



SGVCOG Planners TAC Meeting Minutes

Date: June 27, 2019
 Time: 12:00 P.M.
 Location: Monrovia Community Center
 119 West Palm Avenue; Monrovia, CA 91016

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order.
The meeting was called to order at 12:01pm by Vice Chair Brad Johnson.
2. Roll Call

Members Present

P. Lam, V. Reynoso; Alhambra
 B. Johnson; Claremont
 C. Averell; El Monte
 M. Carnahan; Glendora
 C. Bowcock; La Verne
 S. Bermejo, J. Mayer; Monrovia
 K. Wong; Rosemead
 L. Stevens; San Dimas
 C. Lin; Sierra Madre
 Ian McAleese; South El Monte
 N. Ornelas, Jr.; Los Angeles County DRP

Members Absent

Arcadia
 Azusa
 Baldwin Park
 Covina
 Diamond Bar
 Duarte
 Irwindale
 Montebello
 Monterey Park
 San Gabriel
 South Pasadena
 Temple City
 West Covina

SGVCOG Staff

A. Fung
 P. Duyshart

3. Public Comment

San Dimas' voting representative, Larry Stevens, provided an announcement of his retirement. After serving 48 years as a local government planner and 32 years in the City of San Dimas, Mr. Stevens will be retiring on July 31, 2019.

CONSENT CALENDAR

4. Planners TAC Meeting Minutes – 05/23/2019

There was a motion made to approve the 05/23/2019 Planners' TAC Meeting Minutes (M/S: L. Stevens/B. Johnson).

[Motion Passed]

Ayes	Alhambra, Claremont, El Monte, Glendora, La Verne, Monrovia, Rosemead, San Dimas, Sierra Madre, South El Monte, Los Angeles County DRP
Noes	

Abstain	
Absent	Arcadia, Azusa, Baldwin Park, Covina, Diamond Bar, Duarte, Irwindale, Montebello, Monterey Park, San Gabriel, South Pasadena, Temple City, West Covina

PRESENTATIONS

5. Affordable Housing & Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Program, Round 5

Alejandro Huerta, AHSC Southern California Program Director for the Enterprise Community Partners, provided a presentation on the AHSC Program and discussed various components of the program. Mr. Huerta spoke about potential project ideas, eligible projects, and requirements for a project to qualify for funding. He also shared that the previous cycle of AHSC funding granted \$420 million for 25 projects. After the presentation, members engaged in the discussion regarding the program.

Questions/Discussions:

- A member of the TAC inquired about including general plans or specific plans that support the project that is applying for AHSC funding. Mr. Huerta responded that the application requires general plans or specific plans that support the project that is seeking funding.
- Another member of the TAC inquired about the possibility of the program funding other TOD projects in the project's vicinity. Mr. Huerta responded that the funding is generally available for new developments only, but exceptions are sometimes granted.
- Mr. Huerta also mentioned that cities can re-apply for a project over multiple programming cycles. In the case of smaller projects, they would require very robust transportation components in order to improve competitiveness against other larger projects.

6. LA County's Countywide Trails Program

Michelle O'Connor, Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation's Trails Planning Section Head, provided a presentation on Los Angeles County's recent efforts to enhance its Countywide Trails Program. Ms. O'Connor discussed the County's outreach efforts regarding the new website update and opportunities for member agencies to provide feedback and input. She requested member agencies to assist with identifying trails across the County and encouraged cities to utilize the County's new trail website and mobile application.

Questions/Discussions:

- A member inquired about how cities can help the County with identifying trails. Ms. O'Connor responded that any forms of GIS files and pictures of the trails within a local jurisdiction's city limits would be very helpful.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

7. SB 330: Housing Crisis Act of 2019 (Skinner), as amended on 6/12/19

Peter Duyshart of the SGVCOG provided members of the TAC with a report regarding the amendments to SB 330 (Skinner). The committee voted to oppose the bill at a previous meeting due to the restrictions that it imposes on local governments. Since that meeting, the author of the legislation amended the language to require a developer to submit an application for a project that includes all required information for the agency to review the application within 180 days of submitting the preliminary application. On June 19th, the author also expressed intentions to remove the limits on parking minimums and the limits of voter-imposed supermajority votes or public vote requirements from the language. It is expected that these amendments will be included in the upcoming written draft.

Questions/Discussions:

- One member suggested that the committee should oppose this bill no matter how many times the author amends the language. The member believes that this bill is unnecessary and creates unnecessary burdens on local jurisdictions.
- Another member discussed that sunset clauses in this bill’s language would not be effective because the timeline would likely be extended regardless.

There was a motion made to reaffirm the committee’s opposition to SB 330 (Skinner). (M/S: L. Stevens/B. Johnson).

[Motion Passed]

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

8. SB 592: Housing Accountability Act (Wiener)

Peter Duyshart of the SGVCOG provided a report on the amendments of SB 592 (Wiener). The legislation was originally introduced to move the due date of the Department of Housing and Community Development’s annual report due date from December 31st of each year to June 30th of each year. The bill was later amended to require the State Board of Barbering and Cosmetology to update the licensees’ public profiles that are maintained on the Board’s website. After passing through the Senate, the author executed a complete gut-and-amend of the bill and transform it to the Housing Accountability Act.

Questions/Discussions:

- A member mentioned that the compensatory damage provisions in this bill is very negative towards local governments. The member recommended the committee to echo the League of California Cities’ position to oppose this bill.

There was a motion made to recommend the Governing Board to oppose SB 592 (Wiener). (M/S: L. Stevens/B. Johnson).

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

UPDATE ITEMS

9. Update on a Regional Housing and Land Trust Fund & SB 751 (Rubio)

Peter Duyshart of the SGVCOG provided a brief update on SB 751 (Rubio). It is expected that the bill would pass Assembly's Consent Calendar and go to the Governor for signature. Additionally, an ad-hoc committee was convened to set the parameters of the Regional Housing Trust. The upcoming meetings of the ad-hoc committee is scheduled for July 11th and 25th at 10:00am at Senator Susan Rubio's district office. Planning directors and staff members from member agencies are encouraged to attend the meetings. Interested members can contact SGVCOG Regional Homelessness Coordinator Jan Cicco at jcicco@sgvcog.org.

CHAIR'S REPORT

10. Solicitation of Presentation Topics

Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning offered to present on its East Valley Transportation Plan for the August meeting. Additionally, the City of Glendora will also be presenting on the Arrow Highway Specific Plan at the August meeting.

11. Current City Projects

There was no discussion on this item.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The committee will not be meeting in July and will resume regular meetings beginning in August. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 22, 2019 at 12:00pm at the Monrovia Community Center's Monroe Conference Room.

Peter Duyshart of the SGVCOG provided a brief announcement on staff transitions at the COG. Mr. Duyshart, who serves as the staff liaison to the Planning Directors' TAC, announced that he will be leaving the COG to pursue a master's degree in August. The new staff liaison will be Alexander Fung, who serves as a management analyst at the COG. Mr. Fung can be reached at afung@sgvcog.org and will begin staffing the committee starting July.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 1:31pm.