



## SGVCOG Governing Board Approved Minutes

Date: October 24, 2019

Time: 5:30 PM

Location: Foothill Transit Office (100 S. Vincent Avenue, Suite 200, West Covina, CA 91790)

### PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order  
SGVCOG President Cynthia Sternquist called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance  
M. Cacciotti led the Governing Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call  
**A quorum was in attendance.**

#### Governing Board Members Present

Arcadia	April Verlato
Claremont	Ed Reece
Diamond Bar	Nancy Lyons
Duarte	John Fasana
Glendora	Michael Allawos
Industry	Cory Moss
Irwindale	Albert Ambriz
Monrovia	Becky Shevlin
Montebello	Jack Hadjinian
Monterey Park	Peter Chan
Pomona	Tim Sandoval
Rosemead	Margaret Clark
San Dimas	Denis Bertone
San Gabriel	Jason Pu
San Marino	Susan Jakubowski
Sierra Madre	John Capoccia
South El Monte	Gloria Olmos
South Pasadena	Michael Cacciotti
Temple City	Cynthia Sternquist
West Covina	Tony Wu
L.A. County District #1	Florencio Briones
L.A. County District #4	Lauren Yokomizo
L.A. County District #5	Sandra Maravilla

#### Absent

Alhambra  
Azusa  
Baldwin Park  
Bradbury  
Covina  
El Monte  
La Cañada Flintridge  
La Puente  
La Verne  
Walnut  
San Gabriel Valley Water Districts

#### SGVCOG Staff

Marisa Creter, Executive Director  
Mark Christoffels, Staff  
Paul Hubler, Staff  
Katie Ward, Staff  
Alexander Fung, Staff  
Stefanie Hernandez, Staff

### 4. Public Comment

Daniel Lee, a partnership specialist from the U.S. Department of Commerce, provided a public comment on the upcoming 2020 Census. Mr. Lee mentioned that the census results will determine funding for various public resources on the local level and need for redistricting. He also encouraged cities to work

with community organizations to encourage participation in the census. The 2020 census will be available in 12 languages.

Dan Marrike, a representative from Boy Scouts of America, provided a public comment to request cities to support the proposed Camp Trask Scout Reservation Water System Rehabilitation and Enhancement Project. The project proposal was submitted to the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (RMC) and is expected to cost \$1,825,920.

Lee Kane, a representative from the San Gabriel Valley Consortium on Homelessness, provided a public comment to express an offer of support to San Gabriel Valley cities' efforts to address homelessness issues. Ms. Kane emphasized that the Consortium would like to support the cities' capacity building efforts and invited the Governing Board to attend the Consortium's meetings on the second Wednesday of every month. The Consortium's next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 13, 2019 at the Queen of Valley Hospital in West Covina.

## **5. Changes to Agenda Order**

There were no changes to the agenda.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### **6. Enhancing Metrolink, Transit Oriented Development, and Interregional Connectivity**

Dr. Raymond Wolfe, Executive Director of the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (SBCTA), provided a presentation on this item.

#### Questions/Discussions:

- A Governing Board member inquired whether the SBCTA has plans to extend the rail line to Ontario. Dr. Wolfe responded that the SBCTA Board of Directors is evaluating various options to connect transit to Ontario. The cost of extending the Gold Line or building off the San Bernardino Metrolink are both about \$2 billion each.
- A Governing Board member commented that San Bernardino County will decide on the plans to extend the Gold Line from Claremont to Montclair. Dr. Wolfe responded that SBCTA's proposal does not impede a future eastward expansion of the light rail and emphasized that the plan is to enhance the Metrolink system.
- Another Governing Board member inquired about diesel and trains idling in neighborhoods for long periods of time given that DMUs will be utilizing the same tracks as Metrolink trains. Dr. Wolfe responded that trains run in a continuous loop to avoid idling. Additionally, he mentioned that eventually the vehicles will be converted to run off of other power source, such as hydrogen fuel cells or battery packs. This technology is currently operational in Europe and SBCTA is working through the regulatory process at the federal level to allow that technology to be operated in the United States.
- A Governing Board member inquired about SBCTA's possible shifting of its existing allocated funds from the Gold Line extension project. Dr. Wolfe responded that there are no recommendations from the SBCTA Board of Directors to shift the funding at this point, but it is possible that the SBCTA Board of Directors would consider that option in the future.

## **LIAISON REPORTS**

### **7. Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority**

- L. Levy Buch provided a written report on the signing of the design-build contract for the Foothill Gold Line extension from Glendora to Montclair. The contract was signed on Friday, October 4, 2019 at the Pomona City Hall.
8. Foothill Transit  
No report was given.
  9. Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority  
No report was given.
  10. San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (RMC)  
No report was given.
  11. San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District (SGVMVCD)  
J. Dever provided a written report on West Nile viruses in the San Gabriel Valley. Human infection of the West Nile virus was held to just a single confirmed case in the San Gabriel Valley, which makes 2019 the lowest year for transmission of West Nile virus in the region.
  12. Southern California Association of Governments  
S. Patterson provided a written report on the updated draft regional housing needs assessment (RHNA) allocation methodology framework.
  13. League of California Cities  
J. Quan provided a written report on key bills that were signed and vetoed by Governor Newsom as the California Legislature recently ended its 2019 legislative business.
  14. San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership  
B. Jensen provided a written report on the Partnership's upcoming events.
  15. South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD)  
R. Yeung provided a written report on AQMD's no-burn alerts, which are issued each year from November 1<sup>st</sup> through the last day of February.

#### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

SGVCOG President, Cynthia Sternquist, reported that 7 cities in the San Gabriel Valley are in excellent financial shape according to a recent report from the State Auditor's Office. The Governing Board directed staff to share the report with Governing Board members.

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

SGVCOG Executive Director, Marisa Creter, provided an announcement on the upcoming 626 Golden Streets event in the Cities of El Monte and South El Monte on Saturday, October 26, 2019.

#### **GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT**

No report was given.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

16. Transportation Committee  
J. Fasana reported that the Transportation Committee convened today and discussed the implementation of SB 743, which bill changed the focus of transportation impact analysis in CEQA from measuring impacts to drivers to measuring the impact of driving. Additionally, the committee voted to recommend the Governing Board to approve the I-605 Corridor Aesthetics Master Plan.
17. Homelessness Committee  
B. Shevlin announced that the monthly report can be found in the agenda packet.
18. Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee  
D. Bertone reported that the committee received presentations from the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) and Los Angeles County Department of Public Works at its recent meeting.
19. Water Committee  
No report was given.
20. Capital Projects and Construction  
No report was given.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

21. Governing Board Meeting Minutes  
*Recommended Action: Adopt Governing Board minutes.*
22. Monthly Cash Disbursements/Balances/Transfers  
*Recommended Action: Approve Monthly Cash Disbursements/Balances/Transfers.*
23. Committee/TAC/Governing Board Attendance  
*Recommended Action: Receive and file.*
24. County of Los Angeles for Measure H Homelessness Funding  
*Recommended Action: Authorize the Executive Director to execute a contract with the County of Los Angeles to provide \$158,000 in funding to support Measure H and Homeless Initiative implementation through 2020.*
25. Update Health Insurance Benefits  
*Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution 19-42 to update the health insurance benefits for all SGVCOG staff.*
26. Metro Open Streets Program – Heart of the Foothills  
*Recommended Action: Receive and file contract with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) for an open streets event on April 19, 2020.*
27. I-605 Corridor Aesthetic Master Plan  
*Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution 19-43 approving the I-605 Corridor Aesthetic Master Plan.*

- 28. San Gabriel Mountains Community Collaborative  
*Recommended Action: Appoint Jennifer Stark (Claremont) to serve as a SGVCOG representative on the San Gabriel Mountains Community Collaborative.*
- 29. Committee Meeting Times  
*Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution 19-44 updating committee meeting times and locations.*
- 30. Electronic Signature Policy  
*Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution 19-45 establishing an electronic signature policy for the SGVCOG.*
- 31. Regionwide Swimming Pool Ordinance  
*Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution 19-46 to encourage cities to adopt a regionwide swimming pool ordinance template.*
- 32. LACMTA Technical Advisory Committee Representative Appointment  
*Recommended Action: Appoint Josh Nelson (Industry) as the SGVCOG representative to the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) Technical Advisory Committee.*
- 33. Meeting with State Water Board  
*Recommended Action: Authorize the Executive Director to submit a letter to the Chair of the State Water Resources Control Board requesting a meeting regarding the State financial capability assessments for MS4 Permits.*

**There was a motion to approve items 21 to 33. (M/S: N. Lyons/T. Sandoval)**

**[Motion Passed]**

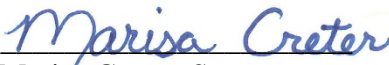
<b>AYES:</b>	Arcadia, Claremont, Diamond Bar, Duarte, Glendora, Industry, Irwindale, Monrovia, Montebello, Monterey Park, Pomona, Rosemead, San Dimas, San Gabriel, San Marino, Sierra Madre, South El Monte, South Pasadena, Temple City, West Covina, L.A. County District #1, L.A. County District #4, L.A. County District #5
<b>NOES:</b>	
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Alhambra, Azusa, Baldwin Park, Bradbury, Covina, El Monte, La Cañada Flintridge, La Puente, La Verne, Walnut, San Gabriel Valley Water Districts

**ADJOURN**

SGVCOG President Cynthia Sternquist adjourned the Governing Board meeting at 6:30 p.m.

**BOARD APPROVED**

November 21, 2019 \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

  
Marisa Creter, Secretary