



San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments

3452 East Foothill Blvd. Suite 910, Pasadena, California 91107 Phone: (626) 564-9702 FAX: (626) 564-1116 E-Mail SGV@sgvcog.org

PLANNERS TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Thursday, April 23rd, 2009
TIME: **12 noon**
LOCATION: **Monrovia Community Center, Monrovia, CA**

1.0 Preliminary Business

1.1 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:15 p.m.

1.2 Roll Call / Introductions

Members Present	Attendee	Members Absent
Arcadia	Tom Li	Alhambra
Baldwin Park	Amy Harbin	Azusa
Covina	Shelby Williams	Claremont
Duarte	Craig Hensley, Jason Golding	Diamond Bar
La Puente	Guillermo Arreolo	Industry
La Verne	Arlene Andrew	Irwindale
Monrovia	Craig Jiminez	La Canada Flintridge
Pasadena	Bill Trimble	Monterey Park
Pomona	Mark Lazzaretto	San Gabriel
San Dimas	Larry Stevens	San Marino
Sierra Madre	Leticia Cardoso	South El Monte
South Pasadena	David Watkins	West Covina
Walnut	Laura Nash	LA County District 1
West Covina	Jeff Anderson	LA County District 4
		LA County District 5

Guests:

C. Britt, Arrellano Associates
H. Hills, Metro
B. Jong, Metro
S. Alameida, Metro
S. Hartwell
R. Spencer
C. Ramo, LACDC
B. de la Cruz, LACDC
B. Babcock, LACDC

SGVCOG Staff:

N. Conway, Executive Director
M. Creter, Staff

2.0 Public Comment

There were no public comments.

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

4.0 Consent Items

4.1 Minutes from March 26th Planners TAC

There was a motion to approve the minutes (M/S/C: A. Harbin/ J Golding/ Unanimous).

5.0 Discussion Items

5.1 Presentation on Metro's Congestion Mitigation Fee Feasibility Study

Metro staff presented on the Congestion Mitigation Fee Feasibility Study. The purpose of this study is to create a model demonstrating how a fee on new development projects could provide needed funding for new

transportation projects that would mitigate the impacts of the new development. As part of this pilot study, Metro staff is working with the cities in the San Gabriel Valley to gather data from each city on possible transportation projects as well as review growth projects in order to develop a model of how such a fee would be implemented. They will be meet with each city individually throughout the month of May to discuss these issues, review the proposed program, and answer any questions that cities may have.

Committee members asked questions about the implementation schedule, and Metro indicated that they plan to present the final study to the Metro Board of Directors for action in twelve months. Prior to that, they will be conducting a complete nexus study.

5.2 Los Angeles County Community Development Commission Affordable Housing Development Technical Assistance Proposal

The Executive Director of the LA CDC presented on their proposal to provide technical assistance, at no cost, to a limited number of cities in the San Gabriel Valley in order to assist them in developing applications for the City of Industry set-aside funds. Securing this assistance has been a long-term goal of the COG. Currently, the following cities have indicated interest in the program: San Dimas, Azusa, Arcadia, Montebello and South El Monte. A final list of interested cities will be presented to the Governing Board for approval in May.

5.3 Homeless Services Strategy Implementation

The Executive Director gave a report on this item. In April, the Governing Board voted unanimously to support a joint motion made by County of Los Angeles Districts 1, 4, and 5 to: adopt the regional homeless services strategy, establish an ad hoc Homeless Services Committee that will spearhead the creation of the San Gabriel Valley Housing and Homeless Services Coordinating Council (“Coordinating Council”), and allocate \$15,500 in matching funds for needed staffing resources to support getting the Coordinating Council organized and operational over the next six months. Over the next six months, the COG ad hoc Homeless Services Committee will oversee the formation of the Coordinating Council. The Coordinating Council will be led by community and faith-based organizations and have a permanent, identified funding source. It is anticipated that the Coordinating Council will be organized and operational as an independent entity by November 2009.

5.4 Update on SGV Corridor Studies and Caltrans Community Based Transportation Planning Grant Program

The Executive Director gave an update on this item. He stated that as a JPA, the COG is not eligible to serve as the lead applicant on these grants. Therefore, in partnership with our member agencies, the COG submitted three applications for corridor-based studies along Rosemead Boulevard, Arrow Highway, and Ramona-Badillo.

5.5 Update on Metro’s Congestion Pricing Demonstration Project

The Executive Director stated that Metro is moving forward with this pilot project, which will implement toll lanes along the I-10 freeway and the I-110 beginning in 2010.

5.6 Update on AB 139 - Los Angeles County Clean Water, Clean Beaches Initiative

The Executive Director gave an update on this item. He stated that the LA County Flood Control District is pursuing legislation (AB 139) that would allow them to pursue a parcel fee for water quality and stormwater improvement projects throughout Los Angeles County. This issue is of concern to many of our member agencies as they work to meet their TMDL and NPDES requirements. COG staff will continue to provide information and updates to our member agencies as this issue develops.

6.0 New Business items for Upcoming Meetings

SB 375 implementation will be discussed at the next meeting.

7.0 Announcements

7.1 SGVCOG Green Building Workshop - TBD

SGVCOG staff stated that this workshop is being planned in partnership with SCE.

8.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for May 28th.

9.0 Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 1:45 pm.