



Southern California Association of Governments
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November 4, 2021

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (TC)
THURSDAY, October 7, 2021**

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES IS A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (TC). A VIDEO AND AUDIO RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE AT: <http://scag.iqm2.com/Citizens/>

The Transportation Committee (TC) of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) held its regular meeting virtually (telephonically and electronically), given the declared state of emergency (pursuant to State of Emergency Proclamation dated March 4, 2020) and local public health directives imposing and recommending social distancing measures due to the threat of COVID-19, and pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(1)(A). A quorum was present.

Members Present:

Hon. Sean Ashton, Downey (Chair)	District 25
Hon. Phil Bacerra, Santa Ana	District 16
Hon. Kathryn Barger	Los Angeles County
Hon. Liz Becerra, Victorville	District 65
Hon. Ben Benoit, Wildomar	South Coast AQMD
Hon. Russel Betts, Desert Hot Springs	CVAG
Hon. Art Brown, Buena Park (Vice Chair)	District 21
Hon. Ross Chun, Aliso Viejo	OCTA
Hon. Andrew Do	Orange County
Hon. John Dutrey, Montclair	SBCTA
Hon. James Gazeley, Lomita	District 39
Hon. Jason Gibbs, Santa Clarita	NCTC
Hon. Curt Hagman	San Bernardino County
Hon. Ray Hamada, Bellflower	District 24
Hon. Jan Harnik, Palm Desert	RCTC
Hon. Laura Hernandez, Port Hueneme	District 45
Hon. Christian Horvath	Pres. Apt.
Hon. Mike T. Judge, Simi Valley	VCTC
Hon. Trish Kelley, Mission Viejo	OCCOG
Hon. Linda Krupa, Hemet	WRCOG
Hon. Richard Loa, Palmdale	NCTC



Hon. Clint Lorimore, Eastvale	District 4
Hon. Steve Manos, Lake Elsinore	District 63
Hon. Ray Marquez, Chino Hills	District 10
Hon. Larry McCallon, SBCTA	District 7
Hon. Marsha McLean, NLAC	District 67
Hon. Fred Minagar, Laguna Niguel	District 12
Hon. Ara Najarian, Glendale	AVCJPA
Hon. Maria Nava-Froelich	ICTC
Hon. Blanca Pacheco	GCCOG
Hon. Ed Reece	SGVCOG
Hon. Ali Saleh, Bell	District 27
Hon. Tim Sandoval, Pomona	District 38
Hon. Rey Santos, Beaumont	District 3
Hon. Zak Schwank, Temecula	District 5
Hon. Tim Shaw	OCTA
Hon. Jeremy Smith	Canyon Lake
Hon. Ward Smith, Placentia	OCCOG
Hon. Jose Luis Solache, Lynwood	District 26
Hon. Karen Spiegel	Riverside County
Hon. Cynthia Sternquist, Temple City	SGVCOG
Hon. Jess Talamantes, Burbank	Pres. Appt.
Hon. Michael Vargas	Riverside County
Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, El Centro	District 1
Hon. Scott Voigts, Lake Forest	OCCOG
Hon. Don Wagner	Orange County
Hon. Colleen Wallace, Banning	Pres. Appt.
Hon. Alan Wapner, Ontario	SBCTA/SBCOG
Mr. Paul Marquez, Caltrans District 7	Ex-Officio Member

Members Not Present:

Hon. Lorrie Brown	District 47
Hon. Joe Buscaino, Los Angeles	District 62
Hon. Jonathan Curtis, La Cañada-Flintridge	District 36
Hon. Darrell Dorris	Lancaster, NCTC
Hon. Lindsey Horvath	WSCCOG
Hon. Paul Krekorian	District 49
Hon. Steven Ly, Rosemead	District 32
Hon. L. Dennis Michael	District 9
Hon. Carol Moore, Laguna Woods	OCCOG
Hon. Frank Navarro, Colton	District 6



Hon. Jon Primuth, S. Pasadena	AVCJPA
Hon. Crystal Ruiz, San Jacinto	WRCOG
Hon. Marty Simonoff, Brea	District 22
Hon. Steve Tye	District 37
Hon. Alicia Weintraub, Calabasas	LVMCOG

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Sean Ashton, Downey, District 25, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Hon. Art Brown, Buena Park, District 21, led the Pledge of Allegiance. A quorum was present.

Legal counsel read a statement for the record on the basis for holding this meeting pursuant to recent amendments to the Brown Act, noting the current recommended social distancing measures and existing declared state of emergency.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Ashton opened the Public Comment Period and outlined instructions for public comments. He noted the total time period for all public comments related to items on the agenda and any other matter within the agency’s subject matter jurisdiction was ten minutes and the public comment period would be held open for at least 10 minutes to afford the public the ability to comment on all items on this agenda.

David Salgado, SCAG staff, reported no public comments were received by email prior to the meeting and none were requested during the public comment period.

Seeing no public comments, Chair Aston closed the public comment period.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

Hon. Larry McCallon, Highland, asked if the time taken for public comment can be noted on the agenda.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval Items

1. Minutes of TC Meeting, September 2, 2021

Receive and File

2. Resolution No. 21-636-1 Regarding Acceptance of Office of Traffic Safety Grant Funds to Support the Active Transportation Safety and Encouragement Campaign
3. Connect SoCal CEQA Addendum No. 2 to Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (State Clearinghouse No. 2019011061)
4. Transportation Conformity Determination of Proposed Final Connect SoCal Amendment #1 and 2021 FTIP Consistency Amendment #21-05
5. Environmental Justice/Communities of Concern Update
6. Californians for Community Planning Voter Initiative

A MOTION was made (Brown) to approve Consent Calendar Items 1 through 6. The motion was SECONDED (Voigts) and passed by the following votes.

AYES: ASHTON, BACERRA, BARGER, BECERRA, BENOIT, BETTS, BROWN A., CHUN, DO, DUTREY, GAZELEY, GIBBS, HAGMAN, HAMADA, HARNIK, HERNANDEZ, HORVATH C., JUDGE, KELLEY, KRUPA, LOA, LORIMORE, MANOS, MARQUEZ, MCCALLON, MCLEAN, MINAGAR, NAJARIAN, NAVA-FROELICH, PACHECO, REECE, SALEH, SANDOVAL, SANTOS, SCHWANK, SMITH J., SMITH W., SOLACHE, SPIEGEL, STERNQUIST, TALAMANTES, VARGAS, VIEGAS-WALKER, VOIGTS, WAGNER, WALLACE, WAPNER (47)

NOES: None (0)

ABSTAIN: None (0)

ACTION ITEM

7. Adoption of Connect SoCal (2020 RTP/SCS) Amendment No. 1 and 2021 FTIP Consistency Amendment No. 21-05

Nancy Lo, SCAG staff, reported on 2020 RTP/SCS Amendment No. 1 and 2021 FTIP Consistency Amendment No. 21-05. Ms. Lo noted that SCAG is responsible for developing the RTP/SCS and Federal Transportation improvement Program (FTIP) in cooperation with Caltrans and county transportation commissions (CTCs). Early 2021 SCAG begin the process for Connect SoCal Amendment No. 1 in response to project changes brought forth by the CTCs. Modifications

received from the CTCs are new projects, existing projects with revised description, schedule or cost changes. A Draft Connect SoCal Amendment No. 1 and 2021 FTIP was released for a 30-day public review and comment period July 1, 2021, to July 31, 2021 and it is recommended that the Regional Council approve the Proposed Final Connect SoCal (2020 RTP/SCS) Amendment No. 1 and 2021 FTIP Consistency Amendment No. 21-05.

A MOTION was made (Harnik) to recommend that the Regional Council (RC) approve the Proposed Final Connect SoCal (2020 RTP/SCS) Amendment No. 1 and 2021 FTIP Consistency Amendment No. 21-05. The motion was SECONDED (Lorimore) and passed by the following votes.

AYES: ASHTON, BACERRA, BARGER, BECERRA, BENOIT, BETTS, BROWN A., CHUN, DO, DUTREY, GAZELEY, GIBBS, HAGMAN, HAMADA, HARNIK, HERNANDEZ, HORVATH C., JUDGE, KELLEY, KRUPA, LOA, LORIMORE, MANOS, MARQUEZ, MCCALLON, MCLEAN, MINAGAR, NAJARIAN, NAVA-FROELICH, PACHECO, REECE, SALEH, SANDOVAL, SANTOS, SCHWANK, SMITH J., SMITH W., SOLACHE, SPIEGEL, STERNQUIST, TALAMANTES, VARGAS, VIEGAS-WALKER, VOIGTS, WAGNER, WALLACE, WAPNER (47)

NOES: None (0)

ABSTAIN: None (0)

INFORMATION ITEM

8. Metro Dedicated Transit Lanes Pilots

Stephen Tu, Service Planning Director, Los Angeles Metro, reported on their dedicated transit lanes pilots. He noted results of the bus priority lane pilots showed improved bus speeds, consistency of travel, and greater throughput of busses and travelers in the pilot corridors. Mr. Tu stated rider feedback was sought regarding the change and 85% of respondents agreed mobility was improved. He reviewed a proposed project for La Brea Avenue and noted the working group will continue to discuss and analyze future corridors for potential collaboration that would benefit stakeholders.

9. Update on Caltrans District Active Transportation Plan

Cuong Trinh, Senior Transportation Planner, Caltrans, reported on their Active Transportation Plan (ATP) and noted the goal is to identify strategies and actions to create opportunities for bicycling and walking to thrive. He noted key objectives include safety, mobility and social equity then examined the planning process used to identify locations with active transportation barriers. Next,

outreach marketing and public survey tools were examined, and Mr. Trinh reviewed next steps for each district.

10. Pedestrian Safety Month: Highlighting Go Human's 2021 Outcomes

Andres Carrasquillo, SCAG staff, reported that Go Human is SCAG's community engagement and traffic safety program which seeks to reduce collisions and encourage people to walk and bike more. Injuries and fatalities are a growing regional problem and he noted that while active transportation make up only 3% of daily trips, it represents 32% of fatalities. Mr. Carrasquillo invited members to take the safety pledge and commit to safety awareness. He noted there are five elements in SCAG's 2021 effort including providing mini grants to provide street level projects and SCAG's Kit of Parts for quick assembly neighborhood demonstration projects.

11. Regional Early Action Program (REAP) 2021 Program Development Framework

Annie Nam, SCAG staff, reported on the REAP 2021 Program Development Framework. Ms. Nam stated REAP 2021 was established as part of AB 140 to support transformative and innovate projects, implement the region's Sustainable Communities Strategy and help achieve goals of increased housing and transportation options that reduce reliance on cars. REAP 2021 will provide grants to regional entities, primarily metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) through a combination of formula and competitive-based programs. SCAG's share is estimated to be \$246 million. Further, a program development framework has been created to seek early feedback from stakeholders. The draft framework includes a set of core objectives including early action initiatives, county transportation commission partnership program and a housing supportive infrastructure program.

12. Southern California Goods Movement Communities Freight Impact Assessment

Deferred to a future meeting.

13. Federal Infrastructure Legislative update

Estee Sepulveda, SCAG staff, provided an update on federal infrastructure legislation currently being developed in Congress. She noted this legislation will also reauthorize all surface transportation programs for the next five years and the final outcome is pending. Lauri Hellinger, Holland & Knight, reviewed the relevant transportation and new technology items.



CHAIR’S REPORT

Chair Ashton announced new committee member Hon. Andrew Do, Orange County. He also announced committee staff support changes.

METROLINK REPORT

Hon. Art Brown, Buena Park, District 21, reported service has resumed from San Clemente to Oceanside following track work to stabilize the right-of-way due to beach erosion. Also, Metrolink will pilot the use of a new technology that will help ensure the safe and rapid slowing and stopping of trains in the event of an earthquake. The technology is being deployed along Metrolink’s 91/Perris Valley Line between the cities of Perris and Riverside.

STAFF REPORT

David Salgado, SCAG staff, reported SCAG’s 12th Annual Economic Summit is December 2, 2021 in a virtual format and fees for elected officials and city managers are complimentary but each attendee ought to register their attendance online.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Ashton adjourned the Transportation Committee meeting at 11:36 a.m.

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2021- 22																Total Mtgs Attended To Date
MEMBERS	CITY	Representing	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	
Ashton, Sean	Downey	District 25	1	1		1	1									4
Bacerra, Phil	Santa Ana	District 16	1	1		1	1									4
Barger, Kathryn		Los Angeles County		1		1	1									3
Becerra, Liz	Victorville	District 65	1	1		1	1									4
Benoit, Ben		South Coast AQMD	1	1		1	1									4
Betts, Russell	Desert Hot Springs	CVAG	1	1		1	1									4
Brown, Art	Buena Park	District 21	1	1		1	1									4
Brown, Lorrie	Ventura	District 47														0
Buscaino, Joe	Los Angeles	District 62														0
Chun, Ross	Aliso Viejo	OCTA	1	1		1	1									4
Curtis, Jonathan	La Cañada Flintridge	District 36														0
Do, Andrew		Orange County					1									
Dorris, Darrell	Lancaster	NCTC	1	1		1										3
Dutrey, J. John	Montclair	SBCTA	1	1		1	1									4
Gazeley, James	Lomita	District 39	1	1		1	1									4
Gibbs, Jason	Santa Clarita	NCTC				1	1									
Hagman, Curt		San Bernardino Cnty				1	1									2
Hamada, Ray	Bellflower	Bellflower	1	1		1	1									4
Harnik, Jan	Palm Desert	RCTC	1	1		1	1									4
Hernandez, Laura	Prt Hueneme	District 45	1	1		1	1									4
Horvath, Christian	Redondo Beach	Pres. Apt.	1	1		1	1									4
Horvath, Lindsey	West Hollywood	WSCCOG	1													1
Judge, Mike	Simi Valley	VCTC	1			1	1									3
Kelley, Trish	Mission Viejo	OCCOG	1	1		1	1									4
Krekorian, Paul	Public Transit Rep	District 49														0
Krupa, Linda	Hemet	WRCOG	1	1		1	1									4
Loa, Richard	Palmdale	NCTC		1		1	1									3
Lorimore, Clint	Eastvale	District 4	1	1		1	1									4
Ly, Steven	Rosemead	District 32	1	1		1										3
Manos, Steve	Lake Elsinore	District 63	1	1			1									3
Marquez, Paul	Caltrans District 7	Ex-Officio	1	1		1	1									4
Marquez, Ray	Chino Hills	District 10	1	1		1	1									4
McCallon, Larry	Highland	SBCTA	1	1		1	1									4
McLean, Marsha	No. L.A. County	District 67	1	1		1	1									4
Michael, L. Dennis	Rancho Cucamonga	District 9	1	1		1										3
Minagar, Fred	Laguna Niguel	District 12	1	1		1	1									4
Moore, Carol	Laguna Woods	OCCOG	1	1		1										3
Najarian, Ara	Glendale	AVCJPA	1	1		1	1									4
Nava-Froelich, Maria		ICTC		1		1	1									0
Navarro, Frank	Colton	District 6	1	1		1										3
Pacheco, Blanca	Downey	GCCOG	1	1		1	1									4
Primuth, Jon	S. Pasadena	AVCJPA	1	1												2
Reece, Ed	Claremont	SGVCOG	1	1			1									3
Ruiz, Crystal	San Jacinto	WRCOG		1												1
Saleh, Ali	City of Bell	GCCOG	1	1			1									3
Sandoval, Tim	Pomona	District 38	1	1		1	1									4
Santos, Rey	Beaumont	District 3	1	1		1	1									4
Schwank, Zak	Temecula	District 5	1	1		1	1									4
Shaw, Tim		ICTC	1			1	1									3
Simonoff, Marty	Brea	District 22		1		1										2
Smith, Jeremy	Canyon Lake	Canyon Lake	1	1		1	1									4
Smith, Ward	Placentia	OCCOG	1	1		1	1									4
Solache, Jose Luis	Lynwood	District 26	1	1		1	1									2
Spiegel, Karen		Riverside County	1	1		1	1									4
Sternquist, Cynthia	Temple City	SGVCOG	1	1			1									3
Talamantes, Jess	Burbank	AVCJPA	1	1		1	1									4
Tye, Steve	Diamond Bar	District 37	1	1												2
Vargas, Michael		Riverside County				1	1									
Viegas-Walker, Cheryl	El Centro	District 1	1	1		1	1									4
Voigts, Scott	Lake Forest	Orange County					1									1
Wagner, Don	Orange County	Orange County	1			1	1									3

Attachment: TCAttendance Sheet Oct 7, 2021 (Minutes of TC Meeting, October 7, 2021)

Wallace, Colleen	Banning	Banning	1	1		1	1											4
Wapner, Alan		SBCTA	1	1		1	1											4
Weintraub, Alicia	Calabasas	LVMCOG	1	1														2