



## San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments\*

### AGENDA AND NOTICE OF THE **SPECIAL** MEETING OF THE PLANNING DIRECTORS' TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, November 18, 2021 – 12:00 PM

Zoom Link: <https://zoom.us/j/81530221927>

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Thank you for participating in today's meeting. The Planning Directors' Technical Advisory Committee encourages public participation and invites you to share your views on agenda items.

**MEETINGS:** *Regular Meetings of the Planning Directors' Technical Advisory Committee are held on the fourth Thursday of each month at 12:00 PM at the Monrovia Community Center (119 West Palm Avenue, Monrovia, CA 91016).* The Planning Directors' Technical Advisory Committee agenda packet is available at the San Gabriel Valley Council of Government's (SGVCOG) Office, 1000 South Fremont Avenue, Suite 10210, Alhambra, CA, and on the website, [www.sgvkog.org](http://www.sgvkog.org). Copies are available via email upon request ([sgv@sgvcog.org](mailto:sgv@sgvcog.org)). Documents distributed to a majority of the Committee after the posting will be available for review in the SGVCOG office and on the SGVCOG website. Your attendance at this public meeting may result in the recording of your voice.

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**AGENDA ITEMS:** The Agenda contains the regular order of business of the Planning Directors' Technical Advisory Committee. Items on the Agenda have generally been reviewed and investigated by the staff in advance of the meeting so that the Committee can be fully informed about a matter before making its decision.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:** Items listed on the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be acted upon by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Committee member or citizen so requests. In this event, the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered after the Consent Calendar. If you would like an item on the Consent Calendar discussed, simply tell Staff or a member of the Planning Directors' Technical Advisory Committee.

**\*MEETING MODIFICATIONS DUE TO THE STATE AND LOCAL EMERGENCY RESULTING FROM THE THREAT OF COVID-19:** AB 361 (Rivas), signed by California Governor Gavin Newsom on September 16, 2021, authorizes local agencies to hold public meetings via teleconferencing and allows for members of the public to observe and address the meeting telephonically or electronically to promote social distancing due to the state and local emergency resulting from the threat of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19).

To follow the new provisions in AB 361 and ensure the safety of Committee Members and staff for the purpose of limiting the risk of COVID-19, in-person public participation at the Planning Directors' Technical Advisory Committee meeting scheduled for October 28, 2021 at 12:00pm will not be allowed. To allow for public participation, the Planning Directors' Technical Advisory Committee will conduct its meeting through Zoom Video Communications. To participate in the meeting, download Zoom on any phone or computer device and copy and paste the following link into your browser to access the live meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/81530221927>. You may also access the meeting via the livestream link on the front of the agenda page.

Instructions for Public Comments: For those wishing to make public comments on agenda and non-agenda items you may submit comments via email or participate by Zoom.

- **Email:** Please submit via email your public comment to SGVCOG Management Analyst, Brianne Logasa, at [blogasa@sgvcog.org](mailto:blogasa@sgvcog.org) at least 1 hour prior to the scheduled meeting time. Please indicate in the Subject Line of the email "FOR PUBLIC COMMENT." Emailed public comments will be read into the record and will be part of the recorded meeting minutes. Public comment may be summarized in the interest of time, however the full text will be provided to all members of the Committee prior to the meeting.
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**PRELIMINARY BUSINESS**

**5 MINUTES**

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Public Comment (*If necessary, the Chair may place reasonable time limits on all comments*)
4. Changes to Agenda Order: Identify emergency items arising after agenda posting and requiring action prior to next regular meeting (*It is anticipated that the Committee may take action on the following matters*)

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**5 MINUTES**

*(It is anticipated that the Committee may take action on the following matters)*

5. Adopt Resolution 21-02-PDTAC Making Specified Findings to Enable the Planning Directors' Technical Advisory Committee to Hold Meetings Via Teleconferencing - **Page 5**  
*Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution 21-02-PDTAC making specified findings that the existence of a local and state of emergency in California caused by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic continues to directly impact the ability of the SGVCOG to hold public meetings safely in-person, thereby necessitating an ability to continue holding meetings via teleconference.*
6. Planning Directors' TAC Meeting Minutes – 10/28/2021 - **Page 7**  
*Recommended Action: Review and approve.*

**ACTION ITEM**

**20 MINUTES**

7. FY 2022-2025 Measure M Multi-Year Subregional Program (MSP) Active Transportation, Bus System Improvements, And First/Last Mile Programming Recommendations - **Page 9**  
*Recommended Actions:*
  - 1) *Recommend the Governing Board to program \$15,000,000.00 from FY 2022-2025 MSP Active Transportation, Bus System Improvements, and First/Last Mile Funds for the East San Gabriel Valley Sustainable Multimodal Improvement Project.*
  - 2) *Direct staff to work with cities and agencies that submitted applications for Category 2 to refine project scopes that can lead to improvements that would provide regional benefits to the San Gabriel Valley's active transportation, bus system, and first/last mile networks.*

**PRESENTATION**

**20 MINUTES**

8. Esperanza Villa Tiny Home Virtual Tour – Marisa Creter, SGVCOG Executive Director; Brielle Acevedo, Regional Housing Trust Administrator - **Page 12**  
*Recommended action: for information only*

**UPDATE ITEMS**

**15 MINUTES**

*(It is anticipated that the Committee may take action on the following matters)*

9. Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Updates – Brianne Logasa,

Management Analyst, SGVCOG - **Page 15**  
*Recommended Action: For information only.*

**STAFF ANNOUNCEMENT**

**5 MINUTES**

- 10.** Committee Meeting Schedule  
*Recommended Action: For information only.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ADJOURN**

DATE: November 18, 2021

TO: Planning Directors' Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Marisa Creter, Executive Director

RE: **ADOPT RESOLUTION 21-02-PDTAC MAKING SPECIFIED FINDINGS TO ENABLE THE PLANNING DIRECTORS' TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO HOLD MEETINGS VIA TELECONFERENCING**

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Adopt Resolution 21-02-PDTAC making certain findings that the existence of a local and state of emergency in California caused by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic continues to directly impact the ability of the SGVCOG to hold public meetings safely in-person, thereby necessitating an ability to continue holding meetings via teleconference.

## **BACKGROUND**

Introduced by Assemblymember Robert Rivas (D-Hollister) on February 1, 2021, AB 361 codifies portions of Governor Gavin Newsom's existing Ralph M. Brown Act exemptions pertaining to teleconferencing if a local agency issues an emergency finding, and reissues it every 30 days, that it is unsafe to meet in person. Specifically, the Brown Act exemptions include requirements to provide a public teleconference location, to maintain a member quorum within the agency's jurisdiction and to provide for public comment at each teleconference location, such as a private residence. The legislation expires in December 2024. On September 16, 2021, California Governor Gavin Newsom signed AB 361 into law, effective immediately.

A local agency wishing to rely on the provisions of AB 361 must meet one of the following criteria:

1. The local agency holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency, and state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing; or
2. The local holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency for the purpose of determining, by majority vote, whether as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees; or
3. The local agency holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency and has determined, by majority vote, that, as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

On March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency in California due to the threat of COVID-19 and shortly thereafter issued Executive Order N-29-20 suspending certain Brown Act provisions relating to teleconferencing as public meetings began to be held online.<sup>1</sup>


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<sup>1</sup> Similarly, on March 4, 2020, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and Los Angeles County Health Officer declared a local and health emergency due to the threat of COVID-19.

However, this Executive Order expired on September 30, 2021, despite the State of Emergency remaining in place.

The threat that COVID-19 has presented continues to directly impact the ability of the SGVCOG to conduct Governing Board/committee meetings safely in person. Updated guidelines issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health in July and August 2021 advise governmental entities to refrain from conducting indoor meetings and consider moving operations outdoors, where feasible, to prevent transmission. SGVCOG staff finds it has been unable to find a suitable outdoor space with the requisite audio/visual capabilities at which the monthly committee meetings can be held safely. Similarly, an indoor space with sufficient capacity to accommodate safe social distance practices among members, staff, and the public could not be identified.

In order to continue to conduct meetings in a safe manner and to prevent unnecessary COVID-19 exposure to members, staff and the public, staff is recommending that Planning Directors' Technical Advisory Committee adopt Resolution 21-02-PDTAC making certain findings in order to be able to continue teleconferencing for its meetings.

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Approved by:   
Marisa Creter  
Executive Director

**ATTACHMENTS**

[Attachment A – Resolution 21-02-PDTAC](#)



**SGVCOG Planning Directors' TAC Regular Meeting Minutes**

Date: October 28, 2021  
Time: 12:00 PM  
Location: Zoom Virtual Meeting

**PRELIMINARY BUSINESS**

1. Call to Order  
C. Hensley called the meeting to order at 12:03pm.
2. Roll Call  
**A quorum was in attendance.**

**Committee Members Present**

Alhambra	P. Lam, A. Ho, V. Reynoso
Azusa	M. Marquez
Claremont	B. Johnson
Covina	B. Lee
Diamond Bar	G. Lee
Duarte	C. Hensley, J. Golding
El Monte	M. Lugo
Glendora	J. Kugel
Irwindale	M. Simpson
La Verne	E. Scherer
Monrovia	C. Jimenez, S. Bermejo
Montebello	M. Mercado-Rodriguez,
Pasadena	David Sanchez, Martin Potter
San Dimas	Ann Garcia, Marco Espinoza
San Gabriel	M. Chang, S. Tewasart
Sierra Madre	C. Lin
South El Monte	I. McAleese
Temple City	S. Reimers
LA County DRP	J. Drevno

**Absent**

Arcadia  
Baldwin Park  
Monterey Park  
Pomona  
Rosemead  
South Pasadena

**Guests**

E. Stadnicki, La Canada Flintridge  
A. Tellez, La Puente  
A. Witzling, San Marino  
N. Pergakes, Member of the Public

**SGVCOG Staff**

A. Fung, Staff  
B. Logasa, Staff  
S. Sousa, Staff  
E. Shen, Staff  
C. Sims, Staff  
T. Egan, 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. Adoption of Resolution 21-01-PDTAC Enabling the Planning Directors' Technical Advisory Committee to Continue Holding Meetings via Teleconferencing
6. Planning Directors' TAC Meeting Minutes – 09/23/2021

**There was a motion to approve consent calendar item 5. (M/S: M. Chang/S. Reimers)  
[Motion Passed]**

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

**UPDATE ITEMS**

7. 2021 San Gabriel Valley Energy Champion Awards Progress Updates – Sophia Sousa, Management Aide, SGVCOG
8. Legislative Updates: AB 215 (Chiu) and AB 1398 (Bloom) – Brianne Logasa, Management Analyst, SGVCOG

**DISCUSSION ITEM**

9. SB 9 Implementation Discussion – Craig Hensley, Community Development Directory, City of Duarte

**STAFF ANNOUNCEMENT**

10. Committee Meeting Schedule

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no additional announcements.

**ADJOURN**

C. Hensley adjourned the Planning Directors' Technical Advisory Committee meeting at 1:03pm.

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DATE: November 18, 2021

TO: Planning Directors' Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Marisa Creter, Executive Director

RE: **FY 2022-2025 MEASURE M MULTI-YEAR SUBREGIONAL PROGRAM (MSP) ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION, BUS SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS, AND FIRST/LAST MILE PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDATIONS**

## **RECOMMENDED ACTIONS**

- 1) Recommend the Governing Board to program \$15,000,000.00 from FY 2022-2025 MSP Active Transportation, Bus System Improvements, and First/Last Mile Funds for the East San Gabriel Valley Sustainable Multimodal Improvement Project<sup>1</sup>.
- 2) Direct staff to work with cities and agencies that submitted applications for Category 2 to refine project scopes that can lead to improvements that would provide regional benefits to the San Gabriel Valley's active transportation, bus system, and first/last mile networks.

## **SUMMARY**

Funding application for the FY 2022-2025 MSP active transportation, bus system improvements, and first/last mile projects was recently released to provide eligible cities and agencies an opportunity to apply for funding to support regional transportation projects. This cycle of MSP funds prioritizes multi-jurisdictional corridor projects that can maximize regional transportation benefits. Cities and agencies were able to submit funding applications between September 20, 2021 and October 18, 2021.

Based on the Funding Guidelines (Attachment A) adopted by the Governing Board, the \$22 million in available funding will be divided in two categories of awards, with Category 1 awarding projects for design and construction activities and Category 2 awarding projects for design activities. After reviewing the submitted applications, SGVCOG staff suggested proceeding with the following recommendations:

- Awarding \$15,000,000.00 for the East San Gabriel Valley Sustainable Multimodal Improvement Project in Category 1; and
- Working with cities and agencies that submitted applications for Category 2 to refine project scopes that can lead to improvements that would provide regional benefits to the San Gabriel Valley's active transportation, bus system, and first/last mile networks.

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<sup>1</sup> The Governing Board recently made the recommendation to program \$1,000,000.00 from the FY 2022-2025 MSP Highway Efficiency Funds for the Diamond Bar Blvd. SR-60 Eastbound On-ramp Improvement Project.

## **EAST SAN GABRIEL VALLEY SUSTAINABLE MULTIMODAL IMPROVEMENTS**

The East San Gabriel Valley Sustainable Multimodal Improvement Project includes various active transportation, bus system, and first/last mile improvements in the Cities of Azusa, Claremont, Covina, Glendora, La Verne, Pomona, and San Dimas near Arrow Highway and the existing and future Gold Line stations in East San Gabriel Valley. Based on the proposed timeline, improvements funded by the \$15 million will be completed by August 2025. Specifically, the proposed \$15 million award would provide funding to support the following:

- Design Activities:
  - Azusa – San Gabriel/Azusa Avenues Complete Streets and First/Last Mile Improvements
  - Claremont – Arrow Highway and First/Last Mile Improvements
  - Covina – Grand Avenue Conceptual Plan and Improvements
  - Glendora – Glendora People Movement Project (First/Last Mile and Urban Trails), Little Dalton, Big Dalton, and San Dimas Washes first/last mile projects
  - La Verne – Pedestrian Bridge and first/last mile projects
  - Pomona – Arrow Highway and first/last mile improvements
  - San Dimas – Conceptual plans for 3 east/west connections
- Construction Activities:
  - Claremont – Arrow Highway and First/Last Mile Improvements
  - Covina – Wayfinding Signages along Grand and Glendora Avenues
  - Glendora – San Dimas and Little Dalton Wash Urban Trail, Glendora Avenue, Foothill Blvd.
  - La Verne – Pedestrian Bridge and first/last mile improvements
  - Pomona – First/last mile improvements

The project scope of East San Gabriel Valley Sustainable Multimodal Improvement Project also includes elements of other individual MSP funding applications submitted by Pomona, Covina, and Azusa. Additionally, this project has met all of the stated requirements for Category 1 projects, which include demonstrating 20% local funding matches and achieving a minimum of 25% design completion. The Project also was identifiable in at least one participating agency's five-year Capital Improvements Plan and has demonstrated strong evidence of a community-based public participation process and community support. Aside from meeting all of the stated requirements, this project strongly demonstrates a multi-jurisdictional project scope that can achieve regional transportation benefits across the San Gabriel Valley as intended by the funding guidelines. As a result, the East San Gabriel Valley Sustainable Multimodal Improvement Project scored very highly and is recommended for award.


## **JOINT PROJECT SCOPE DEVELOPMENT**


Aside from receiving a funding application for the East San Gabriel Valley Sustainable Multimodal Improvement Project, SGVCOG staff also received funding applications for several competitive single-jurisdictional or subregional projects; however, these projects would not be able to achieve the regional transportation benefits that are as intended by the funding guidelines approved by the Governing Board on their own.

As a result, SGVCOG staff are currently working with these selected applicants to facilitate discussions and support the applicants to develop joint project scopes that can lead to improvements that provide regional benefits to San Gabriel Valley’s active transportation, bus system, and first/last mile networks.

Once the selected applicants develop their respective regional project scopes and re-submit their applications, the SGVCOG will review the re-submitted applications and decide whether the joint project scopes should be recommended to receive MSP funding. If recommended for funding, the joint project scopes will also follow the adopted SGVCOG MSP Public Outreach Plan (Attachment B) to allow members of the public and relevant SGVCOG committees to comment prior to being presented to the Governing Board for approval.

SGVCOG Senior Management Analyst, Alexander Fung, will provide a presentation at this meeting.

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**ATTACHMENTS**

[Attachment A – FY 2022-2025 MSP Funding Distribution Guidelines](#)

[Attachment B – SGVCOG Measure M MSP Public Outreach Plan \(Resolution 18-11\)](#)

DATE: November 18, 2021

TO: SGVCOG Planners Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Marisa Creter, Executive Director

**RE: ESPERANZA VILLA TINY HOME VIRTUAL TOUR**

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

For information only.

## **REGIONAL HOUSING TRUST UPDATE**

### *Esperanza Villa- Baldwin Park*

The first tiny home bridge housing site in the San Gabriel Valley, Esperanza Villa, is opening to clients on November 22, 2021. The 25-unit site will be operated by Volunteers of America Los Angeles (VOALA) and will provide temporary housing to individuals experiencing homelessness with a local preference for Baldwin Park residents. VOALA will provide case management, 24/7 security, and daily meal service for clients. In addition to the individual sleeping units, the site will provide restroom, shower, and laundry facilities, case management offices, an outdoor dining area, and a dog run.

### Timeline- Planning Process, Community Input, and City Council Approval

One of the advantages to tiny home communities is the ability to be deployed quickly. The City of Baldwin Park submitted a letter of interest to the SGVRHT in February 2021, collaborated with SGVRHT and consultant staff to develop a site plan in May, engaged in a month long community engagement process in June, and approved the project at its July 7<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting. The City owned lot which hosts the site was zoned as commercial, however the City had adopted an emergency shelter ordinance which allowed for the use of the site as interim housing. The City also approved an exemption to the State cabin code which generally requires 70 square feet for a dwelling unit as opposed to the 64 square feet of the tiny homes installed on site. Adoption of an emergency shelter ordinance and exemption to the State cabin code are important logistical considerations for deploying a tiny home site.

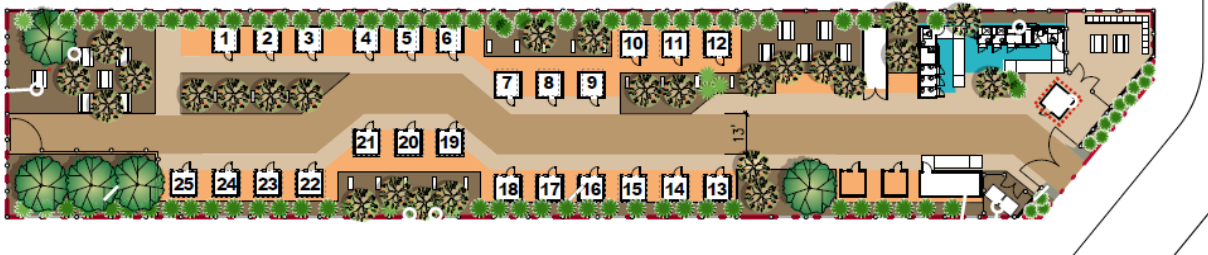
### Site Design

The SGVRHT hired a consultant firm, SRK Architects, Inc., to provide technical assistance in developing the site layout. The plan helped to space the units in accordance to fire code, ensure proper drainage, ADA compliance, and provide a safe and visually appealing site for residents. Asphalt paint was incorporated into the design to clearly designate spaces such as the restroom

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and laundry area, dining area, and main walkway. The paint also serves to reduce the heat absorbed by the pavement and helps keep the site cooler.

The tiny homes require electricity to power the AC/heater, overhead light, and charging outlet. To reduce the costs to connect the restrooms and laundry to the sewer and water main, these structures are located towards the entry to the site, close to the street connections. Vinyl fencing obscures the view into the site to provide privacy for residents and the color helps to brighten the site. Trees and landscaping will also assist in making the site welcoming and providing shade.



## Development Cost

The total cost to develop the Esperanza Villa site, not including the paving, fencing upgrades, and in-kind labor provided by the City, is about \$23,000 per unit. This one-time investment includes the shelter units, restroom, shower, and laundry facilities, site preparation, and technical assistance. The City was able to leverage Public Works staff labor and existing sewer and water connections to reduce the capital costs. The availability of utilities is an important consideration in site selection as sites without access to utilities may be cost prohibitive. The SGVRHT has retained consultant support to assist in evaluating site feasibility for future sites.

## Site Tours and Grand Opening

Site tours will be available on Thursday November 18th from 10AM to 3PM and a virtual site tour will be included during the Governing Board meeting. A ribbon cutting ceremony will be hosted at the site, located at 14173 Garvey Avenue Baldwin Park, CA 91076, on November 20th at 11AM.

If your City is interested in pursuing a tiny home project, please contact Brielle Acevedo at [bacevedo@sgvrht.org](mailto:bacevedo@sgvrht.org).

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

**Attachment A – [Esperanza Villa Site Plan](#)**

# REPORT

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DATE: November 18, 2021

TO: Planning Directors' Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Marisa Creter, Executive Director

RE: **REGIONAL EARLY ACTION PLANNING (REAP) UPDATES**

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

For information only.

## **BACKGROUND**

SGVCOG was awarded funding from the Southern California Association of Government (SCAG) Regional Early Action Program (REAP) Subregional Partnership Program. REAP is intended to help accelerate housing production throughout the SCAG region, which includes the San Gabriel Valley, and have a net-positive effect on housing supply by increasing housing planning, meeting the sixth cycle regional housing needs assessment (RHNA). The planning activities are to accommodate the development of housing and infrastructure that will accelerate housing production in a way that aligns with state planning priorities, housing, transportation, equity, and climate goals and regional priorities.


Based on research and assessments among the SGVCOG Homelessness Policy Committee, Homelessness Working Group, and San Gabriel Valley Regional Housing Trust (SGVRHT), the following five programs received funding:

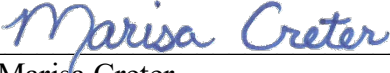
1. Affordable Housing Incubator Program
2. SGVRHT Funding & Implementation Strategy
3. SGV Surplus Land Inventory
4. SGV Regional Land Trust Feasibility Study
5. Housing Leadership Academy

## **DISCUSSION**

The first program listed, the Affordable Housing Incubator Program, will create a bench of consultants which can be accessed by all member cities that can provide the technical resources they need to more easily, quickly, and efficiently develop affordable housing. The bench approach will also promote economies of scale. In addition, this project will focus on creating and providing tools and resources to both city staff and developers to ease the process of developing affordable housing in San Gabriel Valley by facilitating the sharing of best practices.

This program will require specific agreements and guidelines between SGVCOG and its member cities wishing to access this technical assistance. During this meeting, SGVCOG Management Analyst, Brianne Logasa, will provide draft guidelines for feedback from the TAC.

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