



SGVCOG Planning Directors' TAC Regular Meeting Minutes

Date: April 22, 2021
Time: 12:00 PM
Location: Zoom Virtual Meeting

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order
B. Johnson called the meeting to order at 12:01pm.

2. Roll Call
A quorum was in attendance.

Committee Members Present

Alhambra	P. Lam
Azusa	M. Munoz
Baldwin Park	R. Garcia
Claremont	B. Johnson
Covina	B. Lee, M. Lugo
Duarte	C. Hensley, J. Golding
El Monte	J. Mikaelian, T. Bu
Glendora	J. Kugel, M. Carnahan
La Verne	E. Scherer
Monrovia	J. Mayer, S. Bermejo
Pasadena	D. Sanchez
Pomona	A. Gutierrez
Rosemead	A. Lao
San Dimas	A. Garcia
San Gabriel	A. Alvarado, M. Chang, S. Tewasart
Sierra Madre	V. Gonzalez
South El Monte	I. McAleese, R. Pelayo
South Pasadena	J. Hankamer
Temple City	S. Reimers
L.A. County DRP	J. Drevno

Absent

Arcadia
Diamond Bar
Irwindale

Guests

City of La Puente	A. Tellez
City of Monterey Park	J. Moquin
City of Walnut	A. Ramos
ICF	B. Moncada
ICF	L. Penera
SCAG	K. Clark
SCAG	K. Kane
SCAG	T. Vo

SGVCOG Staff

M. Creter, Executive Director
C. Sims, Staff
K. Ward, Staff
A. Fung, Staff
A. Bordallo, 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 Planning Directors' TAC Meeting Minutes: 03/25/2021
Action: Review and approve.

There was a motion to approve consent calendar item 5. (M/S: S. Tewasart/S. Reimers)

[Motion Passed]

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

UPDATE ITEM

6. Legislative Updates: AB 1401 (Friedman) and SB 478 (Wiener)
SGVCOG Management Analyst, Alexander Fung, provided updates on this item. To support the State's efforts to increase housing development, legislators introduced a plethora of housing legislation to streamline housing development policies across California. Particularly, AB 1401 (Friedman) was introduced to prohibit local jurisdictions from imposing minimum parking requirements on certain developments, especially those located near existing public transit services. SB 478 (Wiener) also targets local ordinances that limit the construction of housing based on lot size.

Key Questions/Discussions:

- C. Hensley emphasized that the SGVCOG should show solidarity with the League of California Cities and suggested that the SGVCOG should oppose AB 1401 (Friedman) and continue to monitor SB 478 (Wiener).
- J. Kugel commented that it may not be appropriate for community development and planning directors to take positions on policies given that it appears to be the responsibility of city councilmembers. C. Hensley clarified that the suggestion would be for the committee to recommend the Governing Board to oppose AB 1401 (Friedman) and watch SB 478 (Wiener).
- J. Mikaelian supported the idea of the committee providing recommendations to the Governing Board for consideration given that AB 1401's proposal to prohibit jurisdictions from imposing or enforcing a minimum parking requirement for developments located within ½ mile walking distance of public transit can be

unreasonable.

There was a motion to recommend the Governing Board to oppose AB 1401 (Friedman) and watch SB 478 (Wiener). (M/S: C. Hensley/S. Reimers)

[Motion Passed]

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

PRESENTATIONS

7. Southern California Regional Energy Network Multifamily Program

ICF Account Manager, Brianna Moncada, provided a presentation on this item. Earlier this year, the SGVCOG launched a partnership with ICF to promote the Southern California Regional Energy Network (SoCalREN) Residential Program. This program offers multifamily communities throughout the San Gabriel Valley an opportunity to reduce energy use and provide a more comfortable and safer living environment for tenants through property improvements and upgrades.

Key Questions/Discussions:

- C. Hensley inquired about ICF's outreach efforts to multifamily property owners. Ms. Moncada responded that ICF is currently conducting outreach to multifamily sites in addition to collaborating with contractors to provide multifamily property owners with information. Multifamily property owners can also directly reach out to the SoCalREN Multifamily Program.

8. SCAG Housing Element Parcel (HELPR) Tool

SCAG Regional Planner, Kimberly Clark, provided a presentation on this item. SCAG recently launched the Regional Data Platform (RDP) to provide a modern system for holistic planning across the SCAG jurisdiction, which can foster a more sustainable and equitable future for Southern California. As part of the overall RDP Project, SCAG launched a web-mapping tool, known as the Housing Element Parcel (HELPR) Tool, to assist local jurisdictions and stakeholders understand local land use and site opportunities for aligning housing planning with the State's sixth cycle housing element updates, which are due in October 2021. The HELPR Tool is principally based on updated and curated versions of parcel-level land use data and other datasets available through SCAG's open data portal. The Tool also allows users to download tabular and spatial data for external use.

Key Questions/Discussions:

- C. Hensley inquired about unit-size data that is provided along with the ADU Affordability Assumption and commented that there is a direct correlation between

unit size and affordability. K. Kane responded that the recent survey did not include the unit-size data and commented that ADUs typically operate in a narrow range with regards to their sizes. SCAG is also developing additional technical assistance for local jurisdictions in the new HELPR 2.0 Tool that will include additional information on physical site capacity to account for ADUs in housing element updates.

- S. Bermejo inquired about SCAG's efforts to assist local jurisdictions to obtain ArcGIS licenses. T. Vo responded that each city or county can obtain one ArcGIS license from SCAG, which includes ArcGIS Pro and ArcGIS Online. Local jurisdictions that are interested in obtaining the ArcGIS license can contact SCAG staff at list@scag.ca.gov.

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENT

9. Next Committee Meeting

The committee is scheduled to reconvene on Thursday, May 27, 2021 at 12:00pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no additional announcements.

ADJOURN

C. Hensley adjourned the Planning Directors' Technical Advisory Committee meeting at 1:01pm.