

**SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
GOVERNING BOARD REGULAR MEETING NOTES**

February 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 6:10 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

Alhambra
Arcadia
Azusa
Baldwin Park
Claremont
Diamond Bar
Duarte
El Monte
Glendora
Industry
Irwindale
La Canada Flintridge
La Puente
LaVerne
Monrovia
Monterey Park
Pasadena
Pomona
San Gabriel
South El Monte
South Pasadena
Walnut
L A County Supervisorial District 1
LA County Supervisorial District 4
LA County Supervisorial District 5
SGV Water Districts JPA

Steven Placido
Robert Harbicht
Angel Carrillo
Monica Garcia
Sam Pedroza
Carol Herrera
John Fasana
Patricia Wallach
Mark Kelly
Tim Spohn
H. Manuel Ortiz
Dave Spence
Dan Holloway
Jon Blickenstaff
Mary Ann Lutz
Sharon Martinez
Margaret McAustin
Steve Atchley/Freddie Rodriguez
Harry Baldwin
Joe Gonzales
David Sifuentes
Tom King
Erica Santos
Mike Hughes
Gino Sund
Bob Kuhn

Absent

Covina
Montebello
Rosemead
San Dimas
San Marino
Sierra Madre
West Covina

Staff

Nicholas T. Conway
Joseph Silvey
Jim Mussenden
Rick Richmond
Mary Lou Echnernach
Marisa Creter
Bekah Cooke
John Landrum
Kathleen Boyd

Executive Director
Burke Williams & Sorensen
City Managers’ Representative
The ACE Construction Authority
Transportation Consultant
Staff
Staff
Accountant
Staff

Guests

Paul Hubler
Mark Paulson
Jim DeStefano
Gary Neely
David Liu
Julie Gutierrez
John Ballos
Hector Bordas
David Reyno

ACE Construction Authority

Diamond Bar
Off. of Senator Huff
Diamond Bar
Pasadena
Industry
LA County Flood Control District
Foothill Transit

2.0 Public Comment

3.0 Changes to Agenda Order

Executive Director pulled Item 6.2 for legal services as the selection process had not been completed.

4.0 Consent Items

Carol Herrera requested that the Bylaw Revisions, Item 4.1.3, be pulled from the Consent Items for discussion and possible separate action.

4.1 Approval Items

- 4.1.1. Governing Board Meeting Minutes, January 15, 2009
- 4.1.2. Warrant Register and Cash Statement
- 4.1.4. 2009 SCAG Regional Council district Representative Elections

4.2 Receive and File

- 4.2.1. Transportation Committee Minutes
- 4.2.2. Executive Committee Minutes
- 4.2.3. EENR Committee Minutes
- 4.2.4. City Managers Steering Committee Notes
- 4.2.5. Planning Directors TAC Meeting Minutes
- 4.2.6. Public Works TAC Meeting Notes
- 4.2.7. ACE Construction Authority Meeting Minutes
- 4.2.8. Executive Director Monthly Report
- 4.2.9. Housing Committee Minutes
- 4.2.10. Correspondence

A motion was made to approve and receive and file the Consent Items with the exception of 4.1.3 Bylaw Revisions. (M/S/C: Fasana/Kelly; Unanimous)

4.1.3 Bylaw Revisions (Pulled for discussion and possible separate action)

Carol Herrera proposed that the word “continuously” be replaced with “currently” in the first sentence of Article VI – Committees, D. Executive Committee of the Proposed Sixth Amended and Restated Bylaws on agenda page 4.1.3-16. The revised first sentence would thereafter read as follows: “The elected officers of the Council, all past Presidents of the Council *currently* serving as Governing Board Delegate, the Chairpersons of all Council Standing Policy Committees and the Chairperson of the Alameda Corridor-East Construction Authority shall comprise an Executive Committee, whose Chairperson shall be the President of the Council.”

John Fasana made a motion that was seconded by Mark Kelly to adopt the Sixth Amended and Restated Bylaws without insertion of the word “continuously” which was of concern to Carol Herrera and, further, to use the word “currently” as a proposed replacement for “continuously” and to have this single word change be considered for adoption by the Governing Board at the next Governing Board Regular Meeting.

During discussion of the motion by John Fasana, Margaret McAustin offered a substitute motion to postpone, in entirety, the approval of the Sixth Amended and Restated Bylaws until the Governing Board could receive a presentation from appropriate staff regarding the relationship between Alameda Corridor-East Construction Authority and the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments. The motion of Margaret McAustin failed for lack of a second. President Spence asked ACE and SGVCOG staff to prepare the type of presentation requested by Margaret McAustin and to include it in the agenda for the next Governing Board Meeting.

There was no further discussion regarding the motion of John Fasana and the motion passed unanimously. (M/S/C: Fasana/Kelly; Unanimous)

5.0 President's Report

5.1 Majestic Realty's Proposed NFL Stadium

Prior to the discussion of this matter, Tom King recused himself from the discussion and left the meeting room until completion of the discussions and actions regarding the item. During the public comment period for this item, Mary Su, Mayor of Walnut, read a letter opposing SGVCOG support of the Proposed Stadium. Jim DeStefano, City Manager of Diamond Bar, also stated that the Proposed Stadium should not be supported by the SGVCOG because it is not a regional project. After the close of public comment and significant discussion by the Governing Board, a motion was made to adopt the Resolution of Support in the agenda materials for Majestic Realty's Proposed NFL Stadium in the City of Industry. (M/S/C: Fasana/Gonzales; Ayes: Alhambra, Arcadia, Azusa, Baldwin Park, Claremont, Duarte, El Monte, Industry, Irwindale, La Canada Flintridge, La Puente, Monrovia, Monterey Park, Pomona, San Gabriel, South El Monte, Supv. District 4, and SGV Water Districts; Noes: Glendora, LaVerne, Diamond Bar, and Pasadena; Abstained: District 1, District 5, and South Pasadena; Recused and Not Voting Walnut)

5.2 2009-2012 Strategic Plan

Executive Director gave an overview of the January 24th Strategic Plan. A motion was made to adopt the updated Strategic Plan. (M/S/C: Blickenstaff/Baldwin; Unanimous)

5.3 Gold Line Board SGVCOG Representative Election

SGVCOG offices received a nomination for Sam Pedroza as the Delegate and Mary Ann Lutz as the Alternate for the SGVCOG position on the Gold Line Construction Authority Board. Discussion occurred regarding the procedures that would be necessary to enable Jon Blickenstaff to continue as the SGVCOG's representative for an additional six months. After this discussion, a motion was made to appoint Sam Pedroza as the SGVCOG Delegate and Mary Ann Lutz as the Alternate on the Metro Gold Line Construction Authority Board of Directors. (M/S/C: Blickenstaff/Baldwin; Unanimous)

5.4 Committee Appointments

A motion was made to appoint representatives of the cities of Claremont and Monrovia to the Transportation Committee. (M/S/C: Fasana/King; Unanimous)

5.5 Los Angeles Flood Control District – Water Quality Funding Initiative Project Presentation.

Hector Bordas, Project Manager from the Flood Control District, gave a presentation on the proposed Water Quality Funding Initiative and the feasibility of imposing a fee to fund water quality improvements and services related storm water and urban runoff pollution. Fee would assist cities in meeting their Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) requirements, a regulatory standard established by the LA Regional Water Quality Control Board limiting the amount of various pollutants that can go into waterways.

6.0 Executive Director

6.1 Washington DC and Sacramento Receptions

A motion was made to authorize budgeted funds for receptions in Washington DC (\$5,000), March 17th, and Sacramento (\$5,000) April 15th in partnership with Foothill Transit and the Alameda Corridor-East Construction Authority. (M/S/C: Baldwin/Atchley; Unanimous)

6.2 Legal RFQ

This item was pulled from the agenda.

- 6.3 Audit RFQ
A motion was made to award a contract for financial auditing services to Vasquez & Company for a five-year period beginning on July 1, 2009 and ending on June 30, 2013. (M/S/C: Fasana/Pedroza; Unanimous)
- 6.4 Stimulus Package
Staff will work with members to prepare a list of projects to be recommended for the stimulus funding.

7.0 Committee Reports

- 7.1 ACE Construction Authority
 - 7.1.1 ACE 2007-2008 Financial Statements
 - 7.1.2 ACE Second Quarter Financial Statements
After Rick Richmond's review of statements, a motion was made to receive and file both the 2007-2008 Financial Statement and the Second Quarter Financial Statements. (M/S/C: Fasana/Herrera; Unanimous)
- 7.2 Policy Committees
 - 7.2.1 Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee - No report.
 - 7.2.1.2 Energywise Kickoff
Attention was called to the Energywise Launch event on March 25th, Wednesday, and Board members were encouraged to attend.
 - 7.2.2 Housing Committee
Gino Sund's report included SB 375, City of Industry Funds Technical Assistance, and Neighborhood Stabilization Program funds.
 - 7.2.3 Transportation Committee
John Fasana reported on Call for Projects, Congestion Mitigation Fee Study, Measure R and the Stimulus Package potential projects from our cities.
- 7.3 Ad Hoc Committees
 - 7.3.1 East SGV Trauma Center Ad Hoc Committee
Steven Atchley and Freddie Rodriguez have agreed to chair this Ad Hoc Committee and asked anyone interested in joining the committee to contact the COG offices.
- 7.4 Technical Advisory Committees
 - 7.4.1 City Managers' TAC
 - 7.41.1. Executive Director Annual Evaluation
A motion was made to authorize the president to negotiate and execute a contract with Len Woods and Associates for the Annual Executive Director Evaluation. (M/S/C: Herrera/Wallach; Unanimous)
 - 7.4.1.2 Second Quarter Financial Report
A motion was made to receive and file the Second Quarter Financial Reports. (M/S/C: Fasana/Baldwin; Unanimous)
 - 7.4.2 Planning Directors' TAC – No Report
 - 7.4.3 Public Works Directors' TAC – No Report
- 7.5 Liaison Reports
 - 7.5.1 Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority – No report
 - 7.5.2 San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy -No report

7.5.3 Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

Mary Ann Lutz reported their meeting was in the City of Monrovia and she thanked the SGVCOG for hosting a continental breakfast reception.

8.0 New Business items for next Regular Meeting

ACE/SGVCOG relationship presentation.

9.0 Announcements - None

10.0 Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.