



San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments

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PLANNERS TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Thursday, May 28th, 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	T. Li	Alhambra
Baldwin Park	A. Harbin, M. Castagnola, W. Galvez	Azusa
Claremont	L. Seibert	Industry
Covina	S. Williams	Irwindale
Diamond Bar	G. Gubman, A. Santos	Monterey Park
Duarte	C. Hensley, J. Golding	Pomona
El Monte	M. Thai	San Gabriel
Glendora	D. Chantarangsu	San Marino
La Puente	G. Arreola	South El Monte
La Canada Flintridge	P. Clarke	South Pasadena
La Verne	A. Altamore	LA County District 1
Monrovia	S. Sizemore	LA County District 4
Montebello	A. Socarras	LA County District 5
Pasadena	B. Trimble	
Rosemead	S. Bermejo	
San Dimas	L. Stevens	
Sierra Madre	D. Castro	
Walnut	L. Nash, D. Fox, C. Yang	
West Covina	J. Anderson	

Guests:
J. Lieb, SCAG

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 April 23rd Planners TAC

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

5.0 Discussion Items

5.1 Update on SB 375

5.1.1 Status of RTAC meetings

5.1.2 SCAG's Conceptual Land Use Scenario

5.1.3 SCAG's Preliminary Subregional GHG Reduction Target Methodologies

SCAG staff gave a presentation on these items, including a brief overview of the purpose of SB 375 and updates related to the Regional Targets Advisory Committee (RTAC), SCAG's

Conceptual Land Use Scenario (CLUS) and the proposed methodology for developing sub regional targets. SCAG staff reiterated the importance of the SCAG region exercising the option to propose its own target. Additionally, he stressed the importance of coordinating with County Transportation Commissions, including METRO, that are in the SCAG region. He also indicated that the sustainable community strategy includes three strategies for meeting required target: land use changes, transportation investments, and transportation demand managements (TDM) strategies. It is not yet known the amount of reductions that can be achieved through TDM.

There was extended discussion on how this legislation will impact future distribution of transportation funding, particularly Measure R funds and that general plan changes will be needed in order meet conformity requirements. The committee members discussed that the growth forecasts under the CLUS for cities in the San Gabriel Valley are lower than what was expected, with the exception of a few anomalies, and this may have impacts on future Gold Line Foothill Extension investments. .

The Executive Director stated that there is a September 2009 deadline to make this decision and stated that this issue will be discussed in detail at the June 11 briefing. SCAG staff also indicated that SCAG is currently in the process of holding individual meetings with each city to confirm growth forecasts and collect general plan data. Committee members requested that SCAG provide the listing of 35 cities that are anticipate having significant increases in development during the planning period, as indicated by the SCAG Executive Director at the General Assembly meeting.

5.2 Homeless Services Strategy Implementation

The Executive Director stated that staff has been researching best practices relative to forming the coordinating council which will serve as the umbrella organization for homeless services in the San Gabriel Valley. However, work has been put on hold pending confirmation of the County's funding commitment for the position that will staff this new organization.

5.3 Update on Metro's Congestion Mitigation Study

The Executive Director gave an update 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. METRO staff is meeting with each city individually throughout the months of May and June to discuss these issues, review the proposed program, and answer any questions that cities may have.

6.0 New Business items for Upcoming Meetings

7.0 Announcements

7.1 SGVCOG Green Building Workshop – June 10

7.2 SB 375 Workshop – June 11

The Executive Director encouraged committee members to attend these events.

8.0 Next Meeting

Due to the need to coordinate information with SCAG, the next meeting will be in July.

9.0 Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 1:55 p.m.