



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
WESTSIDE CITIES COUNCIL
OF GOVERNMENTS**

Date: July 25, 2016

12:00 PM Board Luncheon

12:15 PM Meeting

1:15 PM Adjourn

Hosted By: County of Los Angeles

Location: West Hollywood Library

Community Room

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West Hollywood, CA 90069

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AGENDA

Public comment on any agenda item may be made during the consideration of that item. All comments on items not listed on the agenda may be made during the time allotted on the agenda to the public. Members of the public may comment by raising a hand and being recognized by the Chair. Speakers shall confine their comments to three minutes per speaker. Unless otherwise noted in the Agenda, the public may only comment on matters that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Westside Cities Council of Governments or items listed on the agenda.

1. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Welcome, Introductions, and Identification of Voting Members

2. ACTION ITEMS

- A. [Approval of the June 3, 2016 Draft Meeting Notes](#)
Action Item: Approve meeting notes
- B. [Appointment of WSCCOG Representative to SCAG Transportation Committee](#)
Action Item: Appoint WSCCOG Representative
- C. [Appointment of WSCCOG Regional Director to the League of California Cities – Los Angeles County Division](#)
Action Item: Appoint WSCCOG Representative
- D. [FY 2016-17 Annual Work Plan](#)
Action Item: Discuss and approve annual work plan
- E. [Joint Powers Authority Agreement Amendment](#)
Action Item: Discuss with possible action item

3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

4. PRESENTATION

- A. Los Angeles Community Choice Energy Presentation by the County of Los Angeles

5. LEGISLATION

- A. Senate Bill 522 (Mendoza) – Expansion of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Board
- B. Governor's Proposed By-Right Affordable Housing

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

7. FUTURE MEETING LOCATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS

- A. [Proposed 2016-17 WSCCOG Regular Board Meeting Schedule](#)
- B. LA County Homeless Initiative Presentation

8. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

9. ADJOURN

Written materials distributed to the Board within 72 hours of the Board meeting are available for public inspection immediately upon distribution in the City Clerk's office at West Hollywood City Hall located at 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA 90069, during normal business hours. Such documents will also be posted on the WSCCOG website at www.westsidocities.org and will be made available at the meeting.



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**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
WESTSIDE CITIES COUNCIL
OF GOVERNMENTS**

DRAFT MEETING NOTES

FRIDAY, JUNE 3, 2016
12:00 NOON

HOSTED BY: CITY OF CULVER CITY
HELMS DESIGN CENTER
8745 WASHINGTON BLVD.
CULVER CITY, CA 90232

IN ATTENDANCE:

- Beverly Hills:*** Mayor John Mirisch. Staff: Mahdi Aluzri
- Culver City:*** Mayor Jim B. Clarke, Councilmember Meghan Sahli-Wells. Staff: Art Ida, Shelly Wolfberg, Diana Chang
- Santa Monica:*** Councilmember Kevin McKeown, Councilmember Gleam Davis. Staff: Danielle Noble, Francie Stefan
- West Hollywood:*** Mayor Lauren Meister. Staff: Hernan Molina, Bianca Siegl
- City of LA:*** District 11 Staff: Debbie Dyner Harris, Paul Backstrom. Chief Legislative Analyst Office: Chris Concepción, Deborah Choi
- City of LA:*** District 3 Staff: Madeleine Moore
- WSCCOG:*** Executive Director: Cecilia Estolano. Staff: Winnie Fong. Counsel: Mike Jenkins
- Other Attendees:*** Eric Geier, Mike Bohlke (Metro); Scott Malsin (54th Assembly District); Josh Kurpies (50th Assembly District); Eugene Tseng (26th Senate District) Robert Wong (Caltrans District 7); Kim Sidoriak (Santa Monica Travel & Tourism); Libby Bradley (Cerrell Associates); Josh Gilman, Elizabeth Flynn (Helms Bakery District)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councilmember Kevin McKeown (WSCCOG Vice Chair) called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. and welcomed the board to the meeting then initiated self-introductions by the attendees.

2. APPROVAL OF MAY 12, 2016 DRAFT MEETING NOTES

A motion was made by Mayor Lauren Meister and seconded by Councilmember Kevin McKeown to approve the May 12, 2016 draft meeting notes. The motion passed unanimously.

3. STRATEGIC INITIATIVES UPDATE

(A) Transportation/Mobility

- i.) Councilmember McKeown initiated the discussion of the comment letter drafted by the WSCCOG staff and asked the Board to provide input on the acceleration of the Crenshaw/LAX Northern Extension line. Mayor Lauren Meister requested additional language regarding the segment between Exposition Blvd. and Wilshire Blvd., which was part of Measure R and as such should be reflected appropriately in the proposed measure. Mayor John Mirisch requested that the Board state strongly that the WSCCOG supports the Crenshaw/LAX Northern Extension project. Mayor Meister requested that the language in the draft later that indicated the phasing of the project was proposed in the draft expenditure plan be removed, because it is inaccurate. Councilmember McKeown called for a vote on the changes in language on the acceleration of the Crenshaw/LAX line Northern Extension. Ayes: Councilmember McKeown, Mayor Meister, Mayor Clarke, and Mayor Mirisch.

The board provided comments on the proposal for a no sunset provision. Mayor Mirisch expressed concerns on the no sunset clause. Madeleine Moore (Supervisory District 3) notified the board that public polls garnered a lot of support for no sunset. Mayor Meister suggested adding language about the polling. Ms. Estolano suggested that should the polling results indicate public support for no sunset, then WSCCOG would propose that Metro consider that option. Councilmember McKeown called for the vote on the changes regarding the no sunset provisions. Mayor Meister requested that the Crenshaw/LAX Northern Extension project be moved to the top of the list before the Purple Line extension to Santa Monica. Ayes: Councilmember McKeown, Mayor Meister, and Mayor Clarke. No: Mayor Mirisch.

The Board provided comments on the increased funding allocation for active transportation and local return by reducing the allocation for highway construction. The Board engaged in a discussion and agreed advocating for the increased allocation for active transportation and local return. The Board discussed whether to identify which category to shift the funds from to active transportation and local return. Ms. Estolano suggested revising the language to state that the WSCCOG advocates for at least 2 percent of the expenditure plan is reserved for active transportation projects. McKeown called the vote on the proposed change regarding reallocating funds from highway construction to active transportation and local return. Ayes: Councilmember McKeown, Mayor Meister, and Mayor Clarke. No: Mayor Mirisch.

The Board commented on the reduction of GHG emissions. Mayor Mirisch suggested minor language changes that Metro should support rapid advancements in autonomous and intelligent vehicle technologies. Councilmember McKeown called the vote on the reduction of GHG emissions. Ayes: Councilmember McKeown, Mayor Meister, and Mayor Clarke and, Mayor Mirisch.

Mayor Mirisch requested the addition of an additional bullet point to support first and last mile solutions. Councilmember McKeown asked for a motion to approve the revisions to the draft comment letter for the WSCCOG Chair, Vice Mayor Jeffrey Cooper, to sign and submit the letter to Metro. Mayor Lauren Meister made the motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Kevin McKeown to approve the revised comment letter to Metro. Ayes: Councilmember McKeown, Mayor Meister, and Mayor Clarke and, Mayor Mirisch. The motion passed unanimously.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Kevin McKeown, Mayor Clarke, Mayor Mirisch, and Councilmember Sahli-Wells announced upcoming events in their respective cities. Ms. Moore announced that Metro plans to release the revised expenditure plan on June 10th.

5. FUTURE MEETING LOCATION AND AGENDA ITEMS

Ms. Estolano informed the Board that the WSCCOG staff is working with the cities to reschedule the regular WSCCOG Board meeting in July.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:34 p.m.



DATE: July 25, 2016

TO: Westside Cities Council of Governments Board

FROM: Westside Cities Council of Governments Staff

SUBJECT: Appointment of WSCCOG Representative to SCAG Transportation Committee

Recommended Action

That the Chair call for nominations for the position as the WSCCOG representative to the SCAG Transportation Committee, close the nominations, and call for the vote or declare the election by acclamation.

Voting Process

The SCAG Transportation Committee representative shall be elected by a majority of the quorum of the COG. The voting member from each member city present at the meeting will cast one (1) vote. The candidate with the majority of the votes will be appointed as the representative to the SCAG Transportation Committee. An election for the WSCCOG representative to the SCAG Transportation Committee representative was held between Mayor John Mirisch (City of Beverly Hills) and Mayor Jim B. Clarke (City of Culver City) on March 10, 2016 and again on May 12, 2016. Both elections resulted in a tie vote. If the votes result in another tie, the election will be held again at the next scheduled WSCCOG Board meeting.

DATE: July 25, 2016

TO: Westside Cities Council of Governments Board

FROM: Westside Cities Council of Governments Staff

SUBJECT: Appointment of WSCCOG Regional Director to the League of California Cities – Los Angeles County Division

Recommended Action

That the Chair call for nominations for the position as the WSCCOG Regional Director to the League of California Cities – Los Angeles County Division, close the nominations, and call for the vote or declare the election by acclamation.

Background

On May 12, WSCCOG announced the call for nominations from elected officials of the WSCCOG member cities to serve as the WSCCOG Regional Director Representative to the League of California Cities (League) Los Angeles County Division. The term for the incoming Regional Director will commence in July 2016 upon approval of the WSCCOG Board. The League allows the COGs to set the term limits. WSCCOG has not established term limits for the COG Regional Director.

The Los Angeles County Division is a subdivision of the League of California Cities. The Regional Director will regularly participate in the monthly Legislative and Board of Directors meetings via conference call. The Legislative Committee typically meets on the second to the last Tuesday of the month at 3:30pm, and the Board of Director meetings occur on the last Wednesday of the month at 4:00pm. For reference, see the **Attachment 1** for the 2016-17 important dates, conference calls, and events. The Regional Director is also invited to attend the General Membership meetings and Divisions events, though it is not mandatory to attend.

The Executive Director requested that members interested in serving as the WSCCOG Regional Director submit a letter of interest to the Executive Director by Thursday, June 30. The WSCCOG received one letter of interest from Councilmember Lindsey Horvath (City of West Hollywood) (See **Attachment 2**). Mayor John Mirisch (City of Beverly Hills) also expressed his interest in the Regional Director role. Mayor Mirisch’s letter of interest is forthcoming and will be made available to the Board on the day the election is held. The Regional Director Representative shall be elected by a majority of the quorum of the COG. The voting member from each member city present at the meeting will cast one (1) vote.

Attachments

1. 2016-17 Important Dates – Conference Calls and Events
 2. Letter of Interest – Councilmember Lindsey Horvath, City of West Hollywood
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2016-17 Important Dates – Conference Calls and Events

Board of Director Conference Calls -- 4:00 p.m. (Call-in number: 916-658-8212)

Wednesday, August 24, 2016	Wednesday, February 22, 2017
Wednesday, September 28, 2016	Wednesday, March 29, 2017
Wednesday, October 26, 2016	Wednesday, April 26, 2017
Wednesday, November 23, 2016	Wednesday, May 24, 2017
Wednesday, December 28, 2016	Wednesday, June 28, 2016
Wednesday, January 25, 2017	Wednesday, July 26, 2017

Legislative Committee Conference Calls -- 3:30 p.m. (Call-in number provided with agenda)

Tuesday, August 16, 2016	Tuesday, February 14, 2017
Tuesday, September 20, 2016	Tuesday, March 21, 2017
Tuesday, October 18, 2016	Tuesday, April 18, 2017
Tuesday, November 15, 2016	Tuesday, May 16, 2017
Tuesday, December 20, 2016	Tuesday, June 20, 2017
Tuesday, January 17, 2017	Tuesday, July 18, 2017

General Membership Meetings

Thursday, August 4, 2016, 6:00-8:00 p.m. – Annual Install. Ceremony & Dinner, Castaway Restaurant, Burbank
 Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 11:30 a.m. – Lunch during Annual Conference, Long Beach
 Thursday, December 1, 2016, 6:00-8:30 p.m. – All Cities Holiday Reception, California Club
 Thursday, January 5, 2017, 6:00-8:00 p.m. – General Membership Meeting, Location TBD
 Thursday, March 2, 2017, 6:00-8:00 p.m. – General Membership Meeting, Location TBD
 Thursday, May 4, 2016, 6:00-8:00 p.m. – General Membership Meeting, Location TBD

Other Annual Division Events

December 14, 2016, 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. – Annual Division Strategic Planning Retreat, BWP Board Room, Burbank
 Wednesday, January 18, 2017 – Dinner during New Mayors & Council Members Academy, Sacramento
 March/April 2017 TBD – Media & Communications Training, Location TBD
 March/April 2017 TBD – CITIPAC Reception, Location TBD
 April 2017 TBD – Lunch during Legislative Action Day, Sacramento
 Thursday, May 4, 2017 – Newly Elected Officials Governance Workshop, Location TBD
 Wednesday, May 17, 2017, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. – Annual Countywide City Mgrs Meeting, Location TBD
 Wednesday, June 21, 2017, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. – Economic Development Conference, Location TBD
 Wednesday, June 28, 2017 – Dinner during Mayors and Council Members Executive Forum, Monterey

For additional details, contact Jennifer Quan at 626-786-5142 or jquan@cacities.org



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June 1, 2016

Honorable Member of the Westside Cities Council of Governments (WSCCOG)
c/o Estolano, LeSar, Perez Advisors, LLP
315 W. 9th Street,
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Los Angeles, CA 90015

Letter of Interest to Serve as the WSCCOG Regional Director of the League of California Cities

Dear Members of the Westside Cities Council of Governments:

I am writing you to express my interest to serve as the next Westside Cities COG Regional Director of the League of California Cities. I believe my experience on the West Hollywood City Council coupled with my years of service on the West Hollywood Transportation Commission position me to be a great representative of the WSCCOG on the Los Angeles County Division of the League of Cities.

As an elected official, I am committed to enhancing regional mobility and the expansion of the public transit infrastructure that meets the needs of our residents and the people of Los Angeles County. I have, and continue to be, a strong supporter of active transportation programs and public transit alternatives as we continue to build our cities in the twenty first century.

Over the last year, I have been engaged with the League of Cities and its ongoing efforts to protect local control so that municipalities can continue to implement policies that are most appropriate for each community. For instance, last year, I worked very closely with the League of Cities' staff, Senator McGuire and other cities on the issue of short-term rentals and platforms like AirB&B, so that communities can remain in control of their land use authority and receive much needed transient occupancy taxes, should they decide to allow short-term rentals within their communities.





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I believe the League of Cities is a great advocate on behalf of all of member cities and that the WSCCOG's member cities benefit by having an active representative. I am willing and excited about the opportunity to serve in this capacity.

I look forward to continue serving my community and the member cities of the Westside Cities Council of Governments.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me. I can be contacted at (323) 848-6460.

Sincerely,

Lindsey P. Horvath
Councilmember





DATE: July 25, 2016

TO: Westside Cities Council of Governments Board

FROM: Westside Cities Council of Governments Staff

SUBJECT: Annual Work Plan for FY 2016-17

Recommended Action

That the Board adopt the proposed Annual Work Plan for FY 2016-17.

Background

In June and July, WSCCOG Executive Director Cecilia Estolano met with the Board members and key staff of each member city to discuss priorities of the annual work plan. WSCCOG staff also convened a conference call meeting with the WSCCOG Transportation Committee to discuss potential subregional projects, as well as compile a list of issues for the WSCCOG to monitor for the FY 2016-17 annual work plan.

The WSCCOG Executive Director team drafted the Annual Work Plan for FY 2016-17 to reflect the overall goals and issues for the COG Board's consideration (see **Attachment 1**). This plan reflects continued efforts for the Transportation Strategic Initiative, as well as examines homelessness as an issue of regional significance. The work plan also includes working with SCAG on the grant project for the Plug-in Electric Vehicle Charging Station Siting Study.

This work plan also reflects the scope of work outlined for the FY 2016-17 budget that was adopted by the Board on May 12, 2016. The proposed FY 2016-17 work plan no longer includes the Tourism/Economic Development and Sustainability Strategic Initiatives and the distribution of the bi-monthly hot sheets.

Attachment

1. Draft Annual Work Plan for FY 2016-17
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Annual Work Plan (FY 2016-17)

The Westside Cities Council of Governments (WSCCOG) is a joint powers authority comprised of the cities of Beverly Hills, Culver City, Santa Monica, and West Hollywood, plus portions of the City and County of Los Angeles. As such, the WSCCOG is a regional voice that extends the leverage of its member agencies at the State and Federal level for the benefit of the subregion. The agency is charged with preserving and enhancing its respective local and subregional quality of life by building relationships, maximizing resources, advocating for mutual interests, and promoting policy for the benefit of the subregion's residents, businesses, and visitors. The following annual work plan contains the goals and strategies to achieving the agency's mission for FY 2016-17.

Transportation Initiative

The WSCCOG Executive Director team will assist the COG Board in the following Transportation-related activities:

1. **WSCCOG Transportation Committee**

WSCCOG staff will coordinate and facilitate a standing check-in conference call meeting with the WSCCOG Transportation Committee members.

Tasks will include the following

- Conduct meetings on the first Wednesday of the month, or as needed
- Draft agenda items and meeting notes
- Coordinate with the member cities to explore and discuss transportation topics relevant to the subregion such as:
 - Exploring the impact of emerging transportation technology and trends, including on-demand transportation and microtransit services
 - Examine and analyze how cities are implementing SB 743
 - Update the WSCCOG Bicycle Infrastructure Priority Corridor Gap Closures map

2. **Strategic Guidance, Recommendations, and Advocacy**

WSCCOG staff will provide strategic guidance and recommendations to the WSCCOG Board regarding regional transportation projects, issues, and legislation. Staff will also help promote and advocate the WSCCOG's recommended transportation priorities.

Tasks may include the following:

- Attend workshops and conferences to monitor transportation issues and policies
- Work with relevant stakeholders (e.g., bicycle coalitions) and local agencies (e.g., Metro, SCAG, etc.) to advance the WSCCOG's transportation priorities

3. **Grant Funding Opportunities**

WSCCOG staff will identify grant opportunities, and pursue partnerships to collaborate in joint grant applications to advance subregional transportation objectives.

Tasks may include the following:

- Monitor eligible grant and funding opportunities and examine how Westside member cities can leverage sources (e.g., Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant, South Coast Air Quality Management District, Statewide Cap-and-Trade Program, etc.)
- Attend grant workshops to obtain information in submitting a competitive grant application
- Work with the WSCCOG Transportation Committee to explore and brainstorm ideas for potential interjurisdictional projects, such as the following:
 - Integrated general bike plan
 - Subregional bikeshare implementation
- Coordinate with public agencies to host grant program workshop and webinar presentations to inform and educate Westside member cities staff on available funding opportunities and application process

4. Coordinating with Regional Public Agencies

WSCCOG staff will facilitate in the coordination between the WSCCOG and regional agencies, such as Metro, SCAG, subregional COGs, and other related agencies on transportation/mobility issues of regional importance.

Tasks may include the following:

- Work with Metro on the Call for Projects Restructuring Process and the Long Range Transportation Plan Update
- Participate in ongoing subregional COG meetings with Metro CEO Phil Washington (monthly) and SCAG Executive Director Hasan Ikhata (quarterly)

Homeless Initiative/Affordable Housing

According to the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors, more than 20 percent, or an estimated 115,738 people, of the nation's homeless population is now living in California. More than 47,000 of them live in Los Angeles County—the largest concentration in the U.S. The Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) also reported a 9 percent increase in homeless population (2015-16) within the West Los Angeles Service Planning Area (SPA).

In February 2016, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved a comprehensive set of 47 strategies to combat homelessness. The Board of Supervisors also approved \$100 million in one-time funding to launch the implementation of these strategies. In June 2016, the State Assembly overwhelmingly passed House Resolution 56 (HR 56) urging the Governor to declare a state of emergency on homelessness in California.

WSCCOG Board members have expressed interest in exploring homelessness and affordable housing as an issue of subregional significance. WSCCOG staff will work with the member cities and other stakeholders and public agencies to conduct the following activities:

- Explore the option of establishing a working group for the WSCCOG to focus on issues and policies related to homelessness and affordable housing
- Engage with member cities to share information and resources
- Engage with the County of Los Angeles Homeless Initiative representative assigned to the Westside subregion and identify strategies for potential collaboration, including coordinating efforts, establishing partnerships, matching funding opportunities for increase housing and supportive services, etc.

Grant Projects

SCAG Plug-in Electric Vehicle Charging Station Siting Study

On March 17, 2015, the California Energy Commission (CEC) awarded SCAG an Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program (ARFVTP) grant to support the deployment of the Multi-Unit Dwelling (MUD) Plug-in Electric Vehicle (PEV) Readiness Strategies. The primary goal of the project is to implement electric vehicle charging station (EVCS) infrastructure in multi-family housing. WSCCOG received \$15,000 in grant funding to support SCAG in conducting outreach for the project. SCAG and WSCCOG executed the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on February 11, 2016. SCAG anticipates completing the work for tasks that are outlined in the SCAG/WSCCOG MOU by July 2017.

- Continue to coordinate with SCAG in providing support and community outreach for the Plug-in Electric Vehicle Charging Station Siting Study
- Work with the Westside cities to gather data and conduct outreach
- Perform the scope of work and tasks outlined in the MOU's scope of work

Administrative Activities

All administrative activities, with the exception of the Treasurer's duties, will be performed by the WSCCOG Executive Director team. The team may utilize cities' staff as needed and only when necessary. Administrative responsibilities will include:

- Conduct all other administrative activities as stipulated in the Executive Director contract
- Facilitate bi-monthly Board Meetings, including producing board agenda packets and providing agenda briefings to member cities' key staff and Transportation Committee
- Serve as the filing officer for the California Fair Political Practices Commission Statement of Economic Interests Form 700
- Develop the draft annual work plan and budget
- Serve as principal liaison with key federal, state, regional, and local agency entities and officials
- Monitor upcoming appointments and facilitate elections for WSCCOG representatives for the SCAG Policy Committees, League of California Cities (Los Angeles County Division), Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission, and the Metro Westside-Central Service Council
- Update and maintain the content on the WSCCOG website, such as board agendas, news updates, upcoming events, as well as the content for the Explore the Westside Series webpage for the Westside Hidden Gems and Cultural Arts Guide

DATE: July 25, 2016

TO: Westside Cities Council of Governments Board

FROM: Westside Cities Council of Governments Staff

SUBJECT: Joint Powers Authority Agreement Amendment Discussion

Background

On May 12, Councilmember McKeown requested an item be added to the next WSCCOG regular board meeting to discuss amending the WSCCOG's Joint Powers Authority (JPA) agreement (see **Attachment 1**) to allow member representatives to designate a non-elected official member as an alternate voting member as a means to increase participation from all member cities at the board meetings. Board members provided additional suggestions, including designating the non-elected official member as an ex-officio member or allowing board members to participate and vote via teleconferencing.

The WSCCOG was originally formed to address the growing need for cities in the Westside area of Los Angeles County to develop and implement their own subregional policies and plans, which required a more representative and formalized structure. As such, it was determined that a subregional organization was required to assist in planning and voluntary coordination among the Westside Cities for the furtherance of the public interest, necessity, and convenience.

According to Section 5A and 5B of the JPA, the designation of WSCCOG's Governing Board Representatives and their Alternates is constituted as follows:

1. **Beverly Hills, Culver City, Santa Monica, and West Hollywood** – The City Councils shall each designate two of their council members, one as a representative and the other as an alternate to serve in the absence of the representative.
2. **City of Los Angeles** – The City Council shall designate two council members, one as a representative and the other as an alternate to serve in the absence of the representative, from a council district located immediately adjacent to any portion of the above mentioned cities.
3. **County of Los Angeles** – The Board of supervisors shall designate one member of the Board from the Third, Second, or Fourth Supervisorial District as its sole representative and shall designate one member as an alternate to serve in the absence of the representative.

Currently, the process for voting and participation is as follows:

Section 7A. Voting and Participation. Each Member may cast only one vote for each issue before the Governing Board through its representatives. An Alternate Governing Board Representative may participate and vote in the proceedings of the Governing Board only in the absence of that Member's Governing Board Representative. Governing Board Representatives and Alternate Governing Board Representatives, when seated on the Governing Board, shall be entitled to vote on matters pending

before the Governing Board only if such person is physically present at the meeting of the Governing Board and if the Member, which that Governing Board Representative of Alternate Governing Board Representative represents, has timely and fully paid dues as required by this Agreement and the Bylaws.

According to the JPA regarding proxy voting:

Section 7B. Proxy Voting. No Absentee ballot or proxy shall be permitted.

Regarding amending the JPA agreement:

Section 23. Amendment. This agreement may be amended at any time with the consent of a majority of the members by a majority vote of the legislative body of each Member.

Discussion

The board to engage in a discussion of the following alternatives:

1. **Alternative #1:** Permit a member entity to designate a non-elected official or staff member as an alternate voting member
2. **Alternative #2:** Designate a non-elected official member as an ex-officio member
3. **Alternative #3:** Allow board members to participate in board meetings via teleconferencing
4. **Next steps:** Identify the next steps should the Board vote in favor of moving forward with a JPA amendment

WSCCOG staff reviewed the JPAs of neighboring subregional COGs, including San Gabriel Valley COG, South Bay Cities COG, San Fernando Valley COG, and Gateway Cities COG to gather information regarding the designation of governing board representatives and alternate governing board representatives (see **Attachment 2**). WSCCOG staff also reviewed information in the JPAs for the designation of ex officio members, as well as the option of teleconferencing for board members to participate and vote remotely. Both San Gabriel Valley COG and the South Bay Cities COG allow the County to designate a senior level staff person to serve as the alternate representative. San Gabriel Valley COG and the Gateway Cities COG have provisions within their JPAs for ex officio members. None of the JPAs for these COGs specify teleconferencing as an option for participation.

Attachments

1. WSCCOG Joint Powers Authority Agreement
 2. Comparison of other COGs
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AMENDED AND RESTATED JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT
WESTSIDE CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
(A JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY)

This Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement ("Agreement") is made and entered into by and between the public entities (collectively, "Members") whose names are set forth on Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, pursuant to Section 6500 et seq. of the Government Code and other applicable law:

WITNESSETH:

The parties hereto do agree as follows:

Section 1. Recitals. This Agreement is made and entered into with respect to the following facts:

A. Historically, the Westside cities of Beverly Hills, Culver City, Santa Monica and West Hollywood, an informal association of elected officials and city managers of the Members, as well as the City of Los Angeles, through its City Councilmembers and staff, and the County of Los Angeles, through its Board members and staff, have played a valuable role in serving as a forum for the exchange of ideas and information; however, the growing need for cities in the Westside area of Los Angeles County to develop and implement their own subregional policies and plans and voluntarily and cooperatively resolve differences among themselves requires a more representative and formal structure;

B. The public interest requires a joint powers agency to conduct studies and projects designed to improve and coordinate the common governmental responsibilities and services on an area-wide and subregional basis through the establishment of a council of governments;

C. The public interest requires that an agency explore areas of inter-governmental cooperation and coordination of government programs and provide recommendations and solutions to problems of common and general concern to its Members;

D. The public interest requires that an agency with the aforementioned goals not possess the authority to compel any of its members to conduct any activities or implement any plans or strategies that they do not wish to undertake (except for the payment of dues, if any);

E. Each Member is a governmental entity established by law with full powers of government in legislative, administrative, financial, and other related fields;

F. Each Member, by and through its legislative body, has determined that a subregional organization to assist in planning and voluntary coordination among the Westside area of Los Angeles County is required in furtherance of the public interest, necessity and convenience; and

G. Each Member, by and through its legislative body, has independently determined that the public interest, convenience and necessity require the execution of this Agreement by and on behalf of each such Member.

Section 2. Creation of Separate Legal Entity. It is the intention of the Members to create, by means of this Agreement, a separate legal entity within the meaning of Section 6503.5 of the Government Code. Accordingly, there is hereby created a separate legal entity, which shall exercise its powers in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and applicable law.

Section 3. Name. The name of the said separate legal entity shall be the Westside Cities Council of Governments ("WSCCOG").

Section 4. Purpose and Powers of the WSCCOG.

A. Purpose of WSCCOG. The purpose of the creation of the WSCCOG is to enable the Members to voluntarily engage in regional and cooperative planning and coordination of government services and responsibilities so as to assist the Members in the conduct of their affairs. The WSCCOG shall not possess the authority to compel any of its members to conduct any activities or implement any plans or strategies that they do not wish to undertake (except for the payment of dues). The goal and intent of the WSCCOG is one of voluntary cooperation among the Members for the collective benefit of the Westside area of Los Angeles County.

B. Common Powers. The WSCCOG shall have, and may exercise, the following powers:

1. Serve as an advocate in representing the Members of the Westside Cities Council of Governments at the regional, state and federal levels on issues of importance to the Westside area of Los Angeles County;
2. Serve as a forum for the review, consideration, study, development and recommendation of public policies and plans with regional significance;
3. Assemble information helpful in the consideration of problems peculiar to the Members;
4. Utilize Member resources or other public or public/private groups to carry out its programs and projects;
5. Explore practical avenues for voluntary intergovernmental cooperation, coordination and action in the interest of local public welfare and improving the administration of governmental services;
6. Assist in coordinating subregional planning efforts and in resolving conflicts among the Members as they work toward achieving planning goals;
7. Build a consensus among the Members on the implementation of policies and programs for addressing subregional and regional issues;
8. Serve as a mechanism for obtaining state, federal and regional grants to assist in financing the expenditures of the WSCCOG;

9. Make and enter into contracts, including contracts for the services of engineers, consultants, planners, attorneys and single purpose public/private groups;
10. Employ agents, officers and employees;
11. Apply for, receive and administer a grant or grants under any federal, state, or regional programs;
12. Receive gifts, contributions and donations of property, funds, services and other forms of financial assistance from persons, firms, corporations and any governmental entity;
13. Acquire, construct, lease, manage, maintain, own and operate any buildings, works, or improvements;
14. Incur debts, liabilities and obligations;
15. Sue and be sued.

C. Exercise of Powers. The WSCCOG shall, in addition, have all implied powers necessary to perform its functions. It shall exercise its powers only in a manner consistent with the provisions of applicable law, this Agreement and the Bylaws. In accordance with Government Code Section 6509, the powers of the WSCCOG shall be exercised in the manner prescribed in the Joint Exercise of Powers Act, Government Code Sections 6500 et seq., as that Act now exists and may hereafter be amended, and shall be subject to the restrictions upon the manner of exercising such powers that are imposed upon the City of Santa Monica, a charter law city, in the exercise of similar powers provided however, that if the City of Santa Monica shall cease to be a member, then the WSCCOG shall be restricted in the exercise of its power in the same manner as the City of Culver City, a charter law city.

Section 5. Creation of Governing Board. There is hereby created a Governing Board for the WSCCOG ("Governing Board") to conduct the affairs of the WSCCOG. The Governing Board shall be constituted as follows:

A. Designation of Governing Board Representatives.

1. The city councils of the cities of Beverly Hills, Culver City, Santa Monica and West Hollywood shall each designate one of their council members as a representative to the Governing Board ("Governing Board Representative").
2. The city council of the City of Los Angeles shall designate one council member from a council district that is located immediately adjacent to any portion of the cities of Beverly Hills, Culver City, Santa Monica or West Hollywood as its sole representative to the Governing Board ("Governing Board Representative").
3. The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles shall designate one member of the Board from the Third, Second or Fourth Supervisorial District as its sole representative to the Governing Board ("Governing Board Representative").

B. Designation of Alternate Governing Board Representatives.

1. The city councils of the cities of Beverly Hills, Culver City, Santa Monica, West Hollywood shall each designate one of their council members as an alternate representative to serve in the absence of the Governing Board Representative (“Alternate Governing Board Representative”).

2. The city council of the City of Los Angeles shall designate one council member from a council district that is located immediately adjacent to any portion of the cities of Beverly Hills, Culver City, Santa Monica or West Hollywood as an alternate representative to serve in the absence of the Governing Board Representative (“Alternate Governing Board Representative”).

3. The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles shall designate one member of its Board from the Third, Second or Fourth Supervisorial District as an alternate representative to serve in the absence of the Governing Board Representative (“Alternative Governing Board Representative”).

C. Eligibility. No person shall be eligible to serve as a Governing Board Representative or an Alternate Governing Board Representative unless that person is, at all times during the tenure of that person as a Governing Board Representative or Alternate Governing Board Representative, a member of the legislative body of one of the appointing Members. In addition, the Governing Board Representative and the Alternate Governing Board Representative of the City of Los Angeles must be a council member from a district that is located immediately adjacent to any portion of the cities of Beverly Hills, Culver City, Santa Monica or West Hollywood. The designation of a Governing Board Representative and Alternate Governing Board Representative shall be evidenced in writing to the Chair of the WSCCOG. Should any person serving on the Governing Board fail to maintain the status as required by this Section 5, that person's position on the Governing Board shall be deemed vacated as of the date such person ceases to qualify pursuant to the provisions of this Section 5 and the Member shall be entitled to appoint a qualified replacement.

D. Compensation. Governing Board Representatives and Governing Board Representative Alternates shall receive no compensation but may be reimbursed for expenses necessarily and reasonably incurred in connection with their service on the WSCCOG.

E. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (C) above and Section 7 (A) herein, the legislative body of each Member may establish a procedure to provide for its representation at a Board meeting by an elected member of its legislative body in the event that neither the Governing Board Representative nor the Alternate Governing Board Representative are available to attend.

Section 6. Use of Public Funds and Property. The WSCCOG shall be empowered to utilize for its purposes, public and private funds, property and other resources received from the Members and from other sources. Subject to the approval of the Governing Board of the WSCCOG, the Members shall participate in the funding of the WSCCOG in such a manner as the Governing Board shall prescribe, subject to the provisions of Section 21 of this Agreement. Where applicable, the Governing Board of the WSCCOG may permit one or more of the Members to

provide in kind services, including the use of property, in lieu of devoting cash to the funding of the WSCCOG's activities.

Section 7. Functioning of Governing Board.

A. Voting and Participation. Each Member may cast only one vote for each issue before the Governing Board through its representatives. An Alternate Governing Board Representative may participate and vote in the proceedings of the Governing Board only in the absence of that Member's Governing Board Representative. Governing Board Representatives and Alternate Governing Board Representatives, when seated on the Governing Board, shall be entitled to vote on matters pending before the Governing Board only if such person is physically present at the meeting of the Governing Board and if the Member, which that Governing Board Representative or Alternate Governing Board Representative represents, has timely and fully paid dues as required by this Agreement and the Bylaws.

B. Proxy Voting. No absentee ballot or proxy shall be permitted.

C. Quorum. A quorum of the Governing Board shall consist of a majority of its total voting membership.

D. Committees. As needed, the Governing Board may create permanent or ad hoc advisory committees to give advice to the Governing Board on such matters as may be referred to such committee by the Governing Board. All committees shall have a stated purpose before they are formed and shall remain in existence until they are dissolved by the Governing Board. Qualified persons shall be appointed to such committees by the Governing Board and each such appointee shall serve at the pleasure of the Governing Board. Committees, unless otherwise provided by law, this Agreement, the Bylaws or by direction of the Governing Board, may be composed of representatives to the Governing Board and other persons.

E. Actions. Actions taken by the Governing Board shall be by a majority of the voting representatives of the Governing Board which are present with a quorum in attendance, unless by a provision of applicable law, this Agreement, the Bylaws or by direction of the Governing Board, a higher number of votes is required to carry a particular motion.

Section 8. Duties of the Governing Board. The Governing Board shall be deemed, for all purposes, the policy making body of the WSCCOG. All of the powers of the WSCCOG, except as may be expressly delegated to others pursuant to the provisions of applicable law, this Agreement, the Bylaws or by direction of the Governing Board, shall be exercised by and through the Governing Board.

Section 9. Roberts Rules of Order. The substance of Roberts Rules of Order shall apply to proceedings of the Governing Board, except as may otherwise be provided by provisions of applicable law, this Agreement, the Bylaws or by direction of the Governing Board.

Section 10. Meetings of Governing Board. The Governing Board shall, by means of the adoption of Bylaws, establish the dates and times of regular meetings of the Governing Board. The location of each such meeting shall be as directed by the Governing Board.

Section 11. Election of Chair and Vice Chair. The Chair of the Governing Board, shall conduct all meetings of the Governing Board and perform such other duties and functions as required of such person by provisions of applicable law, this Agreement, the Bylaws or by the direction of the Governing Board. The Vice Chair shall serve as Chair in the absence of the Chair and shall perform such duties as may be required by provisions of applicable law, this Agreement, the Bylaws, or by the direction of the Governing Board or the Chair. At the first regular meeting of the Governing Board, a Governing Board Representative shall be elected to the position of Chair by the Governing Board, and a different-Governing Board Representative shall be elected to the position of Vice Chair of the Governing Board. The terms of office of the Chair and Vice Chair elected at the first regular meeting of the Governing Board shall continue through the first July 1 of their terms and expire on the second July 1, and elections to determine their successors shall not be held until the first regular meeting of the May preceding the second July 1. Thereafter, a Governing Board Representative shall be elected annually to the position of Chair, and a different Governing Board Representative shall be elected to the position of Vice Chair of the Governing Board at the first regular meeting of the Governing Board held in May of each calendar year. The terms of office of the Chair and Vice Chair shall commence the July 1 of that calendar year and expire on the following July 1. If there is a vacancy, for any reason, in the position of Chair or Vice Chair, the Governing Board shall forthwith conduct an election and fill the vacancy for the unexpired term of such prior incumbent.

Section 12. Designation of and Duties of Treasurer. The Treasurer of one of the Members shall serve as Treasurer of the WSCCOG for a term of three (3) years. Upon expiration or earlier termination of the term, the Treasurer of the Member entity whose representative then serves as the Chair of the Governing Board shall serve as the Treasurer for the WSCCOG. Should that person have just served as Treasurer or otherwise not be available, then the Treasurer of the Member entity whose representative then serves as Vice Chair shall serve as the Treasurer. The Treasurer shall have charge of the depositing and custody of all funds held by the WSCCOG. The Treasurer shall perform such other duties as may be imposed by provisions of applicable law, including those duties described in section 6505.5 of the Government Code, and such duties, as may be required by this Agreement, the Bylaws and by the direction of the Governing Board.

Section 13. Designation of Other Officers and Employees. The Governing Board may employ such other officers or employees as it deems appropriate and necessary to conduct the affairs of the WSCCOG.

Section 14. Obligations of WSCCOG. The debts, liabilities and obligations of the WSCCOG (“WSCCOG Obligations”) shall be the debts, liabilities or obligations of the WSCCOG alone. The Obligations shall not constitute debts, liabilities and obligations of the Members, and the Members shall have no liability therefore.

Section 15. Control and Investment of WSCCOG Funds. The Governing Board shall adopt a policy for the control and investment of its funds and shall require strict compliance with such policy. The policy shall comply, in all respects, with all provisions of applicable law.

Section 16. Implementation Agreements. When authorized by the Governing Board, affected Members may execute an Implementation Agreement for the purpose of authorizing the WSCCOG to implement, manage and administer area-wide and regional programs in the interest of the local public welfare. The costs incurred by the WSCCOG in implementing a program, including indirect costs, shall be assessed only to those Members who are parties to that Implementation Agreement.

Section 17. Term. The WSCCOG created pursuant to this Agreement shall continue in existence until such time as this Agreement is terminated. This Agreement may not be terminated except by an affirmative vote of a majority of the then total voting membership of the Governing Board.

Section 18. Application of Laws to WSCCOG Functions. The WSCCOG shall comply with all applicable laws in the conduct of its affairs, including, but not limited to, the Ralph M. Brown Act. (Section 54950 et seq. of the Government Code.)

Section 19. Members.

A. Withdrawal. A Member may withdraw from the WSCCOG by filing its written notice of withdrawal with the Chair of the Governing Board 60 days before the actual withdrawal. Such a withdrawal shall be effective at 12:00 o'clock a.m. on the last day of that 60-day period. The withdrawal of a Member shall not in any way discharge, impair or modify the voluntarily-assumed obligations of the withdrawn Member in existence as of the effective date of its withdrawal. Withdrawal of a Member shall not affect the remaining Members. A withdrawn Member shall not be entitled to the return of any funds or other assets belonging to the WSCCOG, until the effective date of termination of this Agreement, except that a withdrawn Member shall be entitled to the pro-rated balance of the annual dues paid for the year by that Member which were intended for the remaining part of that year. Withdrawal from any Implementation Agreement shall not be deemed withdrawal from the WSCCOG.

B. Non-Payment of Dues. If a Member fails to pay dues within three months of the annual dues assessment as required under Section 21 of this Agreement and the Bylaws, and after a 30-day written notice is provided to that Member, the Member shall be deemed to be suspended from this Agreement and the WSCCOG. When a Member is suspended, no representative of that Member shall participate or vote on the Governing Board. Such a Member shall be readmitted only upon the payment of all dues then owed by the Member, including dues incurred prior to the suspension and during the suspension.

C. Admitting New Members. New Members may be admitted to the WSCCOG upon an affirmative vote of a majority of the total voting membership of the Governing Board provided that such a proposed new Member is a city or other public agency whose jurisdiction, or part thereof, lies within or immediately adjacent to any city which is a member of WSCCOG.

Admission shall be subject to such terms and conditions as the Governing Board may deem appropriate.

Section 20. Interference with Function of Members. The Governing Board shall not take any action which constitutes an interference with the exercise of lawful powers by a Member of the WSCCOG.

Section 21. Dues of Members. The Members of the WSCCOG shall be responsible for the payment to the WSCCOG, annually, of dues, if any, in the amounts periodically budgeted by the Governing Board, as and for the operating costs of the WSCCOG, as provided in the Bylaws.

Section 22. Disposition of Assets. Upon the winding up and dissolution of the WSCCOG, after paying or adequately providing for the debts and obligations of the WSCCOG, the remaining assets of the WSCCOG shall be distributed to the parties to this Agreement in proportion to their contributions to the WSCCOG during its existence, pursuant to Government Code Section 6512. If for any reason the parties to the Agreement are unable or unwilling to accept the assets of the WSCCOG, said assets will be distributed to the State of California or any local government for public purposes.

Section 23. Amendment. This Agreement may be amended at any time with the consent of a majority of the members by a majority vote of the legislative body of each Member.

Section 24. Effective Date. The effective date ("Effective Date") of this Agreement shall be the latest date of execution by a Member. This Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the successors of the Members, respectively. None of the Members may assign any right or obligation hereunder without the written consent of the other Members.

Section 25. Immunities. The provisions of Section 6513 of the Government Code are hereby incorporated into this Agreement.

Section 26. General Provisions.

A. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be deemed to have been made, and shall be construed and interpreted, in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

B. Notices. Any notice required hereunder must be in writing and shall be considered received upon delivery to the City or County Clerk of the party to be notified, or two (2) business days after deposit in the United States mail, postage prepaid and properly addressed to such City or County Clerk.

C. Execution in Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed on behalf of the respective Members in one or more counterparts, all of which shall collectively constitute one agreement.

D. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Agreement is for any reason held to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases, or portions of this Agreement shall

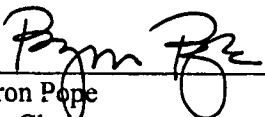
nonetheless remain in full force and effect. The governing body of each of the Members hereby declares that it would have adopted each section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Agreement, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases, or portions of this Agreement be declared invalid or unenforceable.

E. Enforcement of Agreement. The WSCCOG is hereby authorized to take any or all legal or equitable actions, including but not limited to injunctive relief and specific performance, necessary or permitted by law to enforce this Agreement.

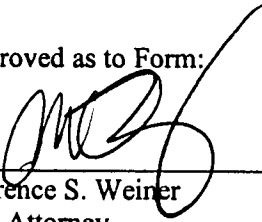
F. No Third Party Beneficiaries. This Agreement is intended solely for the benefit of the WSCCOG and the parties to this Agreement, and no third party shall be deemed to be a beneficiary or to have any rights hereunder against the Authority or any of its Members.

The Members of this Joint Powers Agreement have caused this Agreement to be executed on their behalf as of the date specified below, respectively, as follows:

Attest:


Byron Pope
City Clerk

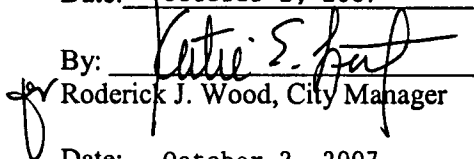
Approved as to Form:


Laurence S. Weiner
City Attorney

City of Beverly Hills

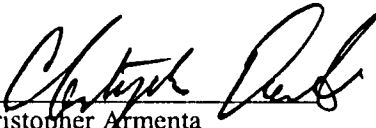
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Jimmy Delshad, Mayor

Date: October 2, 2007

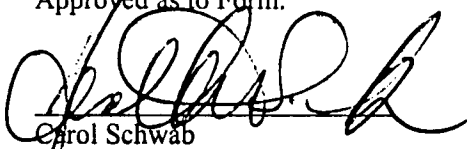
By: 
Roderick J. Wood, City Manager

Date: October 2, 2007


Attest:


Christopher Armenta
City Clerk

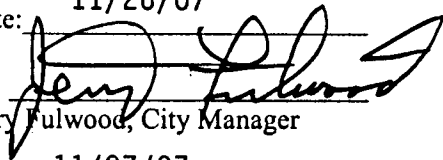
Approved as to Form:


Carol Schwab
City Attorney

City of Culver City

By: 
Alan Corlin, Mayor

Date: 11/26/07

By: 
Jerry Fulwood, City Manager

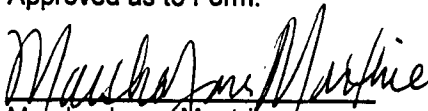
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Attest:



Maria Stewart
City Clerk

Approved as to Form:



Matsha Jones Moutrie
City Attorney

City of Santa Monica

By: 

Richard Bloom, Mayor


Date: 10/30/07

By: 

P. Lamont Ewell, City Manager

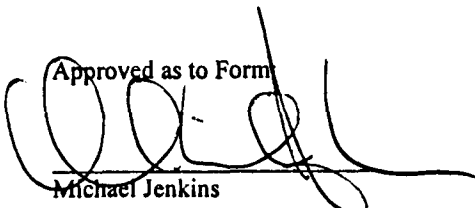
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Attest:




Tom West
City Clerk

Approved as to Form:




Michael Jenkins
City Attorney

City of West Hollywood

By: 

John Duran, Mayor

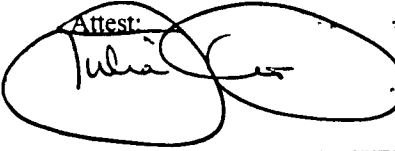
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By: 

Paul Arevalo, City Manager

Date: 9.27.07

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Attest:  Deputy City Clerk
11-15-07

Frank T. Martinez
City Clerk

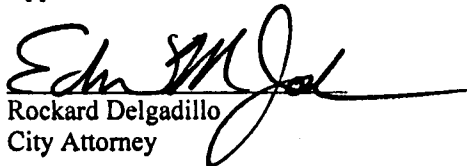


City of Los Angeles

By: 
Eric Garcetti, Council President

Date: 11/14/07

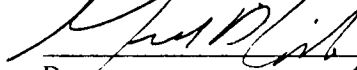
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Rockard Delgadillo
City Attorney

Date: 11/14/07

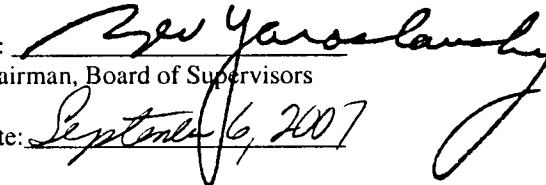
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Sachi A. Hamai
Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors


Deputy

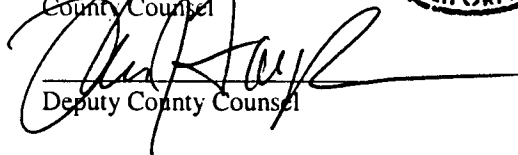


County of Los Angeles

By: 
Chairman, Board of Supervisors
Date: September 6, 2007

Approved as to Form:

Raymond G. Fortner, Jr.
County Counsel


Deputy County Counsel

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SACHI A. HAMAI
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

EXHIBIT A
Members

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City Manager

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Culver City, CA 90232-0507
Attention: Jerry Fulwood
Chief Administrative Officer

City of Los Angeles
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Los Angeles, CA 90012
Attention: Karen L. Sisson City Administrative Officer

City of Santa Monica
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Santa Monica, CA 90401
Attention: Lamont Ewell
City Manager

City of West Hollywood
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West Hollywood, CA 90069
Attention: Paul Arevalo
City Manager

County of Los Angeles
Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012
Attention: Sachi E. Hamai, Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

Comparison of Other COGs

COG	Delegate/Alternate Representatives	Ex Officio	Teleconferencing
San Gabriel Valley COG	<p>Must be a member of the legislative body of one of the appointing Members except the Governing Board Representatives and Alternate Governing Board Representatives for the County do not have to be members of any legislative body but shall serve at the pleasure of their respective County Supervisors.</p> <p><u>County Supervisorial District #1</u> Delegate: Rachel Barbosa, Director Alternate: Javier Hernandez, Transportation Deputy</p> <p><u>County Supervisorial District #4</u> Delegate: Richard Simmons Alternate: Mike Hughes</p> <p><u>County Supervisorial District #5</u> Delegate: Kathryn Barger Leibrich, Chief Deputy Alternate: Brian Mejia, Field Deputy</p>	No Member shall be entitled to “ex officio” non-voting representation on the Governing Board, but it may allow “ex officio” non-voting representation from public entities that are not members.	N/A
South Bay Cities COG	<p>Must be a member of the legislative body of one of the appointing Members except for the Alternate Governing Board Representatives for the County. The Supervisors from the 2nd and 4th Supervisorial Districts shall each designate their chief of staff or a senior staff person from their office as the County’s Alternate Governing Board Representatives.</p> <p><u>County Supervisorial District #2</u> Delegate: Mark Ridley-Thomas, Supervisor Alternate: David Riccitiello, Senior Deputy</p> <p><u>County Supervisorial District #4</u> Delegate: Don Knabe, LA County Supervisor Alternate: Steve Napolitano, Field Deputy</p>	N/A	N/A
San Fernando Valley COG	<p>Must be a member of the legislative body of one of the appointing Member Jurisdictions; or in the case of an Alternate Board Representative a member of the legislative body or full-time staff member of one of the appointing Member Jurisdictions.</p>	N/A	N/A
Gateway Cities COG	<p>32 Seats - 1 City Council Member from each City, the Mayor of Long Beach, and 3 members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, Port of Long Beach</p>	<u>Port of Long Beach</u> Tracy Egoscue, Harbor Commission Secretary (Ex Officio Member)	N/A



DATE: July 25, 2016

TO: Westside Cities Council of Governments Board

FROM: Westside Cities Council of Governments Staff

SUBJECT: Executive Director's Report

Potential Ballot Measure Update

On June 3, 2016, the WSCCOG Board convened a special board meeting to discuss and draft a comment letter to Metro in response to the potential ballot measure and the draft expenditure plan. The WSCCOG board submitted the comment letter on June 6 (see **Attachment 1**). On June 10, Metro released the revised expenditure plan in response to the public comments. WSCCOG reviewed and prepared a summary comparison of the revised expenditure plan and the WSCCOG comment letter sent to Metro (see attachment).

CalTrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Program Update

In June 2016, CalTrans released the list of awarded applications for the FY 2016-17 Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant. The WSCCOG applied for a grant in this cycle to fund an update of Westside Mobility Plan. WSCCOG was not awarded the grant for FY 2016-17. WSCCOG staff is currently working with SCAG and Caltrans to schedule a debriefing meeting to learn how the WSCCOG can improve the grant application for the next funding round. WSCCOG is also working with the WSCCOG Transportation Committee to discuss potential interjurisdictional projects that may be competitive for the FY 2017-18 funding cycle.

Attachments

1. WSCCOG Comment Letter to Metro (June 6, 2016)
 2. Comparison of the Revised Expenditure Plan and WSCCOG Comment Letter to Metro
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Honorable Mark Ridley-Thomas
 Chair, Metro Board of Directors
 Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro)
 1 Gateway Plaza
 Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Amend Draft Potential Ballot Measure Expenditure Plan

Dear Chair Ridley-Thomas:

The Westside Cities Council of Governments (WSCCOG) commends your leadership and the efforts of Metro staff to consider the diversity of stakeholder views, including those of the Councils of Government, in crafting the draft potential ballot measure expenditure plan. The WSCCOG has analyzed the potential ballot measure and draft expenditure plan and has been pleased to identify several key elements that align with our region's transportation priorities, as reflected in the Westside Mobility Matrix and the priority list for Metro's potential ballot measure and Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) update.

However, in an effort to fine-tune the plan and in response to Metro's request for comments at the COG level, the WSCCOG recommends that Metro amend the potential ballot measure to include the following changes:

1. Accelerate the Northern Extension of the Crenshaw/LAX Line

The Crenshaw/LAX Northern Extension project would fill a central gap in Metro's existing network. The WSCCOG strongly supports expediting the Northern Extension of the Crenshaw/LAX line so that it is included in Metro's first decade of investment of funds under the transportation sales tax measure. The segment between Exposition Boulevard and Wilshire Boulevard was part of Measure R and as such should receive appropriate priority in the proposed measure. We further advocate completing this critical north-south linkage that will connect the South Bay to the Valley in a single phase rather than phasing the project. The ridership and greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) reduction benefits of the project warrant an accelerated commitment.

2. Consider a 'No Sunset' provision

Should polling indicate public support, the WSCCOG proposes that Metro adopt a 'no sunset' provision for the measure to allow for the region to obtain greater leverage to secure federal, Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund and other funding to build out all transportation priorities—including projects that are consistent with the WSCCOG's 2013 transportation priorities, such as expediting the Crenshaw/LAX Northern Extension, extending the Purple Line to Santa Monica, and funding the I-10/Robertson/National Multimodal Circulation Improvement Project.

3. Increase the allocation for Regional Active Transportation Projects (ATP) and Local Return by reducing the allocation for Highway Construction

The WSCCOG supports allocating at least 2% of the funds for regional active transportation projects (ATP) and strongly supports increasing this percentage. Like our sister sub-regional COGs, the WSCCOG also supports increasing the 16% local return allocation to 20%. The WSCCOG proposes that Metro fund increases in these

categories by reducing the funding allocated for Highway Construction. We further urge Metro to clarify that a portion of the increased allocation for Local Return should be dedicated to supporting the implementation of complete, green streets that include location-appropriate green infrastructure – including green streets, bioswales, infiltration galleries, and rainwater harvesting. Every city in Los Angeles County is struggling to meet Clean Water Act mandates for stormwater management. Encouraging cities to use Local Return funds to plan for and implement complete green streets will enable cities to leverage these investments to access other water supply and resiliency funding sources.

4. Support first/last mile solutions

First/last mile solutions are the essential connective tissue that will ultimately pull together the region's entire transit system. For that reason the WSCCOG urges Metro to support and facilitate innovative, effective and practical first/last mile efforts as part of its transit build-out plan to ensure that our infrastructure investments yield a truly accessible, integrated transportation system.

5. Reduce GHG emissions by accelerating transit projects ahead of highway projects

In order to meet the aggressive target set by the state legislature to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 40 percent below 1990 levels by 2030, transit projects should be placed on a faster timeline than highway improvements as these are the projects that will reduce the most greenhouse gas emissions when completed. Moreover, Metro should support rapid advancements in autonomous and other intelligent vehicle technologies that will reduce the demand for new highway capacity in the out years of the plan, thereby saving money in the long-run.

6. Build in flexibility to incorporate advanced/innovative technology

We believe this ballot measure should be focused on the future and include flexibility to incorporate transformative advances in information and vehicle technology into public transportation. The anticipated widespread use of car-sharing services and autonomous vehicles and the advent of other unforeseen mobility approaches make it imperative that Metro preserve the flexibility to invest in future solutions rather than be locked into a spending plan that cannot respond to technological, market and demographic changes.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide further comments on the proposed ballot measure and expenditure plan. If you have any questions regarding this letter or wish to further consult or collaborate on the measure, please contact our Executive Director, Cecilia Estolano at cecilia@elpadvisors.com or (213) 612-4545.

Sincerely yours,



Jeffrey Cooper
Chair, Westside Cities Council of Governments
Vice Mayor, City of Culver City

CC: Honorable Board Members of the Metro Board of Directors
Honorable Board Members of Westside Cities Council of Governments
Phillip Washington, Metro CEO
Cecilia V. Estolano, Executive Director of Westside Cities Council of Governments

Comparison of the Revised Expenditure Plan and WSCCOG Comment Letter to Metro

On June 10, 2016, Metro staff released a [Revised Expenditure Plan](#) for a proposed sales tax measure on the November ballot, also known as the Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan. Below is a snapshot of how the new plan compares to the WSCCOG comment letter submitted to Metro on June 6, 2016.

1. Accelerate the Northern Extension of the Crenshaw/LAX Line

The Crenshaw/LAX Northern Extension project would fill a central gap in Metro's existing network. The WSCCOG strongly supports expediting the Northern Extension of the Crenshaw/LAX line so that it is included in Metro's first decade of investment of funds under the transportation sales tax measure. The segment between Exposition Boulevard and Wilshire Boulevard was part of Measure R and as such should receive appropriate priority in the proposed measure. We further advocate completing this critical north-south linkage that will connect the South Bay to the Valley in a single phase rather than phasing the project. The ridership and greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) reduction benefits of the project warrant an accelerated commitment.

Revised Plan:

The new no sunset provision in the new plan enabled the acceleration of the Crenshaw/LAX Northern Extension project by 8 years. The project will begin FY 2041 rather than FY 2049. This does not meet our proposed request to start the project within the first decade of investment of funds under the new measure.

2. Consider a 'No Sunset' provision

Should polling indicate public support, the WSCCOG proposes that Metro adopt a 'no sunset' provision for the measure to allow for the region to obtain greater leverage to secure federal, Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund and other funding to build out all transportation priorities—including projects that are consistent with the WSCCOG's 2013 transportation priorities, such as expediting the Crenshaw/LAX Northern Extension, extending the Purple Line to Santa Monica, and funding the I-10/Robertson/National Multimodal Circulation Improvement Project.

Revised Plan:

The revised plan replaced the 2057 horizon end date with a no sunset term (or until the voters decide to end it) to enable project acceleration, increased funding for local return, sustainable funding for all programs, and more. For the Westside subregion, project acceleration included the Crenshaw/LAX northern extension (8 year acceleration) and the Lincoln Blvd. BRT (7-year acceleration with an upgrade to light rail). According to the "Potential Ballot Measure Public Input and Polling Results" (click [here](#) for the report), 72% would vote for the "no sunset" ballot measure.

3. Increase the allocation for Regional Active Transportation Projects (ATP) and Local Return by reducing the allocation for Highway Construction

The WSCCOG supports allocating at least 2% of the funds for regional active transportation projects (ATP) and strongly supports increasing this percentage. Like our sister sub-regional COGs, the WSCCOG also supports increasing the 16% local return allocation to 20%. The WSCCOG proposes that Metro fund increases in these categories by reducing the funding allocated for Highway Construction. We further urge Metro to clarify that a portion of the increased allocation for Local Return should be dedicated to supporting the implementation of complete, green streets that

include location-appropriate green infrastructure – including green streets, bioswales, infiltration galleries, and rainwater harvesting. Every city in Los Angeles County is struggling to meet Clean Water Act mandates for stormwater management. Encouraging cities to use Local Return funds to plan for and implement complete green streets will enable cities to leverage these investments to access other water supply and resiliency funding sources.

Revised Plan:

Active Transportation Projects: The revised plan did not increase the overall allocation for ATP. However, with the no sunset term, the 2% ATP allocation will now be a continuing long-term appropriation for active transportation. Additionally, based on an analysis by Investing in Place (click [here](#) for the report), approximately 6% of the measure is dedicated for active transportation, plus an additional 3% for complete streets projects where active transportation is the primary purpose.

Last May, Board Directors Butts, DuBois, Knabe, and Solis introduced a motion (click [here](#) for the motion) for Metro to negotiate in a standardized MOU with the respective contributing jurisdiction(s) that up to 100% of a local jurisdiction's 3% local contribution can go towards underwriting ATP, First/Last Mile, bike and pedestrian and street safety projects that contribute to the accessibility and success of the stations in the respective jurisdictions. This is now incorporated in the revised plan with new provisions for the 3% local contribution to major transit capital projects, which will allow for local jurisdictions to meet all or a portion of their 3% local contributions through investments in active transportation and first/last mile investments that are included in the Project scopes, consistent with station area plans jointly developed by Metro and affected jurisdictions.

Local Return: The revised plan increased the Local Return allocation from 16% to 17%, along with another 3% increase after FY 2040 for a total of 20%. 1% of these funds will come out of the Metro administrative funds, and 3% will come from Transit or Highway Capital Sub-funds as determined prior to FY 2040 by the Metro Board of Directors.

The revised plan also added a new provision to withhold 15 years of local return funds from the new measure if the local agencies fail to reach an agreement with Metro on their 3% local contribution to major transit capital projects (applies only to local jurisdictions that have a transit station or a new transit line).

Metro did not identify any earmarks or specific policies in the plan on how local jurisdictions spend its local return funds, such as dedication to green infrastructure and complete streets as the WSCCOG proposed in the comment letter).

4. Support first/last mile solutions

First/last mile solutions are the essential connective tissue that will ultimately pull together the region's entire transit system. For that reason the WSCCOG urges Metro to support and facilitate innovative, effective and practical first/last mile efforts as part of its transit build-out plan to ensure that our infrastructure investments yield a truly accessible, integrated transportation system.

Revised Plan:

See above under “Active Transportation Projects” regarding the 3% local contribution for first/last mile improvements.

5. Reduce GHG emissions by accelerating transit projects ahead of highway projects

In order to meet the aggressive target set by the state legislature to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 40 percent below 1990 levels by 2030, transit projects should be placed on a faster timeline than highway improvements as these are the projects that will reduce the most greenhouse gas emissions when completed. Moreover, Metro should support rapid advancements in autonomous and other intelligent vehicle technologies that will reduce the demand for new highway capacity in the out years of the plan, thereby saving money in the long-run.

Revised Plan:

Of the 9 accelerated projects under the revised plan, 8 of the projects are transit-related. Two of the accelerated projects within the Westside subregion included the Crenshaw/LAX northern extension (8 year acceleration) and the Lincoln Blvd. BRT (7-year acceleration with an upgrade to light rail).

6. Build in flexibility to incorporate advanced/innovative technology

We believe this ballot measure should be focused on the future and include flexibility to incorporate transformative advances in information and vehicle technology into public transportation. The anticipated widespread use of car-sharing services and autonomous vehicles and the advent of other unforeseen mobility approaches make it imperative that Metro preserve the flexibility to invest in future solutions rather than be locked into a spending plan that cannot respond to technological, market and demographic changes.

Revised Plan:

The draft ordinance specifically stated “Embracing technology and innovation” as one of the core goals of the plan, including the intent to incorporate modern technology, new advancements and emerging innovations into the local transportation system. The new plan also allows for acceleration through innovation, as long as it does not impact the other project schedules.

Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan Documents

Review the revised LRTP, public input, polling results, and staff presentation including project maps below:

- [Potential Ballot Measure \(June 15, 2016\)](#)
- [Public Input and Polling Results \(June 15, 2016\)](#)
- [Staff Recommendations Presentation \(June 10, 2016\)](#)

Next steps

- Metro
 - Adopt the Ordinance, including the Expenditure Plan, to implement the Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan through a transportation sales tax measure

- Adopt the Resolution requesting that the LA County Supervisors place the Ordinance on the ballot with specific ballot language for the November 8, 2016 countywide general election
 - Amend the FY2017 budget to add \$10.9 million to fund election related and public information activities
- WSCCOG
 - Draft a position on the ballot measure

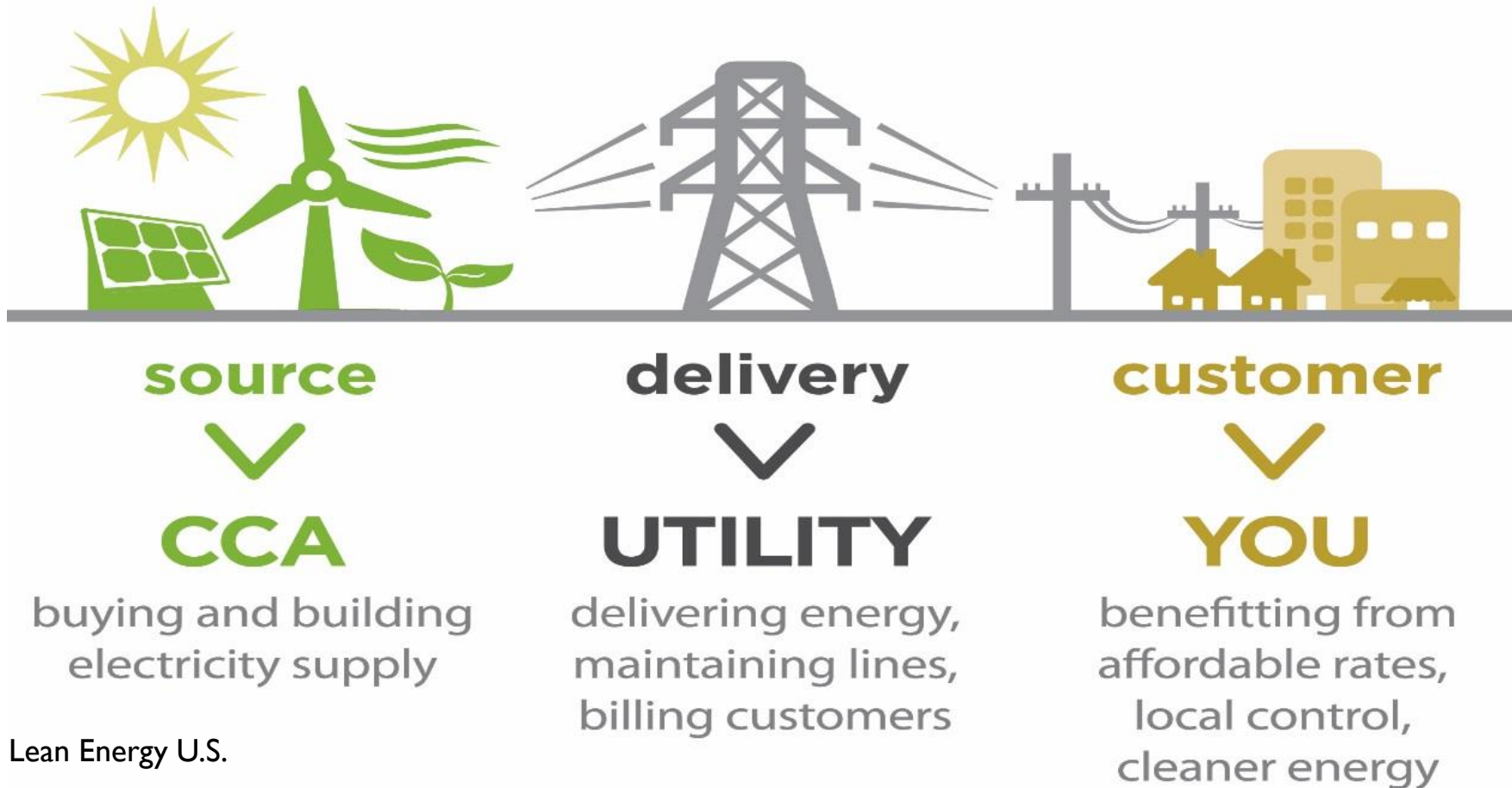
Presentation for Los Angeles County
Board of Supervisors Offices and
Eligible Cities

PRESENTATION CONTENTS

- **CCA/CCE Background (Community Choice Aggregation/Energy)**
- **CCE Status in California**
- **LA County Community Choice Energy (LACCE) Business Plan Results**
- **LACCE Governance**
- **Next Steps**
- **Milestone Schedule**

HOW LOCAL AGGREGATION WORKS*

How Local Energy Aggregation Works



* Graphic from Lean Energy U.S.

WHY DO COMMUNITY CHOICE ENERGY?

- **Local/Regional Decision Making in Energy Supply and Management**
 - More renewables in wholesale power supply
 - Retail rates and customer programs design
 - Local government or JPA governance

- **Lower Rates with More Renewables**
 - No shareholder incentives or corporate profits
 - Leaner organizations
 - Municipal financing

WHY ARE CCEs VIABLE AND WORKING?

- **Large-Scale Renewable Prices are Dropping, approaching parity with other sources**
- **Local Renewable Power Project Prices are also Dropping**
- **IOUs are Holding Long-Term, Non-Renewable/Higher Price Renewable Power Contracts (see more under “Risks” – Stranded Costs)**
- **CCEs Status in California**
 - **IN OPERATION:** Marin Clean Energy, Sonoma Clean Power, San Francisco Clean Power, (City of) Lancaster Clean Energy
 - **PLANNED OPERATIONS:** Redwood Coast, Silicon Valley (Santa Clara County/various cities), City of San Jose, Central Coast (Monterey Bay area counties)
 - **UNDER STUDY:** Los Angeles County, Santa Barbara/Ventura/SLO Counties, Riverside/San Bernardino Counties, City of San Diego

IMPACTS TO INVESTOR-OWNED UTILITY

- **No Revenue Impact to IOUs on Wholesale Power Procurement**
 - Procurement is a “pass-through” – no rate of return earned
 - IOUs remain as grid operator, billing entity, and customer service agent
 - CCEs pay IOUs for CCE billing and data transaction services

- **Industry Trends Suggest IOUs may be Grid Operators Only**
 - CCEs and retail choice making IOU wholesale supplier role “moot”
 - Distributed generation, battery storage, EVs – enhance grid operator role
 - CCEs can increase deployment of technologies and help with grid concerns

CUSTOMERS AND LOAD IMPLEMENTATION

Participation Schedule

Phase	Start	Eligibility*	Customer Accounts	Peak Load (MW)	Average Load MWa	LACCE Annual Revenues
Phase 1	January 2017	LA County Facilities within Unincorporated Area	1,728	40	20	\$25M
Phase 2	July 2017	All Customers in Unincorporated LA County	306,930	900	440	\$180M
Phase 3	To Be Determined	All Individual Cities	1,497,747	7,000	3,000	\$1,200M

7/4/2016

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* Cities may join Phases 1 & 2

LACCE RATE OUTCOMES

Indicative Rate Comparison in ¢/kWh

Rate Class	SCE Bundled Rate*	LACCE RPS Bundled Rate	LACCE 50% Green Bundled Rate	LACCE 100% Green Bundled Rate
Residential	17.1	16.2	16.4	18.2
GS-1	16.6	15.7	15.9	17.7
GS-2	15.8	15.0	15.2	16.9
GS-3	14.5	13.8	13.9	15.5
PA-2	12.6	12.0	12.1	13.4
PA-3	10.4	9.9	10.0	11.1
TOU-8 Secondary	13.1	12.4	12.6	14.0
TOU-8 Primary	11.7	11.1	11.2	12.5
TOU-8 Substation	7.5	7.1	7.2	8.0
Total LACCE Rate Savings		5.4%	4.1%	(6.3%)

7/4/2016

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF PHASE 2 LACCE OPERATIONS

	2017	2018	2019
Forecast Renewables (50% Renewables) MWh	1,438,275	1,459,854	1,459,854
Forecast Renewables (RPS) MWh	730,029	737,154	737,154
Additional Green MWh (50%)	708,246	727,700	722,700
Tons CO ₂ Reduction – Efficient Gas-Fired Plants (Ph 2)	283,298	289,080	289,080
Tons CO ₂ Reduction – Inefficient Gas Plants (Ph 2)	495,772	505,890	505,890

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OVERALL LACCE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS PERSPECTIVE

LACCE GHG REDUCTIONS	LAC GHG Municipal Operations*	LA County Total GHG Electricity**	LA County Total GHGs***	CA Total GHGs****
500,000 Mtons (Ph 2, 50% green)	1,000,000	25,000,000	100,000,000	460,000,000
3,000,000 Mtons (Ph 3, 50% green)		12% reduction	3% reduction	
6,000,000 Mtons (Ph 3, 100%)		24% reduction	6% reduction	
County will provide cities with their individual GHG reduction impacts of LACCE				

* LA County Facilities GHGs Responsibility

** Includes LADWP and Other Munis

*** Includes Transportation, Industrial Sources

**** In-State Electrical Production is 11% of Statewide GHGs

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IMPACTS

■ Total Electricity savings CCE vs. SCE

- At Phase 2 implementation, LACCE saves ratepayers about \$20 million/year
- A \$20 million rate reduction creates 200 new jobs in the County
- Phase 3 implementation could be 6-7 times larger

■ Conversion of Solar Use from Large-Scale (Desert) to Local Development

- Construction of one 50 MW solar project in County creates 700 jobs (construction, other services)
- LACCE needs 200+ MW of solar projects in Phase 2 and 3,000+ MW of renewables at Phase 3.
- DPW, DRP, COS and GIS developing local solar site prioritization, development map and permitting manual and local distributed generation potential

RISKS AND RISKS EVALUATION

Risk of LACCE Rates > SCE

Risk Assessment/Mitigation Measures

Power Supply Costs Increase

- LACCE Rates Rise Above SCE's Due to Power Market Price Rise
- Market Prices Predicted to Stay Low
- Power Procured Thru Long-Term, Fixed Agreements
- Hire Professionals for Procurement and Hedging Strategies

LACCE Customer Participation Rates or Consumption Reductions Decrease

- Loss of Customers Reduces Revenues
- Consumption Decreases Overall
- Conservative Business Plan Scenarios: 65% (Low) to 85% (Proposed)
- LACCE Initial Plan has Lower Price/More Green than SCE
- Consumption Decrease Impacts LACCE/SCE Equally

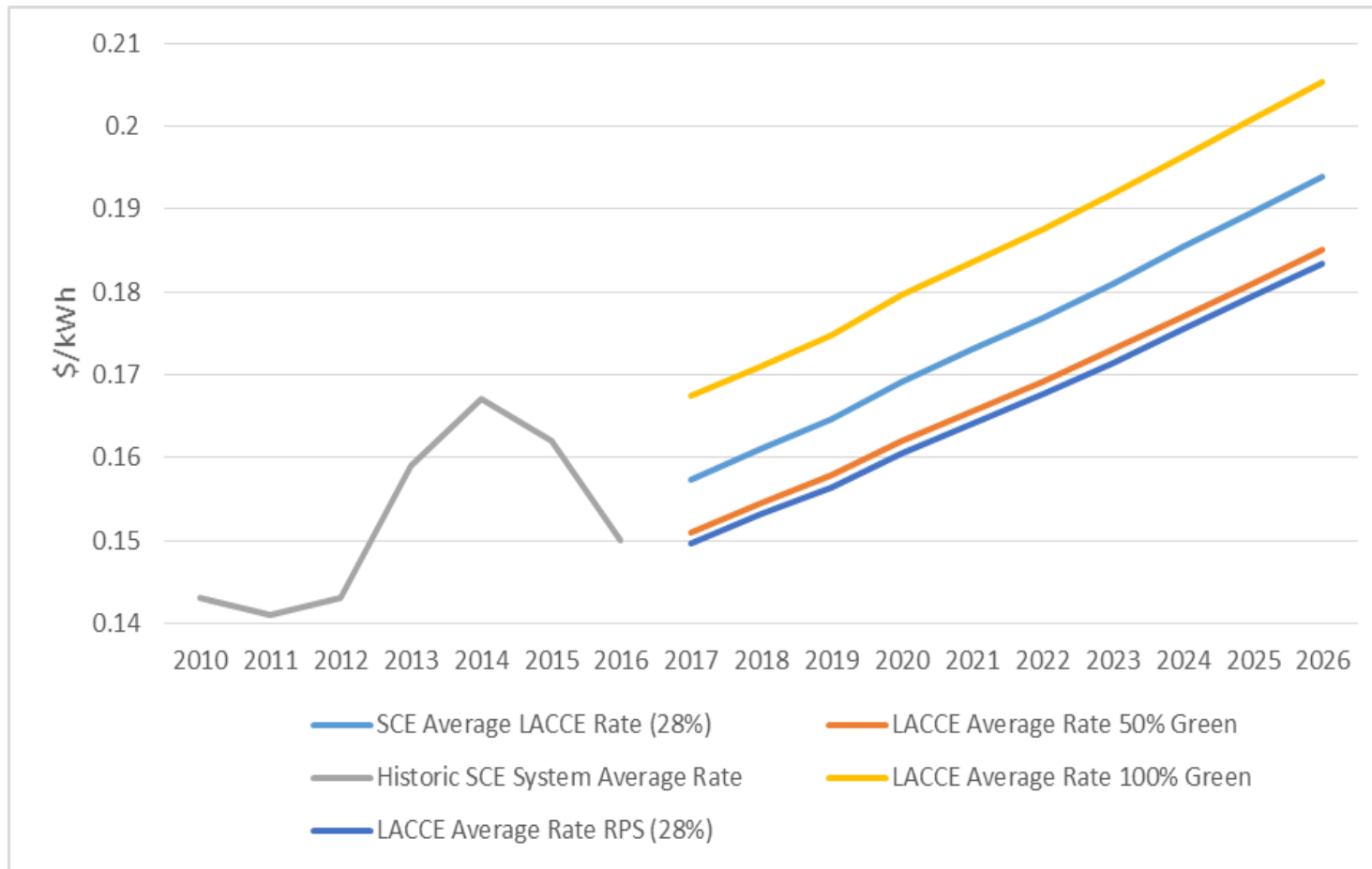
SCE Rates Go Down

- SCE Does Not Forecast Their Rates to Go Down
- SCE Faces Major Infrastructure Cost; SCE says \$2B
- History Shows Continual Increase in Rates
- RPS Driving SCE Rates

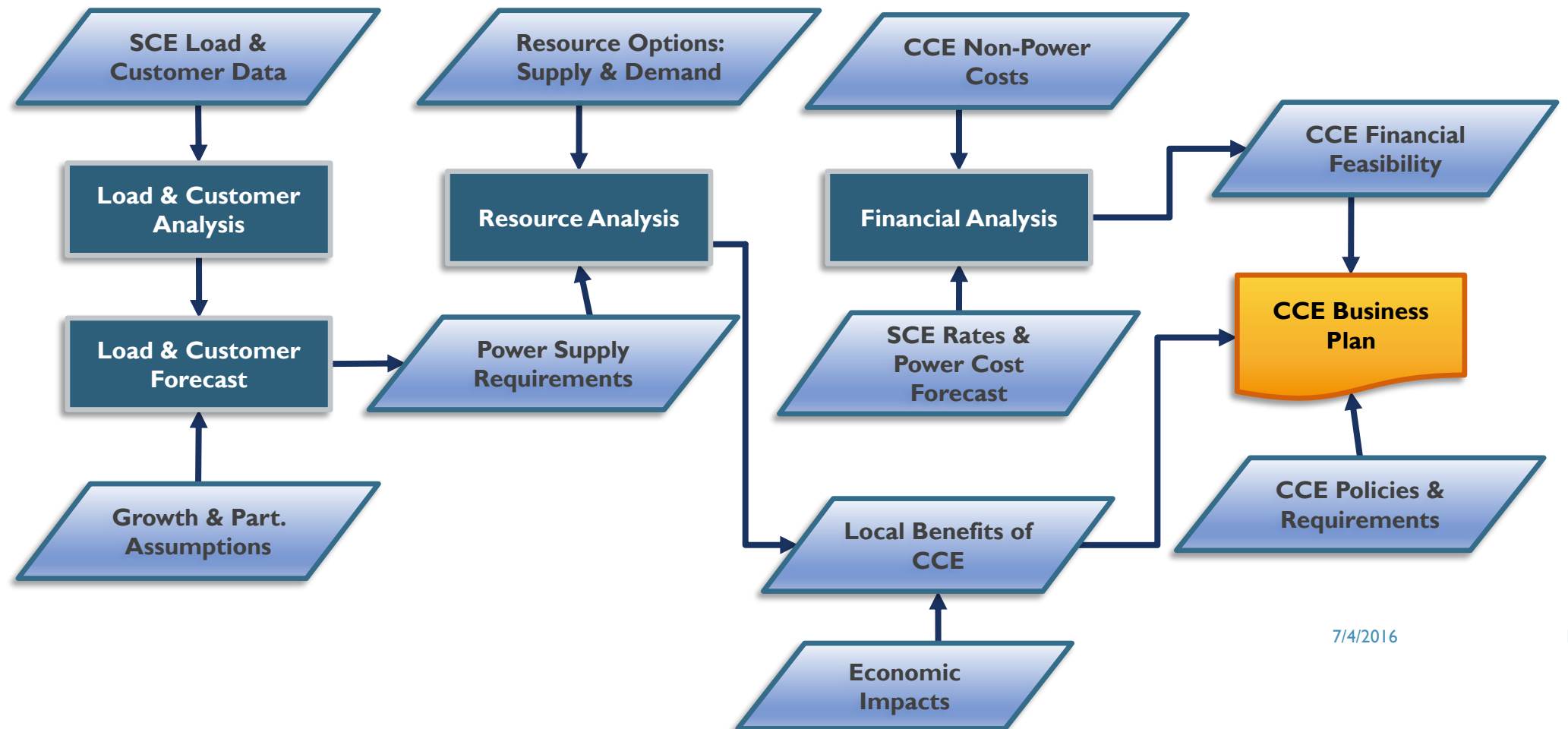
Regulatory Changes for CCEs

- Stranded Costs Increase (PCIA)
- Legislative/Regulatory Threats
- Maintain Legislative/Regulatory Awareness – CCAs' Joint Lobbying
- SCE's PCIA Goes Up if Market Prices Go Down (Not much room left)
- Possibility for LACCE to "Partner" with SCE

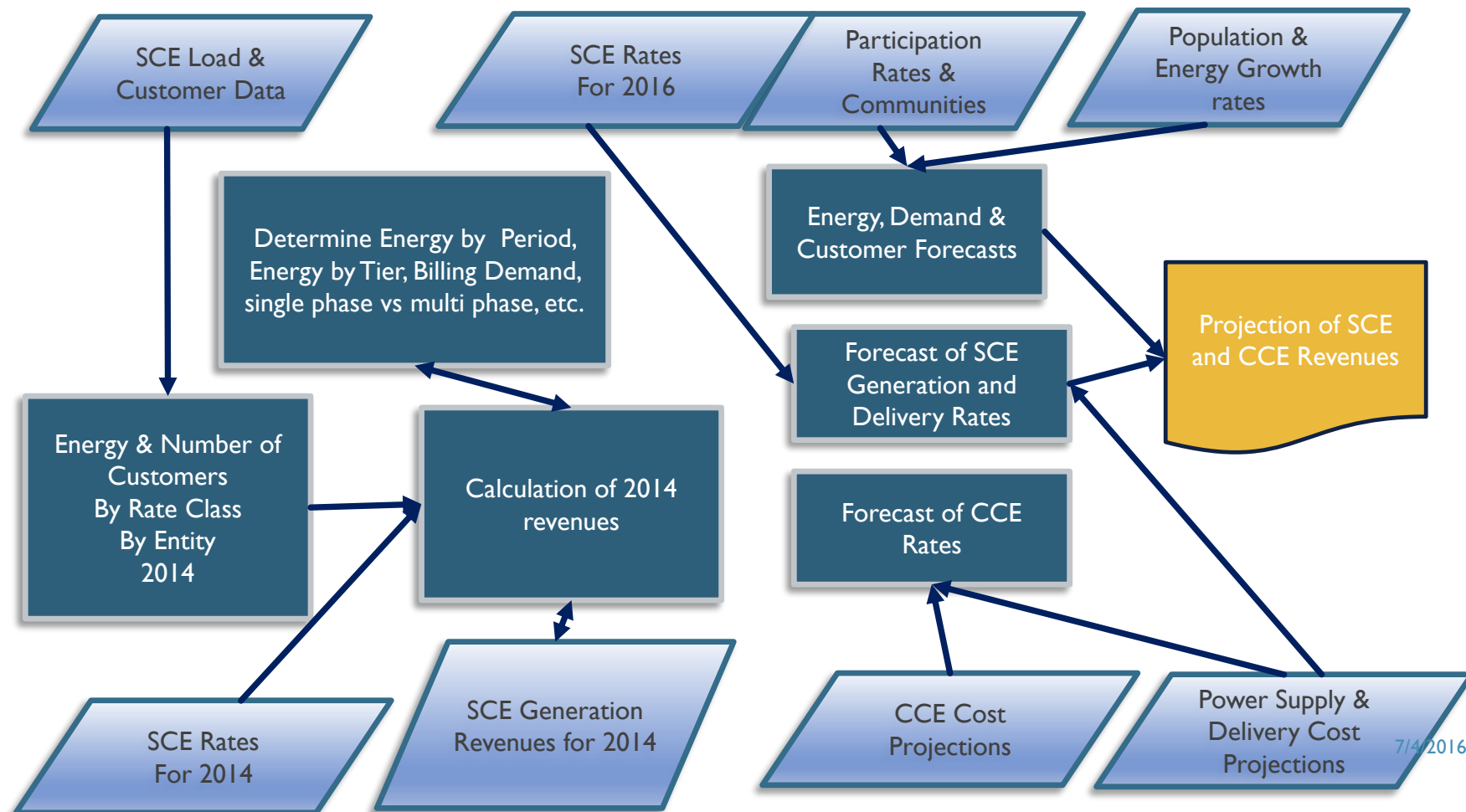
LONG-TERM LACCE/SCE RATE FORECAST



BUSINESS PLAN DEVELOPMENT METHODOLOGY



LONG-TERM RATE FORECASTS METHODOLOGY



JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY GOVERNANCE

General Governance Structure

- Executive Director and Staff Leadership
- Day-Day Governance by Executive Director and Advisory Committees (Operations, Fiscal, Legal/Regulatory)
- Each Member may, but is not required to, serve on each Advisory Committee
- JPA Debts, Liabilities, Obligations Stay With JPA and Do Not Transfer to Members

Board of Directors Governance

- Administrative, Fiscal Oversight – Retain and Direct Executive Director
- Approve, Modify LACCE Policies
- Identify, Pursue Funding Sources – Maximize Utilization of Resources
- Oversee Committee Activities

JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY GOVERNANCE (CONT'D)

Composition of the Board – VOTING RIGHTS

- *TO BE DETERMINED*

JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY GOVERNANCE (CONT'D)

Technical & Operations Committee

- review and recommend to the Board operating policies and procedures
- ensure the System resources are used efficiently to meet the needs of all Members

Finance Committee

- review and recommend to the Board fiscal year budget, financial policies/procedures around rates
- Review and recommend to the Board acquisition of program funding, financing

Legislative/Regulatory Committee – consider and advise Board on these matters

Other Committees TBD by JPA

NEXT STEPS - START-UP AND INITIAL OPERATIONS

■ Business Plan/Technical Study

- Basis for seeking financing, conducting outreach to cities/stakeholders, acquiring regulatory approvals
- Send to BOS, cities for decision-making
- Additional technical analyses may be performed, separately

■ JPA Governance

- Final Governance document to be negotiated with BOS and interested cities
- Final Governance document to be sent to BOS and cities for authorization to join JPA

NEXT STEPS – TECHNICAL TEAM (CONT'D)

■ **Assess Financing Options**

- ESSMA Energy Programs financial advisor available
- Conducts LACCE outreach to financial community
- Assists BOS and cities/stakeholders outreach
- Provides financing acquisition recommendations

■ **Technical Services Providers for Start-Up and Initial Operations**

- Technical consultants conduct Request for Qualifications, evaluates proposals, negotiate terms
- Technical consultants coordinate integration of LACCE with SCE and service providers

NEXT STEPS – JPA FORMATION (CONT'D)

- **LACCE JPA Formation – JPA Actions**
 - JPA negotiates and executes Agreement with start-up and operations providers
 - JPA negotiates and executes Agreement with LACCE financial advisor
 - JPA executes Agreement(s) with LACCE financing partner
 - JPA implements organization plan
 - JPA coordinates with CPUC, SCE, and partners per LACCE schedule
 - JPA initiates LACCE operations
- **Board Authorizes ISD/COS to run LACCE Under Phase 1 if JPA Not Established**

NEXT STEPS – POTENTIAL BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS (CONT'D)

■ LACCE Formation – Recommended Board Motion Actions

- Board authorizes County to join JPA
- Board adopts JPA Governance document, appoints Governing Board Members
- Board authorizes financial support for LACCE (or not)
- Board directs County accounts to execute multi-year agreement to be served by LACCE
- Board directs ISD to recommend how other energy programs transition to JPA control (SoCALREN, PACE)

• LACCE Formation – Cities Actions

- Review Business Plan, JPA
- City Council Resolution to Join JPA
- Phase 1 Municipal Accounts – Obtain SCE “Corporate View” Report

Los Angeles Community Choice Energy (LACCE)

Phase 1 Summary Milestone Schedule

Task Name	2015			2016												2017		
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Task Force Meetings	◆		◆		◆		◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆
Acquire SCE Data (three phases)		◆ Order	◆ 1st	◆ 2nd	◆ Final													
Business Plan				Draft ◆								◆ Final						
JPA Governing Documents											◆ Final							
Board Approves Ordinance/Resolution											◆ Authorization							
Implementation Plan/Statement of Intent											◆ Submit to CPUC							
JPA Formation														◆ Complete				
Marketing and Outreach																		
Negotiate Financing/Line of Credit																		
Energy Services/Data Management									◆ RFQ				◆ Contracts					
CPUC Certification and Launch Date Set														◆ Certification by CPUC				
Cities Opt-In for Municipal Buildings													◆ Deadline					
Negotiate Power Contracts														◆ Contracts				
Finalize Cost of Service and Rates															◆			
Execute SCE Service Agreement*													◆					
Integration with SCE																		
Initial Opt-Out Notices														◆ 1st	◆ 2nd			
Phase 1 Service Begins																		◆ Phase 1 Launch
Final Opt-Out Notices																◆ 1st	◆ 22	◆ 2nd



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Los Angeles County Metro Transportation Bill Re-Introduced by Senator Mendoza

Increases Representation on Board by Ten Members

Sacramento – Citing the need to improve accountability and representation on the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) Board, Senator Tony Mendoza (D-Artesia) announced today that he will re-introduce SB 1472 in the State Assembly to increase the membership of the Board of Directors for the Metropolitan Transportation Authority from 14 to 24 members

“SB 522 will add ten more members to the Metro Board in order to ensure it more fairly and equitably represents all of Los Angeles County’s ten million residents,” said Senator Tony Mendoza.

Currently, LA County Supervisors hold five seats (38%) while representing only 10% of the population, while the City of LA has four seats, leaving only four seats for the remaining 85 cities in the County, representing over 50% of the County’s population. This lopsided system is reflected in the lopsided priorities of Metro, particularly in failing to address the needs of residents living outside the City of LA.

Created by state legislation in 1972, Metro is the regional transportation planner for all of Los Angeles County. Metro serves more than 9.6 million people. Nearly one-third of California’s residents live or work within its 1,433-square-mile service area. Metro’s Board of Directors develops and oversees transportation plans, policies, funding programs, as well as short-term and long-range solutions that address the County’s increasing mobility, accessibility, and environmental needs.

“SB 522 will also improve Metro’s ability to increase support for its regional transit plan that meets the needs of building a representative 21st Century transportation system which benefits all of Los Angeles County,” added Mendoza.

Last year, Senate President pro Tempore Kevin de León authored SB 767, which authorized Metro to place a new transportation sales tax measure on the ballot. This measure called for a bottom-up approach to develop a Long Range Transportation Plan working with the Council of Governments, local groups and residents.

On June 10th a revised Long Range Transportation Plan was released by Metro to the public. This Plan is scheduled to be voted on by the Metro Board on June 23rd. On June 16, 2016, State Senate President pro Tempore Kevin de León (D-Los Angeles) sent a letter (see attached) to Metro Board Chair Mark Ridley-Thomas requesting that it postpone its vote on the Plan, pending the outcome of a Senate Transportation Committee oversight hearing, which was scheduled to allow sufficient time to place the tax measure on the ballot.

Although Metro responded to the Senate President pro Tempore’s letter, there is no indication they are planning to postpone today’s vote.

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June 1, 2016

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Re: Senate Bill 1472, Board of Directors, Los Angeles County Metropolitan
Transportation Authority (MTA)

Dear Colleagues:

I thank you for the opportunity to continue working with you to assure fair representation on the MTA's Board of Directors of all 88 of Los Angeles County's cities.

This issue has been a constant since the current MTA was constituted by state statute in 1993. Currently, the 13-member Board is heavily weighted in favor of Los Angeles County, represented by the five County Supervisors, and the City of Los Angeles, represented by the Mayor and three Mayoral appointees. The remaining four MTA Board members represent the 87 cities, other than Los Angeles City.

SB 1472 sought to add two members from the 87 smaller cities with the Speaker of the Assembly and the Senate Rules Committee making one appointment each.

You raised a concern that the bill would then remove the authority of the County-City Selection Committee to appoint the two new members and substitute the Speaker and the Senate Rules Committee.

With advice from you and the four Councils of Governments, I submitted amendments to delete the appointing authority of the two legislative leaders while keeping the two positions. To assure wider representation, my amendment required that the two appointees be from cities that were not currently represented on the Board.

Last week, the Senate Appropriations Committee took up the bill and only partially accepted my amendments.



However, the Committee did see the need to expand the Board to assure better representation of the 87 cities, other than Los Angeles, on the Board in order to strengthen and support the Board's policy and operational initiatives. As amended on May 31, 2016, the bill proposes to expand the current 14-member (13 voting) to 22 members (21 voting) in the following way:

Category	Current	Proposed
Supervisors	5	5
LA City	4	5
Mayor	1	1
LA City Council Members	1	1
Public from LA City, appointed by Board	2	3
Long Beach Mayor	-	1
86 cities (except LA and LB)	4	8
Speaker*	-	1
Pro Tem*	-	1
Sub-total, voting members	13	21
Governor, non-voting	1	1
TOTAL	14	22

- From lists of 8 submitted by the LA County City Selection Committee, 2 from each CoG/regional sector

The amendments assure that:

1. All nominees from the 86 cities are appointed through the County-City Selection Committee process. However, two of them are to be appointed by the legislative leadership and cannot be from a city that is already represented on the Board.
2. The County-City Selection Committee process must provide regional balance by selecting all nominees based on the four current regions/CoGs.
3. The Mayor of Long Beach's appointment recognizes the city's significant role in the county due its population size, economy, and transportation needs.
4. The Board's size is less than the average and matches the median number of members of the Boards in the other five southern California counties (Ventura, San Bernardino, Riverside, Orange, and San Diego).

Given these changes, I reiterate my earlier request for your recommendations regarding SB 1472's provisions as the bill moves forward. I would appreciate it if your recommendations include advice and input from the four Councils of Governments as well as the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles. To the extent possible, I would like your recommendations no later than July 15, in order for the measure to meet legislative deadlines.

I am of course available to you and your members to respond to your recommendations and questions but I have asked Saeed Ali, Senior Policy Analyst for my Cerritos Office, to assist you in this effort.

I am very appreciative of your attention and thank you for your positive consideration.

Sincerely,



TONY MENDOZA
Senator, 32nd District

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The Honorable Kevin de Leon, President Pro Tem, California State Senate
The Honorable Anthony Rendon, Speaker, California State Assembly
The Honorable Eric Garcetti, Mayor, City of Los Angeles
President, Gateway Cities Council of Governments
President, San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments
President, Westside Council of Governments
President, South Bay Council of Governments

“The fact that the Metro Board will not commit to postponing the vote in order to gather additional information is evidence that the board needs greater representation that adequately reflects the whole county and provides greater responsiveness to its residents,” said Senator Mendoza. **“Due to the lack of consideration from the Metro Board, the Senate hearing is postponed and I am focusing on legislation to change the Board’s membership dynamic.”**

More information on the Metro plan may be found at <http://theplan.metro.net/>

Senator Tony Mendoza, a Los Angeles native and former elementary school teacher in East Los Angeles, represents the 32nd Senate District encompassing portions of Los Angeles and Orange Counties. For more information about Senator Mendoza visit his [website](#) or follow him on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

MISSION STATEMENT

"To help constituents and the community through courteous, friendly, non-judgmental service and to help educate and lead the next generation of leaders."



2016-17 WSCCOG REGULAR BOARD MEETING PROPOSED SCHEDULE

Date ⁽¹⁾	Time	Location ⁽²⁾
2016		
Thursday, September 15, 2016	12:00pm-1:15pm	City of Los Angeles
Thursday, November 17, 2016	12:00pm-1:15pm	Culver City
2017		
Thursday, January 19, 2017	12:00pm-1:15pm	West Hollywood
Thursday, March 16, 2017	12:00pm-1:15pm	Santa Monica
Thursday, May 18, 2017 ⁽³⁾	12:00pm-1:15pm	Beverly Hills
Thursday, July 20, 2017	12:00pm-1:15pm	County of Los Angeles
Thursday, September 21, 2017	12:00pm-1:15pm	City of Los Angeles
Thursday, November 16, 2017	12:00pm-1:15pm	Culver City

Notes:

- (1) Regular board meetings are held bi-monthly on the 3rd Thursday.
- (2) Meeting location to be announced.
- (3) WSCCOG Annual Meeting - Election of new COG Governing Board Officers (Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary); appointment of Committee Members; and adoption of the annual budget.