



SGVCOG Planning Directors' TAC Regular Meeting Minutes

Date: March 25, 2021
Time: 12:00 PM
Location: Zoom Virtual Meeting

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

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

2. Roll Call
A quorum was in attendance.

Committee Members Present

Alhambra	P. Lam, S. Quyle
Arcadia	L. Flores
Baldwin Park	M. Chipres
Claremont	B. Johnson
Covina	B. Lee, M. Lugo
Duarte	C. Hensley
El Monte	J. Mikaelian
Glendora	J. Kugel
Irwindale	M. Simpson
La Verne	E. Scherer
Monrovia	J. Mayer, S. Bermejo
Pasadena	D. Sanchez
Pomona	A. Gutierrez
Rosemead	L. Valenzuela
San Dimas	A. Garcia, F. Wong
San Gabriel	M. Chang, S. Tewasart, A. Alvarado
Sierra Madre	V. Gonzalez
South Pasadena	J. Hankamer
Temple City	S. Reimers
L.A. County DRP	J. Drevno, M. Kim

Absent

Azusa
Diamond Bar
South El Monte

Guests

Alta Planning & Design R. Johnson

SGVCOG Staff

M. Creter, Executive Director
E. Shen, Staff
C. Sims, Staff
K. Ward, Staff
A. Fung, Staff

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

4. Changes to Agenda Order

There were no changes to the agenda.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 5. Review Public Works TAC Meeting Minutes: 02/25/2021
Action: Review and approve.

- 6. 2020 SGVCOG/Southern California Regional Energy Network (SoCalREN) Public Agency Programs Partnership Accomplishments
Action: Receive and file.

There was a motion to approve consent calendar item 5 and receive-and-file consent calendar item 6. (M/S: L. Valenzuela/S. Tewasart)

[Motion Passed]

AYES:	Alhambra, Arcadia, Baldwin Park, Claremont, Covina, Duarte, El Monte, Glendora, Irwindale, La Verne, Monrovia, Pasadena, Pomona, Rosemead, San Dimas, San Gabriel, Sierra Madre, South Pasadena, Temple City, L.A. County DRP
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
NO VOTE RECORDED:	
ABSENT:	Azusa, Diamond Bar, South El Monte

PRESENTATION

- 7. Arrow Highway Multimodal Regional Corridor Plan
 Alta Planning and Design Associate, Ryan Johnson, provided a presentation on this item. Supported by the SGVCOG and the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), the Arrow Highway Multimodal Regional Corridor Plan aimed to develop recommendations for bicycle and pedestrian enhancements along Arrow Highway and surrounding streets to improve east-west mobility, safety, and connectivity within the Cities of Claremont, Glendora, La Verne, Pomona, and San Dimas. Based on community feedback, the Plan recommends that sidewalks, crosswalks, bikeways, lighting, and other new facilities be developed or enhanced to provide safe places for residents and commuters to walk, bike, and roll. The Plan concludes that the long-term transformation of Arrow Highway will encourage active transportation by providing protected bike/roll lanes and improved crossing opportunities throughout the corridor.

UPDATE ITEMS

- 8. Metro Measure M Multi-Year Subregional Program (MSP) Cycle 1 Project Updates
 SGVCOG Management Analyst, Alexander Fung, provided updates on this item. In June 2018, Metro adopted the Measure M Guidelines, which included a process by which Measure M subregional funds would be programmed. The SGVCOG implemented a comprehensive outreach and project selection process and developed a five-year subregional fund programming plan to administer the MSP funds, awarding more than \$37 million in Measure M funds to 20 eligible active transportation, first/last mile, complete streets, highway efficiency, and bus system improvement projects in the San Gabriel

Valley for FY 2017 to FY 2021. Each awarded project's funding allocation schedule can be changed, or "reprogrammed," at the approvals of both the SGVCOG Governing Board and the Metro Board of Directors. A total of 11 reprogramming requests were submitted from the awarded cities and agencies due to project delays as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic, staff turnovers, and funding shortfalls. The SGVCOG Governing Board recently approved the reprogramming requests at its March meeting. The requests have now been forwarded to the Metro Board for consideration and final approval at its May meeting.

9. Legislative Updates: SB 9 (Atkins, Caballero, Rubio, and Wiener), SB 15 (Portantino), and SB 765 (Stern)

SGVCOG Director of Government and Community Relations, Paul Hubler, provided updates on this item. Introduced by Senators Atkins (D-San Diego), Caballero (D-Merced), Rubio (D-El Monte), and Wiener (D-San Francisco), SB 9 would allow up to four housing units to replace a single-family home. The SGVCOG Executive Committee voted to authorize the SGVCOG President to send a letter to San Gabriel Valley legislators and authors of SB 9 to oppose the legislation unless it is amended. Additionally, SB 15, introduced by Senator Portantino (D-Pasadena), would allow cities to receive the average of the annual amount of sales tax revenue generated by the big box retail or commercial shopping center site for the previous seven years. On March 18th, the SGVCOG Governing Board adopted a resolution supporting SB 15 and directed staff to work with the Executive Committee, the author, and the co-sponsors to seek clarification and possibly modifications to improve the Bill's efficacy in delivering affordable housing, and provide updates on the bill as necessary. Furthermore, SB 765, introduced by Senator Stern (D-Thousand Oaks), seeks to amend the State's accessory dwelling unit (ADU) reform legislation by deleting the prohibition in the state legislation on local agency setbacks for ADUs of more than four feet from side and rear lot lines. The SGVCOG Governing Board recently adopted a resolution to support this bill.

Key Questions/Discussions:

- S. Reimers inquired whether there is a minimum lot size that can be subdivided under SB 9. Mr. Hubler responded that the minimum lot size is approximately 1,500 square feet.
- S. Bermejo inquired whether ADUs and junior ADUs would be considered as single-family properties even if they have duplexes under SB 9. Mr. Hubler responded that ADUs and junior ADUs can be added to a duplex. Mr. Hensley added that a split lot would be considered as a single-family property under SB 9. In doing so, each split lot within the single-family property would be allowed to have its own ADU and junior ADU. Thereby, an existing single-family property can accommodate up to six units under SB 9.
- B. Lee commented that the State Legislature has amended its ADU provisions to impose upon local jurisdictions that ADUs and junior ADUs are allowed in multi-family zones.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

10. SB 478 (Wiener)

SGVCOG Management Analyst, Alexander Fung, provided a presentation on this item. Introduced by Senator Wiener (D-San Francisco), SB 478 targets communities that use restrictive square footage and lot size mandates to prevent small multiunit buildings on land zoned for multiunits. Specifically, the bill prohibits a local agency from imposing specified standards, including a minimum lot size that exceeds an unspecified number of square feet on parcels zoned for at least two, but not more than four, units or a minimum lot size that exceeds an unspecified number of square feet on parcels zones for at least five, but not more than ten, units. Additionally, SB 478 would require the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to identify violations by a local government of the stated provisions.

Key Questions/Discussions:

- S. Reimers inquired whether multifamily lots cannot have a floor-to-area ratio standard that is less than 1.5 under SB 478. Mr. Fung confirmed that multifamily lots cannot have a floor-to-area ratio standard that is less than 1.5.
- B. Johnson commented SB 478 classifies properties with ADUs would be classified as multifamily properties.
- Committee members directed staff to monitor the bill and provide additional updates at the next committee meeting.

11. 2020-2021 SCAG Sustainable Communities Program Smart Cities & Mobility Innovations Application

SGVCOG Management Analyst, Alexander Fung, provided a presentation on this item. The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) recently released the call-for-applications on February 8, 2021 for Smart Cities and Mobility Innovations (SCMI) projects under the Sustainable Communities Program. This round of call-for-projects directly supports the implementation of the Smart Cities and Job Centers, Go Zones, and Shared Mobility/Mobility as a Service (MaaS) Connect SoCal Key Connections. The SGVCOG offers to partner with member agencies to submit grant applications and applications are due on Friday, April 23, 2021 at 5:00pm.

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENT

12. Next Committee Meeting

The committee is scheduled to reconvene on Thursday, April 22, 2021 at 12:00pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no additional announcements.

ADJOURN

C. Hensley adjourned the Planning Directors' Technical Advisory Committee meeting at 12:59pm.