



SGVCOG Governing Board Approved Minutes

Date: March 21, 2019

Time: 5:30 PM

Location: USGVMWD (602 E Huntington Dr, Monrovia, CA 91016)

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order
President Cynthia Sternquist called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance
D. Bertone led the Governing Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call

A quorum was in attendance.

Governing Board Members Present

Arcadia	Sho Tay
Azusa	Robert Gonzales
Baldwin Park	Monica Garcia
Claremont	Ed Reece
Diamond Bar	Nancy Lyons
Duarte	John Fasana
El Monte	Victoria Martinez Muela
Glendora	Judy Nelson
Industry	Cory Moss
La Puente	Dan Holloway
La Verne	Tim Hepburn
La Cañada Flintridge	Gregory Brown
Monrovia	Becky Shevlin
Monterey Park	Teresa Real Sebastian
Pomona	Tim Sandoval
Rosemead	Margaret Clark
San Dimas	Denis Bertone
Temple City	Cynthia Sternquist
Walnut	Allen Wu
West Covina	Tony Wu
LA County District 1	Florencio Briones
LA County District 4	Lauren Yokomizo
LA County District 5	Sandra Maravilla
SGV Water Districts	Carlos Goytia

Absent

Alhambra
Bradbury
Covina
Irwindale
Montebello
San Gabriel
San Marino
Sierra Madre
South El Monte
South Pasadena
West Covina

SGVCOG Staff

Marisa Creter, Executive Director
Kimberly Hall Barlow, General Counsel
Stefanie Hernandez, Staff
Katie Ward, Staff
Jan Cicco, Staff
Paul Hubler, Staff
Alexander Fung, Staff
Peter Duyshart, Staff

4. Public Comment

- 1.) Eric R. provided a public comment pertaining to porous reflective pavement. He discussed how porous reflective pavement can reduce the urban heat island effect, and discussed the other benefits of this type of pavement. He encouraged San Gabriel Valley cities to install this pavement.

5. Changes to Agenda Order

There were no changes made to the order of the agenda.

LIAISON REPORTS

6. Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority

No report was given.

7. Foothill Transit

No report was given.

8. Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority

J. Fasana of the City of Duarte then provided updates pertaining to LA Metro. Metro is moving forward with the official names for the Gold Line Phase 2B station names. Additionally, Metro is also continuing engineering work about a barrier to protect the Gold Line right of way on the 210 freeway. Metro is also looking at a Transportation Demand Management ordinance or update. Additionally, Metro is exploring a scooter program to allow scooters to be parked at Metro stations and used in between Metro stations. LACMTA is also granting Net Toll Revenue extension for one year.

9. San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy

D. Bertone provided this report. He announced that there will be an upcoming dedication for a Duck Farm in the City of Industry, and also mentioned an upcoming meeting on Monday in Rosemead.

10. San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District

J. Farned of the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District provided the update on the District. The District has been working hard to strengthen partnerships, and it has recently made a big investment in data management software. The SGVMVCD will soon be reaching out to cities to get GIS data. Mr. Farned also discussed unmaintained swimming pools. Every year, the District does an aerial surveillance in the latter part of April, most likely starting on April 15. The SGVMVCD is also pursuing a region-wide swimming pool ordinance in order to have a consistent regional code for enforcement policy. Farned will send SGVCOG staff an example ordinance that staff can then send to Governing Board Delegates.

11. Southern California Association of Governments

A. San Miguel of SCAG gave this report. He announced that registration is open for the SCAG Regional Conference and General Assembly, and that registration is free for elected officials and city managers. He also mentioned the Safety Leadership Symposium on May 1 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Mr. San Miguel also mentioned how SCAG committees have been addressing the Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategies (RTP/SCS).

12. League of California Cities

J. Quan of the League of California Cities provided this report. She discussed how more than 2,700 bills have been introduced into the state legislature, and that over 200 of these bills are related to housing and land use. The League will provide research and analysis on these bills, and the League looks forward to working with the COG on these issues. Additionally, April 24th is the League's Legislative Action Date.

13. San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership

President C. Sternquist provided this report. She announced that there will be a reception for Blanca Rubio

on April 11 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in Monrovia to celebrate her becoming the Chair of the SGV Legislative Caucus.

14. South Coast Air Quality Management District

R. Yeung of the SCAQMD gave this report. She provided an update on the Voting District Authorization legislation: bill language was submitted to the legislature in Sacramento, and any future funding measure that would come from this bill would be exempt from the State's tax cap limit.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Cynthia Sternquist acknowledged City of Glendora Mayor Judy Nelson, who has been Glendora's Delegate to the SGVCOG Governing Board for the past 8 years. Mrs. Nelson was recognized because today's Governing Board meeting will be her last as a Governing Board Delegate. President Sternquist recognized Nelson for her great work in serving the San Gabriel Valley, particularly on Water policy issues. Sternquist then presented Nelson with a gift of appreciation. Mayor Nelson then introduced Glendora Mayor Pro-Tem Michael Allawos, who will be Glendora's new Governing Board Delegate moving forward.

President Cynthia Sternquist then also recognized Council Member Angel A. Carrillo of the City of Azusa, as he will not longer be the Delegate for Azusa moving forward. President Sternquist then acknowledged and welcomed Robert Gonzales as the new Delegate from Azusa, and Monica Garcia as the new Delegate from Baldwin Park.

President Sternquist concluded her report by encouraging Governing Board members to go on the Water Tour of the San Joaquin Valley. She recently attended the tour and found it very neat. Governing Board members can email COG staff if they are interested in attending.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

M. Creter reported on this item. She reminded Governing Board members that the Durfee Avenue Groundbreaking Ceremony is tomorrow, March 22, 2019, at 10:30 a.m. She encouraged Governing Board members to attend. She also reminded everyone that the SGVCOG General Assembly is coming up, and will be held on Wednesday, April 10, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Pacific Palms Resort in the City of Industry. M. Creter encouraged Governing Board members to attend and to also help spread the word within their own cities. M. Creter also announced that the San Gabriel Trench Project was awarded as the Project of the Year by the California Transportation Foundation! COG Chief Engineer Mark Christoffels and Senior Project Manager Phillip Balmeo will travel to Sacramento on May 28 to receive this prestigious award.

GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

General Counsel Kimberly Hall Barlow gave an update on the CVRA litigation, which the COG filed an amicus curiae brief for. This case has been dismissed for now on a motion by the State Attorney General.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

15. Transportation Committee

J. Fasana provided this report. SGVCOG Staff is currently polling members at this time for a new meeting date, and the Committee is expected to reconvene in April.

16. Homelessness Committee

B. Shevlin provided this report. Joe Lyons and Bill Huang will work on a subcommittee to look into the

- Housing Trust Fund possibilities.
17. Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee
D. Bertone provided this report. The Committee met this week and had a presentation on the San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act. The Committee voted to endorse the bill and will be bringing it to Governing Board for a vote in April.
 18. Water Committee
J. Nelson provided this report. The Committee is currently closely following the implementation of the Measure W Safe Clean Water Measure. Cities will soon get these funds next January. She cautioned that cities need to stay aware and on top of this, particularly pertaining to making sure that this will help cities with MS-4 permit compliance. Additionally, three bills will be introduced in Sacramento soon, and the COG will track the progress of these bills.
 19. Capital Projects and Construction
V. Martinez Muela provided this report. She encouraged Governing Board members to please attend the Durfee Avenue Groundbreaking Ceremony. Additionally, the SGVCOG now has an electric dockless bike share provider, as the Committee approved the contract. Bikes will be distributed in cities which submitted a letter of interest to participate in this project.

PRESENTATION

20. Southern California Association of Governments' (SCAG) Connect SoCal – President Alan Wapner

SCAG President Alan Wapner provided this presentation to the SGVCOG Governing Board. He explained how Connect SoCal relates to the 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy. Moreover, he also talked about the upcoming SCAG General Assembly.

CONSENT CALENDAR

T. Real Sebastian of Monterey Park pulled Consent Calendar Item 29: Retirement Benefits, and Consent Calendar Item 30: May Governing Board Date.

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. Committee Appointments
Recommended Action: Appoint the following members to standing SGVCOG Policy Committees, and Technical Advisory Committees:
- Planning TAC: City of Baldwin Park
25. 1st Quarter Financial and Treasurer Reports
Recommended Action: Receive and file.
26. AB 1204 (Rubio): Primary Drinking Water Standards Implementation Date
Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution 19-05 supporting AB 1204 (Rubio).
27. AB 1093 (Rubio): Stormwater Financial Capability Analysis
Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution 19-06 supporting AB 1093 (Rubio).
28. AB 755 (Holden): California Tire Fee/Stormwater Permit Compliance Fund
Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution 19-07 supporting AB 755 (Holden).

31. FY 2019-20 Strategic Plan Update

Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution 19-11 updating the SGVCOG strategic plan.

32. City of La Verne Gold Line Transit Oriented Development Pedestrian Bridge

Recommended Actions:

- 1) *Assign the City of La Verne’s Gold Line Transit Oriented Development Pedestrian Bridge to the Capital Projects and Construction Committee.*
- 2) *Affirm authorization for the Chief Engineer to execute a funding agreement with Metro and other agreements needed to implement the City of La Verne’s Gold Line Transit Oriented Development Pedestrian Bridge.*

There was a motion to approve consent calendar items 21-28 and 31-32 (M/S: D. Bertone/T. Real Sebastian).

[Motion Passed]

AYES:	Arcadia, Azusa, Baldwin Park, Claremont, Diamond Bar, Duarte, El Monte, Glendora, Industry, La Cañada Flintridge, La Puente, La Verne, Monrovia, Monterey Park, Pomona, Rosemead, San Dimas, Temple City, Walnut, LA County District 1, LA County District 4, LA County District 5, SGV Water Districts
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	Alhambra, Bradbury, Covina, Irwindale, Montebello, San Gabriel, San Marino, Sierra Madre, South El Monte, South Pasadena, West Covina

Azusa **abstained from Item 21: “Governing Board Minutes.”*

Los Angeles County District 5 **abstained from Item 28: “AB 755 (Holden): California Tire Fee/Stormwater Permit Compliance Fund.”*

29. Retirement Benefits

M. Creter provided the presentation on this item.

A concern was brought up regarding Staff Recommendation #3 for this item. A request was then made to vote separately on Recommendation #3.

There was a motion approve the following staff recommendations for this item:

- 1) **Authorize the Executive Director to establish a Section 115 Trust with CalPERS and place in it an amount of funding, from grants and other project funding sources (e.g. railroad contributions) equal to the remaining unfunded termination liability associated with employees working on the ACE Project when the ACE Project is closed out. This amount is currently estimated at \$7.3 - \$9.6 million.**
- 2) **Authorize staff to work with CalPERS staff to utilize the “Fresh Start” option to recalculate the unfunded accrued liability (UAL) amortization schedule from a 20-year schedule to a 5-year (or shorter) schedule to allow for accelerated payment of the UAL.**
- 4) **Authorize staff to work with CalPERS staff to undertake all administrative processes necessary to allow for the employee contribution for Classic CalPERS members to equal 50% of normal costs beginning in FY 23-24.**

(M/S: J. Fasana/D. Bertone).

[Motion Passed]

AYES:	Arcadia, Azusa, Baldwin Park, Claremont, Diamond Bar, Duarte, El Monte, Glendora, Industry, La Cañada Flintridge, La Puente, La Verne, Monrovia, Monterey Park, Pomona, Rosemead, San Dimas, Temple City, Walnut, LA County District 1, LA County District 4, LA County District 5, SGV Water Districts
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	Alhambra, Bradbury, Covina, Irwindale, Montebello, San Gabriel, San Marino, Sierra Madre, South El Monte, South Pasadena, West Covina

Then, a motion was made to approve Staff Recommendation #3:

3) Adopt Resolution 19-08 and Resolution 19-09 to phase out the employer-paid member contributions (EPMC) for all Classic CalPERS members according to the following employee contribution schedule:

- FY 19-20: 2%**
- FY 20-21: 4%**
- FY 21-22: 6%**
- FY 22-23: 7%**

(M/S: J. Fasana/D. Bertone).

[Motion Passed]

AYES:	Arcadia, Azusa, Baldwin Park, Claremont, Diamond Bar, Duarte, El Monte, Glendora, Industry, La Cañada Flintridge, La Puente, La Verne, Monrovia, Pomona, Rosemead, San Dimas, Temple City, Walnut, LA County District 1, LA County District 4, LA County District 5, SGV Water Districts
NOES:	Monterey Park
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	Alhambra, Bradbury, Covina, Irwindale, Montebello, San Gabriel, San Marino, Sierra Madre, South El Monte, South Pasadena, West Covina

30. May Governing Board Date

A few Governing Board members expressed concern that they would not be able to attend a May 30th Governing Board meeting, and asked for other Governing Board dates to be considered. Governing Board members agreed that SGVCOG staff could send out a poll to poll the Delegates, and put the Governing Board meeting on the date which gets the most votes.

There was a motion to table Item 30, move Item 30 to the next Governing Board meeting, and have SGVCOG Staff send out a poll with possible Governing Board meeting dates in the meantime. (M/S: J. Fasana/T. Sandoval).

[Motion Passed]

AYES:	Arcadia, Azusa, Baldwin Park, Claremont, Diamond Bar, Duarte, El Monte, Glendora, Industry, La Cañada Flintridge, La Puente, La Verne, Monrovia, Monterey Park, Pomona, Rosemead, San Dimas, Temple City, Walnut, LA County District 1, LA County District 4, LA County District 5, SGV Water Districts
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	Alhambra, Bradbury, Covina, Irwindale, Montebello, San Gabriel, San Marino, Sierra Madre, South El Monte, South Pasadena, West Covina

ACTION ITEMS

33. SGVCOG State and Federal Legislative Agenda

There was a motion to approve the following recommended action:

- 1) Adopt Resolution 19-12 affirming the SGVCOG's 2019 State and Federal Legislative agenda, and
- 2) Authorize Executive Director to execute a contract with Capital Representation Group, Inc for an amount not to exceed \$25,000 for services to support the SGVCOG's State legislative agenda.

(M/S: J. Fasana/N. Lyons).

[Motion Passed]

AYES:	Arcadia, Azusa, Baldwin Park, Claremont, Diamond Bar, Duarte, El Monte, Glendora, Industry, La Cañada Flintridge, La Puente, La Verne, Monrovia, Monterey Park, Pomona, Rosemead, San Dimas, Temple City, Walnut, LA County District 1, LA County District 4, LA County District 5, SGV Water Districts
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	Alhambra, Bradbury, Covina, Irwindale, Montebello, San Gabriel, San Marino, Sierra Madre, South El Monte, South Pasadena, West Covina

ANNOUNCEMENTS

L. Yokomizo of LA County District #4 made an announcement during which she requested support for AB 1500 from COG member cities or even individual elected officials, and the deadline for this support letter is March 26th.

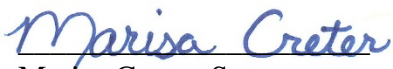
ADJOURN

President Cynthia Sternquist adjourned the Governing Board meeting at 7:07 p.m. in honor of SGVCOG Regional Homelessness Coordinator Jan Cicco's step-daughter, Karen Heijman, who recently passed away.

BOARD APPROVED

April 18, 2019

Date


Marisa Creter, Secretary