



**SGVCOG Public Works TAC Meeting Minutes**

Date: June 15, 2020

Time: 12:00 P.M.

Location: Zoom Virtual Meeting

**PRELIMINARY BUSINESS**

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by R. Guerrero at 12:02pm.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

R. Guerrero led the Public Works TAC in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Roll Call**

**Members Present:**

R. Delgadillo; Azusa  
J. Beshay; Baldwin Park  
D. Liu, H. Ghafari; Diamond Bar  
J. Chung, L. Torres, B. Yu; El Monte  
S. Hopkins; Glendora  
J. Nelson; Industry  
R. Ramos, D. Co; Irwindale  
D. Keeseey; La Verne  
F. Lopez; Monterey Park  
R. Guerrero; Pomona  
C. Daste; Rosemead  
M. Throne; San Marino  
A. Kasparian; South Pasadena  
A. Avery; Temple City  
A. Ross, S. Lai, T. Le; L.A. County DPW

**Members Absent:**

Arcadia  
Claremont  
Monrovia  
San Dimas  
San Gabriel  
South El Monte  
West Covina

**SGVCOG Staff:**

A. Fung, Staff  
A. Bordallo, Staff

**Guests:**

M. Rooney, City of Walnut  
L. Cencic, L.A. Metro  
P. Backstrom, L.A. Metro  
A. Molina, WSP  
C. Henke, WSP  
B. Janka, Transtech Engineers

**4. Public Comment**

There were no public comments at this meeting.

**5. Changes to the Agenda Order**

There were no changes to the agenda.

## CONSENT CALENDAR

6. Review Public Works TAC Meeting Minutes: 05/18/2020  
*Recommended Action: Review and approve.*

**There was a motion to approve minutes from the May 18, 2020 Public Works TAC meeting. (M/S: San Marino/Industry)**

### [Motion Passed]

Ayes	Azusa, Baldwin Park, Diamond Bar, El Monte, Glendora, Industry, Irwindale, La Verne, Monterey Park, Pomona, Rosemead, San Marino, South Pasadena, Temple City, Los Angeles County DPW
Noes	
Abstain	
Absent	Arcadia, Claremont, Monrovia, San Dimas, San Gabriel, South El Monte, West Covina

## UPDATE ITEM

7. San Gabriel Valley Transit Feasibility Study  
SGVCOG staff provided a presentation on this item. The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) recently directed Metro staff to prepare an independent feasibility study that evaluates options to serve the mobility needs of the San Gabriel Valley. The San Gabriel Valley Transit Feasibility Study is anticipated to commence in FY 2021 with the goal of identifying short-term and long-term solutions that serve the mobility needs of the San Gabriel Valley region. The anticipated duration of the Study is approximately 18 months.

### Questions/Discussions:

- A committee member inquired about Metro's outreach activities to the SGVCOG and SR-60 corridor cities regarding the development of the San Gabriel Valley Transit Feasibility Study. SGVCOG staff responded that the SGVCOG has been speaking with the Metro staff internally regarding the drafting of an MOU for this Study. Additionally, the SGVCOG will be providing relevant updates to the SR-60 corridor cities in the near future regarding the development of this Study.

## PRESENTATIONS

8. Metro BRT Vision and Principles Study  
Metro Project Manager, Lauren Cencic, provided a presentation on this item. The Metro Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Vision and Principles Study seeks to establish and build consensus on a clear vision for the BRT system and develop guidance on the design of the BRT network. The Study will also facilitate the identification and

prioritization of future BRT candidate corridors, including the first phase of the Measure M BRT project, which has an expected opening date between FY 2022 to FY 2024.

Questions/Discussions:

- A committee member inquired about potential corridors that other San Gabriel Valley transit service providers are considering implementing BRT routes. Metro staff responded that Valley Boulevard, Ramona, and SR-60, as well as several other corridors, were being considered.

**9. Transitioning Fleets to Zero-Emissions**

WSP Project Leader, Cliff Henke, provided a presentation on this item. WSP shared current projects that are focused on transitioning fleets to zero-emissions given that the California Air Resources Board (CARB) requires California's public transit agencies to gradually transition to 100% zero-emission bus fleets by 2040.

Questions/Discussions:

- A committee member inquired about CNG/RNG and hydrogen fleets. Mr. Henke responded that hydrogen buses have better ranges; however, they do experience problems in extreme climates and extreme elevations. CNG and RNG fleets are currently being considered as potential back-ups in case if the grid malfunctions.

**10. 2020 San Gabriel Valley Energy Champion Awards Structure**

SGVCOG staff provided a presentation on this item. The SGVCOG proudly introduces the 2020 San Gabriel Valley Energy Champion Awards to recognize San Gabriel Valley cities' efforts for increasing energy efficiency in municipal facilities. San Gabriel Valley cities that meet certain thresholds in municipal and community energy efficiency and community outreach will receive awards and recognition from the SGVCOG.

**CHAIR'S REPORT**

**11. Municipal Best Practice Sharing on COVID-19 Response**

Public Works TAC Chair, Rene Guerrero, led the discussion for this item.

Questions/Discussions:

- The City of Pomona shared that City Hall was closed in late March when the Safe-at-Home health orders were announced and that City staff established a schedule to minimize the number of crews that are working. Each City vehicle can only be utilized by one employee at a time. The Pomona City Hall was re-opened for appointments only since June 8<sup>th</sup>. All employees and visitors must practice physical distancing guidelines.
- The City of Diamond Bar expressed that a re-opening date has not been announced yet; however, temperatures of both employees and members of the public will be taken at city facilities when they re-open. The City recently

conducted a “return-to-work” survey amongst the city employees. Responses included:

- 33% of employees disagreed that they feel confident about returning to work safely full-time in a physical setting.
- 58% of employees strongly agreed that it is important to screen employees with symptoms of COVID-19.
- 48% of employees strongly agreed that they are afraid of carrying the COVID-19 virus back home and infect family members.
- 44% of employees agreed that they are afraid of contracting the virus from co-workers.
- 46.5% of employees strongly agreed that they are afraid of contracting the virus from members of the public.
- The City of Industry shared that split staff schedules have been implemented at City Hall. Temperatures of members of the public will be taken if they are entering City Hall.
- The City of Rosemead also shared that temperatures are being taken for members of the public and employees at city facilities.
- The City of Walnut shared that City Hall has been re-opened since Memorial Day with physical distancing policies in place; however, temperatures are not being taken.

## **STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 12. San Gabriel Valley Energy Wise Partnership – Energy Work Group Meeting**  
SGVCOG staff invited committee members to attend the upcoming Energy Work Group meeting on Tuesday, June 16, 2020 at 1:30pm.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no additional announcements.

## **ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:18pm.