

SGVCOG Governing Board Approved Minutes

June 17, 2021 Date: Time: 4:00 PM

Location: Zoom Virtual Meeting

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

Call to Order

M. Clark called the meeting to order at 4:00pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

M. Cacciotti led the Governing Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call

San Dimas

A quorum was in attendance.

Governing Board Members Present Adele Andrade-Stadler Alhambra Arcadia April Verlato **Robert Gonzales** Azusa Claremont Ed Reece Diamond Bar Nancy Lyons Samuel Kang Duarte Maria Morales El Monte Glendora Michael Allawos

Industry Cory Moss Irwindale Albert Ambriz La Cañada Flintridge Keith Eich La Verne Tim Hepburn **Becky Shevlin** Monrovia Scarlet Peralta Montebello Peter Chan Monterey Park Pasadena Victor Gordo Pomona Tim Sandoval Rosemead Margaret Clark

San Gabriel San Marino Susan Jakubowski South El Monte Gloria Olmos South Pasadena Diana Mahmud Temple City Cynthia Sternquist

Denis Bertone

Jason Pu

Walnut Allen Wu Tony Wu West Covina L.A. County District #1 Andrea Moreno L.A. County District #4 Lauren Yokomizo L.A. County District #5 Sandra Maravilla

Absent

Baldwin Park **Bradbury** Covina La Puente Sierra Madre

SGVCOG Staff Present

M. Creter, Executive Director

D. DeBerry, General Counsel

E. Shen, Staff P. Hubler, Staff R. Alimoren, Staff S. Mandizvidza, Staff

C. Sims, Staff B. Acevedo, Staff C. Garcia, Staff K. Ward, Staff A. Fung, Staff S. Matthews, Staff S. Hernandez, Staff A. Bordallo, Staff

S. Pedersen, Staff

T. Egan, Lobbyist

4. Public Comment

M. Cacciotti and E. Lundgren provided a verbal public comment regarding Big Battery's intention to purchase a battery factory in the San Gabriel Valley. The business is expected to employ a total of 250 to 350 individuals by next year. E. Lundgren requested the Governing Board's support and assistance in identifying suitable buildings or facilities that can accommodate the new battery factory.

5. Changes to Agenda Order

M. Clark requested Item 22, Recognition of SGVCOG President Margaret Clark, be reviewed after the Committee/Board Reports.

CONSENT CALENDAR

6. Governing Board Meeting Minutes

Action: Adopt Governing Board minutes.

7. Monthly Cash Disbursements/Balances/Transfers

Action: Approve Monthly Cash Disbursements/Balances/Transfers.

8. Committee/TAC/Governing Board Attendance

Action: Receive and file.

9. 3rd Quarter Financial Report/Treasurer's Report

Action: Receive and file.

10. Approval of Authorization for Executive Director to Submit Applications Seeking Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program Funding for the ACE Projects

Action: Adopt Resolution 21-31 authorizing the Executive Director to jointly submit with the ACE Program funding partner agency, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LA Metro), applications consistent with applicable Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) guidelines for funding for the Montebello Corridor Project, the Turnbull Canyon Road Grade Separation Project and the Pomona At-Grade Crossings Safety Improvements Project, and the execution of any and all agreements as may be required.

11. State and County Homeless Funds

Actions:

- (1) Add the Tiny Home Bridge Housing Program as a SGVCOG Pilot Program; and
- (2) Reallocate \$150,000 from the Green Pathway Career (GPC) Program to the Tiny Home Bridge Housing Program.

12. FY 20-21 Budget Amendment #2

Action: Adopt Resolution 21-32 amending the FY 20-21 Budget.

13. Contract 21-05 Awarding Badawi and Associates to Perform Financial Audit Services

Actions:

- (1) Authorize the Executive Director to execute a professional services agreement and task order with Badawi and Associates to provide financial audit services for the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments for five fiscal years, with the contract beginning on July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2026, in the fixed fee amount of \$262,983.
- (2) Authorize the Executive Director to execute task orders for "on-call" assignments of a special nature such as agreed upon procedures on professional services and construction contracts, pre-award reviews, indirect cost rate (overhead) reviews, and other similar auditing, review or evaluation tasks as identified at the time in the Not-to-Exceed (NTE) amount of \$100,000.

14. SGVCOG Committee and TAC Appointments

Action: Appoint members to the following standing SGVCOG Policy Committees, and Technical Advisory Committees:

- Capital Projects and Construction Committee:
 - o Northwest District: Susan Jakubowski (San Marino) Delegate
- FY 21-22 City Managers' Steering Committee Regional Representatives:
 - o Northeast: Adam Raymond (Glendora), Sergio Gonzalez (Azusa)
 - Southeast: Dan Fox (Diamond Bar)
 - Central: Gloria Molleda (Rosemead), Rachel Barbosa (South El Monte)
 - Southwest: Rene Bobadilla (Montebello), Mark Lazzaretto (San Gabriel)
 - Northwest: Mark Alexander (La Canada Flintridge), Kevin Kearney (Bradbury)
 - o At-Large: Ron Bow (Monterey Park), Bryan Cook (Temple City), Dominic Lazzaretto (Arcadia), Chris Constantin (San Dimas)
- Homelessness Committee:
 - o City of Azusa
 - o Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District

15. AB 61 (Gabriel) - Support

Action: Adopt Resolution 21-33 supporting AB 61 (Gabriel).

16. SB 314 (Wiener) - Support

Action: Adopt Resolution 21-34 supporting SB 314 (Wiener).

17. AB 1201 (Ting) – Support

Action: Adopt Resolution 21-35 supporting AB 1201 (Ting).

18. Metro Strategic Project List

Action: Adopt Resolution 21-36 adopting the list of San Gabriel Valley regional

transportation projects and programs to be included on the Metro Strategic Project List.

19. Los Angeles County Coordination Survey Results

Action: Receive and file.

20. Governing Board Member Agenda Item Request Process

Action: Receive and file.

Discussions on the Consent Calendar

- M. Allawos and T. Wu requested updates on Item 19, Los Angeles County Coordination Survey Results. M. Creter responded that staff members are collaborating with cities to address their concerns regarding the County's animal care and control services.
- M. Allawos commented that cities' concerns regarding Measure H funding should also be a priority point of concern that staff should address. M. Creter responded that the Homelessness Committee is actively working to address cities' concerns regarding Measure H funding. The Committee held a comprehensive discussion regarding LAHSA reform earlier this month. B. Shevlin added that the Homelessness Committee also developed a White Paper stating member agencies' concerns regarding LAHSA and Measure H and recently reviewed a report on changing and enhancing LAHSA's governance structure. The White Paper was subsequently shared with LAHSA and the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.
- M. Allawos inquired about the timeline for addressing member agencies' issues regarding the County's homelessness operations. M. Creter responded that additional updates will be provided to the Executive Committee in August. Additionally, staff is actively working with various stakeholders to discuss the change in homelessness funding after Measure H expires. B. Shevlin added that the Executive Committee can review the updates in August, identify the appropriate actions needed, and provide reports back to the Governing Board.
- T. Wu expressed the need for the SGVCOG to demand resources for San Gabriel Valley cities and encouraged the SGVCOG to develop an action plan to address member agencies' concerns regarding the County's operations. B. Shevlin offered to meet with Mr. Wu and provide an update on the Homelessness Committee's efforts.

There was a motion to approve consent calendar items 6-20. (M/S: N. Lyons/M. Allawos)

AYES:
Alhambra, Arcadia, Azusa, Claremont, Diamond Bar, Duarte, El Monte, Glendora, Industry, Irwindale, La Cañada Flintridge*, La Verne, Monrovia, Monterey Park, Pomona, Rosemead, San Dimas, San Gabriel, San Marino, South El Monte, South Pasadena, Temple City, Walnut, West Covina, L.A. County District #1, L.A. County District #4**, L.A. County District #5***, SGV Water Districts

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

Montebello, Pasadena

RECORDED:

ABSENT: Baldwin Park, Bradbury, Covina, La Puente, Sierra Madre

*The City of La Cañada Flintridge abstained from voting on Items 15, 16, and 17.

**Los Angeles County District #4 abstained from voting on Items 15 and 16.

***Los Angeles County District #5 abstained from voting on Items 16 and 17.

PRESENTATIONS

21. State and Federal Legislative Update SGVCOG Legislative Consultant, Tim Egan, and SGVCOG Director of Government and Community Relations, Paul Hubler, provided a presentation on this item.

Discussions/Questions:

- E. Reece requested staff to share the SB 9 opposition letter template with the Weekly Recap reports.
- V. Gordo encouraged member agencies to submit SB 9 opposition letters and suggested the SGVCOG to submit a joint letter expressing cities' concerns regarding SB 9.
- 22. Recognition of SGVCOG President Margaret Clark
 Members of the Governing Board recognized SGVCOG President, Margaret Clark, for
 her achievements as the SGVCOG President.

LIAISON REPORTS

No verbal report was given unless otherwise noted.

- 23. Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority
- **24.** Foothill Transit
- 25. Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
- **26.** San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (RMC)
- 27. San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District (SGVMVCD)
- 28. Southern California Association of Governments
- **29.** League of California Cities
- **30.** San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership (SGVEP)
- 31. South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD)

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

SGVCOG President, Margaret Clark, provided a report.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

SGVCOG Executive Director, Marisa Creter, provided a report.

GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

SGVCOG General Counsel, David DeBerry, provided a report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

32. Transportation Committee SGVCOG Transportation Committee Chair, Jason Pu, provided a report.

- **33.** Homelessness Committee SGVCOG Homelessness Committee Chair, Becky Shevlin, provided a report.
- **34.** San Gabriel Valley Regional Housing Trust Board San Gabriel Valley Regional Housing Trust Vice Chair, Becky Shevlin, provided a report.
- **35.** Energy, Environment and Natural Resources (EENR) Committee SGVCOG EENR Committee Chair, Denis Bertone, provided a report.
- **36.** Water Committee SGVCOG Water Committee Vice Chair, Diana Mahmud, provided a report.
- 37. Capital Projects and Construction Committee SGVCOG Capital Projects and Construction Committee Chair, Tim Sandoval, provided a report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no additional announcements.

ADJOURN

M. Clark adjourned the Governing Board meeting at 5:14pm.

BOARD APPROVED

Marisa Creter, Secretary