



## SGVCOG Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: August 12, 2021  
Time: 4:00 PM  
Location: Zoom Virtual Meeting

### PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order  
E. Reece called the meeting to order at 4:07pm.
2. Pledge of Allegiance  
B. Shevlin led the Transportation Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call  
**A quorum was in attendance.**

#### Committee Members Present

Alhambra	Adele Andrade-Stadler
Claremont	Ed Reece
Diamond Bar	David Liu
Industry	Cory Moss
Monterey Park	Peter Chan
Pasadena	Joaquin Siques
Pomona	Tim Sandoval
San Gabriel	Jason Pu
South El Monte	Gloria Olmos
Temple City	Ashley Avery
L.A. County District #4	Jamie Hwang

#### Absent

Duarte  
Glendora  
La Cañada Flintridge  
South Pasadena  
Walnut  
L.A. County District #1  
L.A. County District #5

#### Guests

City of Alhambra	Martin Ray
City of Industry	Josh Nelson
City of Monrovia	Becky Shevlin
City of Monterey Park	Henry Lo
Foothill Transit	Doran Barnes
Foothill Transit	Yoko Igawa
Foothill Gold Line	Lisa Levy Buch
Metro	Katie Lemmon
Metro	Mary Lou Echternach
Metro	Michael Cano
Metro	Tito Corona
Metro	Lilian De Loza-Gutierrez

#### SGVCOG Staff

M. Creter, Executive Director  
E. Shen, Staff  
K. Ward, Staff  
A. Fung, Staff  
B. Logasa, Staff  
S. Sousa, Staff

4. Public Comment  
There were no public comments at this meeting.

5. Changes to Agenda Order  
There were no changes to the Agenda Order.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

6. Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes – 06/10/2021  
*Action: Review and approve.*

**There was a motion to approve consent calendar item 6. (M/S: C. Moss/G. Olmos)  
[Motion Passed]**

<b>AYES:</b>	Alhambra, Claremont, Diamond Bar, Industry, Monterey Park, Pasadena, San Gabriel, South El Monte, Temple City, L.A. County District #4
<b>NOES:</b>	
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	
<b>NO VOTE RECORDED:</b>	Pomona
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Duarte, Glendora, La Cañada Flintridge, South Pasadena, Walnut, L.A. County District #1, L.A. County District #5

**UPDATE ITEMS**

7. 57/60 Confluence Chokepoint Relief Project INFRA Grant Funding  
Metro Goods Movement and State Policy and Programming Deputy Executive Officer, Michael Cano, provided updates on this item. In June 2021, Congresswoman Young Kim (CA-39) announced that the U.S. Department of Transportation would award \$30 million in Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA) grant funding to Metro for the State Route 57/60 Confluence Chokepoint Relief Project. Earlier this year, Congresswoman Kim and Congresswoman Grace Napolitano (CA-32) led a bipartisan effort and urged Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg to support improving the 57/60 Freeway Confluence.

Key Questions/Discussions:

- C. Moss, D. Liu, and B. Shevlin expressed gratitude to Metro for its leadership and management of the 57/60 Confluence Chokepoint Relief Project.

8. Metro First/Last Mile Guidelines Updates  
Metro Transportation Planning Senior Manager, Katie Lemmon, provided updates on this item. The Metro First/Last Mile Guidelines provide guidance on how Metro and local jurisdictions can partner to plan, design, and construct first/last mile improvements. These Guidelines, which only apply to Metro’s new rail and Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) projects, aim to enhance the facilitation and implementation of first/last mile networks around transit stations and stops across Los Angeles County.

Key Questions/Discussions:

- P. Chan inquired about Metro’s policy of facilitating 3% local contribution agreements to fund first/last mile priority projects. Ms. Lemmon responded that cities with transfer corridor projects would collaborate Metro to facilitate local

contribution agreements. The First/Last Mile Guidelines provide guidance for cities to implement first/last mile projects to fulfill the 3% contribution.

- P. Chan inquired about the eligibility of roadway and sidewalk improvements under the First/Last Mile Guidelines. Ms. Lemmon responded that the first/last mile planning efforts from Metro result in comprehensive list of walking and biking improvements within the half-mile and three-mile distance. A subset of the proposed projects would be selected as high-priority projects. Such projects are eligible for 3% local contribution.
- P. Chan inquired about whether the first/last mile projects are first proposed by local jurisdictions before the projects are vetted through the First/Last Mile Guidelines. Ms. Lemmon responded that a strategic plan was adopted in 2014 by Metro to outline the methodology that Metro undertakes to identify projects in a first/last mile plan. Metro would initiate the first/last mile planning and adopt a first/last mile plan. Once the plan has been adopted, the First/Last Mile Guideline would support transferring the project list to local jurisdictions for the future phases of the project development.
- P. Chan inquired about how local jurisdictions can learn about first/last mile projects that are being considered before the projects' adoption by Metro. Ms. Lemmon responded that local jurisdictions could explore Metro's first/last mile website, which includes all of the completed plans.
- J. Pu inquired about whether the First/Last Mile Guidelines would only apply to new rail and BRT projects. Ms. Lemmon responded that the Guidelines would begin applying to ongoing projects that are under construction and future projects starting with the Purple Line Section 2 Extension Project. The Guidelines are intended to apply to Metro's first/last mile planning portfolio and transit corridor projects from this point forward.
- A. Andrade-Stadler requested Metro staff to share the First/Last Mile Guideline links with committee members.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

9. Review of FY 2022-2025 Measure M Multi-Year Subregional Program (MSP) Active Transportation, Bus System Improvements, and First/Last Mile Funding Guidelines for the San Gabriel Valley Subregion

SGVCOG Senior Management Analyst, Alexander Fung, provided a presentation on this item. The SGVCOG is responsible for administering Measure M funds, but all proposed MSP projects need to be approved by the Metro Board of Directors. The Committee reviewed the proposed Funding Guidelines to allocate and distribute MSP funds for FY 2022-2025.

**There was a motion to recommend the Governing Board to approve the FY 2022-2025 MSP Active Transportation, Bus System Improvements, and First/Last Mile Funding Guidelines for the San Gabriel Valley Subregion. (M/S: T. Sandoval/A. Andrade-Stadler)**

**[Motion Passed]**

<b>AYES:</b>	Alhambra, Claremont, Diamond Bar, Industry, Monterey Park, Pasadena, Pomona, San Gabriel, South El Monte, Temple City, L.A.
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	County District #4
<b>NOES:</b>	
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	
<b>NO VOTE RECORDED:</b>	
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Duarte, Glendora, La Cañada Flintridge, South Pasadena, Walnut, L.A. County District #1, L.A. County District #5

**10. AB 43 (Friedman)**

SGVCOG Senior Management Analyst, Alexander Fung, provided a presentation on this item. Introduced by Assemblymember Laura Friedman (D-Burbank) on December 7, 2020, AB 43 provides the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and local authorities greater flexibility in setting speed limits based on recommendations made by the Zero Traffic Fatality Task Force in January 2020. With the goal of lowering speeds to decrease the number of accidents and injuries, AB 43 can provide agencies and local jurisdictions flexibility to lower speed limits to improve road safety for all users. After reviewing the legislation, the Committee voted to recommend the Governing Board to support AB 43.

Key Questions/Discussions:

- A. Andrade-Stadler expressed appreciation for the bill’s intention to provide cities with additional local control of setting speed limits, which can increase safety and provide assistance to businesses as they recover from the COVID-19 Pandemic.

**There was a motion to recommend the Governing Board to support AB 43 (Friedman) (M/S: A. Andrade-Stadler/C. Moss)**

**[Motion Passed]**

<b>AYES:</b>	Alhambra, Claremont, Diamond Bar, Industry, Monterey Park, Pasadena, Pomona, San Gabriel, South El Monte, Temple City
<b>NOES:</b>	
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	
<b>NO VOTE RECORDED:</b>	L.A. County District #4
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Duarte, Glendora, La Cañada Flintridge, South Pasadena, Walnut, L.A. County District #1, L.A. County District #5

**11. Appointment of SGVCOG Delegate to the Los Angeles International Airport Community Noise Roundtable**

SGVCOG Senior Management Analyst, Alexander Fung, provided a presentation on this item. The LAX Community Noise Roundtable was founded in 2000 to reduce and mitigate the adverse noise impacts on the surrounding communities that result from airport operations. On March 18, 2021, the Governing Board appointed Walnut Mayor Pro Tem Allen Wu as the SGVCOG Delegate and La Cañada Flintridge Mayor Pro Tem Keith Eich as the SGVCOG Alternate to the LAX Community Noise Roundtable. Recently, Walnut

Mayor Pro Tem Wu resigned from the position given that he is no longer the City's Delegate to the SGVCOG due to a recent city council reorganization process. As a result, the Committee is presented with the opportunity to nominate a committee member to serve as the SGVCOG Delegate to the Roundtable.

Key Questions/Discussions:

- The Committee directed staff to contact La Cañada Flintridge Mayor Pro Tem Keith Eich and solicit his interest for serving as the SGVCOG Delegate to the Roundtable.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

**12. Oral Report**

SGVCOG Executive Director, Marisa Creter, provided a report.

**LIAISON REPORTS**

**13. Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Report**

Pomona Mayor/Metro Board Member, Tim Sandoval, provided a report.

**14. Foothill Transit Report**

Foothill Transit Chief Executive Officer, Doran Barnes, provided a report.

**15. Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority Report**

Committee Vice Chair and Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority Board Member, Ed Reece, provided a report.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no additional announcements.

**ADJOURN**

J. Pu adjourned the Transportation Committee meeting at 5:35pm.