



San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments
AGENDA AND NOTICE
OF THE MEETING OF THE SGVCOG PLANNING DIRECTORS
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEES (TAC)
Thursday, September 28, 2017 12:00 PM

Chair: Criag Hensley
City of Duarte

Vice-Chair: Michael Huntley
City of Monterey Park

Members

Alhambra
Arcadia
Azusa
Baldwin Park
Claremont
Covina
Diamond Bar
Duarte
El Monte
Glendora
Irwindale
La Verne
Monrovia
Monterey Park
Pasadena
Pomona
Rosemead
San Dimas
San Gabriel
Sierra Madre
South Pasadena
Temple City
Walnut
West Covina

Thank you for participating in today's meeting. The Planners' Technical Advisory Committee encourages public participation and invites you to share your views on agenda items.

MEETINGS: *Regular Meetings of the Planners' Technical Advisory Committee are held on the fourth Thursday of each month at 12 PM at Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District-602 E. Huntington Dr., Suite B, Monrovia, CA 91016.* The Planners' Technical Advisory Committee agenda packet is available at the San Gabriel Valley Council of Government's (SGVCOG) Office, 1000 South Fremont Avenue, Suite 10210, Alhambra, CA, and on the website, www.sgvkog.org. Copies are available via email upon request (sgv@sgvcog.org). Documents distributed to a majority of the Committee after the posting will be available for review in the SGVCOG office and on the SGVCOG website. Your attendance at this public meeting may result in the recording of your voice.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: Your participation is welcomed and invited at all Planners' Technical Advisory Committee meetings. Time is reserved at each regular meeting for those who wish to address the Board. SGVCOG requests that persons addressing the Committee refrain from making personal, slanderous, profane or disruptive remarks.

TO ADDRESS THE PLANNERS' TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE: At a regular meeting, the public may comment on any matter within the jurisdiction of the Committee during the public comment period and may also comment on any agenda item at the time it is discussed. At a special meeting, the public may only comment on items that are on the agenda. Members of the public wishing to speak are asked to complete a comment card or simply rise to be recognized when the Chair asks for public comments to speak. We ask that members of the public state their name for the record and keep their remarks brief. If several persons wish to address the Committee on a single item, the Chair may impose a time limit on individual remarks at the beginning of discussion. **The Planners' Technical Advisory Committee may not discuss or vote on items not on the agenda.**

AGENDA ITEMS: The Agenda contains the regular order of business of the Planners' Technical Advisory Committee. Items on the Agenda have generally been reviewed and investigated by the staff in advance of the meeting so that the Committee can be fully informed about a matter before making its decision.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Items listed on the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be acted upon by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Committee member or citizen so requests. In this event, the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered after the Consent Calendar. If you would like an item on the Consent Calendar discussed, simply tell Staff or a member of the Planners' Technical Advisory Committee.



PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

2 MINUTES

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Public Comment (*If necessary, the Chair may place reasonable time limits on all comments*)

CONSENT CALENDAR

1 MINUTE

(It is anticipated that the Committee may take action on the following matters)

4. Planners TAC Meeting Minutes – 8/24/2017
Recommended Action: Approve.

PRESENTATIONS

40 MINUTES

5. LA County’s Approach to Cannabis Regulation: Persentation by Joseph Nicchitta, Countywide Coordinator, Office of Cannabis Management
Recommended Action: for information.
6. Mansionization: Presentation by Nick Bezanson, City of San Gabriel
Recommended Action: for information

ACTION ITEMS

DISCUSSION ITEMS

INFORMATION ITEMS

7. Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant
Recommended Action: for information.

5 MINUTES

UPDATE ITEMS

5 MINUTES

8. ACE/COG Integration
Recommended Action: for information.
9. General Assembly
Recommended Action: for information.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S COMMENTS

CHAIR’S REPORT

5 MINUTES

10. Solicitation of presentation topics
Recommended Action: For discussion.
11. Current City Projects
Recommended Action: Discuss the idea of a monthly presentation on city projects by TAC members.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2 MINUTES

Oct 26th, Next Planning Director’s TAC

ADJOURN



SGVCOG Planners TAC Meeting Minutes

Date: August 24, 2017
 Time: 12:00 P.M.
 Location: Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District
 602 E. Huntington Dr., Monrovia, CA 91016

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 12:02 P.M.
2. Roll Call

Planners TAC Members Present

L. Flores, Arcadia
 K. Christiansen, M. Munoz, Azusa
 A. Harbin, Baldwin Park
 B. Lee, Covina
 M. Nakajima, Diamond Bar
 C. Hensley, J. Golding, Duarte
 W. Chung, El Monte
 N. Lee, Monrovia
 C. Easland, Montebello
 L. Stevens, A. Garcia, San Dimas
 T. Steinkruger, San Gabriel
 V. Gonzalez, Sierra Madre

Planners TAC Members Absent

Alhambra
 Claremont
 Glendora
 Irwindale
 La Verne
 Monterey Park
 Pasadena
 Pomona
 Rosemead
 South Pasadena
 Temple City
 Walnut
 West Covina

SGVCOG Staff/Guests

E. Wolf, Staff
 C. Cruz, Staff
 L. Colchado, LA County Office of Homelessness
 T. Peters

3. Public Comment.
 There were no public comments.

CONSENT CALENDAR

4. Planners TAC Meeting Minutes – 6/22/2017
There was a motion to approve the minutes (M/S: L. Stevens/A. Harbin).
[Motion Passed]

Ayes	Arcadia, Azusa, Baldwin Park, Covina, Diamond Bar, Duarte, El Monte, Monrovia, Montebello, San Dimas, San Gabriel, Sierra Madre
Noes	
Abstain	
Absent	Alhambra, Claremont, Glendora, Irwindale, La Verne, Monterey Park, Pasadena, Pomona, Rosemead, South Pasadena, Temple City, Walnut, West Covina

PRESENTATIONS

5. Measure H, Homelessness Strategies Overview: Leticia Colchado, LA County Homelessness Coordinator, SPA 3

L. Colchado discussed the funding that is available to cities for Homelessness planning through the grant program. She covered the opportunities for cities to engage in homelessness support through partnering with non-profits.

6. Measure H, Planning Grant Overview: Christian Cruz, SGVCOG

C. Cruz reviewed the County's Homelessness Strategies and discussed those that apply to the COG. He discussed the COG's process for recruiting and hiring a Homelessness Coordinator. Cruz updated the members on how to apply for the Homelessness grant.

ACTION ITEMS

7. Planning TAC Members List Distribution List

E. Wolf asked members to review the list and send updates, including naming primary and alternate members.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

INFORMATION ITEMS

UPDATE ITEMS

8. ACE/COG Merger

E. Wolf reviewed the decision of the Governing Board on August 17, 2017, to fully integrate the ACE and COG. Wolf reviewed the required action steps including, changes to and approval of the JPA and bylaws, changes to the personnel, admin, and finance systems, changes to the structure and authority of the ACE Board, and the need to identify a process for selecting and approving projects.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

E. Wolf discussed the General Assembly and reviewed the agenda and speaker list.

CHAIR'S REPORT

9. Solicitation of presentation topics

C. Hensley discussed the new format of the Planners TAC meetings and solicited topics from members. He also urged members to present their city projects. Members with topic ideas and/or city projects should notify COG staff. Mansionization and marijuana zoning and policy were raised as topics that members would like to see on the agenda.

10. Current City Projects

There was no further discussion of city projects.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sept 28, Next Planning Director's TAC

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

OFFICE OF

CANNABIS MANAGEMENT

Joseph M. Nicchitta, Cannabis Management Officer

COMMERCIAL CANNABIS REGULATION IN LA COUNTY

Presentation to San Gabriel Valley COG

Planning Directors Meeting

September 28, 2017



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SUMMARY OF PRESENTATION

- History of LA County's efforts to regulate cannabis
- LA County's current approach to cannabis regulation
- LA County's current regulation considerations
- Regional coordination



HISTORY OF LA COUNTY'S EFFORTS TO REGULATE COMMERCIAL CANNABIS

- 2006: LA County adopts ordinance allowing medical cannabis dispensaries with a **conditional use permit**.
 - No medical cannabis dispensary was ever permitted.
- 2010: LA County adopts ordinance **prohibiting medical cannabis dispensaries**.
- April 2016: LA County adopts a temporary urgency ordinance to **prohibit all other types of commercial medical cannabis activities**.
- June 2017: LA County adopts an ordinance **prohibiting all medical and "adult-use" commercial cannabis activities, except delivery**.
 - To maintain *status quo* while regulations are being developed.



LA COUNTY'S CURRENT APPROACH TO COMMERCIAL CANNABIS REGULATION

Board of Supervisors directs County departments to prepare regulations

- February 2017: Board of Supervisors adopts motions establishing a new Office of Cannabis Management (formerly Office of Marijuana Management) to coordinate with County departments and other agencies to develop commercial cannabis regulations in unincorporated areas.
- Regulations must consider, among other things:
 - Impacts to neighborhoods
 - Environmental impacts and sustainability measures
 - Overconcentration/excessive exposure
 - Transitioning from unregulated to regulated market
 - Benefits to communities disproportionately impacted by past enforcement of drug policies
 - Consumer protection and safety practices
- Emphasis on public engagement.



LA COUNTY'S CURRENT APPROACH TO COMMERCIAL CANNABIS REGULATION

Office of Cannabis Management's function and duties

- Coordinates with ~14 other County departments to implement the Board's cannabis policies
- Maintains a public-facing website and responds to public inquiries
- Interfaces with other cities and counties to share best practices and coordinate regulatory efforts
- Conducts public outreach:
 - Presentations to community groups and local town halls
 - Public workshops on cannabis regulation
 - LA County Advisory Working Group on Cannabis Regulation



LA COUNTY'S CURRENT APPROACH TO COMMERCIAL CANNABIS REGULATION

Public listening sessions

Topanga Library
Thursday, July 13, 6:30-8:30 pm
122 N. Topanga Canyon Blvd.,
Topanga 90290

La Puente Library
Saturday, July 15, 9:30-11:30 am
15920 Central Ave.,
La Puente 91744

**Antelope Valley -
Quartz Hill Library**
Saturday, July 15, 9:30-11:30 am
5040 West Avenue M-2,
Quartz Hill 93536

**Athens/Willowbrook -
AC Bilbrew Library**
Tuesday, July 18, 6:30-8:30 pm
150 E. El Segundo Blvd.,
Los Angeles 90061

**West Athens/Westmont -
Chester Washington Golf Course**
Thursday, July 20, 6:30-8:30 pm
1930 West 120th Street,
Los Angeles 90047

Lennox Library
Saturday, July 22, 9:30-11:30 am
4359 Lennox Blvd.,
Lennox 90304

**Santa Monica Mountains/Calabasas -
King Gillette Ranch**
Saturday, July 22, 9:30-11:30 am
26800 W. Mulholland Hwy.,
Calabasas 91302

**South Whittier -
Liberty Community Plaza**
Tuesday, July 25, 6:30-8:30 pm
14181 Telegraph Road,
Whittier 90604

Hacienda Heights Community Center
Wednesday, July 26, 6:30-8:30 pm
1234 Valencia Ave.,
Hacienda Heights 91745

East Los Angeles Service Center
Saturday, July 29, 9:30-11:30 am
133 N. Sunol Drive,
Los Angeles 90063

Florence-Firestone - Roosevelt Park
Saturday, July 29, 9:30-11:30 am
7600 Graham Ave.,
Los Angeles 90001

**West Whittier/Los Nietos -
Los Nietos School District Board Room**
Thursday, August 3, 6:30-8:30 pm
8324 S. Westman Ave.,
Whittier 90606

Altadena Library
Saturday, August 5, 9:30-11:30 am
600 E. Mariposa Street,
Altadena 91001

**Santa Clarita Valley -
Castaic Sports Complex**
Saturday, August 5, 9:30-11:30 am
31230 Castaic Road,
Castaic 91384

**Claremont/La Verne/San Dimas -
La Verne Library**
Tuesday, August 8, 6:30-8:30 pm
3640 D Street,
La Verne 91750

East Los Angeles Library
Wednesday, August 9, 6:30-8:30 pm
4837 E. 3rd Street,
Los Angeles 90022

Rowland Heights Community Center
Saturday, August 12, 9:30-11:30 am
18150 Pathfinder Road,
Rowland Heights 91748

West Covina Library
Saturday, August 12, 9:30-11:30 am
1601 West Covina Parkway,
West Covina 91790



LA COUNTY'S CURRENT APPROACH TO COMMERCIAL CANNABIS REGULATION

Advisory Working Group

Supervisory District Representatives

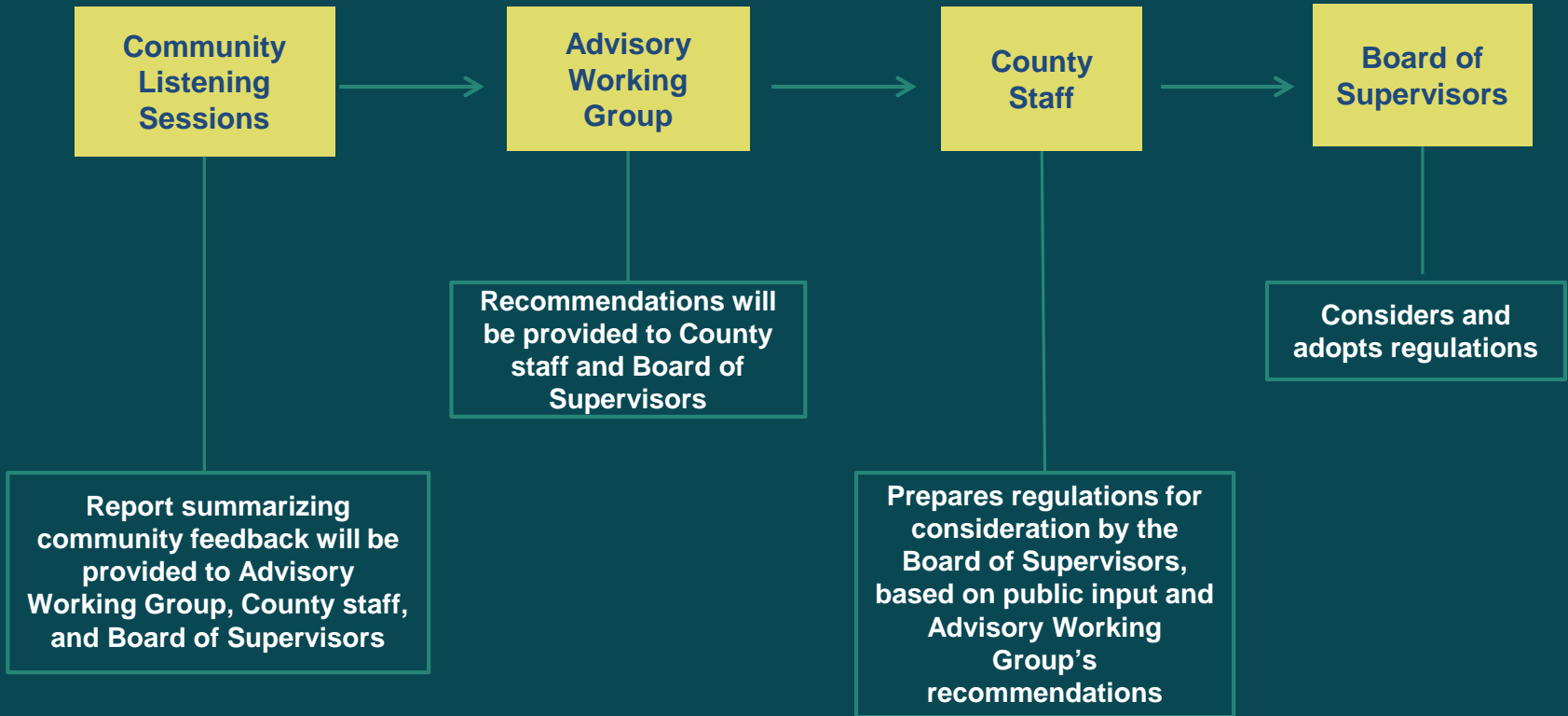
At-Large Members

<p>SD1</p> <p>Hon. Vivian Romero, Mayor, City of Montebello</p> <p>Manuel Duran, President, Maravilla Businesspersons Association</p>	<p>Lynne Lyman, California State Director, Drug Policy Alliance</p>
<p>SD2</p> <p>Dr. Avelardo Valdez, Professor, Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work, University of Southern California</p> <p>Patricia Guerra, Justice Policy Coordinator, Community Coalition</p>	<p>Donnie Anderson, Chairman, California Minority Alliance, Co-Founder, Southern California Coalition</p> <p>Jonatan Cvetko, Founder, Angeles Emeralds</p> <p>Dr. Alisa Padon, Co-Director, Getting it Right from the Start Program, Public Health Institute</p>
<p>SD3</p> <p>Beth Burnam, Board of Directors, Resource Conservation District of the Santa Monica Mountains</p> <p>Aaron Lachant, Esq., Nelson Hardiman, LLP</p>	<p>Javier Montes, Vice President, UCBA Trade Association</p> <p>Dr. Monica Sanchez, Prevention Director, Friday Night Live and Comprehensive Prevention Services Program, Los Angeles County Office of Education</p>
<p>SD4</p> <p>Melahat Rafiei, Owner, Progressive Solutions Consulting</p> <p>Matt Garland, Councilmember, San Pedro Neighborhood Council</p>	<p>Valerie Coachman-Moore, President and CEO, Coachman-Moore & Associates, Inc.</p>
<p>SD5</p> <p>Wayne Sugita, Interim Director (Ret.), Division of Substance Abuse, Prevention, and Control, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health</p>	<p>Dr. Rachel Castaneda, Associate Professor, Dept. of Psychology, School of Behavioral and Applied Sciences, Azusa Pacific University</p>



LA COUNTY'S CURRENT APPROACH TO COMMERCIAL CANNABIS REGULATION

Overview of LA County's process for developing regulations





LA COUNTY'S CURRENT COMMERCIAL CANNABIS REGULATION CONSIDERATIONS

Where cannabis businesses will be allowed to locate

- State law default:
 - 600 feet from schools, day cares, and youth centers, unless local jurisdictions establish a different distance
 - Specific zoning determinations left to locals
- February 2017 Board motion recommendations:
 - Zoning only in heavy commercial and industrial zones
 - No commercial outdoor cultivation
- Advisory Workgroup recommendations:
 - Approve cannabis businesses other than testing labs through a discretionary hearing process
 - Consider concentration limits instead of caps
 - Retailers:
 - 1,000 ft from school
 - 600 ft from daycares, parks, playgrounds, public libraries
 - Variance procedure



REGIONAL COORDINATION

Board of Supervisors' February 2017 motion:

- Board directed OCM to:
 - Promote uniformity of regulations and best practices within the entire County.
 - Delivery
 - Hours of Operation
 - Licensed business emblem
 - Prevent impacts to any one city or unincorporated community from cannabis businesses in nearby cities or communities, and disparate impacts and overconcentration in economically disadvantaged communities.

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REGIONAL COORDINATION

Contract and countywide services

- Services to contract cities:
 - Public Health/Environmental Health
 - Fire Department/Hazmat
 - Building and Safety
 - Business Licensing
 - Law Enforcement
- Countywide services:
 - County Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures
 - Pesticide inspection/enforcement
 - Weighmaster/scales
 - Quantity inspection and enforcement
 - Pest exclusion
 - Fire and Sheriff response



MORE INFORMATION

Office of Cannabis Management

<http://cannabis.lacounty.gov>

cannabis@lacounty.gov

SB 1: CALTRANS SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES GRANT

Applications due October 20, 2017

Grant Overview

- Grant Objective: to encourage local and regional multimodal transportation and land use planning that furthers the region's RTP SCS, contributes to the State's GHG reduction targets, and assists in achieving Caltrans Mission and Grant Program Overarching Objectives
- Successful Projects: will improve public health, social equity, environmental justice, and provide community benefit.
- Grant Amounts
 - *Total: \$12,500,000*
 - *Minimum: \$50,000 for disadvantage communities, \$100,000 for all others*
 - *Maximum: \$1,000,000*
- Who May Apply
 - *Cities, Counties, Transit Agencies*
- Local Match: 11.47% (cash or in-kind)
 - *Staff time counts as cash match*

Eligible Projects

- Studies to reduce single occupancy vehicle trips and related GHGs through mode shift, demand management, or land use
- Studies that assist in creating sustainable communities and TOD
- Safe routes to school plans
- Studies to address the impacts of climate change
- Studies that promote greater access between affordable housing and job centers
- Streetscapes or town center plans
- Complete street plans
- Active transportation plans
- Vision Zero plans
- Traffic calming and safety enhancement plans
- Updates to a general plan land use element or zoning code

Eligible Projects

- Corridor enhancement studies
- Health and transportation studies
- Studies to improve access to social services for DACs
- Studies to address environmental justice
- Station area planning
- First/Last mile planning
- Planning for zero emission vehicles
- Planning for autonomous vehicle integration
- Shared mobility services planning
- Planning for road and parking dynamic pricing

Application Scoring

- Demonstrate how the program will address requirements in each of these documents:
 - *CA Transportation Plan 2040*
 - *2017 RTP Guidelines for Sustainable Communities*
 - *Addressing Environmental Justice and DACs*
 - *Proposed 2017 Climate Change Scoping Plan*
 - *Complete Streets and Smart Mobility Framework*
 - *Climate Ready Transportation*
 - *Planning for Housing*

Application Scoring

- Advance GHG reduction through mode shift, demand management, efficiency, accessibility, land use, etc.
- Identify deficiencies in the multimodal system including needs of environmental justice for DACs
- Encourage stakeholder collaboration
- Involve active community engagement
- Coordinate transportation, housing, and land use planning in the project
- Promote the RTP SCS