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**NO. 624**  
**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS**  
**REGIONAL COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**  
**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2020**

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE REGIONAL COUNCIL. A VIDEO RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE ON THE SCAG WEBSITE AT: <http://scag.iqm2.com/Citizens/>

The Regional Council of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) held its meeting telephonically and electronically, given public health directives limiting public gatherings due to the threat of COVID-19 and in compliance with the Governor’s Executive Order N-29-20. A quorum was present.

**Members Present**

<b>Hon. Rex Richardson, President</b>	<b><i>Long Beach</i></b>	<b>District 29</b>
<b>Hon. Clint Lorimore, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President</b>	<b><i>Eastvale</i></b>	<b>District 4</b>
<b>Hon. Jan Harnik, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President</b>		<b>RCTC</b>
<b>Hon. Bill Jahn, Imm. Past President</b>	<b><i>Big Bear Lake</i></b>	<b>District 11</b>
Supervisor Luis Plancarte		Imperial County
Supervisor Don Wagner		Orange County
Supervisor Karen Spiegel		Riverside County
Supervisor Curt Hagman		San Bernardino County
Hon. James Predmore		ICTC
Hon. Miguel Pulido		OCTA
Hon. Alan D. Wapner		SBCTA
Hon. Peggy Huang		TCA
Hon. Mike T. Judge		VCTC
Hon. Ben Benoit		Air District Representative
Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker	<b><i>El Centro</i></b>	District 1
Hon. Kathleen Kelly	<b><i>Palm Desert</i></b>	District 2
Hon. Rey Santos	<b><i>Beaumont</i></b>	District 3
Hon. Zak Schwank	<b><i>Temecula</i></b>	District 5
Hon. Larry McCallon	<b><i>Highland</i></b>	District 7

**OUR MISSION**

*To foster innovative regional solutions that improve the lives of Southern Californians through inclusive collaboration, visionary planning, regional advocacy, information sharing, and promoting best practices.*

**OUR VISION**

*Southern California’s Catalyst for a Brighter Future*

**OUR CORE VALUES**

*Be Open | Lead by Example | Make an Impact | Be Courageous*

**Members Present - continued**

Hon. Deborah Robertson	<i>Rialto</i>	District 8
Hon. L. Dennis Michael	<i>Rancho Cucamonga</i>	District 9
Hon. Ray Marquez	<i>Chino Hills</i>	District 10
Hon. Wendy Bucknum	<i>Mission Viejo</i>	District 13
Hon. Michael Carroll	<i>Irvine</i>	District 14
Hon. Steve Nagel	<i>Fountain Valley</i>	District 15
Hon. Phil Bacerra	<i>Santa Ana</i>	District 16
Hon. Charles Puckett	<i>Tustin</i>	District 17
Hon. Kim Nguyen	<i>Garden Grove</i>	District 18
Hon. Trevor O'Neil	<i>Anaheim</i>	District 19
Hon. Dean Grose	<i>Los Alamitos</i>	District 20
Hon. Art Brown	<i>Buena Park</i>	District 21
Hon. Marty Simonoff	<i>Brea</i>	District 22
Hon. Frank Yokoyama	<i>Cerritos</i>	District 23
Hon. Ray Hamada	<i>Bellflower</i>	District 24
Hon. Sean Ashton	<i>Downey</i>	District 25
Hon. Ali Saleh	<i>Bell</i>	District 27
Hon. Mark E. Henderson	<i>Gardena</i>	District 28
Hon. Steve De Ruse	<i>La Mirada</i>	District 31
Hon. Steven Ly	<i>Rosemead</i>	District 32
Hon. Jorge Marquez	<i>Covina</i>	District 33
Hon. Jack Hadjinian	<i>Montebello</i>	District 34
Hon. Margaret E. Finlay	<i>Duarte</i>	District 35
Hon. Steve Tye	<i>Diamond Bar</i>	District 37
Hon. Tim Sandoval	<i>Pomona</i>	District 38
Hon. James Gazeley	<i>Lomita</i>	District 39
Hon. Drew Boyles	<i>El Segundo</i>	District 40
Hon. Meghan Sahli-Wells	<i>Culver City</i>	District 41
Hon. Paula Devine	<i>Glendale</i>	District 42
Hon. Steven Hofbauer	<i>Palmdale</i>	District 43
Hon. David Shapiro	<i>Calabasas</i>	District 44
Hon. Carmen Ramirez	<i>Oxnard</i>	District 45
Hon. David Pollock	<i>Moorpark</i>	District 46
Hon. Tim Holmgren	<i>Fillmore</i>	District 47
Hon. Paul Krekorian	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 49/Public Transit Rep.
Hon. Bob Blumenfield	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 50
Hon. David Ryu	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 51



Hon. Paul Koretz

*Los Angeles*

District 52

**Members Present - continued**

Hon. Monica Rodriguez

*Los Angeles*

District 54

Hon. John Lee

*Los Angeles*

District 59

Hon. Joe Buscaino

*Los Angeles*

District 62

Hon. Steve Manos

*Lake Elsinore*

District 63

Hon. Lyn Semeta

*Huntington Beach*

District 64

Hon. Megan Beaman Jacinto

*Coachella*

District 66

Hon. Rusty Bailey

*Riverside*

District 68

Hon. Eric Garcetti

*Los Angeles*

Member-at-Large

Mr. Randall Lewis

*Business Representative*

Ex-Officio Member

**Members Not Present**

Supervisor Kathryn Barger

Los Angeles County

Supervisor Hilda Solis

Los Angeles County

Supervisor Linda Parks

Ventura County

Hon. Andrew Masiel, Sr.

*Pechanga Dev. Corp.*

Tribal Gov't Reg'l Planning Brd.

Hon. Frank Navarro

*Colton*

District 6

Hon. Fred Minagar

*Laguna Niguel*

District 12

Hon. José Luis Solache

*Lynwood*

District 26

Hon. Jeannine Pearce

*Long Beach*

District 30

Hon. Jonathan Curtis

*La Cañada Flintridge*

District 36

Hon. Gilbert Cedillo

*Los Angeles*

District 48

Hon. Nury Martinez

*Los Angeles*

District 53

Hon. Marqueece Harris-Dawson

*Los Angeles*

District 55

Hon. Curren D. Price, Jr.

*Los Angeles*

District 56

Hon. Herb Wesson, Jr.

*Los Angeles*

District 57

Hon. Mike Bonin

*Los Angeles*

District 58

Hon. Mitch O'Farrell

*Los Angeles*

District 60

Hon. Rita Ramirez

*Victorville*

District 65

Hon. Hector Pacheco

*San Fernando*

District 67

Hon. Marisela Magana

*Perris*

District 69

**Staff Present**

Kome Ajise, Executive Director

Darin Chidsey, Chief Operating Officer

Debbie Dillon, Chief Strategy Officer

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Justine Block, Acting Chief Counsel/Director of Legal Services  
Ruben Duran, Board Counsel  
Art Yoon, Director of Policy and Public Affairs  
Sarah Jepson, Director of Planning  
Basil Panas, Chief Financial Officer  
Julie Loats, Chief Information Officer  
Peter Waggonner, Office of Regional Council Support  
Maggie Aguilar, Office of Regional Council Support

### **CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Richardson called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. A quorum was confirmed. President Richardson asked Immediate Past President Bill Jahn to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **PRESENTATION**

President Richardson provided introductory remarks and welcomed Eleni Kounalakis, Lieutenant Governor of California. Lieutenant Governor Kounalakis provided a presentation on the State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, economic recovery and pertinent current issues. She began by reviewing the process and timeline for the State's response, recounting the issuance of stay-at-home orders and procurement of equipment. She discussed the May 2020 reopening and corresponding spike in testing positivity rate. She noted recent declines in cases, and looking forward to reopening, she explained the State's four-tier system guiding reopening and the effect of each level. She discussed the corresponding economic crisis, causing a \$54 billion State budget deficit, compared to a budget surplus earlier in the year. Considering assistance to Californians, she discussed state and federal legislation involving eviction moratoria and unemployment benefits. In conclusion, she discussed work being done by Governor Newsom's Task Force on Business and Jobs Recovery, on which she serves.

Furthermore, Lieutenant Governor Kounalakis appraised connected, relevant statewide issues, including the digital divide and its disparate impact on students and communities. She touched upon work with service providers to close the digital divide, and she encouraged members to contact her office with ideas to address this issue. She shared an overview on the status of housing bills and spoke to continuing pressure to ease housing delivery statewide. Finally, she recognized the ongoing fire season, which has seen 7,000 fires in past three weeks. She suggested that the volume and voracity of recent fires is related to changing climate conditions in the state, and she spoke about strategic deployment of responders and equipment to proactively address high winds and weather events.

President Richardson acknowledged challenges being faced by the region and the state as a whole.

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He spoke to SCAG's role in long-range planning, resiliency and equity. He highlighted Connect SoCal as the foundation for regional economic recovery, in terms of jobs and capital investments. In conclusion, he discussed housing development, and he thanked Lieutenant Governor Kounalakis for her partnership and presentation.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

President Richardson opened the Public Comment Period. President Richardson outlined instructions for public comments and announced that comments received before the 5 p.m. deadline on Wednesday, September 1 have been posted to SCAG's website and were transmitted to members.

Board Counsel Ruben Duran stated that there were comments received after the deadline. Mr. Duran read three comments received after the deadline into the record for up to two minutes each at the direction of President Richardson.

The first comment was received from Michael Hughes, Hills for Everyone, supporting conservation policies in Connect SoCal and restoration of biological corridors.

The second comment was received from Kevin C. Shin, Los Angeles County Bicycle Coalition, supporting the Connect SoCal Plan and active transportation policies.

The third comment was received from Eugene D. Seroka, Port of Los Angeles, supporting adoption of Connect SoCal and recognizing the necessity of regionally connected infrastructure investments for long-term success of regional points.

Staff confirmed that there were no other public comment speakers, and President Richardson closed the Public Comment Period.

### **REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no requests to prioritize agenda items.

### **ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

#### 1. Final Connect SoCal Technical Refinements and PEIR Addendum

President Richardson stated that the presentation for Agenda Item No. 1 was posted to SCAG's website and distributed to members. He introduced Kome Ajise, Executive Director, to provide remarks. Mr. Ajise noted work done by stakeholders at the community, jurisdictional and county levels. He thanked members for their consideration of and direction for the Plan. He explained that

the Plan includes approximately 4,000 projects meant to energize the economy while targeting increased housing production and greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reductions. Mr. Ajise then welcomed Sarah Jepson, Planning Director, to provide a presentation.

Ms. Jepson recounted work with partners and stakeholders to create a shared vision for the region, as put forward in Final Connect SoCal. She shared a summary of Connect SoCal, highlighting high-level benefits, intentions and metrics of the Plan. She reminded members that the Plan is not a guarantee or mandate, and it is a “compass,” rather than a “roadmap.” She reviewed the 120-day work plan, following the Regional Council’s adoption of Connect SoCal for federal transportation conformity purposes only and direction that staff complete certain tasks. Ms. Jepson provided an overview of subsequent outreach regarding COVID-19 impacts, which identified consequences of increased vehicle speeds on local roads and lack of income to cover housing costs. She shared studies that have informed the 2024 Connect SoCal Emerging Issues Outlook, which considers various topics like transportation finance, goods movement, public spaces, e-commerce and the digital divide. She explained the Connect SoCal Implementation Strategy, which is also informed by recent outreach, and pandemic response priorities identified. She outlined local technical assistance resources for near-term support to jurisdictions, such as the Sustainable Communities Program, Housing Program and Go Human.

Ms. Jepson reviewed technical refinements and outcomes, sharing that modeling data was updated to capture growth from entitled project as conveyed by local jurisdictions. Refinements were not regionally significant, and the Plan continues to achieve federal air quality and meet state GHG reduction targets. In addition to technical refinements, staff proposed additional text to clarify that the Plan does not supersede local authority on land use and to emphasize the non-binding nature of Transportation Analysis Zone (TAZ)-level data. She then demonstrated benefits of Plan implementation, including advancing growth in Priority Growth Areas, reducing daily vehicle miles traveled and achieving GHG reducing targets.

Ms. Jepson continued by reviewing the Connect SoCal PEIR Addendum, based on technical refinements and responses to comment letters received from the Center for Biological Diversity (CBD). As there are no new impacts, SCAG determined that a supplemental PEIR would not be required.

In conclusion, Ms. Jepson rehashed Connect SoCal’s connection to stakeholder outreach, economic recovery, GHG reduction targets, RHNA process and the COVID-19 pandemic. Finally, she affirmed that Connect SoCal is a living document, subject to amendment and updates every four years.

President Richardson acknowledged the presentation by Ms. Jepson and provided remarks on the Plan. He looked ahead towards Connect SoCal’s effects on future generations, builders and concerned individuals. He thanked Regional Councilmember for their work on and consideration of

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the Final Plan.

President Richardson opened public comment for Agenda Item No. 1. He limited public comment to 90 seconds per speaker. Board Counsel Ruben Duran stated that there are public comment speakers and introduced speakers in order.

Elizabeth Quiroz, Promesa Boyle Heights, commented in support of Connect SoCal and its goals, such as more sustainable land use patterns and transportation investments. Her comment was made in Spanish and translated by Francisco Romero.

Itzel Flores Castillo Wang, Promesa Boyle Heights, commented in support of Connect SoCal, highlighting the Natural and Farmlands Conversation Appendix. She read her comment in Spanish first and then translated the comment into English.

Tara Barauskas, Community Corporation of Santa Monica, commented in support of Connect SoCal adoption and prevention of delays to RHNA, noting the importance of RHNA allocations to housing development for those in need.

Lauren Borchard, resident, commented in support of Connect SoCal and balancing equity, environmental concerns and businesses.

Josh Gray-Emmer, resident, commented in support of Connect SoCal and preventing delays to RHNA.

Mark Baza, Imperial County Transportation Commission, commented in support of Connect SoCal adoption and spoke about the merits of the Plan.

Leonora Camner, Abundant Housing LA, commented in support of Connect SoCal to allow for the progression of the RHNA process and furtherance of affordable housing development.

Paul Granillo, Inland Empire Economic Partnership, commented in support of Final Connect SoCal adoption and commended the Regional Council and SCAG staff for work done in recent improvements to the Plan.

Maria Salinas, Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce, comment in support of Connect SoCal and commended SCAG staff for engaging the business coalition to provide clarity during the delay period.

Tracy Hernandez, BizFed, commented in support of Connect SoCal adoption, commended SCAG leadership for stakeholder engagement during the 120-day delay period and acknowledged the

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Plan's impact on business interests.

Richard Lambros, Southern California Leadership Council, commented in support of Connect SoCal and spoke to clarifications made during the 120-day delay period, while acknowledging the Plan's role as a backbone for economic growth.

Jeff Montejano, Building Industry of Southern California, commented in support of Connect SoCal and reiterated Richard Lambros's comments, stating that many concerns expressed prior to the delay period have been resolved.

Christine Bos, Long Beach Area Chamber of Commerce, commented in support of Final Connect SoCal adoption and acknowledged benefits of the delay period.

Kristopher Fortin, Safe Routes Partnerships and Santa Ana Active Streets, commented in opposition Connect SoCal as proposed and asked for additional updates regarding active transportation, public health, and COVID-19 impacts.

Lucy Dunn, Orange County Business Council, commented in support of Connect SoCal and the Plan's adherence with Orange County Business Council's pillars.

Nick Burns, resident, commented in support of Connect SoCal and spoke about the connection between density and affordability.

Josh Raper, Southwest Regional Council of Carpenters, commented in support of Connect SoCal and thanked the Regional Council for its approval in May of the 120-day delay.

Roderick Hall, Abundant Housing LA, commented in support of Connect SoCal and the Plan's role in creating a more equitable society.

Ray Baca, Engineering Contractors Association, commented in support of Connect SoCal adoption and recognized the work done since May 2020.

Elizabeth Hansburg, People for Housing Orange County, commented in support of Connect SoCal and recognized the importance of progressing the RHNA process.

Chase Engelhardt, Climate Resolve, commented in support of Connect SoCal and recognized its role in both the RHNA process and in reducing vehicle miles traveled.

Anthony Dedousis, Abundant Housing LA, commented in support of Connect SoCal and reiterated Abundant Housing LA's speakers by stating the importance of Connect SoCal in the RHNA progress.

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Michael Shilstone, Central City Association, commented in support of Connect SoCal and advancement of the RHNA process.

Sonja Trauss, YIMBY Law, commented in support of Connect SoCal, RHNA allocations and dense infill development.

Allison Yoh, Port of Long Beach, commented in support of Connect SoCal and recognized the Plan's role in job creation, quality of life and pandemic recovery.

Board Counsel Ruben Duran announced that there were no remaining public comment speakers. President Richardson closed public comment for Agenda Item No. 1 and opened discussion to Regional Councilmembers.

Regional Councilmember Eric Garcetti, Los Angeles, Member-at-Large, commented on public participation and work done in preparation of the Plan by SCAG staff. He noted that the Plan addresses some of the region's most pressing problems, from health to equity. He spoke about action in the City of Los Angeles to address housing and transportation issues, and he acknowledged the critical nature of today's vote to continue advancing goals. In conclusion, he expressed support of Resolution No. 20-624-1.

Immediate Past President Bill Jahn, Big Bear Lake, District 11, commented on and commended SCAG leadership, Regional Councilmembers and private partners for collaboration on the Plan over past years.

Regional Councilmember Peggy Huang, TCA, commented on Connect SoCal's status as a living document, and she expressed concern about a narrow reach for engagement with community-based organizations during the 120-day delay.

Regional Councilmember Meghan Sahli-Wells, Culver City, District 41, commented on work done by SCAG staff in implementing priorities. She recognized organizations for their comments submitted and pledged support to address issues, such as active transportation and resilience.

Regional Councilmember Carmen Ramirez, Oxnard, District 45, commented in support of the proposed Final Connect SoCal, and she noted implications for Ventura County.

Regional Councilmember Deborah Robertson, Rialto, District 8, commented in support of Connect SoCal and reflected on concerns within the Inland Empire, stressing that Connect SoCal is a living document that should be updated to address such concerns. She closed by thanking SCAG staff for their work.

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Supervisor Karen Spiegel, Riverside County, commented in support of Connect SoCal, acknowledged work done by SCAG staff and shared direction for future updates to the Plan.

Regional Councilmember Paula Devine, Glendale, District 42, commented in support of Connect SoCal while noting concerns over RHNA targets and acknowledging that the Plan is a living document that can fit a changing world.

President Richardson spoke to the benefits of the Plan and recognized individuals and stakeholders who have played a role in the Plan over the course of its development.

A MOTION was made (Garcetti) to Adopt Resolution No. 20-624-1 to 1) adopt the Connect SoCal PEIR Addendum and Revised Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program; and 2) approve Connect SoCal in its entirety; and 3) submit Connect SoCal to ARB for confirmation that the Plan meets GHG reduction targets. Motion was SECONDED (Jahn). The motion passed by the following roll call votes:

**FOR:** ASHTON, BACERRA, BAILEY, BEAMAN JACINTO, BENOIT, BLUMENFIELD, BROWN, BUCKNUM, BUSCAINO, DE RUSE, DEVINE, FINLAY, GARCETTI, GAZELEY, GROSE, HADJINIAN, HAGMAN, HAMADA, HARNIK, HENDERSON, HOFBAUER, HOLMGREN, HUANG, JAHN, JUDGE, KELLY, KORETZ, KREKORIAN, LEE, LORIMORE, LY, MANOS, J. MARQUEZ, R. MARQUEZ, MCCALLON, MICHAEL, NAGEL, NGUYEN, O'NEIL, POLLOCK, PREDMORE, PUCKETT, C. RAMIREZ, RICHARDSON, ROBERTSON, RODRIGUEZ, RYU, SAHLI-WELLS, SALEH, SANDOVAL, SANTOS, SCHWANK, SEMETA, SHAPIRO, SIMONOFF, SPIEGEL, TYE, VIEGAS-WALKER, WAGNER, WAPNER and YOKOYAMA (61)

**AGAINST:** NONE (0)

**ABSTAIN:** NONE (0)

President Richardson asked Board Counsel Ruben Duran if votes for Agenda Item No. 2, Agenda Item No. 3 and the Consent Calendar could be combined into one vote. Mr. Duran confirmed that the votes can be combined into a single vote.

2. 2020/2021 Sustainable Communities Program Guidelines – Active Transportation & Safety Call for Applications

3. Subregional Partnership Program Guidelines

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

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Approval Items

4. Minutes of the Meeting - July 2, 2020
  5. Approval for Additional Stipend Payments
  6. Resolution No. 20-624-2 Approving Amendment 2 to the FY 2020-21 Overall Work Program (OWP)
  7. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Center for Demographic Research
  8. Legislative Platform Mid-Year Update
  9. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract Nos. 19-052-C1 through 19-052-C10, Information Technology (IT) Technical Project Resources
  10. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 19-066-C02, Aerial Imagery and Related Products and Services - County of Los Angeles
  11. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 19-066-C03, Aerial Imagery and Related Products and Services – County of Riverside
  12. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 20-050-C01, El Monte Vision Zero Action Plan
  13. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 20-052-C01, La Puente Safe Routes to School Master Plan
  14. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 20-074-C01, Palmdale Avenue Q from Sierra Highway to 20th Street East Complete Streets Project
  15. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 20-076-C01, Cities of Pasadena and Azusa Pedestrian Master Plans
  16. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 20-082, City of Cerritos Remote Services Enhancement Project
  17. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 21-012-C01, Microsoft Enterprise Software License Agreement
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18. Contract Amendment \$75,000 or Greater: Contract No. 18-028-C01, Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Implementation and Technical Assistance Services, Amendment No. 4
  19. Contract Amendment Greater Than 30% of the Contract's Original Value: Contract No. 20-037-C01, Go Human Advertising & Engagement Campaign, Amendment No. 3
  20. SCAG Memberships and Sponsorships

Receive and File

21. Connect SoCal - Aligning Implementation with Pandemic Response
22. Connect SoCal - Emerging Issues and Trends for Future Planning
23. Draft Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) Allocations
24. 2021 Active Transportation Program Regional Guidelines Schedule Update
25. September State and Federal Legislative Update
26. Purchase Orders \$5,000 - \$199,999; Contracts \$25,000 - \$199,999 and Amendments \$5,000 - \$74,999
27. CFO Monthly Report

President Richardson introduced Sarah Jepson, Planning Director, to provide a presentation on both Agenda Item No. 2 and Agenda Item No. 3 together.

Ms. Jepson provided background information on both items, which are guidelines for funding programs supporting the implementation of Connect SoCal. Agenda Item No. 2 considers guidelines for active transportation and safety projects that are part of the Sustainable Communities Program, preceding calls for projects over the year ahead. Agenda Item No. 3, Subregional Partnership Program Guidelines, part of the regional housing program supported by the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) using Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) funding. SCAG has 47 million from the REAP program, half which will be dedicated to the Subregional Partnership Program and allocated based on each subregion's share of RHNA allocation. The Subregional Partnership Program funding is intended for updating Housing Elements and accelerating housing production. In closing, Ms. Jepson acknowledged partnerships with subregional agencies and the work of staff in drafting these guidelines.

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President Richardson opened the public comment for Agenda Item No. 2, Agenda Item No. 3 and the Consent Calendar. Board Counsel Ruben Duran confirmed that there are no public comment speakers for these items. President Richardson closed public comment and opened discussion to Regional Councilmembers.

Regional Councilmember Peggy Huang, TCA, commented on Agenda Item Nos. 21, 22 and 23. She stated that she made comments regarding Agenda Item Nos. 21 and 22 during Policy Committee meetings, and she expressed desire for further communication from SCAG staff. Regarding Agenda Item No. 23, Draft Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) Allocations, Regional Councilmember Huang commented on recent data on the housing shortage, appealing RHNA allocations and the Litigation Committee

A MOTION was made (Huang) to pull Agenda Item No. 23 and reconvene the Litigation Committee.

President Richardson asked SCAG staff if the Litigation Committee could be called without a motion.

Board Counsel Ruben Duran stated that a meeting of the Litigation Committee could be called without a motion.

Regional Councilmember Trevor O'Neil, Anaheim, District 19, made a MOTION to amend Agenda Item No. 3, Subregional Partnership Program Guidelines, moving eligibility date to October 1, 2019 and to allow housing trusts' administrative costs for reimbursement.

Board Counsel asked Regional Councilmember Huang if she would like to withdraw her motion so that Regional Councilmember O'Neil's motion could be considered. Regional Councilmember Huang withdrew her motion.

President Richardson commented on discussion about Subregional Partnership Program Guidelines which occurred at the Community, Economic and Human Development Committee.

The motion was SECONDED (Huang).

Board Counsel Ruben Duran clarified the language of the motion.

Executive Director Kome Ajise commented on the guidelines and noted concern about approving expenditures before an agreement was in place.

The motion failed by the following roll call votes:

**FOR:** BROWN, BUCKNUM, CARROLL\*, GROSE, HOLMGREN, HUANG, JUDGE, LY, NAGEL, O'NEIL, PUCKETT, SEMETA, SHAPIRO and WAGNER (14)

**AGAINST:** BAILEY\*\*, BEAMAN JACINTO, BLUMENFIELD, BUSCAINO, DE RUSE, DEVINE, FINLAY, GARCETTI, HADJINIAN, HAGMAN, HARNIK, HENDERSON, JAHN, KELLY, KORETZ, KREKORIAN, LORIMORE, MANOS, J. MARQUEZ, R. MARQUEZ, MCCALLON, MICHAEL, NGUYEN, POLLOCK, PREDMORE, C. RAMIREZ, RICHARDSON, RYU, SAHLI-WELLS, SALEH, SANDOVAL, SANTOS, SCHWANK, SHAPIRO, SPIEGEL, TYE, VIEGAS-WALKER, WAPNER and YOKOYAMA (39)

**ABSTAIN:** ASHTON, GAZELEY and HAMADA (3)

While the voting results were being reviewed, it was announced that Regional Councilmember Michael Carroll, Irvine, District 14, was experiencing technical difficulties and intended to vote "For" the motion to amend Agenda Item No. 3. The vote for Regional Councilmember Carroll\* is annotated above. Regional Councilmember Rusty Bailey, Riverside, District 68, stated that he inadvertently voted "Against" and intended to vote "For" the motion to amend Agenda Item No. 3. The corrected vote for Regional Councilmember Bailey\*\* is annotated above.

A MOTION was made (Jahn) to approve the Agenda Item No. 2, Agenda Item No. 3 and Consent Calendar, Agenda Item Nos. 4-27. Motion was SECONDED (Shapiro). The motion passed by the following roll call votes:

**FOR:** ASHTON, BAILEY, BEAMAN JACINTO, BLUMENFIELD, BROWN, BUCKNUM, BUSCAINO, DE RUSE, DEVINE, FINLAY, GARCETTI, GAZELEY, GROSE, HADJINIAN, HAMADA, HARNIK, HENDERSON, HOFBAUER, HOLMGREN, HUANG, JAHN, JUDGE, KELLY, KORETZ, KREKORIAN, LORIMORE, MANOS, J. MARQUEZ, R. MARQUEZ, MCCALLON, MICHAEL, NAGEL, NYUGEN, O'NEIL, POLLOCK, PREDMORE, PUCKETT, PULIDO, C. RAMIREZ, RICHARDSON, ROBERTSON, RYU, SAHLI-WELLS, SALEH, SANDOVAL, SANTOS, SCHWANK, SHAPIRO, SIMONOFF, SPIEGEL, TYE, VIEGAS-WALKER, WAGNER, WAPNER, WESSON and YOKOYAMA (56)

**AGAINST:** NONE (0)

**ABSTAIN:** POLLOCK (Abstained from Agenda Item No. 17 only)

### **BUSINESS REPORT**

The Business Report was suspended for the sake of time.

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**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Richardson announced the appointment of the Honorable Jed Leano, Claremont, as SCAG's Alternate Member to serve on the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC) for a term ending May 2021.

He also announced the President's Appointments or Re-Appointments of the Honorable John Mirisch, Beverly Hills, to CEHD; the Honorable Jess Talamantes, Burbank, to TC; the Honorable Rhonda Shader, Placentia, to EEC; the Honorable Jesus Silva, Fullerton, to EEC; the Honorable Jeremy Smith, Canyon Lake, to TC; the Honorable Larry Smith, Calimesa, to TC; the Honorable Colleen Wallace, Banning, to TC; the Honorable James Mulvihill, San Bernardino, to CEHD; and the Honorable Paul A. Rodriguez, Chino, to CEHD

He also announced The 11th Annual Southern California Economic Summit, occurring on December 1, 2020. He stated that, for the first time, the event will be held online as the region still deals with the COVID-19 pandemic. He noted that this year's summit will bring together voices in business, planning and academia to define strategies for building back a strong, inclusive economy.

In closing, he acknowledged the retirement of Chief Financial Officer Basil Panas and recognized incoming Clerk of the Board Maggie Aguilar.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

The Executive Director's Report was suspended for the sake of time.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEM/S**

There were no requests for future agenda items.

**ANNOUNCEMENT/S**

There were no announcements.

**ADJOURNMENT**

President Richardson adjourned the Regional Council meeting at 3:32 p.m.

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