

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
GOVERNING BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
March 19, 2009

President Spence called the Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (“SGVCOG”) to order in Southern California Edison’s Customer Technology Application Center (CTAC), 6090 North Irwindale Avenue, Irwindale, CA 91702 at 6:05 PM.

Mark Kelly led the Governing Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.0 Preliminary Business

Roll was called by self introduction and the following people were in attendance. A quorum was in attendance.

Governing Board Members Present

Azusa
Claremont
Diamond Bar
Duarte
El Monte
Glendora
Industry
Irwindale
La Canada Flintridge
LaVerne
Monrovia
Monterey Park
Pasadena
Pomona
Rosemead
San Gabriel
South El Monte
Walnut
West Covina
LA County Supervisorial District #1
LA County Supervisorial District #4
LA County Supervisorial District #5
San Gabriel Valley Water Districts

Angel Carrillo
Sam Pedroza
Carol Herrera
John Fasana
Patricia Wallach
Mark E. Kelly
Tim Spohn
H. Manuel Ortiz
David Spence
Steve Johnson
Mary Ann Lutz
Betty Tom Chu
Margaret McAustin
Stephen Atchley
John Nunez
Harry Baldwin
Joseph Gonzales
Thomas King
Roger Hernandez
Erica Santos
Mike Hughes
Gino Sund
Bob Kuhn

Absent

Alhambra
Arcadia
Baldwin Park
Covina
La Puente
Montebello
San Dimas
San Marino
Sierra Madre
South Pasadena

Staff

Nicholas T. Conway Executive Director
Joseph Silvey Burke Williams & Sorensen
Chris Jeffers City Managers’ Representative
Rick Richmond The ACE Construction Authority
Marisa Creter Staff
Bekah Cooke Staff
John Landrum Accountant
Kathleen Boyd Staff

Guests

Paul Hubler ACE Construction Authority
Margaret Clark Rosemead
Rainbow Yeung SCAQMD
Mohsen Nazema SCAQMD
Michael Cacciotti South Pasadena

2.0 Recognition Presentations

Resolutions recognizing Mark Kelly, Glendora, and Harry Baldwin, San Gabriel were presented for their outstanding service to the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments. Sharon Martinez, Monterey Park, was also recognized for her service to the SGVCOG, but was unable to attend the meeting.

3.0 Public Comment – None

4.0 Changes to Agenda Order – None

5.0 Consent Items

5.1. Approval Items

- 5.1.1. Governing board Meeting Minutes, February 19, 2009
- 5.1.2. Warrant Register and Cash Statement

5.2. Receive and File

- 5.2.1. Transportation Committee Minutes
- 5.2.2. EENR Committee Minutes
- 5.2.3. Solid Waste Working Group Meeting Notes
- 5.2.4. Water Working Group Meeting Notes
- 5.2.5. Energy Working Group Meeting Notes
- 5.2.6. City Managers Steering Committee Notes
- 5.2.7. Planning Directors TAC Meeting Minutes
- 5.2.8. Public Works TAC Meeting Notes
- 5.2.9. ACE Construction Authority Meeting Minutes
- 5.2.10. Executive Director Monthly Report
- 5.2.11. Strategic Plan Update
- 5.2.12. Correspondence

A motion was made to approve and receive and file the Consent Items. (M/S/C: Fasana/Ortiz; Unanimous)

6.0 President's Report

6.1. AQMD Permit Moratorium Presentation

Mohsen Nazema, Deputy Executive Office of SCAQMD, gave a presentation regarding the suspension of its internal bank of emission reduction credits, also known as offset credits.

6.2. Committee Appointments – None

6.3. Washington DC Trip

President Spence and Rick Richmond gave brief overviews of meetings in Washington DC on March 16th and 17th.

6.4. Sacramento Reception

President Spence invited Board members to dinner in Sacramento, which coincides with the California League of Cities Legislative Action Days.

7.0 Executive Director

7.1. Stimulus Package

After an explanation and discussion, a motion was made to support State consensus legislation that would increase the amount of Federal Economic Stimulus funds allocated by Metro to cities in Los Angeles County from \$215 million to \$315 million (M/S/C: Kelly/McAustin; Unanimous)

7.2. Governing Board Officer Nominations

Mark Kelly made a motion, which was seconded by Mary Ann Lutz, to authorize the Executive Director to call for nominations for each of the four SGVCOG officer positions. During the Governing Board discussion of the motion, questions arose regarding the voting/election procedure that would be employed. After additional discussion, the Executive Director was asked to bring job descriptions for the officer positions back to the Governing Board for the April 16th Meeting as well as the election procedure to be used for the four

areas of the San Gabriel Valley. At this time, the motion was withdrawn and the matter will be reconsidered at the April Governing Board meeting.

7.3. SCAG District 35

Executive Director called for nominations for SCAG Regional Council District 35 (Cities of Arcadia, Bradbury, Duarte, Monrovia, San Gabriel, San Marino, Sierra Madre).

7.4. SCAG Committee Appointment Nominations- Transportation and CEHD Committees

Due to recent elections, there are openings on the SCAG Transportation Committee and CEHD Committee for SGVCOG representatives. All nominations for these committees should be sent to the SGVCOG office by 4 PM, Tuesday, April 7, 2009.

7.5. 710 Geotechnical Studies Steering Committee Nominations

After a brief explanation, Executive Director called for nominations to serve on the 710 Geotechnical Studies Steering Committee. Nominations should be sent to the SGVCOG office by 4 PM, Tuesday, April 7, 2009.

7.6. SG and Lower LA Rivers and Mountains Conservancy Board Nomination

Executive Director called for nominations for the Rivers representative to the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy Board.

7.7. Jack Phillips Award

After a brief review, a motion was made to direct the Executive Committee to develop a list of nominees for the 2009 Jack Phillips Award for Governing Board approval and to approve expenditures in an amount not to exceed \$3,000 for this event. (M/S/C: Kelly/King; Unanimous)

7.8. Legal RFQ

After Carol Herrera thanked Joe Silvey and Burke Williams and Sorensen for their service, a motion was made to authorize the Executive Director to execute a five-year contract with Jones and Mayer to serve as General Counsel to the SGVCOG. (M/S/C: King/Kelly: 21 ayes, 2 noes (Rosemead, Diamond Bar), Motion carried)

7.9. Metro San Gabriel Valley Service Sector Nomination

Executive Director called for nominations for the SGVCOG representative to the Metro San Gabriel Valley Service Sector. Interested individuals should submit their name to SGVCOG offices by 5 PM on Tuesday, April 7, 2009.

8.0 Committee Reports

8.1. ACE Construction Authority

Tim Spohn's report included the Washington DC trip and Brea Canyon Grade Separation opening.

8.2. Policy Committees

8.2.1. Energy, Environment and Natural Resource Committee

Mary Ann Lutz reported the Water Working Group is creating a list of "shovel ready" projects and that they will bring these projects to the Board for approval. She also mentioned SGVCOG has received the Partnership Agreement for Energy Wise.

8.2.1.1. Energy Wise Kickoff

Attention was called to the Energy Wise Launch event on Wednesday, March 25th. Boardmembers were encouraged to attend.

8.2.1.2. AB 87 (Davis) and AB 68 (Brownley) – Single Use Carry Out Bags

Board discussed this legislation and a motion was taken to implement a watch position until the above legislation is merged. (M/S/C: King/McAustin; Unanimous)

8.2.1.3. SB 25 (Padilla) Solid Waste Diversion

Following Sam Pedroza's comments, a motion was made to take a position of oppose unless amended on SB 25 (Padilla) Solid Waste Diversion. (M/S/C: Pedroza/Lutz;)

8.2.2. Housing Committee

Gino Sund updated the Board on Homeless Services Strategy Development, City of Industry's set-aside funds allocation and SB 375 which addresses greenhouse gas emissions reductions and local government's role through land use changes and the corresponding reductions in vehicle miles traveled.

8.2.3. Transportation Committee

John Fasana report included the Call for Projects are due on April 17th, Stimulus projects, and Metro funding.

8.3. Ad Hoc Committees

8.3.1. East SGV Trauma Center Ad Hoc Committee

Stephen Atchley announced they have openings on the Committee and the first meeting would be Tuesday, March 24, 2009 at 10 AM in West Covina.

8.4. Technical Advisory Committees

8.4.1. City Manager's TAC

Chris Jeffers stated they are in the process of reviewing the Homeless Strategy Report and will discuss and comment on the report at their April 7, 2009 meeting.

8.4.2. Planning Directors' TAC – No Report

8.4.3. Public Works Directors' TAC – No Report

8.5. Liaison Reports

8.5.1. Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority

Attention was called to the report distributed at the meeting.

8.5.2. San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy

The State Treasurer informed the Conservancy that it will be at least one year before any of the "Resource Bonds" will be sold. This will mean long delays for cities to receive previously approved project funds.

8.5.3. Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

Mary Ann Lutz' report included a State approved Recycled Water Policy, the tri-annual review of Basin Plan which is updated every 3 years, and Ventura MS4 Permit to be heard in May. A two day meeting on the new TMDL permit guidelines has been scheduled for Board.

Bob Kuhn announced that MWD has made a determination that there will be a 15% cutback for every city in water and rates will increase.

9.0 New Business items for next Regular Meeting

Joseph Gonzales requested a report on jobs affected by moratorium.

Executive Director explained that the requested ACE presentation was postponed because of a long agenda this month.

10.0 Announcements – None

11.0 Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned in memory of Nell Soto at 8:10 PM. (M/S/C: Fasana/Hernandez; Unanimous).