



San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments

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CITY MANAGER TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CMTAC) MEETING NOTES

*January 17, 2007 – 12:00 PM**

(*or immediately following the SGVCM Association luncheon)

The Monrovia Family Restaurant
534 S. Myrtle Avenue
Monrovia, CA

Present

Alhambra	Julio Fuentes
Claremont	Jeff Parker
Covina	Paul Phillips
Diamond Bar	Jim Destefano
La Canada Flintridge	Mark Alexander
Monrovia	Scott Ochoa
Pasadena	Cynthia Kurtz
Pomona	Linda Lowry
Rosemead	Andy Lazzaretto
San Dimas	Blaine Michaelis
San Gabriel	Michael Paules
San Marino	Matt Ballantyne
Sierre Madre	John Gillison
West Covina	Andy Pasmant

Absent

Arcadia
Azusa
Baldwin Park
Duarte
El Monte
Glendora
Industry
Irwindale
La Puente
La Verne
Montebello
Monterey Park
South El Monte
South Pasadena
Walnut
West Covina

SGVCOG

Marisa Creter, Staff
Nick Conway, Executive Director

- I. Call to Order - Chair Alexander called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.
- II. Verification of Quorum - Chair Alexander verified that a quorum was not present
- III. Public Comments - There were no public comments.
- IV. Approval of the Minutes: October 18 and November 15, 2006 meeting - The minutes were not approved due to a lack of quorum.
- V. Discussion Items:

A. Recommended Policy re: City Fleet Purchases (referred by the Environmental Committee):

Chair Alexander gave an update on this item. He stated that the Energy and Environment Committee had referred the matter to the CMTAC for review. This

policy would encourage COG cities to adopt ordinances requiring the purchase of low emissions vehicles for their fleets where applicable. He stated that the item had been reviewed by the CMTAC Steering Committee and it was determined that a subcommittee would be formed to review this issue and make recommendations to the full TAC. The subcommittee is comprised of Scott Ochoa (Monrovia) and John Gillison (Sierra Madre).

B. Status of SGVCOG Strategic Plan:

Chair Alexander summarized the items in the Strategic Plan that were relevant to the CMTAC. There were two items: 1. That the CMTAC would work with the Executive Director to develop an analysis of the COG structure and ways to improve its cost-effectiveness, and 2. The CMTAC would assist the Ad Hoc Housing Trust Fund Committee in the development of a Housing Trust Fund Action Plan. Mr. Alexander noted that the CMTAC Steering Committee appointed Paul Phillips (Covina) to work with the Housing Trust Fund Committee on this issue.

C. Discussion regarding the status of SCAG's RHNA Allocations:

Chair Alexander reminded CMTAC members that there had been previous discussion about the COG's accepting delegation to address RHNA allocations. The Governing Board accepted the CMTAC's recommendation not to accept delegation.

Executive Director Conway gave an overview of RHNA issues. He stated that, at the Planner's TAC meeting on January 9th, the Planning Directors discussed many concerns they had with the RHNA allocations. He stated that, by now, the Planners should have contacted their respective CM's regarding their concerns. All cities have previously received their preliminary allocations and some have responded back to SCAG regarding errors or omissions that they believed affected their allocations. However, many of the planners noted that they had not heard back from SCAG, even to confirm that their communications had been received. Mr. Conway stated that it was very important that cities document their communications with SCAG because it will be important in the appeals process.

Mr. Conway also reviewed the relevant dates related to the RHNA appeals process. He stated that final RHNA allocations will be sent to cities on January 18th and that the deadline to appeal allocations would be within the next six weeks. He also stated that the next Planner's TAC, to be held on February 8, 2007, will focus discussions on developing strategies for cities to appeal their RHNA allocations. Due to the various housing and demographic differences in the region, it is very likely that several groups will be formed to develop unified strategies relevant to their individual cities.

A question was raised as to whether there were specific penalties for failing to meet the RHNA allocations. Mr. Conway stated that it is unclear what the penalties will be and that some state legislators, unaware of the difficulty many jurisdictions would face attempting to meet these allocations, would like to put punitive measures in

place. Mr. Conway suggested that this would be a good opportunity for the CM's to work with the SGV legislative caucus to prevent harsh punitive measures from being put in place. He stated that the best champion related to this issue is Senator Lowenthal, Chair of the Transportation committee.

A question was raised whether all cities would be assigned allocations. Mr. Conway stated that all cities were receiving allocations and that it was a zero sum game. This means that any successful appeals by jurisdictions will lead to those numbers being proportionally redistributed throughout the region.

VI. Report from the SGVCOG Executive Director:

SGV Legislative Caucus – Executive Director Conway discussed the first meeting of the SGV legislative caucus since the November elections. This meeting was held on January 10th in Sacramento. The major issues of interest to the caucus were: transportation (710 completion, 10/605 interchange), water, housing (SGVCOG Housing Trust Fund). Mr. Conway stated that the list of projects that left MTA yesterday included the 10 HOV and 10/605 projects. Additionally, he noted that Esteban Torres' seat on the CTC board is expiring and that the COG is advocating having someone appointed who is also from the SGV.

The caucus did not elect a chair or vice chair because 7 out of 13 members were newly elected to the legislature. The election was postponed until the next meeting, where it is expected that Assembly member Ed Hernandez will be elected chair and Bob Huff will be elected vice-chair. Mr. Conway suggested that one of these caucus meetings be reserved to talk with CM's regarding regional housing issues. Mr. Conway also stated that he will be in close contact with the caucus regarding the Bond measures and the upcoming legislation that will shape their criteria.

A question was asked regarding Assemblymember Hernandez's upcoming strategic planning meeting on Saturday, January 20th. Mr. Conway stated that this meeting will focus on discussing the Assembly District's future growth and other salient issues in the district.

VII. Items from the Members - There were no items from members.

VIII. Items for Future Agenda - There were no items suggested.

IX. Adjourn: Chair Alexander adjourned the meeting at 1:40 p.m.

ATTEST:

Signature