



San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments

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SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS GOVERNING BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

July 19, 2007

President David 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, 6090 North Irwindale Avenue, Irwindale, CA 91702 at 6:15 PM.

I. Roll was called and the following people were in attendance.

Governing Board Members

Alhambra
Azusa
Baldwin Park
Claremont
Covina
Duarte
El Monte
Glendora
Industry
La Canada Flintridge
La Verne
Montebello
Monterey Park
Pasadena
Pomona
Rosemead
San Dimas
San Gabriel
Sierra Madre
South Pasadena
Walnut
LA County, District 1
LA County, District 4

Steven Placido, Barbara Messina*
Angel Carrillo
Anthony Bejarino
Sam Pedroza
Meline Juarez
John Fasana
Ernest Gutierrez
Mark E. Kelly
Phil Marcellin
David Spence
Jon Blickenstaff
Robert Bagwell
Sharon Martinez
Bill Bogaard
George Hunter
John Tran
Denis Bertone
Harry Baldwin
Enid Joffe
Michael Cacciotti
Mary Su
Bobi Johnson
Dickie Simmons

Absent

Arcadia
Diamond Bar
Irwindale
La Puente
Monrovia
Montebello
San Marino
South El Monte
West Covina
LA County, District 5

Staff

Nicholas T. Conway
Joseph Silvey
Rick Richmond
Sharon Neely
Mary Lou Echternach
Paul Philips
Marisa Creter
Kathleen Boyd

Executive Director
Burke Williams & Sorensen
ACE Construction Authority
ACE Construction Authority
Transportation Consultant
City Manager’s Representative
Staff
Staff

Guests

David Wang
Nathan Springer
Rainbow Yeung
Gary Neely
Belinda Faustinos
Paul Heubler
John Landrum

Andrews Group
Andrews Group
SCAQMD
Off. Of Assemblymbr. Huff
Rivers & Mtns. Conservancy
Andrews Group
SGVCOG

II. Public Comment

None.

III. Changes to Agenda Order; Identify Subsequent Need or Emergency Items

None.

IV. Consent Items

A motion was made to receive and file the consent calendar as presented. (M/S/C: Kelly/Bertone; Unanimous)

V. Action Items

A. SGVCOG Governing Board Stipends

To facilitate the SGVCOG's bookkeeping, a motion was made to issue meeting stipend checks on a quarterly basis effective 1st Quarter of 2007-2008 Fiscal Year. (M/S/C: Blickenstaff/Baldwin; Unanimous)

B. Voting Policy for External Committees

The Governing Board discussed the voting procedure used for the selection of committee members for the three SCAG policy committees and for any SGVCOG external appointments involving both a delegate and an alternate, i.e. I 710 EIR/EIS Project Committee and Gold Line Construction Authority. A motion was made to amend SGVCOG Policy A1 to allow such committee elections to use a single, written ballot. All candidates would be listed on the single ballot. Each Governing Board Representative present (or Alternate if attending for the Representative) would submit a single written ballot. The candidates that received the highest number of votes would be appointed to the respective openings. In the event that both a committee member and an alternate were to be chosen, the candidate receiving the highest number of votes would become the committee member and the candidate receiving the second highest number of votes would become the alternate. (M/S/C: Fasana/Blickenstaff; Unanimous)

C. Summer Meeting Schedule and Delegation of Responsibilities

After a brief discussion, a motion was made to cancel the August Governing Board meeting and authorize the President, after consultation with other Officers and the General Counsel, to act on the Governing Board's behalf by undertaking any actions that are necessary for the proper administration and operation of the SGVCOG and that cannot be delayed until the Regular Meeting of the Governing Board in September 2007. The motion further explained that, if necessary, the President would always have the discretion to call a Special Meeting of the Governing Board in accordance with Article III, Section B 1 of the Bylaws. (M/SC: Juarez/Bertone; Unanimous)

D. Review and Update of Transportation Legislative Positions

As recommended by the Transportation Committee, a motion was made to support the Transportation Committee's recommended actions as shown on the July 19, 2007 table of transportation legislation distributed at the meeting. (M/S/C: Fasana/Marcellin 20 Ayes; 0 Noes; 2 Abstain (B.Johnson, D. Simmons) Motion Carried)

VI. President's Report

A. Jack Phillips Award Reception

President Spence gave a brief review of a successful event.

B. Evening with Pasadena Symphony

President Spence proposed the idea of SGVCOG Board Members getting together on August 19 for an evening with the Pasadena Symphony in Descanso Gardens.

C. Status of Executive Director Evaluation

The evaluation process has been extended. President Spence asked Board Members to complete and mail their evaluation forms.

VII. Executive Director

A. Overview of FY 2007-2008 Issues and Calendar

Executive Director announced a 2007-2008 master calendar would be distributed to Governing Board members.

B. Presentation on Multiculturalism and Language in the San Gabriel Valley

The Andrews Group gave an informative presentation of the many languages used in homes throughout the Valley. They also gave each city a detailed list of languages spoken in homes.

C. Strategic Plan Status Report

Executive Director briefly reviewed the status of the Strategic Plan activities.

D. Southern California Leadership Network

Executive Director called attention to the Leadership program presented by SCAG and asked past graduates to comment.

E. Executive Director Monthly Report

Executive Director called attention to several activities in his monthly report.

VIII. Committee Reports

A. Policy Committees

1. Transportation Committee

John Fasana's report included analysis of corridors (Rosemead and Arrow Highway) and transportation legislation.

2. ACE Construction Authority

Ernest Gutierrez reported on Proposition 1B Funding Guidelines, and updates on Caltrans Disparity and Availability Study and ACE Community Outreach.

3. Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee

There was no new information to report as the Committee had not had a meeting.

B. Technical Advisory Committees

1. City Managers' TAC

Paul Philips reinforced the need to have evaluations completed and returned by every city.

2. Planning Directors' TAC – No report

3. Public Works Directors' TAC – No report

C. Liaison Reports

1. Rivers and Mountains Conservancy

Denis Bertone reviewed the map of projects and upcoming 2007 Grant Program Workshops.

2. Gold Line Foothill Extension

Jon Blickenstaff's report included a brief discussion of FTA Coordination and Corridor Development Assessment Study.

3. LA County Regional Water Quality Control Board – No report

IX. New Business Items for next Regular Meeting

The SGVCOG's CPI Policy is expected to be on the agenda for the September Governing Board meeting.

X. Announcements

Mike Cacciotti reminded the Board of the South Pasadena Car Show and opening ceremony at 12:30 on Saturday, July 21st.

Mark Kelly reminded the Governing Board that the Legislature is considering very significant eminent domain legislation.

XI. Closed Session – None

XII. Adjourn

At 7:59 PM, the meeting was adjourned.