



Southern California Association of Governments
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March 7, 2019

COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT (CEHD) COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
THURSDAY, February 7, 2019

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE CEHD COMMITTEE. A DIGITAL RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG'S OFFICE.

The CEHD Committee met at SCAG, 900 Wilshire Blvd., 17th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90017. The meeting was called to order by Chair Peggy Huang. A quorum was present.

Members Present:

Hon. Peggy Huang, Chair

Hon. James Mulvihill, Vice Chair

- Hon. David Avila
Hon. Stacy Berry
Hon. Wendy Bucknum
Hon. Steve De Ruse
Hon. Rose Espinoza
Hon. Margaret E. Finlay
Hon. Vartan Gharpetian
Hon. Bill Hodge
Hon. Tim Holmgren
Hon. Cecilia Hupp
Hon. Cecilia Iglesias
Hon. Bill Jahn
Hon. Robert "Bob" Joe
Hon. Marisela Magana
Hon. Anni Marshall
Hon. Lauren Meister
Hon. Bill Miranda
Hon. John Mirisch
Hon. Steve Nagel
Hon. Trevor O'Neil
Hon. Edward Paget
Hon. Jim Predmore
Hon. Paul Rodriguez
Hon. David Shapiro

Yorba Linda

San Bernardino

- Yucaipa
Cypress
Mission Viejo
La Mirada
La Habra
Duarte
Glendale
Calexico
Fillmore
Brea
Santa Ana
Big Bear Lake
South Pasadena
Perris
Avalon
West Hollywood
Santa Clarita
Beverly Hills
Fountain Valley
Anaheim
Needles
Holtville
Chino
Calabasas

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District 7

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WSCCOG
SFVCOG
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ICTC
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Hon. Tri Ta	<i>Westminster</i>	District 20
Hon. Mark Waronek	<i>Lomita</i>	SBCCOG
Hon. Frank Zerunyan	<i>Rolling Hills Estates</i>	SBCCOG

Members Not Present

Hon. Al Austin, II	<i>Long Beach</i>	GCCOG
Hon. Juan Carrillo	<i>Palmdale</i>	North L.A. County
Hon. Julie Hackbarth-McIntyre	<i>Barstow</i>	SANBAG
Hon. Jed Leano	<i>Claremont</i>	SGVCOG
Hon. Jorge Marquez	<i>Covina</i>	District 33
Hon. Michael Posey	<i>Huntington Beach</i>	
Hon. Rex Richardson	<i>Long Beach</i>	District 29
Hon. Lyn Semeta	<i>Huntington Beach</i>	District 64
Hon. Sonny R. Santa Ines	<i>Bellflower</i>	District 24
Hon. Donald P. Wagner	<i>Irvine</i>	District 14

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Peggy Huang, called the meeting to order at 10:46 a.m. and asked the Committee to join her in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEM/S

There was no reprioritization of the agenda.

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEM

1. Final RHNA Subcommittee Charter

Joann Africa, Chief Counsel, provided a brief history and overview of the Final RHNA Subcommittee Charter and asked the Committee to recommend approval of the Charter to the Regional Council, which met later in the day.

Ms. Africa responded on the comments and questions expressed by the Councilmembers including questions regarding concerns over the jurisdictional allocation appeals process and why the CEHD Committee is not allowed to review appeals. Ms. Africa stated that there is significant amount of work involved in the entire review process, the consensus being that one governing body would be responsible for the final decision making in the appeals process. However, CEHD members are welcomed to attend the RHNA appeals process discussion and hearings. Chair Huang and past RHNA Subcommittee Chair Jahn discussed the past appeals process, methodology and additional comments supporting the proposed Charter’s responsibilities and purpose.

A MOTION was made (Jahn) to approve the Final RHNA Subcommittee Charter. Motion was SECONDED (Hupp) and passed by the following votes:

FOR: Avila, Berry, Bucknum, De Ruse, Finlay, Gharpetian, Hodge, Holmgren, Huang, Hupp, Jahn, Joe, Magana, Marshall, Meister, Miranda, Mirisch, Mulvihill, Nagel, O’Neil, Paget, Predmore, Rodriguez, Shapiro, Shevlin, Ta, Waronek, Zerunyan (28).

AGAINST: Espinoza (1).

ABSTAIN: Iglesias (1).

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval Item

2. Minutes of the CEHD Committee Meeting – November 1, 2018

Receive & File

3. Future Communities Pilot Program
4. Connect SoCal Environmental Justice Outreach Update
5. NOP and Scoping Meetings for the Connect SoCal PEIR
6. ARB Draft Guidelines on SCS Evaluation
7. ATP Cycle 4 Update

A MOTION was made (Zerunyan) to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion was SECONDED (Finlay) and passed by the following votes:

FOR: Avila, Berry, Bucknum, De Ruse, Espinoza, Finlay, Gharpetian, Hodge, Huang, Hupp, Iglesias, Jahn, Joe, Marshall, Meister, Miranda, Mirisch, Mulvihill, Nagel, O’Neil, Paget, Predmore, Rodriguez, Shapiro, Waronek, Zerunyan (26).

AGAINST: None (0).

ABSTAIN: Holmgren, Magana, Shevlin, Ta (4).

INFORMATION ITEMS

8. Connect SoCal: Planning for Older Adults

Jason Greenspan, SCAG Staff, introduced Rafi Nazarians, Associate State Director, AARP California. Mr. Nazarians presented a PowerPoint presentation titled, “Livable Communities and the Age-Friendly Network.” Mr. Nazarians explained how older adults are making up an increasing percentage of Southern California’s population, which will have implications on our transportation and land use planning. The presentation explored the benefits and framework of a livable community that offers supportive community features and services that can enhance personal independence; allow residents to age in place; and foster residents’ engagement in the community’s civic economic and social life.

Mr. Nazarian responded on the comments and questions expressed by the Councilmembers including questions regarding concerns over how cities design their own livability index, including, adding “Kindness” as a Domain value; non-profit relationships; and, rent and security concerns for older adults housing community. He also encouraged the Committee to review the West Hollywood and Los Angeles County livability index plans which could help to address some of today’s questions and concerns. He asked the Committee to subscribe to the AARP newsletter at aarp.org/livable-subscribe for information on the AARP Community Challenge Grants. Mr. Nazarians referenced the AARP policy book which can be found on the AARP website and provided his contact information for those interested in an AARP presentation in their respective councils.

The Committee thanked Mr. Nazarian for his presentation.

9. ARB SB 150 Report on SB 375 Implementation Progress

Ping Chang, SCAG Staff, provided an update and the primary findings of the ARB SB 150 Report (Report) on SB 375 Implementation Progress along with SCAG and Joint MPO comments. He explained the three major points to the Report, which were: Primary Findings, ARB Staff Recommendations and SCAG Staff Comments.

Mr. Chang noted that the fundamental finding of the Report found that California was not on track to meet GHG reductions expected under SB 375, and, however, there have been some improvements made but most of the on-the-ground indicators are not aligned with statewide goals. He commented that the Report identified eight challenge and opportunity areas whereby working collaboratively with SCAGs agency partners, local government staff and elected officials, could help move the effort forward with better results.

Mr. Chang outlined the recommendations made by ARB staff which included: Better aligned transportation, housing and climate funding with state goals; Incentives and Sustainable financing mechanism. He expressed appreciation to the ARB staff for their efforts in compiling empirical data, conducting interviews and organizing the report in the short time frame given.

Mr. Chang responded on the comments and questions expressed by the Councilmembers including questions regarding concerns over SCAG staff not having the opportunity to review the Draft Report prior to its release due to time constraints and the alignment for demographic trends.

Additionally, discussions ensued over the challenges of ridership, ridership decline, and the options available now and or in future general planning that can address reliable connectivity and maintenance of a functioning transit system.

CHAIR’S REPORT

Chair Huang provided highlights of the RHNA Subcommittee which was held on Monday, February 4. She reported that one of the topics discussed included an update on the City of Huntington Beach (City) lawsuit. She asked Joann Africa, Chief Counsel, to give a brief summary of the lawsuit which was filed by the State of California Housing and Community Development Department (HCD) regarding the City’s non-compliant housing element. Ms. Africa noted that she will update the Committee when more information becomes available.

Chair Huang noted that the next RHNA Subcommittee meeting will be held on Monday, March 4th and encouraged everyone to participate in the process. She asked the Committee to send any comments, questions or suggestions in advance to: housing@scag.ca.gov.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEM

None.

ANNOUNCEMENT/S

Chair Huang welcomed and announced the newest CEHD Committee members. Hon. Zerunyan gave a brief introduction and welcomed the USC students in attendance from his class.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Huang adjourned the CEHD Committee meeting at 12:03 p.m.

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Community, Economic & Human Development Committee Attendance Report

2019

Member (including Ex-Officio) LastName, FirstName	Representing	X = County Represented						X = Attended				= No Meeting					NM = New Member	EA = Excused Absence
		IC	LA	OC	RC	SB	VC	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov
Austin, Al	GCCOG		X															
Avila, David	SBCTA					X			X									
Berry, Stacy*	District 18			X					X									
Bucknum, Wendy*	District 13			X					X									
Carrillo, Juan	North LA County		X															
De Ruse, Steve*	District 31		X						X									
Espinoza, Rose	OCCOG			X					X									
Finlay, Margaret*	District 35		X						X									
Gharpetian, Vartan*	President's Appointment		X						X									
Hodge, Bill	ICTC	X							X									
Holmgren, Tim*	District 47						X		X									
Huang, Peggy, Chair	TCA			X					X									
Hupp, Cecilia	OCCOG			X					X									
Iglesias, Cecilia*	District 16			X					X									
Jahn, Bill*	District 11					X			X									
Joe, Robert	Arroyo Verdugo		X						X									
Leano, Jed	SGVCOG		X															
Magana, Marisela*	District 69				X				X									
Marquez, Jorge*	District 33		X															
Marshall, Ann	GCCOG		X				X		X									
Hackbarth-McIntyre, Julie	SBCTA					X												
Meister, Lauren	WSCCOG		X						X									
Miranda, Bill	SFVCOG		X						X									
Mirisch, John	President's Appointment		X						X									
Mulvihill, James, V-Chair*	District 7					X			X									
Nagel, Steve*	District 15			X					X									
O'Neil, Trevor*	District 19			X					X									
Paget, Ed	SBCTA					X			X									
Posey, Michael	Huntington Beach			X														
Predmore, Jim*	ICTC	X							X									
Richardson, Rex*	District 29		X															
Rodriguez, Paul	President's Appointment					X			X									
Santa Ines, Sonny	District 24		X															
Semeta, Lyn*	District 64			X														
Shapiro, David	Las Virgenes-Malibu COG		X						X									
Shevlin, Becky	SGVCOG		X						X									
Ta, Tri*	District 20			X					X									
Wagner, Donald*	District 14			X														
Waronek, Mark	SBCCOG		X						X									
Zerunyan, Frank	SBCCOG		X						X									
Regional Council Member*																		

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