



SGVCOG Governing Board Approved Minutes

Date: September 17, 2020
Time: 4:00 PM
Location: Zoom Virtual Meeting

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order
SGVCOG President Cynthia Sternquist called the meeting to order at 4:00pm.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
J. Fasana led the Governing Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call
A quorum was in attendance.

Governing Board Members Present

Alhambra	David Mejia
Arcadia	April Verlato
Azusa	Robert Gonzales
Baldwin Park	Jean M. Ayala
Claremont	Ed Reece
Covina	Patricia Cortez
Diamond Bar	Nancy Lyons
Duarte	John Fasana
El Monte	Jerry Velasco
Glendora	Michael Allowos
Industry	Cory Moss
Irwindale	Albert Ambriz
La Cañada Flintridge	Keith Eich
La Verne	Tim Hepburn
Monrovia	Becky Shevlin
Monterey Park	Peter Chan
Pomona	Tim Sandoval
Rosemead	Margaret Clark
San Dimas	Denis Bertone
San Gabriel	Jason Pu
San Marino	Susan Jakubowski
Sierra Madre	John Capoccia
South El Monte	Gloria Olmos
South Pasadena	Diana Mahmud
Temple City	Cynthia Sternquist
Walnut	Allen Wu
West Covina	Tony Wu
L.A. County District #1	Florencio Briones
L.A. County District #4	Lauren Yokomizo

Absent

Bradbury
La Puente
Montebello

SGVCOG Staff

M. Creter, Exec. Director
M. Christoffels, Staff
P. Hubler, Staff
D. Stanley, Staff
R. Alimoren, Staff
C. Sims, Staff
B. Acevedo, Staff
K. Ward, Staff
B. McCullom, Staff
A. Fung, Staff
S. Matthews, Staff
S. Hernandez, Staff

L.A. County District #5 Sandra Maravilla
SGV Water Districts Steven Placido

4. Public Comment
No public comments were provided.
5. Changes to Agenda Order
There was a request to table Item 27, SB 1120 – Subdivisions: Tentative Maps, for the Executive Committee to determine the best approach to bring the Item back to the Governing Board given that this bill has failed in the Legislature.

LIAISON REPORTS

6. Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority
No report was given.
7. Foothill Transit
A written report was provided.
8. Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
No report was given.
9. San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (RMC)
No report was given.
10. San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District (SGVMVCD)
No report was given.
11. Southern California Association of Governments
A written report was provided.
12. League of California Cities
A written report was provided.
13. San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership (SGVEP)
A written report was provided.
14. South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD)
A written report was provided.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

SGVCOG President, Cynthia Sternquist, expressed her appreciation for the foothill cities and San Gabriel Valley elected officials in aiding the efforts to respond to recent wildfires.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

SGVCOG Executive Director, Marisa Creter, provided an update presentation on the

Hygiene Program. The SGVCOG received \$113,320 in COVID-19 Emergency Homelessness Grant funds from the Los Angeles County Homeless Initiative to expand hygiene services in the San Gabriel Valley region. The funding was split evenly among the Cities of Alhambra, Arcadia, Azusa, Baldwin Park, Claremont, Duarte, El Monte, Monrovia, Monterey Park, San Gabriel, and South Pasadena. The funding allowed for increased supply use, staff time for frequent cleanings, renting portable hygiene equipment, and the purchase of supplies to distribute directly.

GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

SGVCOG General Counsel, David DeBerry, recommended homeowners to review their fire insurance policies and ensure that the policies include code upgrades provisions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

15. Transportation Committee
A written report was provided.
16. Homelessness Committee
A written report was provided.
17. San Gabriel Valley Regional Housing Trust Board
A written report was provided.
18. Energy, Environment and Natural Resources (EENR) Committee
A written report was provided.
19. Water Committee
A written report was provided.
20. Capital Projects and Construction Committee
A written report was provided.

CONSENT CALENDAR

21. Governing Board Meeting Minutes
Recommended Action: Adopt Governing Board minutes.
22. Monthly Cash Disbursements/Balances/Transfers
Recommended Action: Approve Monthly Cash Disbursements/Balances/Transfers.
23. Committee/TAC/Governing Board Attendance
Recommended Action: Receive and file.
24. Approve an Advance/Loan for MSP Funding for the I-605/Valley Boulevard Interchange Improvement Project and Assignment of the Project to the Capital Projects and Construction Committee
Recommended Action: Approve an advance/loan of future Measure M Subregional

Programs (MSP) funding for the I-605/Valley Boulevard Interchange Project and assign this project to the Capital Projects and Construction Committee.

- 25. Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Application
Recommended Action: Authorize the Executive Director to submit an application to SCAG for the REAP Program.
- 26. SGVCOG Zero Waste Policy
Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution 20-17 adopting the SGVCOG Zero Waste Policy.
- 27. ~~SB 1120—Subdivisions: Tentative Maps~~
~~*Recommended Action: Oppose in principle legislation that would require cities to approve multi unit developments in neighborhoods zoned as single family residential and direct staff to continue to work with the League of California Cities and San Gabriel Valley legislators on initiatives to increase the supply of housing while upholding local control.*~~
- 28. Letters Supporting Federal COVID-19 Aid for Cities
Recommended Actions: Approve sending letters to the San Gabriel Valley representatives in the U.S. House of Representatives and California’s U.S. Senators expressing support for providing \$500 billion in direct and flexible federal assistance to local governments of all sizes.

There was a motion to approve consent calendar items 21 to 26 and 28. (M/S: M. Allawos/N. Lyons)

[Motion Passed]

AYES:	Alhambra, Arcadia, Azusa, Baldwin Park, Claremont, Covina, Diamond Bar, Duarte, El Monte, Glendora, Industry, La Cañada Flintridge, La Verne, Monrovia, Monterey Park, Pomona, Rosemead, San Dimas, San Marino, Sierra Madre, South El Monte, South Pasadena, Temple City, Walnut, West Covina, L.A. County District #1, L.A. County District #4, L.A. County District #5, San Gabriel Valley Water Districts
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
NO VOTE RECORDED:	Irwindale
ABSENT:	Bradbury, La Puente, Montebello

ACTION ITEMS

- 29. Approval of Section 115 Trust Account with the California Public Employees’ Retirement System
SGVCOG Executive Director, Marisa Creter, provided a presentation on this item.

There was a motion to approve the following:

- (1) **An Agreement with the California Public Employment Retirement System (CalPERS) to participate in the California Employers’ Pension Prefunding Trust (CEPPT) Fund; and**
- (2) **The Delegation of Authority to Request Disbursements to the Executive Director; the Director of Finance and the Administrative Services Manager; and**
- (3) **Authorize the Executive Director to sign the agreement and all associated documents; and**
- (4) **To make an initial deposit of \$1,227,257 into the Trust account from unrestricted Union Pacific Railroad contributions and make pre-payments in the amount of \$43,076 annually for employer contributions over the next five years from SGVCOG general fund/other non-capital program funds into the Trust account; and**
- (5) **To select CEPPT Asset Allocation Strategy 2.**

(M/S: J. Fasana/M. Allawos)

[Motion Passed]

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NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
NO VOTE RECORDED:	
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- 30. FY 20-21 Board Office Election**
SGVCOG Senior Management Analyst, Katie Ward, provided a presentation on this item. Ms. Ward announced that the positions of President, 1st Vice President, and 2nd Vice President were uncontested. Additionally, Ed Reece from the City of Claremont and Diana Mahmud from the City of South Pasadena accepted nominations for the position of 3rd Vice President. Governing Board members were recommended to approve the uncontested positions of President, 1st Vice President, and 2nd Vice President and received an opportunity to vote for the 3rd Vice President via electronic survey at this meeting. After tallying the votes, SGVCOG General Counsel, David DeBerry, announced that Mr. Reece received 22 votes and Ms. Mahmud received 9 votes for the position of 3rd Vice President.

There was a motion to approve the following officers for FY 20-21 (effective October 1, 2020):

- **President: Margaret Clark**
- **1st Vice President: Becky Shevlin**
- **2nd Vice President: Tim Hepburn**

(M/S: T. Sandoval/N. Lyons)

[Motion Passed]

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NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
NO VOTE RECORDED:	
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There was another motion to appoint Ed Reece from the City of Claremont as the FY 20-21 3rd Vice President (effective October 1, 2020). (M/S: D. Bertone/D. Mahmud)

[Motion Passed]

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PRESENTATION

31. SGVCOG Legislative Program Update Presentation
SGVCOG Legislative Consultant, Tim Egan, and SGVCOG Director of Government and Community Relations, Paul Hubler, provided a presentation on this item.

Key Discussions/Questions:

- Governing Board members concurred with staff recommendations and directed staff to report to the Executive Committee on a regular or as-needed basis on state and federal legislation that are not currently overseen by existing SGVCOG policy committees.
- Another Governing Board member inquired about possible additional initiatives that the SGVCOG can undertake to support the 57/60 Chokepoint Confluence Project. Mr. Egan and Mr. Hubler responded that cities can continue to work with local businesses and community-based organizations to express support for this project on the state and federal levels. Additionally, Mr. Egan mentioned that SGVCOG staff

will continue to conduct public outreach efforts for this project. Mr. Hubler also mentioned that SGVCOG staff will solicit a letter of support from San Gabriel Valley legislators.

- A Governing Board member suggested that the SGVCOG should prepare sending a letter in response to the new stormwater permit.

ADJOURN

SGVCOG President Cynthia Sternquist adjourned the Governing Board meeting at 5:51pm in memory of former La Puente Councilmember Dan Holloway.

BOARD APPROVED

October 15, 2020

Date

Marisa Creter