



## **SPECIAL SGVCOG Public Works TAC Meeting Minutes**

Date: **February 25, 2019**

Time: 12:00 P.M.

Location: Monrovia Community Center  
119 West Palm Avenue, Monrovia, CA 91016

### **PRELIMINARY BUSINESS**

1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 12:12 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance. R. Guerrero led the Public Works TAC in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call

#### **Public Works TAC Members Present**

P. Wray; Arcadia  
R. Delgadillo; Azusa  
D. Liu; Diamond Bar  
J. Nelson; Industry  
R. Ramos, L. Pimentel; Irwindale  
D. Keesey, A. Ciotti; La Verne  
A. Tachiki; Monrovia  
R. Guerrero; Pomona  
K. Patel, S. Garwick; San Dimas  
M. Forbes; Temple City  
A. Ross, J. Yang, J. Lu, C. Ajwani; LACDPW

#### **Public Works TAC Members Absent**

Claremont  
El Monte  
Glendora  
Monterey Park  
San Gabriel  
San Marino  
South El Monte  
South Pasadena  
West Covina

#### **Guests**

F. Alamolhoda; LAE Associates	B. Schmith, LA Metro
G. Jaquez, M. Killen, S. Neff; MNS Engineers	J. Martinez; NCE
A. Chang; Transtech Engineers	S. Abegunrin; SAA Associates
S. Ahmad; SA Associates	B. Janka; City of Pasadena
D. Cadena, M. Mattei; WKE, Inc.	P. Bollier; Infrastructure Engineers
E. Frondoso; Orange County Public Works	D. Barnes; Foothill Transit

#### **SGVCOG Staff**

P. Duyshart

4. Public Comment.

There was no public comment.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

5. Review Public Works TAC Meeting Minutes: 11/19/2018
6. Review Public Works TAC Meeting Minutes: 01/28/2019  
**There was a motion to approve the Consent Calendar, which includes the meeting minutes from the November 2018 and January 2019 Public Works TAC meetings (M/S: M. Forbes/J. Nelson).**

**[Motion Passed]**

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

**PRESENTATIONS**

**7. ADA Compliance in the Public Right-of-Way**

Edward Frondoso, P.E., who is a Manager of Project Management for Orange County Public Works, provided a thorough presentation to the Public Works TAC on the topic of ADA Compliance for Public Roadways. During the course of his in-depth presentation, he covered and discussed the following topics pertaining to this matter:

- Background
  - Americans Disabled for Public Transit
  - The Rolling Quads
  - Wheels of Justice
  - Federal Laws
  - Americans with Disabilities Act
  - State Laws
- ADA Standards
  - Enforcement
  - 2010 ADAs
- ADA Basics
  - Accessible Routes
  - Walks vs. Sidewalks
  - Clear Width
  - Changes in Level (Tree roots lifting sidewalk)
  - Curb Ramps
  - Detectable Warning Surfaces
  - Driveway Approaches
  - Openings in Ground Surface
  - Grates and Other Openings
  - Alternate paths though construction zones
- Other ADA Guidance
  - Public Right-Of-Way Accessibility Guidelines (PROWAG)
  - ADA vs. PROWAG
  - Construction Tolerances
  - 2018 Revisions to County Curb Ramp Standard Plan 1115
- Application of ADA Standards
  - Safe Harbors
  - ADA Triggers
  - New construction
  - Structural Impracticability
  - Alterations and Resurfacing
  - Maximum Extent Feasible
  - Technically Infeasible
  - Right-of-Way Limitations
  - Reasonable Accommodation
  - Accessible Signals

- Case Studies

Questions/Discussion: The following issues were discussed:

- A member of the TAC pointed out how, often times, you can end up creating ponding issues on the roadway when doing ADA compliance upgrades. Could a City petition to the State that this is cause for infeasibility?
  - Mr. Frondoso stated that a City would not be able to do this.
- There was a question regarding 1 ramp serving 2 crosswalks, and how the ramp would have to be aligned and placed in order to be ADA compliant.
- Three to four additional questions were also asked

## 8. Organics and Solid Waste Legislation for the 2019 Legislative Cycle

Clark Ajwani, Civil Engineer of the LACDPW Environmental Programs Division, provided a presentation during which gave a summary of solid waste-related legislation which has been introduced for the 2019 legislative cycle. The bills that he will brief the Public Works TAC on are as follows:

- **AB 129 (Bloom)** – Waste management: plastic microfiber
- **AB 142 (Garcia, Carrillo, Santiago)** – Lead-acid batteries
  - **\*\*The LA County Board of Supervisors has officially supported this bill**
- **AB 161 (Ting)** – Solid waste: paper waste: electronic proofs of purchase
- **AB 187 (Garcia & Bigelow)** – Used Mattress Recovery and Recycling Act: budget
- **AB 215 (Mathis)** – Dumping
- **AB 257 (Mathis)** – Solid waste: woody biomass: disposal
- **AB 296 (Cooley & Garcia)** – Climate change: Climate Innovations Commission
- **AB 729 (Chu)** – Carpet recycling: carpet stewardship organizations: succession: procedure
- **AB 755 (Holden)** – California tire fee: Stormwater Permit Compliance Fund
  - **\*\*The SGVCOG has sponsored this bill**
- **SB 33 (Skinner)** – Solid waste: reduction and recycling
- **SB 43 (Allen)** – Carbon taxes
- **SB 54 (Allen & Wiener)** – Single-use plastic waste: reduction
- **SB 213 (Wieckowski)** – Litter: receptacles

Moreover, Mr. Ajwani also went over the draft organic waste reduction regulations pertaining to Senate Bill 1383 (Lara, 2016), which are currently open for public comment and input. SB 1383 stipulated that the State must achieve a 50% reduction in the statewide disposal of organic waste by 2020, and a 75% reduction by 2025. CalRecycle is the State agency which has been tasked with devising and drafting regulation which would achieve these organic waste reduction targets. As previously alluded to, CalRecycle is currently accepting public comments for SB 1383 regulations, and public comments are due to the agency by March 4, 2019. After a March 12 hearing, CalRecycle might have another 15-day comment period. Then, CalRecycle will likely adopt the final regulations in August 2019, and those regulations will take effect on January 1, 2022. Mr. Ajwani also talked about how SB 1383 impacts cities and local governments, and explained the responsibilities that these regulations will put upon local governments.

Mr. Ajwani also briefly discussed the regulations which are germane to SB 212 (Jackson), which was signed into law by then-Governor Jerry Brown on September 30, 2018. This piece of legislation sets the law and guidelines for pharmaceutical and sharps waste stewardship. Many

local governments would have to partner with the State to ensure implementation of these regulations.

Questions/Discussion: The following issues were discussed:

- There was a question regarding capacity planning for organic waste recycling infrastructure.

**\*\*At this time, a change to the agenda order was made by Public Works TAC Chair Rene Guerrero. Mr. Guerrero moved Item 10: “Foothill Transit Update” up in front of Item 9.**

## UPDATE ITEMS

### 10. Foothill Transit Update

Doran Barnes, who is the Executive Director of Foothill Transit, presented on this item to the Public Works TAC. Mr. Barnes first gave background about Foothill Transit, their service areas, and how they operate. He then provided details and context about bus stop jurisdiction and responsibility. More specifically, he mentioned how Foothill Transit installs bus stop poles and signs, but that cities or LA County actually own the underlying land that the bus stop sits on. Recently, there have been a plethora of ADA lawsuits which have been brought against Foothill Transit bus stops. Since the bus stops serve Foothill Transit, but the cities own the land, collaborative effort is required in order to address the lawsuits and to also ensure that bus stops are ADA compliant and accessible. Mr. Barnes asked cities to please work with Foothill Transit to figure out solution to these complex ADA issues.

Mr. Barnes then provided some case study examples of non-compliant bus stops throughout the San Gabriel Valley. He also pointed out how common issues pertaining to non-ADA compliance at many bus stops include:

- No concrete pad at bus stop
- No concrete sidewalk
- No nearby curb cut for wheelchair access to sidewalk and bus stop
- No nearby crosswalk
  - Available crosswalk may not be protected
- Reasonable Accommodation

## INFORMATION ITEMS

### 9. Metro Open Streets Grant Program FY 2020 Mini-cycle

Peter Duyshart, who is a Project Assistant with the SGVCOG, provided the SGVCOG Public Works TAC with a presentation during which he gave an overview of the mini-cycle guidelines and application. Duyshart announced that FY 2020 Mini-cycle applications are due online to Metro by March 8, 2019. Additionally, he pointed out how, for the Open Streets Grant Program Mini-cycle, Metro wants to ensure that cities which have disadvantaged communities and are short on resources are able to submit competitive open streets event applications. Thus, Metro will offer writing assistance to smaller, resource-challenged jurisdictions with the SGVCOG subregion. For this cycle, Metro is making available \$1,078,688; cities can use any award money they receive to fund planning, outreach, and implementation costs for an open streets event. Duyshart encouraged SGV cities to apply for funding.

## **UPDATE ITEMS**

### **11. Measure M MSP Funding Update**

P. Duyshart gave the update on this item. He notified TAC members that the COG submitting the projects list and the MSP 5-Year Financial Plans for each recommended transportation project to Metro for review on February 6, 2019. Duyshart stated how Metro has a 60-day review period from the date of submittal to review these projects.

### **12. ACE Capital Projects and Construction Update**

P. Duyshart also gave the update on this item. He reminded the TAC that the COG is re-opening the Capital Projects Review and solicitation process. Mr. Duyshart announced that cities which want to submit possible capital projects that they would want the COG to take over construction management of to notify the COG, in writing, of which projects they want the COG to consider as soon as possible.

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS**

### **13. The California Natural Resources Agency's Green Infrastructure Grant Program**

For this item, P. Duyshart of the SGVCOG shared information about upcoming grant programs which are being offered through the California Natural Resources Agency, including the Green Infrastructure Grant Program. Other upcoming CNRA grant opportunities include the Trails & Greenways grant and the Urban Stormwater & Waterways Improvement program.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

R. Guerrero announced that the next Public Works TAC meeting will take place on Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019. The March TAC meeting will entirely consist of an AB 802, Benchmarking, and Portfolio Manager Workshop, and will be co-hosted by the SoCalREN and the SGVEWP/SGVCOG.

## **ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 1:59 p.m.