



**SPECIAL SGVCOG Transportation Committee Approved Minutes**

Date: November 15, 2018  
Time: **4:00 PM**  
Location: Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District  
602 E. Huntington Dr., Suite B, Monrovia, CA 91016

**PRELIMINARY BUSINESS**

1. Call to Order  
The meeting was called to order at 4:11 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

**Members Present**

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| Alhambra             | B. Messina              |
| Claremont            | S. Pedroza              |
| Diamond Bar          | D. Liu                  |
| Duarte               | J. Fasana               |
| El Monte             | J. Velasco              |
| Glendora             | V. Escalante, S. Mateer |
| Pomona               | T. Sandoval             |
| South El Monte       | G. Olmos                |
| South Pasadena       | D. Mahmud               |
| Walnut               | M. Su, A Rodriguez      |
| LA County District 1 | M. Reyes                |
| LA County District 5 | D. Mendelsohn           |

**Members Absent**

- La Cañada Flintridge
- San Gabriel
- Temple City

**SGVCOG Staff**

- M. Creter
- K. Ward
- P. Duyshart

4. Public Comment

No general public comment.

5. Changes to Agenda Order: Identify emergency items arising after agenda posting and requiring action prior to next regular meeting

**\*\*There was a change in the agenda order.** Chair John Fasana moved the announcements section to take place before the Consent Calendar

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

L. Levy Buch of the Foothill Gold Line Construction Authority announced a change in the funding structure and changes in the schedule and construction timeline for the Gold Line Phase 2B project from Glendora to Montclair.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

6. Transportation Meeting Minutes: 10/18/2018

**There was a motion to approve the 10/18/2018 Transportation Committee Minutes. (M/S: T. Sandoval / M. Su).**

**[MOTION PASSED]**

<b>AYES:</b>	Claremont, Diamond Bar, Duarte, El Monte, Glendora, Pomona, South El Monte, South Pasadena, Walnut, LA County District 1, LA County District 5
<b>NOES:</b>	
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Alhambra, La Cañada Flintridge, San Gabriel, South Pasadena, Temple City

**PRESENTATIONS**

**7. SGV Active Transportation Initiative: 5-City Plans & SGV Greenway Study Findings and Recommendations**

Ryan Johnson, a Planning Associate with Alta Planning + Design, Inc., gave a thorough presentation on the final versions of the SGV Greenway Study and the City Active Transportation Plans to the Transportation Committee.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Phillip Tran, a local resident of the San Gabriel Valley, provided public comment on this item. He discussed the importance of improving opportunities and increasing access to active transportation routes, including bicycle routes. Mr. Tran also noted that he is encouraged by studies such as the SGV Greenway Study.

Questions/Discussion:

- One member of the Committee asked if there was a deadline to submit comments and feedback for the greenway study and the city plans. Mr. Johnson said that plans could be submitted to Alta by the end of November.
- COG staff announced that the full draft plan will be shared electronically with agency staff members.

**8. Metro Rideshare/Shared Mobility Program**

Emma Huang, a Principal Transportation Planner with LA Metro’s Office of Extraordinary Innovation, provided a presentation on Metro’s planned shared mobility pilot program.

Questions/Discussion:

- Chair Fasana suggested that Metro should present this to the El Monte, SEM, and Rosemead City Councils in January.
- A Committee member asked about which types of trips you can take through this program.
- Another Committee member asked: ss there benefit to reaching out to local transit providers on this?
- What’s the criteria for deciding low income?
- Is there a shared ride component to this? Do you utilize an application like Uber to access this?
- There was a question about wait times for users. Ms. Huang said that average wait times will be 10 minutes.
- One committee member asked: why is the area north of the station not included, besides a couple of blocks? Ms. Huang responded by saying that Metro met with cities to try to

figure out the best neighborhoods which should be included in the boundary and service area.

- Another question was: how many vehicles will be in each area? Ms. Huang said that each station area will have about five vehicles.
- There was a question about if the vehicles can accommodate bicycles.

#### 9. ExpressLanes Interfund Loan Principles and Policies

Shahrzad Amiri, the Executive Officer of Congestion Reduction for LA Metro, and a second Metro staffer, provided the Transportation Committee with an overview presentation which will include additional details on the ExpressLanes Interfund Loan Principles.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Wesley Reutimann, the Executive Director of Bike San Gabriel Valley, provided public comments on this item. He made the following remarks:

- Mr. Reutimann stated that there aren't many opportunities for cities to get funding for safe routes to school projects, etc.
- The Interfund Loan program is much less competitive than ATP funds, and it's easier for city staff to apply for Interfund loans and it's easier to execute and implement.
- A lot of cities along this corridor are some of the most pollution burdened communities in the State.
- Bike SGV wants to see Metro get more creative in making these funding opportunities available to these cities.
- Thinks that Metro should have much better communication with the cities, and Bike SGV thinks this is a loss to the cities.

#### Questions/Discussion:

- Ms. Amiri stated that Metro would not take all Net Toll Revenue funds, and she reminded the Committee that only cities which are within 3 miles of these lanes are eligible to compete for projects.
- One Committee member asked: how much revenue do we get from the ExpressLanes revenues every year? Ms. Amiri stated that gross revenue is \$72 million from I-10 and I-110.

### **METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (MTA) REPORT**

#### 10. Oral Report

Lilian De Loza-Gutierrez, Metro' Government Relations staffer for the SGV subregion, provided the first portion of this report. Below is a summary of her report:

- Metro is currently arrowing down alignments for the Pasadena-to-SFC BRT project.
- There are upcoming Community Workshops in the works for FLM planning for Gold Line Phase 2B cities.
- Gold Line eastside extension contracts were approved last month. Community meetings for this will take place in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2019.
- Recommendations came forward from staff regarding 710 freeway projects, and these recommendations are contingent on Caltrans approval.
- There will be two NextGen Bus Study Community Meetings in the SGV: one in San Gabriel on January 16, 2019 at Asian Youth Center, and another on January 24 at the Pasadena Senior Center

Chair John Fasana also added that, the Metro Rail Lines and Busway Lines will be changing to a Lettering or Numbering system, rather than the current system that uses different colors as names for the lines.

#### **UPDATE ITEMS**

11. Metrolink Update

J. Hernandez of Metrolink gave an update on the SCORE Capital Improvement Program.

12. Update on Active Transportation Planning Efforts

K. Ward, the SGVCOG's Senior Management Analyst, provided the update on this item. She announced that the SGVCOG and a committee are currently reviewing proposals for the Bike Share contract.

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

13. Oral Report

There was no report on this item.

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBER ITEMS**

Governing Board meetings might move to 5:30 p.m., instead of 6:00 p.m., in 2019. This would mean that the Transportation Committee meeting time could also change, too.

#### **ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:59 p.m.