



SGVCOG Capital Projects & Construction Committee November 26, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Chair Costanzo called the meeting of the San Gabriel Valley Capital Projects and Construction Committee to order at 12:02PM at the City of West Covina Community Center.

1. **Pledge of Allegiance** – Committee member Moss lead the pledge of allegiance.

2. **Roll Call:**

In attendance was:

Juli Costanzo, Chair, San Gabriel
Victoria Martinez, Vice Chair, El Monte
Barbara Messina, City of Alhambra
Becky Shevlin, City of Monrovia
Cory Moss, City of Industry
Hilda Solis, LA County Board of Supervisor
Jack Hadjinian, City of Montebello
Nancy Lyons, City of Diamond Bar
Sam Pedroza, City of Claremont
Tim Sandoval, City of Pomona

Staff:

Mark Christoffels, Chief Engineer
Gregory Murphy, Burke Williams & Sorensen, legal counsel
Amy Hanson
Mark Mendoza, Paragon Partners
Paul Hubler
Phil Balmeo
Ricky Choi

Guests:

Bill Swindle, LACDPW
Josh Nelson, City of Industry/CNC
John Burton, LACDPW

3. **Public Comment** – There was no public comments.
4. **Approval of the Capital Projects & Construction Committee Meeting Minutes of October 22, 2018** – A motion was made by member Solis and seconded by member Sandoval to approve the meeting minutes of October 22, 2018.

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5. **Chairman Remarks** – Chairperson Costanzo congratulated the members who were successful in their re-election campaigns. She expressed her appreciation to the voters for supporting the tax measures needed for infrastructure programs. She announced that the Southern California Chapter of the American Public Works Association is giving the San Gabriel Trench project an outstanding project award. The award will be presented on December 12. Chairperson Costanzo also congratulated member Hadjinian on his recent marriage.
6. **Member Comments** – Member Solis expressed her appreciation to staff for educating the public on the benefits of the SB1 bill. She also announced the passing of the storm water and conservation measure.
7. **Chief Engineer’s Monthly Report** – Paul Hubler presented the recent election results specific to the San Gabriel Valley’s legislative delegation and the projects assigned to the Committee.

Mr. Christoffels announced the departure of the ACE Contracts Manager and that due to the sudden position vacancy, an interim Contracts Manager has been obtained until the position is permanently filled. He indicated that a contract for the interim position will be brought to the Committee in December for approval.

Mr. Christoffels announced that the Durfee Avenue construction bids were received and the lowest bidder was 24% over the engineer’s estimate, which may require us to reevaluate the remaining projects and adjust anticipated expenditures for potential increases. He indicated that the price of labor and commodities increasing could be the reason for such high bids. He reported that a contract award would be brought to the Committee in December.

8. **Project Construction Progress Reports** – Mr. Christoffels reported on the project updates at Fairway Drive and Fullerton Road. He indicated that the Brea Canyon on and off ramps at the 60 Interstate freeway are currently being removed after the completion of construction of the Lemon Avenue ramps for the Fairway Drive grade separation project. He showed the progress of the Fullerton Road paving of the roadway and the recent relocation of a large storm drain.
9. **Approval of Close out of Construction Contract with OHL USA, Inc. and Acceptance of the Puente Avenue Grade Separation as Substantially Complete** – Mr. Christoffels reported that the Puente Avenue grade separation project has been substantially completed. He indicated that the SBE goal of 11% was met, that the project employed 644 workers, 53 of which were local, 40 subcontractors were used, two of which were from the San Gabriel Valley. He asked for a motion to approve the closeout of the construction contract.

A motion was made by member Solis and seconded by member Sandoval to approve the closeout of construction contract with OHL USA, Inc. and accept the Puente Avenue grade separation project as substantially complete.

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10. **Approval of Contract Close Out of Contract with Walsh Construction Company and Acceptance of the San Gabriel Trench Project as Substantially Complete** – Mr. Christoffels indicated that the San Gabriel Trench project had a change order percentage of -1% which is a very good outcome. He asked for a motion to approve the acceptance of the San Gabriel Trench as substantially complete and to close out the contract with Walsh Construction.

A motion was made by member Sandoval and seconded by member Lyons to approve the contract closeout with Walsh Construction Company and accept the San Gabriel Trench project as substantially complete.

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Chairperson Costanzo announced that now that the San Gabriel Trench project is officially complete, her position as member and Chair has been fulfilled. She stated that she is honored to have served first as Vice Chair then as Chair over the past several years and she is passing the gavel over to our Vice Chair Victoria Martinez to assume the position as Chair.

Mr. Christoffels announced that the bylaws written for Board members are to stay on the Committee until the project in their city is complete, however the SGVCOG Governing Board recently voted member Costanzo to stay on our Committee as an alternate and therefore will still be involved in our projects.

The new Chairperson Martinez led the remainder of the meeting. She indicated that elections for the seat of Vice Chair will be held at the December meeting.

11. **Approval of Amendment No. 2 with Rowland Water District for the Fullerton Road Grade Separation Project** – Mr. Christoffels reported that the Board previously approved an agreement with Rowland Water District for water line relocation work at Fullerton Road. He indicated that additional lines were discovered after the work began that require relocating. He reported that the original contract amount was for \$2,225,898 and the additional expenditures are expected to be \$329,373.

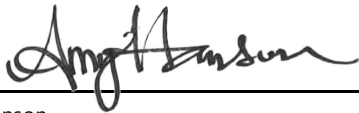
A motion was made to authorize the Chief Engineer to execute an amended agreement with Rowland Water District for the Fullerton Road grade separation project for a revised amount of \$2,555,271.

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12. **Receive and File Agreement No. 18-01 with CWE for Preliminary Engineering and Final Design Services for the Load Reduction Strategy Projects for the Rio Hondo River and Tributaries** – Mr. Christoffels announced that the agency will be bringing all executed contracts to the Committee to receive and file. He indicated this is a final agreement with the California Watershed Engineering Corporation (CWE) for preliminary design services for the Load Reduction Strategy Projects for the Rio Hondo River and Tributaries.

No action was required.
13. **Outgoing Committee Member Recognition** – Chairperson Martinez recognized the outgoing members for their participation and service to the Capital Projects and Construction Committee and to the ACE Board. The Committee presented plaques to members Sam Pedroza, Barbara Messina, and Juli Costanzo.
14. **Adjourn** – The meeting adjourned at 12:36pm in honor of Patricia Wallach former SGVCOG member and ACE Board member and long-time member of the El Monte City Council. The next meeting will be held on December 17th.

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Amy Hanson
Assistant Clerk