



San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments

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PLANNERS TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES

DATE: Thursday, October 25th, 2007
TIME: **12 noon**
LOCATION: **Monrovia Community Center**

1.0 Preliminary Business

1.1 Call to Order

******* Please note that there was not a quorum present at this meeting, therefore no action was taken and all meeting notes are unofficial.*******

1.2 Self Introductions

I. Present

Azusa
Covina
Diamond Bar
Glendora
Monrovia
Pasadena
South Pasadena
West Covina
LA District 5

Larry Onaga
Jeff Kugel
Nancy Fong
David Chantarangsu
Craig Jimenez
Bill Trimble
David Watkins
Jeff Anderson
Paul Novak

Absent

Alhambra
Arcadia
Baldwin Park
Claremont
Duarte
El Monte
Industry
La Puente
Pomona
Rosemead
San Gabriel
San Marino
Sierra Madre
South El Monte
Walnut
LA District 1
LA District 4

Other Agencies:

J. Alcock, SCAG
W. Hong, SCAG
L. Jones, SCAG
B. Jong, Metro

SGVCOG Staff

N. Conway, Executive Director
M. Creter, Staff

2.0 Public Communications

There were no public communications.

3.0 Consent Items

3.1 Approve September 27th, 2007 Meeting Minutes

This item will be carried forward to the November meeting.

4.0 Discussion Items

4.1 San Gabriel Valley Homelessness & Homeless Services Study

N. Conway provided background on this item. He stated that the County Board of Supervisors is pursuing opportunities to address the issue of homelessness throughout the County, and has authorized \$52 million in grant funding. After receiving some resistance from cities throughout Los Angeles County towards a top-down approach, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors is interested in pursuing a revised approach that is focused on developing partnerships with the local governing agencies as well as community and faith-based organizations. N. Conway stated that he has been meeting with representatives from each of the Valley's supervisorial districts, and they are very supportive of SGVCOG's efforts to take a leadership role on this issue.

To date, Gateway COG has already received \$150,000 to conduct a planning effort in that region, and has released an RFP. N. Conway distributed this RFP and stated that he hopes to work with volunteers from the City Managers' and Planning Directors' TACs to develop a similar proposal for the San Gabriel Valley. He also anticipates that he will present a comprehensive approach to the Governing Board at its November meeting. This will be a two-step process, the first of which will focus on validating the counts of homeless and the services currently being provided. The second will be aimed at building consensus on how to best meet the San Gabriel Valley's homeless needs.

B. Trimble, C. Jimenez, and J. Kugel volunteered to participate on the Steering Committee.

4.2 SCAG San Gabriel Valley Truck Study

W. Hong (SCAG) gave a brief presentation on this study. He explained that it is an update of the 1999 SGV Truck Study, which examined the impacts of truck traffic on the arterials in the San Gabriel Valley. He stated that SCAG will be accepting recommendations for changes/additions to the scope of work through November 9th. Additionally, SCAG will be working with the SGVCOG to form a Steering Committee comprised of Public Works and Planning Directors, City Managers, and elected officials in order to provide technical and policy oversight to the study.

4.3 Caltrans I-210 Metering Project

N. Conway gave an update on this item. The Caltrans' Route 210 Congestion Relief Project is part of the Governor's 2005 "GO California" program, which provided funding for congestion relief programs that could be implemented in relatively short time-frame. This project is comprised of 5 components

including ramp metering at existing non-metered on-ramp and locations; Freeway-to-freeway connector metering; HOV bypass lane metering; and computer analysis of ramp timing.

Currently Caltrans is in the construction phase of this project, and it will be completed in January 2008.

N. Conway stated that one issue that was discussed at the October Transportation Committee meeting was on-ramp queuing. Caltrans staff stated at that meeting that previously, if the on-ramps approached capacity there was a queue override loop which would speed up the metering. However, as SWARM is an aggressive metering system, this queue override will be less likely to occur. Because of this, there may be issues at some intersections on surrounding arterials. This issue may be compounded by the fact that Caltrans has not coordinated this metering with the LADPW Traffic Synchronization Program.

4.4 I-210 Freeway (I-5 to SR-57) Corridor System Management Plan

N. Conway referred the committee members to the presentation from SCAG, which was included in the agenda packet.

4.5 FY 2008-2009 Caltrans Planning Grants

N. Conway encouraged cities to apply for this funding. Cities interested in interjurisdictional projects should contact the COG for assistance.

5.0 Update Items (*Recommended Action: Discussion with Possible Action*)

5.1 SGV Transportation Corridors

5.2 SCAG Compass 2% Project (Arrow Highway)

There was extensive discussion on the progress of this project. Particularly related to the current scope of the project, which focuses on the Arrow Highway/Citrus Ave. intersection.

5.3 Caltrans Community Based Development Planning Grant

6.0 Announcements

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, the next Planning Directors' TAC will be held on November 15th.

N. Conway encouraged committee members to review the SGVCOG's analysis of Metro's Congestion Mitigation Fee Feasibility Study.

7.0 Adjournment