



SGVCOG Public Works TAC Special Meeting Minutes

Date: **January 11, 2021**
Time: 12:00 PM
Location: Zoom Virtual Meeting

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order
R. Guerrero called the meeting to order at 12:01pm.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
R. Guerrero led the Public Works TAC in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call
A quorum was in attendance.

Committee Members Present

Arcadia	Phil Wray
Azusa	Robert Delgadillo
Baldwin Park	John Beshay
Diamond Bar	David Liu, Hal Ghafari
El Monte	Sal Mendez, Lee Torres
Glendora	Allison Sweet
Industry	Josh Nelson
Irwindale	Daniel Co, Gilbert Ramos
La Verne	Anthony Ciotti
Monterey Park	Frank Lopez
Pomona	Rene Guerrero, Matt Pilarz
Rosemead	Chris Daste
San Marino	Michael Throne
Temple City	Ashley Avery
Walnut	Mary Rooney
L.A. County DPW	Andrew Ross, Shirley Lai, Ron Matsuoka

Absent

Claremont
Monrovia
San Dimas
San Gabriel
South El Monte
South Pasadena
West Covina

Guests

Caltrans, Gloria Roberts
Caltrans, Hammer Sui
Caltrans, Tony Tavares
Caltrans, Roger Yoh
PIFC, Deanna LaTour-Jarquin

SGVCOG Staff

E. Shen, Staff
A. Fung, Staff

4. Public Comment
There were no public comments at this meeting.
5. Changes to Agenda Order
There were no changes to the agenda.

CONSENT CALENDAR

6. Review Public Works TAC Meeting Minutes: 11/16/2020

Action: Review and approve.

**There was a motion to approve consent calendar item 6. (M/S: M. Rooney/J. Nelson)
[Motion Passed]**

AYES:	Arcadia, Azusa, Baldwin Park, Diamond Bar, El Monte, Glendora, Industry, Irwindale, La Verne, Monterey Park, Pomona, Rosemead, Temple City, Walnut, L.A. County DPW
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	San Marino
NO VOTE RECORDED:	
ABSENT:	Claremont, Monrovia, San Dimas, San Gabriel, South El Monte, South Pasadena, West Covina

UPDATE ITEMS

7. California Department of Transportation District 7 Quarterly Updates
Caltrans representatives provided an update on the Department’s City Ambassador Program and roadway improvement projects in the San Gabriel Valley.

Key Questions/Discussions:

- Several committee members expressed gratitude to Caltrans representatives for their engagements with cities through the City Ambassador Program.
 - A committee member mentioned that the City of Diamond Bar has been experiencing mobile homelessness issues along the northern parts of the City and offered to partner with Caltrans to address such issues.
8. San Gabriel Valley Regional Vehicle Miles Travelled (VMT) Mitigation Bank
SGVCOG Director of Capital Projects, Eric Shen, provided an update on the Regional VMT Mitigation Bank/Fee Structure Project. In concept, each participating city would submit a list of planned or approved transportation improvements with nexus for receiving future VMT mitigation fees. The proposed program would monetize “cost per trip” based on the type, scale, and impact level of each proposed development. Participating cities may elect to incorporate such Regional VMT Mitigation Fee Structure in their project review process. When a proposed development exceeds the threshold for VMT mitigation, the lead city could allow developers to pay appropriate “trip fees” thus obtain necessary VMT reduction credits. Each participating city in the program would retain a portion of the VMT mitigation fees collected from its proposed developments. Additional details and criteria would be jointly developed and agreed by participating cities based on quantitative and qualitative analyses. Improvements covered by the Regional VMT Mitigation Fee Structure would achieve the expected VMT reductions. Cities with questions or concerns regarding this project are invited to schedule one-on-one meetings with SGVCOG staff.

Key Questions/Discussions:

- A committee member expressed concerns over whether fees collected through developers would benefit the respective participating cities. Mr. Shen responded that it is the intention of the project to develop a fee structure that is fair, transparent, and reasonable to participating cities. Details of the fee structure will be finalized throughout the course of the study, with inputs and approvals from participating cities.

9. 2021 San Gabriel Valley Energy Champion Awards

SGVCOG Management Analyst, Alexander Fung, provided an update on this item. Due to time constraints, Mr. Fung congratulated cities and agencies that were recognized in the 2020 San Gabriel Valley Energy Champion Awards. Details of the 2021 Awards Structure will be provided at the next committee meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

10. Telematics in Auto Insurance Ratings

Personal Insurance Federation of California Legislative Advocate, Deanna LaTour-Jarquin, provided a presentation on this item. Telematics technology, which uses data accessed through a driver's smartphone or ports located in vehicles, can measure behaviors such as braking, acceleration, speeding, and distraction. This technology can measure the drivers' actual driving behavior as a factor in deciding the amounts they should contribute to their automobile insurance policies. Currently, a majority of the states in the country allow the use of telematics technology in automobile insurance policies, with California being one of the states that do not allow the use of telematics-enabled pricing in automobile insurance models.

11. Traffic Signal Synchronization Program

Los Angeles County Department of Public Works Civil Engineer, Ron Matsuoka, provided a presentation on this item. The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors launched the Countywide Traffic Signal Synchronization Program (TSSP) in 1988 to enhance mobility on congested local highways and streets. As of last month, 148 projects on 116 routes impacting over 2,900 intersections were either completed or under construction. A typical improvement project involves upgrading the traffic signals along a route to ensure signal synchronization, placing vehicle detectors in the pavements to detect the presence of vehicles, coordinating the timing of signals between successive intersections, and automatically adjusting signals to facilitate the movement of vehicles through roadway intersections.

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

12. Next Committee Meeting

The upcoming committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 8, 2021 at 12:00pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no additional announcements.

ADJOURN

R. Guerrero adjourned the Public Works Technical Advisory Committee meeting at 1:43pm.