



SGVCOG Planners TAC Meeting Minutes

Date: May 28, 2020

Time: 12:00 P.M.

Location: Zoom Virtual Meeting

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order.
C. Hensley called the meeting to order at 12:00pm.
2. Roll Call

Members Present

V. Reynoso; Alhambra
M. Marquez; Azusa
R. Garcia, M. Chipres; Baldwin Park
B. Johnson; Claremont
B. Lee; Covina
G. Lee; Diamond Bar
C. Hensley; Duarte
J. Mikaelian, B. Donavanik; El Monte
J. Kugel, M. Carnahan; Glendora
M. Simpson; Irwindale
J. Mayer; Monrovia
S. Tewsasart; Monterey Park
L. Trinh, A. Lao; Rosemead
F. Zelaya Melicher; San Dimas
M. Chang, J. Guarracino; San Gabriel
V. Gonzalez; Sierra Madre
I. McAleese; South El Monte
S. Reimers; Temple City
J. Drevno, M. Kim; Los Angeles County DRP

SGVCOG Staff

M. Creter, Executive Director
A. Fung, Staff

Members Absent

Arcadia
La Verne
Montebello
South Pasadena
West Covina

Guests

E. Stadnicki, City of La Cañada Flintridge
V. Tam, City of Pomona
J. Guerra, City of Walnut
A. Ross, Los Angeles County DPW
S. Lai, Los Angeles County DPW

3. Public Comment
No public comments were given at this meeting.
4. Changes to the Agenda Order
No changes were made to the agenda order.

CONSENT CALENDAR

5. Planners TAC Meeting Minutes – 04/23/2020

Recommended Action: Approve.

There was a motion made to approve the 04/23/2020 Planners' TAC Meeting Minutes (M/S: V. Reynoso/B. Johnson).

[Motion Passed]

Ayes	Alhambra, Azusa, Baldwin Park, Claremont, Covina, Diamond Bar, Duarte, El Monte, Glendora, Irwindale, Monrovia, Monterey Park, Rosemead, San Dimas, San Gabriel, Sierra Madre, South El Monte, Temple City, Los Angeles County DRP
Noes	
Abstain	
Absent	Arcadia, La Verne, Montebello, South Pasadena, West Covina

PRESENTATIONS

6. San Gabriel Valley Regional VMT Analysis Model

SGVCOG Chief Engineer, Mark Christoffels, provided a presentation for this item. The San Gabriel Valley Regional VMT Analysis Study will analyze existing traffic conditions in the San Gabriel Valley region to arrive at a baseline standard to determine significance thresholds for future land use and transportation projects. It will result in recommendations for establishing methodology, thresholds, and technical tools and procedures for CEQA analysis and transportation impacts of land use and transportation projects in the local jurisdictions within the San Gabriel Valley. The project was officially launched in March 2020 and cities are currently in the process of setting their own thresholds of significance. Cities are also working with the SGVCOG and Fehr and Peers to review effective VMT reduction strategies, such as implementing transportation demand management (TDM) strategies that change the physical land use or transportation network design of a specific project to encourage residents, workers, and visitors of the proposed site to make fewer and shorter vehicle trips.

Discussions/Questions:

- A committee member inquired about the request from the Building Industry Association (BIA) of Southern California's Los Angeles/Ventura Chapter to urge the State to extend the July VMT compliance deadline. Several committee members responded that they will not be responding to BIA's request given that several projects currently under CEQA review will be affected by the July 1st deadline.
- Another committee member inquired about possible community-based mitigation measures. SGVCOG staff responded that active transportation projects and parking reduction measures fit into the category of community-based mitigation strategies.
- A committee member inquired about the VMT Screening Tool's ability to input various mitigation measures if a proposed project results in VMT that exceeds the threshold. SGVCOG staff responded that the current proposed screening tool does not have that capability.

7. Finalized East San Gabriel Valley Active Transportation Plan

Los Angeles County Department of Public Works (DPW) Associate Civil Engineer, Shirley Lai, provided a presentation on this item. The East San Gabriel Valley Active Transportation

Plan was developed to encourage residents to walk, bike, and utilize transit in the 21 unincorporated communities of East San Gabriel Valley. The Plan evaluated bikeway, pedestrian, and transit network and identified obstacles such as gaps in network and poor infrastructure conditions. The Plan also identified 15 corridors for recommended active transportation improvements, such as enhancements and improvements on bikeway facilities, pedestrian facilities, and bus/transit facilities. The 15 corridors are further separated into Phases I and II for implementation. Phase I corridors will be implemented within 1 to 5 years of the Plan's adoption and Phase II will commence once Phase I is completed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The committee's chairman, Craig Hensley, announced that the committee is expected to reconvene on Thursday, July 23, 2020 at 12:00pm.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 12:43pm.