



SGVCOG Planners TAC Meeting Minutes

Date: September 24, 2020

Time: 12:00 P.M.

Location: Zoom Virtual Meeting

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order.
C. Hensley called the meeting to order at 12:00pm.
2. Roll Call

Members Present

P. Lam, V. Reynoso; Alhambra
L. Flores; Arcadia
M. Chipres; Baldwin Park
B. Johnson; Claremont
B. Lee; Covina
G. Lee; Diamond Bar
C. Hensley, J. Golding; Duarte
T. Bu; El Monte
M. Carnahan; Glendora
M. Simpson; Irwindale
C. Jimenez; Monrovia
L. Valenzuela, A. Lao, A. Frausto-Lupo; Rosemead
F. Wong, A. Garcia; San Dimas
M. Chang, S. Tewasart; San Gabriel
V. Gonzalez; Sierra Madre
I. McAleese; South El Monte
S. Reimers; Temple City
J. Drevno; Los Angeles County DRP

Members Absent

Azusa
La Verne
Montebello
Monterey Park
South Pasadena
West Covina

SGVCOG Staff

M. Creter, Executive Director
C. Sims, Staff
B. Acevedo, Staff
A. Fung, Staff

Guests

A. Tellez, City of La Puente
A. Gutierrez, City of Pomona
V. Tam, City of Pomona
A. Khan, City of Pomona
A. Ross, Los Angeles County DPW
S. Lai, Los Angeles County DPW
R. Cole, Former Pasadena Councilmember

3. Public Comment
No public comments were given at this meeting.
4. Changes to the Agenda Order
No changes were made to the agenda order.

CONSENT CALENDAR

5. Planners TAC Meeting Minutes – 07/23/2020
Recommended Action: Approve.

6. Election of FY 2020-2021 Committee Chair and Vice Chair
Recommended Action: Elect Craig Hensley from the City of Duarte as the FY 2020-2021 Planners TAC Chair and Brad Johnson from the City of Claremont as the FY 2020-2021 Planners TAC Vice Chair.

There was a motion made to approve consent calendar items 5 and 6 (M/S: S. Reimers/C. Hensley).

[Motion Passed]

Ayes:	Arcadia, Claremont, Covina, Diamond Bar, Duarte, El Monte, Glendora, Irwindale, Monrovia, Rosemead, San Dimas, San Gabriel, Sierra Madre, South El Monte, Temple City, Los Angeles County DRP
Noes:	
Abstain:	
No Vote Recorded:	Alhambra, Baldwin Park
Absent:	Azusa, La Verne, Montebello, Monterey Park, South Pasadena, West Covina

PRESENTATION

7. San Gabriel Valley Regional Housing Trust Programs
San Gabriel Valley Regional Housing Trust Administrator, Brielle Acevedo, provided a presentation on this item. Established in February 2020, the San Gabriel Valley Regional Housing Trust (SGVRHT) is a Joint Powers Authority formed by SB 751 (Rubio) to fund and finance the planning and construction of homeless housing and extremely low, very low, and low-income housing projects. The SGVRHT Board of Directors recently approved the San Gabriel Valley Project Pipeline, which identified 13 projects that can lead to the construction of 585 affordable housing units. Three of the 13 projects were recommended for funding based on requirements of the State’s Local Housing Trust Fund (LHTF) Program and it is anticipated that these projects will provide a total of 125 affordable housing units to the San Gabriel Valley region. The SGVRHT Board of Directors has also embarked on a capital campaign to recruit additional private and public funding.

CHAIR’S REPORT

8. Housing Element Update Discussion
Committee Chair Craig Hensley encouraged committee members to share updates on the status of their Housing Elements.

Key Discussions/Questions:

- The City of Duarte shared that staff is currently exploring the possibility of implementing overlays on certain sites instead of requiring an upfront rezoning for properties. Additionally, the City plans on developing a video to explain the Housing Element Update process for members of the public. Once published, residents can provide public comments online.

- The City of Claremont shared that the cost of the Housing Element Update is much higher than expected. As a result, the City is considering deferring the CEQA portion of the proposal or searching for additional grant funds to pay for a CEQA document to be attached to the Housing Element Update. The City also plans on conducting public outreach using a GIS mapping system.
- The City of Temple City shared that the RHNA numbers require the City to grow its housing supply by 20% over the next 8 years and reported that the City does not have any Transit Priority Areas. The City's General Plan was recently updated to reflect projected growth along Rosemead Boulevard, which can support an increase in the City's housing supply as mandated by RHNA; however, the City expressed concerns over no net-loss provisions as surrounding owners may protest against mixed-use developments. The City's city council will provide direction on whether a RHNA appeal letter should be submitted.
- The City of Monrovia shared that the cost of Housing Element Update is also much higher than expected. To accommodate for the Gold Line, the City implemented up-zoning activities along the Gold Line Corridor, which can support the increase in the City's housing supply as mandated by RHNA. Additionally, the City plans on utilizing LEAP funds to update its Housing Element.
- The City of Pomona shared that the Housing Element Update is budgeted at \$150,000 and that the Zoning Code is currently being updated with the support of SB 2 and LEAP funds. The City's RHNA numbers also increased by 200% compared to the previous cycle.
- Former Pasadena Councilmember, Rick Cole, shared that the City of South Pasadena is in the process of updating its Housing Element and that the Pasadena City Council plans on appealing its RHNA numbers. Mr. Cole also shared that cities must demonstrate proof of technical errors in their RHNA numbers in order to be successful in appealing their numbers.
- The Cities of Glendora and San Dimas shared that their city councils plan on submitting RHNA appeal letters to SCAG.

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

9. San Gabriel Valley Energy Wise Partnership – Energy Work Group Meeting
The Energy Work Group will reconvene on Tuesday, September 29, 2020 at 1:30pm.
10. Next Committee Meeting
The upcoming committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 22, 2020 at 12:00pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no additional announcements.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 12:49pm.