



San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments

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City Managers' Steering Committee

Date: November 4, 2009

Time: 12 Noon

Location: SGVCOG Offices

1.0 Preliminary Business

1.1 Call to Order

C. Jeffers called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.

1.2 Roll Call / Introductions

Members Present:

Alhambra	J. Keating
Azusa	F. Delach
El Monte	R. Bobadilla
Glendora	C. Jeffers
Rosemead	J. Allred
San Dimas	B. Michaelis
San Marino	M. Ballantyne
Walnut	R. Wishner

Members Not Present:

La Canada Flintridge
San Gabriel
West Covina

SGVCOG Staff:

N. Conway, Executive Director
M. Creter, Staff

Guest:

D. Bertone, San Dimas
B. Faustinos, RMC
E. Aguilar, Sierra Madre
R. Richmond, ACE Project

2.0 Public Comment

There was no public comment.

3.0 Changes to Agenda Order; Identify Subsequent Need or Emergency Items

4.0 Consent Items

4.1 Minutes from October 7, 2009 meeting

4.2 Status of City Submittals of Data for Metro's Congestion Mitigation Fee Study

4.3 Upcoming Events

4.3.1 State of the Utilities Breakfast

There was a motion to approve the consent items (M/S/C: J. Allred / M. Ballantyne / Unanimous).

5.0 Discussion Items

5.1 Metro's Adopted Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Rail and Highway Plans

The Executive Director reviewed the impact of the approved plan on San Gabriel Valley projects. The Executive Director stated that this plan will support major progress for San Gabriel Valley projects including the Gold Line Foothill Extension, Regional Connector, Gold Line East Side Extension, the ACE Project, 710 Tunnel, and 210 Soundwalls.

5.2 National Park Service's (NPS) San Gabriel Mountains Special Resource Study

RMC Executive Director gave a background on the study, including the legislation that directed the NPS to undertake this effort. Additionally, the RMC Executive Director reviewed the three recommendations that had been developed by the NPS, as well as a fourth recommendation that had been developed by NPS staff.

Committee members asked questions regarding possible additional regulation that could result from any future designation. RMS staff indicated that the NPS is a resource not a regulatory agency, and that based on case studies of other regions, a National Recreation Area (NRA) designation did not result in any additional regulation. Furthermore, the Santa Monica Mountains NRA had an "opt-out" provision similar to that being proposed by the SGVCOG staff and it had been successful. The RMC Executive Director also stated there must additional effort put forth if any legislation is drafted to ensure that it meets the needs of the cities. Committee members requested that SGVCOG staff communicate with staff at Diamond Bar to determine if there conditions included in the draft SGVCOG comment letter address their concerns. There was a motion to recommend to the Governing Board approval of the draft comment letter drafted by SGVCOG staff (M/S/C: F. Delach/ B. Michealis / Unanimous).

5.3 Status of SB 375

The Executive Director gave an update on the status of SB 375. He indicated that the Housing Committee and the Planning Directors TAC had reviewed the continuum of options being presented by SCAG relative to subregions' level of participation in the development of a sustainable communities' strategy (SCS). The committees had reviewed these options and had recommended that the SGVCOG indicated a willingness, in concept, to engage in activities 1-6 identified in the staff memo and meet with SCAG to discuss the specific tasks associated with those items. Due to funding and liability issues, the committee recommended that the SGVCOG not formally accept responsibility for the development of an SCS. The City Managers' Steering Committee concurred with this recommendation, but requested that the letter to SCAG also indicate that should funding and liability issues be addressed, the SGVCOG would consider developing a subregional SCS in the future.

5.4 Update on Los Angeles County AB 811 Program (Energy Efficiency Financing)

The Executive Director gave an update implementation of this program, which the County plans to launch by June 2010. He stated that on November 2 the SGVCOG held its first AB 811 Working Group meeting to update interested cities on the County's process. Representatives from 23 cities attended. The SGVCOG plans to have monthly meetings for the next year on this program as it is implemented.

5.5 SGVCOG 1st Quarter Financial Report

The Executive Director briefly reviewed the quarterly financial reports. He indicated that revenue has increased from anticipated levels due to the reactivation of Temple City's and Bradbury's memberships as well as payment for work associated with the TMDL administration and Arrow Highway Corridor study.

5.6 ACE 1st Quarter Financial Report

The CEO of ACE gave a brief report on the ACE 1st Quarter Financial Report and indicated that ACE's overhead rate had been approved by Caltrans.

5.7 Update on ACE Project Financial Reporting Format

The Executive Director stated that the Finance Directors' met with ACE staff in October and plan an additional meeting in November prior to reporting back to the City Managers' Steering Committee.

6.0 New Business items for Next Regular Meeting

7.0 Announcements

RMC staff announced that the final language for the water bond provided for a \$75 million allocation to the RMC.

The Executive Director indicated that LAHSA has released the results of the 2009 homeless count and the estimates for the San Gabriel Valley are significantly decreased from the count completed in 2007, from 10,000 to 3,900 homeless individuals. This information will be utilized as the SGVCOG works on the Phase II Implementation of the Homeless Study.

8.0 Next Meeting

9.0 Adjourn