>El Centro</i>	District 1
Hon. Kathleen Kelly	<i>Palm Desert</i>	District 2
Hon. Rey Santos	<i>Beaumont</i>	District 3
Hon. Zak Schwank	<i>Temecula</i>	District 5
Hon. Frank Navarro	<i>Colton</i>	District 6
Hon. Larry McCallon	<i>Highland</i>	District 7
Hon. Deborah Robertson	<i>Rialto</i>	District 8



Hon. Ray Marquez	<i>Chino Hills</i>	District 10
<u>Members Present – continued</u>		
Hon. Randall Putz	<i>Big Bear Lake</i>	District 11
Hon. Fred Minagar	<i>Laguna Niguel</i>	District 12
Hon. Wendy Bucknum	<i>Mission Viejo</i>	District 13
Hon. Diane Dixon	<i>Newport Beach</i>	District 15
Hon. Phil Bacerra	<i>Santa Ana</i>	District 16
Hon. Leticia Clark	<i>Tustin</i>	District 17
Hon. Trevor O’Neil	<i>Anaheim</i>	District 19
Hon. Joe Kalmick	<i>Seal Beach</i>	District 20
Hon. Art Brown	<i>Buena Park</i>	District 21
Hon. Marty Simonoff	<i>Brea</i>	District 22
Hon. Frank Yokoyama	<i>Cerritos</i>	District 23
Hon. Ray Hamada	<i>Bellflower</i>	District 24
Hon. Sean Ashton	<i>Downey</i>	District 25
Hon. Ali Saleh	<i>Bell</i>	District 27
Hon. Mark E. Henderson	<i>Gardena</i>	District 28
Hon. Cindy Allen	<i>Long Beach</i>	District 30
Hon. Steve De Ruse	<i>La Mirada</i>	District 31
Hon. Jorge Marquez	<i>Covina</i>	District 33
Hon. Margaret E. Finlay	<i>Duarte</i>	District 35
Hon. Steve Tye	<i>Diamond Bar</i>	District 37
Hon. Tim Sandoval	<i>Pomona</i>	District 38
Hon. James Gazeley	<i>Lomita</i>	District 39
Hon. Drew Boyles	<i>El Segundo</i>	District 40
Hon. Alex Fisch	<i>Culver City</i>	District 41
Hon. Paula Devine	<i>Glendale</i>	District 42
Hon. Juan Carrillo	<i>Palmdale</i>	District 43
Hon. David J. Shapiro	<i>Calabasas</i>	District 44
Hon. Laura Hernandez	<i>Port Hueneme</i>	District 45
Hon. David Pollock	<i>Moorpark</i>	District 46
Hon. Nithya Raman	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 51
Hon. Paul Koretz	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 52
Hon. Steve Manos	<i>Lake Elsinore</i>	District 63
Hon. Michael Posey	<i>Huntington Beach</i>	District 64
Hon. Elizabeth Becerra	<i>Victorville</i>	District 65
Hon. Marsha McLean	<i>Santa Clarita</i>	District 67
Hon. Patricia Lock Dawson	<i>Riverside</i>	District 68
Hon. Marisela Nava	<i>Perris</i>	District 69



Hon. Andrew Masiel, Sr.
Hon. Eric Garcetti

Pechanga Dev. Corp.
Los Angeles

Tribal Gov't Reg'l Planning Brd.
Member-at-Large

Members Not Present

Supervisor Luis Plancarte
Supervisor Hilda Solis
Hon. L. Dennis Michael
Hon. Michael Carroll
Hon. Kim Nguyen
Hon. José Luis Solache
Hon. Rex Richardson, Imm. Past President
Hon. Steven Ly
Hon. Adele Andrade-Stadler
Hon. Jonathan Curtis
Hon. Lorrie Brown
Hon. Gilbert Cedillo
Hon. Paul Krekorian
Hon. Bob Blumenfield
Hon. Nury Martinez
Hon. Monica Rodriguez
Hon. Marqueece Harris-Dawson
Hon. Curren D. Price, Jr.
Hon. Mark Ridley-Thomas
Hon. Mike Bonin
Hon. John Lee
Hon. Mitch O'Farrell
Hon. Kevin de León
Hon. Joe Buscaino
Hon. Megan Beaman Jacinto

Members Not Present

Rancho Cucamonga
Irvine
Garden Grove
Lynwood
Long Beach
Rosemead
Alhambra
La Cañada Flintridge
Ventura
Los Angeles
Los Angeles
Los Angeles
Los Angeles
Los Angeles
Los Angeles
Los Angeles
Los Angeles
Los Angeles
Los Angeles
Los Angeles
Los Angeles
Coachella

Members Not Present

Imperial County
Los Angeles County
District 9
District 14
District 18
District 26
District 29
District 32
District 34
District 36
District 47
District 48
District 49/Public Transit Rep.
District 50
District 53
District 54
District 55
District 56
District 57
District 58
District 59
District 60
District 61
District 62
District 66

Staff Present

Kome Ajise, Executive Director
Darin Chidsey, Chief Operating Officer
Debbie Dillon, Chief Strategy Officer
Cindy Giraldo, Chief Financial Officer
Sarah Jepson, Director of Planning
Carmen Fujimori, Human Resources Director
Javiera Cartagena, Director of Government and Public Affairs
Julie Shroyer, Chief Information Officer



Michael Houston, Chief Counsel, Director of Legal Services
Jeffery Elder, Deputy Legal Counsel
Ruben Duran, Board Counsel
Maggie Aguilar, Clerk of the Board

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Lorimore called the meeting to order at 12:31 p.m. and asked Regional Councilmember Jorge Marquez, Covina, District 33, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

President Lorimore opened the Public Comment Period and outlined instructions for public comments. He noted this was the time for persons to comment on any matter pertinent to SCAG's jurisdiction that were not listed on the agenda.

He reminded the public to submit comments via email to ePublicComment@scag.ca.gov. Board Counsel Ruben Duran acknowledged there were no written public comments received by email before or after the deadline for items not listed on the agenda.

Seeing no public comment speakers, President Lorimore closed the Public Comment Period.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no requests to prioritize agenda items.

Regional Councilmember Larry McCallon, Highland, District 7, made a motion to approve Item numbers 1, 3 and the Consent Calendar. Regional Councilmember Frank Navarro, Colton, District 6, seconded the motion.

Regional Councilmember Hagman, San Bernardino County, indicated he wanted to pull Item No. 9 for discussion. President Lorimore asked if his comments could be addressed before voting on the items. Regional Councilmember Hagman requested that future items regarding policy change be brought to the Regional Council for consideration and discussion and not just placed on the Consent Calendar.

President Lorimore opened the Public Comment Period for Item numbers 1, 3 and the Consent Calendar.

Seeing no public comment speakers, President Lorimore closed the Public Comment Period.

The vote of Items 1, 3 and the Consent Calendar is reflected below.

ACTION ITEM

1. Findings to Continue Holding Virtual Regional Council and Committee Meetings Under AB 361
3. SCAG-Sponsored Legislation

CONSENT CALENDAR

4. Minutes of the Meeting – November 4, 2021
5. Resolution No. 22-639-1 Authorizing Acceptance of One-Time Funds from Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) on Behalf of the California Energy Commission (CEC) in the Amount of \$600,048 to Support SCAG’s Study of Supporting Infrastructure for Medium and Heavy Duty Zero Emission Trucks
6. Resolution No. 22-639-2 Authorizing Acceptance of One-Time Funds from the California Emerging Technology Fund to Support SCAG’s Broadband Program
7. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 21-020-C01 Go Human Safety Strategies
8. Contract Amendment Greater Than 30% of the Contract’s Original Value and \$75,000 or Greater: Contract No. 22-005-C01, Gartner IT Leaders
9. Inclusion of Project Budget in Requests for Proposals
10. SCAG Memberships and Sponsorships

Receive and File

11. Transmittal to South Coast Air Quality Management District of Draft 2022 Air Quality Management Plan Appendix IV-C Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy and Transportation Control Measure
12. Regional Early Action Plan (REAP) Bi-Annual Status Report
13. 2021 Student Showcase

14. Executive/Administration Committee Strategic Work Plan Progress Report Quarter Ending December 31, 2021

15. January 2022 State and Federal Legislative Update

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

17. CFO Monthly Report

A MOTION was made (McCallon) to approve Item numbers 1, 3 and the Consent Calendar. Motion was SECONDED (Navarro). The motion passed by the following roll call votes:

AYES: ASHTON, BACERRA, BARGER, BECERRA, BOYLES, A. BROWN, BUCKNUM, CARRILLO, CLARK, DE RUSE, DEVINE, DIXON, FINLAY, FISCH, GARCETTI, GAZELY, HAGMAN, HAMADA, HARNIK, HENDERSON, HERNANDEZ, HUANG, JUDGE, KALMICK, KELLY, KORETZ, LOCK DAWSON, LORIMORE, J. MARQUEZ, R. MARQUEZ, MCCALLON, MCLEAN, MINAGAR, NAVA, NAVA-FROELICH, NAVARRO, O'NEIL, PLANCARTE, POLLOCK, POSEY, PUTZ, RAMEN, RAMIREZ, ROBERTSON, SANDOVAL, SANTOS, SCHWANK, SHAPIRO, SIMONOFF, SPIEGEL, TYE, VIEGAS-WALKER, WAGNER, WAPNER and YOKOYAMA (55)

The Clerk received a message from Regional Councilmember Steve Manos, Lake Elsinore, District 63, indicating he was not able to unmute in time to cast his vote in support of Item numbers 1, 3 and the Consent Calendar. His vote is not reflected in the count.

NOES: NONE (0)

ABSTAIN: NONE (0)

2. Community Planning Voter Initiative

President Lorimore opened the Public Comment Period.

The Clerk announced that they had received 550 comments before the 5pm deadline and after the 5pm deadline had received an additional 24 comments which would be posted on the website and transmitted to the members.

President Lorimore noted that in the interest of time and because they wanted to hear from everybody, he would be limiting comments to 90 seconds per public speaker.

Mahdi Manji, Inner City Law Center, expressed opposition of the Community Planning Voter Initiative and urged the Regional Council to take a no position.

Mike Johnson, Ventura City Councilmember, expressed that the proposed amendment to the state constitution would have profound intended and unintended consequences and would be dire for Ventura because they were trying to do the right thing on housing.

Iyer Avinash expressed opposition of the Community Planning Voter Initiative and urged SCAG to oppose the amendment.

Bradley Ewing echoed the previous speakers and urged SCAG to oppose the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Bev Perry, Hills for Everyone, expressed opposition of the Community Planning Voter Initiative and urged the Regional Council not to support.

Maggie Lee urged the Regional Council to vote no on this initiative.

Jeannine Wisnosky, Culver City Neighbors United, urged the Regional Council to vote in support of the initiative.

Nancy Barba asked that SCAG oppose the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Dr. Suzanne De Benedittis expressed support for the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Michael Shilstone, Central City Association, expressed opposition of the Community Planning Voter Initiative and asked the Regional to oppose it.

Dan Silver, Endangered Habitats League, urged the Regional Council to oppose the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Henry Fung stated it should be clarified that the staff recommendation to support was not a recommendation from staff and that they [staff] were forwarding the Legislative/Communication and Membership Committee's recommendation to the Regional Council. He noted that the LCMC received a presentation from Bill Graham, the proponent of the initiative and there was no opponents or equal time presented to the opposition of the initiative. He expressed opposition to the initiative and urged the Regional Council to oppose the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Jason Pierce urged the Regional Council to oppose the initiative.

Estela Pacheco, Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce, expressed opposition of the Community Planning Voter Initiative and asked that SCAG vote no on supporting.

Elizabeth Hansburg asked the Regional Council not to vote in support of the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Cesar Covarubias, Executive Director of the Kennedy Commission, expressed opposition of the Community Planning Voter Initiative and urged the Regional Council to oppose.

Sean Cazares expressed support for the initiative and urged the Regional Council to vote yes on the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

David Pham, Garden Grove resident, asked the Regional Council to oppose Community Planning Voter Initiative.

John Perez, Norwalk resident, urged the Regional Council to oppose Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Craig Lyn, Los Angeles resident, urge SCAG to oppose Community Planning Voter Initiative.

John Heath, Our Neighborhood Voices, urged the Regional Council to vote yes to support the initiative.

Rona Henry, Chair of Welcoming Neighbors Home, Ministry of Tapestry Unitarian Universalist, urged the Regional Council to not support the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Jon Wizard, Policy Director for the Campaign for Fair Housing Elements and Councilmember in the Monterey Bay region, expressed opposition of the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Monica Strauch, United Way of Greater Los Angeles, urged the Regional Council to oppose the initiative.

Konstantin Hatcher, Los Angeles resident and Senior Director of Community Impact for California YIMBY, expressed opposition of the Community Planning Voter Initiative and urged the Regional Council to vote to oppose.

Debbi Salahi asked the Regional Council to vote against the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Brady Collins, Policy Analyst with the Koreatown Immigrant Workers Alliance, expressed opposition of the Community Planning Voter Initiative and urged the Regional Council to oppose the initiative.

Jovita Mendoza, Councilmember from Northern California, asked the Regional Council to support the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Lynetta McElroy, asked the Regional Council to support the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

David Barboza, member of Abundant Housing LA, urged the Regional Council to oppose the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Dylan Gottlieb asked the Regional Council to oppose the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Noah Ayoub, Riverside resident, urged the Regional Council to oppose the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Jaime Del Rio, community organizer to Abundant Housing LA, asked the Regional Council to oppose the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Marven Norman, San Bernardino resident, urged the Regional Council to oppose the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Sonia Trauss, Executive Director at YIMBY Law, expressed opposition of the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Jamie Wallace, Culver City neighbors United, urged the Regional Council to support the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Josh, South Pasadena resident, urged the Regional Council to vote no on the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Bryan Sanders urged the Regional Council to support the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Chandra Mosley, South Los Angeles resident, expressed support for the Community Planning Voter Initiative and the Regional Council to support.

Toby Muresianu, Westside for Everyone and South Brentwood Residents Association, expressed opposition of the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Tommy Atley, Hancock Park resident, expressed opposition of the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Annie, Hollywood resident, expressed support for the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Pat Davis, facilitator at Housing is a Human Right Orange County, expressed opposition of the Community Planning Voter Initiative and asked that it be rejected.

Salim Damerджи urged the Regional Council to vote note on supporting the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

John M. Erickson, Councilmember from the City of West Hollywood, urged the Regional Council not to support the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Bill Brand, Mayor of Redondo Beach and proponent initiative, expressed support for the Community Planning Voter Initiative and urged the Regional Council to vote in support of the initiative.

Robert Fruchtman asked the Regional Council to oppose the Community Planning Voter Initiative.

Seeing no further public comment speakers, President Lorimore closed the Public Comment Period.

Ms. Cartagena provided a brief report and indicated that the LCMC and Executive/Administration Committee (EAC) were recommending support for the proposed voter initiative called Californians for Community Planning. She noted that the proposed initiative would amend the state's constitution to specify that local city and county land-use and zoning laws override state laws when they conflict. Additionally, that the proposed initiative did make some exceptions for coastal land-use regulations, power generating facilities, and development of water, communication, or transportation infrastructure projects. She further noted that proponents took the first step in initiating the initiative's process and submitted the draft text to the Attorney General on August 25, 2021 and that on November 1, 2021, the Attorney General issued the official title and summary. She stated that this set off the signature gathering process and proponents had 180 days to collect nearly 1 million signatures to appear on the ballot for the November 8, 2022 election. She mentioned that the LCMC received informational reports from SCAG staff at its September and November meetings and that during the last update, Committee Members voted to forward a "support" recommendation on the proposed initiative to the Regional Council by a vote of 13 to two (2), with one (1) abstention. She noted that at the EAC meeting, the day before, they voted to support item by a vote of 11 to two (2), with one (1) abstention. Lastly, she reported that the staff report included information on the discussion and subsequent action taken by the League of

California Cities Board of Directors where they voted unanimously, with one (1) abstention, to take no position or remain neutral for the time being on the initiative.

A detailed report is included in the agenda packet and is posted on the website.

Regional Councilmember Cheryl Viegas-Walker, El Centro, District 1, urged the Regional Council to take a no position on this item. She expressed that this initiative in her mind did nothing to address California's housing and homelessness crisis, and it did nothing to further housing or affordability options.

Regional Councilmember Donald Wagner, Orange County, indicated that the discussion at the LCMC and EAC meeting was robust and spirited. He urged support of the initiative and made a motion to support the initiative. This motion was seconded by Regional Councilmember Wendy Bucknum, Mission Viejo, District 13. [See restatement and vote below.]

Regional Councilmember Steve Manos, Lake Elsinore, District 63, stated that if they wanted comprehensive policy then he thought the state needed to take a step back. He expressed support for the initiative.

Regional Councilmember Paul Koretz, Los Angeles, District 52, expressed that the result of SB 9 will be the destruction of single-family neighborhoods and building housing that is less affordable. He further stated they needed to build more market rate housing and it should be focused on compact infill development in downtowns and city centers, adaptive reuse of vacant or underutilized commercial buildings, and development on commercial streets.

Regional Councilmember Marsha McLean, Santa Clarita, District 67, stated that in Santa Clarita they welcome and support affordable housing and any developer who wishes to come and build affordable housing. She expressed that as local legislators they needed to step in and take back their neighborhoods in their cities.

Regional Councilmember Alex Fisch, Culver City, District 41, briefly addressed the unintended consequences of the initiative. He made a substitute motion for the Regional Council to take a no position on the initiative. This motion was seconded by Regional Councilmember Deborah Robertson, Rialto, District 8. [See restatement and vote below.]

Regional Councilmember Kathryn Barger, Los Angeles County, stated that the day before [at the EAC] she took a support position to move this item forward for discussion. She noted that she supported any initiative that would allow voters to decide the future of their communities. She further addressed affordable housing and the need to meet RHNA numbers. She expressed that her position was now to take a no position. She stated that she was under the impression that SCAG

would be looking at legislative fixes for SB 9 and 10 and asked staff to confirm. Staff addressed the comments.

Regional Councilmember Robertson stated that she did vote the day before in support of moving the initiative because the Committees were recommending bringing it to the Regional Council to have a robust discussion. She stated she supported the substitute motion because she felt they should take a no position and the voters should decide.

Regional Councilmember Mike Posey, Huntington Beach, District 64, expressed support for the original motion and stated they needed to take back local control.

Regional Councilmember Randall Putz, Big Bear Lake, District 11, asked if the SCAG committees had received presentations from both sides of the initiative. He stated that he was on the Cal Cities Working Group that spent several hours on the issue, which ended not supporting the initiative. He encouraged the Regional Council members to take a no position. Staff acknowledged the question.

Regional Councilmember David Pollock, Moorpark, District 46, stated the League of Cities also considered the item and thought that it was not appropriate at this time for them to get involved. He expressed support for the substitution motion to take a no position.

Regional Councilmember Carmen Ramirez, Ventura County, expressed support for the substitute motion to take a no position as she thought it was best for all of them and for SCAG. She stated that she listened carefully to all the heartfelt comments in support and in opposition.

Regional Councilmember Trevor O'Neil, Anaheim, District 19, cautioned the Regional Council on not weighing in on issues that affect their jurisdictions. He stated that they had an obligation to speak on behalf of the region. He proposed second substitute motion to support the initiative. This motion was seconded by Regional Councilmember Peggy Huang, TCA.

President Lorimore sought clarification from Board Counsel.

Mr. Ruben Duran, Board Council, stated that the second substitute motion, as proposed, sounded like the main motion and should be ruled out of order at his [the President's] discretion.

President Lorimore stated they already had that motion [the original motion] on the floor and would not be able to support it [the second substitute motion], ruling it out of order.

Regional Councilmember Peggy Huang, TCA, asked the Regional Council to vote no on the substitute motion and urged them to vote yes for the original motion to support the initiative. She expressed that Sacramento refused to collaborate with the cities and had taken away all the tools which they

have used to build affordable housing.

Regional Councilmember Wendy Bucknum thanked Regional Councilmember Huang and others for all the hard work on this. She expressed that this was important and thought that as a regional body they had previously taken positions. She stated that she would like to see them say no on the substitute motion and support the original motion.

Regional Councilmember Eric Garcetti, Los Angeles, Member-at-Large, stated there was good people on both sides this initiative. He further expressed that they needed to have renter protections and robust government involvement, especially at the state and national level to help them build more affordable housing. He advocated for a no position and indicated he would be supporting that motion [the substitute motion].

Regional Councilmember Alan Wapner, SBCTA, stated he could not support a motion to not take a position and thought that as elected officials they were elected to take positions one way or the other. He expressed support for the initiative.

Regional Councilmember Karen Spiegel, Riverside County, stated that as elected officials they needed to take positions, especially at SCAG. She further stated that their goal was to undertake a variety of planning and policy initiatives.

Regional Councilmember Margaret Finlay, Duarte, District 35, sought clarification on the second substitute motion. Board Counsel acknowledged the question and provided clarification. She expressed that she believed in local elected officials and was in favor of the first motion.

A Substitute MOTION was made (Fisch) to take a no position on the Community Planning Voter Initiative. Motion was SECONDED (Robertson). The motion failed to pass by the following roll call votes:

AYES: ALLEN, BARGER, FISCH, GARCETTI, HAMADA, HERNANDEZ, J. MARQUEZ, POLLOCK, PUTZ, RAMEN, RAMIREZ, ROBERTSON, SANDOVAL, SCHWANK, SHAPIRO, and TYE (16)

NOES: ASHTON, BACERRA, BECERRA, BENOIT, BOYLES, A. BROWN, BUCKNUM, CLARK, DE RUSE, DEVINE, DIXON, FINLAY, GAZELY, HUANG, JUDGE, KALMICK, KELLY, KORETZ, LOCK DAWSON, LORIMORE, MANOS, R. MARQUEZ, MCLEAN, MINAGAR, NAVA, O'NEIL, PLANCARTE, POSEY, SALEH, SANTOS, SIMONOFF, SPIEGEL, WAGNER, WAPNER and YOKOYAMA (35)

ABSTAIN: NONE (0)

A MOTION was made (Wagner) to take a support position on the Community Planning Voter Initiative. Motion was SECONDED (Bucknum). The motion passed by the following roll call votes:

AYES: ASHTON, BACERRA, BECERRA, BENOIT, BOYLES, A. BROWN, BUCKNUM, CLARK, DE RUSE, DIXON, FINLAY, GAZELY, HUANG, JUDGE, KELLY, KORETZ, LORIMORE, MANOS, R. MARQUEZ, MCLEAN, MINAGAR, NAVA, O'NEIL, PLANCARTE, POSEY, SALEH, SANTOS, SIMONOFF, SPIEGEL, WAGNER, WAPNER and YOKOYAMA (32)

The Clerk received an email from Regional Councilmember Patricia Lock Dawson, Riverside, District 68, indicating her internet connection went down and was not able to cast her vote in time in support of Item No. 2. Her vote is not reflected in the count.

NOES: ALLEN, CARRILLO, FISCH, GARCETTI, HAMADA, HERNANDEZ, POLLOCK, PUTZ, RAMEN, RAMIREZ, SANDOVAL, and TYE (12)

ABSTAIN: BARGER, J. MARQUEZ, and ROBERTSON (3)

The Clerk received a message from Regional Councilmember David J. Shapiro, Calabasas, District 44, indicating his microphone was off and was not able to cast his vote in time to abstain on Item No. 2. His vote is not reflected in the count.

Regional Councilmember Robertson asked that staff go back and research if they [the Regional Council] have ever voted on initiatives. Staff acknowledged the request.

BUSINESS REPORT

A business report was not provided.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Lorimore provided an update on the advocacy meetings from last month and noted that the board officers joined him at meetings with Assemblymembers Buffy Wicks, who was recently appointed Chair of the Assembly Housing Committee, and at meetings with Assemblymembers Robert Rivas and Tim Grayson. He also provided an update on the recent visit he did to the city of Anaheim and thanked Regional Councilmember O'Neil for hosting. Furthermore, he asked members to submit their name to the Clerk if they were interested in serving on the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee, the Nomination Committee, or the Scholarship Committee. Lastly, he reported there would not be individual Policy Committees in February and instead a Joint Meeting of the Policy



Committees would be held on Thursday, February 3 from 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., followed by the Regional Council meeting 12:30 p.m.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

In the interest of time, Executive Director Kome Ajise stated he would email his report to the members. He did take a moment to recognize and present a proclamation to Naresh Amatya on his retirement.

Mr. Amatya stated it had been a real honor and privilege to have worked with so many talented people at SCAG.

Executive Director Ajise also recognized Linda Jones on her retirement.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEM/S

There were no future agenda items requested.

ANNOUNCEMENT/S

There were no announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Lorimore adjourned the Regional Council meeting in at 3:29 p.m.

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