



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (TC)  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2023**

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

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

**Members Present:**

Hon. Adele Andrade-Stadler, Alhambra	District 34
Hon. Liz Becerra, SBCTA/SBCTA	District 65
Hon. Brian Berkson, Jurupa Valley	Pres. Appt. (Member at Large)
Hon. Russel Betts, Desert Hot Springs	CVAG
Hon. Daniel Brotman, Glendale	AVCJPA
Hon. Art Brown, OCTA	District 21
Hon. Andrew Do	Orange County CoC
Hon. Jonathan Dumitru, Orange	District 17
Hon. John Dutrey, Montclair	SBCTA/SBCCOG
Hon. James Gazeley, SBCCOG	District 39
Hon. Jason Gibbs, Santa Clarita	NCTC
Hon. Brian Goodell, Mission Viejo	OCTA
Hon. Curt Hagman	San Bernardino County
Hon. Jan Harnik	RCTC
Hon. Laura Hernandez, VCOG	District 45
Hon. Mike T. Judge, <b>(Vice Chair)</b>	VCTC
Hon. Fred Jung, Fullerton	OCCOG
Hon. Trish Kelley	TCA
Hon. Linda Krupa, Hemet	District 3
Hon. Malcolm Lilienthal, Hemet	WRCOG
Hon. Clint Lorimore, Eastvale	District 4
Hon. Ken Mann, Lancaster	District 43



Hon. Steve Manos, Lake Elsinore	District 63
Hon. Ray Marquez, Chino Hills	District 10
Hon. Larry McCallon	Air District Representative
Hon. Marsha McLean, Santa Clarita	Pres. Appt. (Member at Large)
Hon. Tim McOsker, Los Angeles	District 62
Hon. Carol Moore, Laguna Woods	OCCOG
Hon. Ara Najarian, Glendale	AVCJPA
Hon. Maria Nava-Froelich	ICTC
Hon. Frank Navarro, Colton	District 6
Hon. Sharona Nazarian, Beverly Hills	WSCCOG
Hon. Ed Reece, Claremont	SGVCOG
Hon. Crystal Ruiz, San Jacinto	WRCOG
Hon. Ali Saleh, Bell	District 27
Hon. Tim Sandoval, Pomona <b>(Chair)</b>	District 38
Hon. Zak Schwank, Temecula	District 5
Hon. Marty Simonoff, Brea	District 22
Hon. Ward Smith, Placentia	OCCOG
Hon. Jose Luis Solache, Lynwood	District 26
Hon. Speake, Wes, Corona	WRCOG
Hon. Karen Spiegel	Riverside County
Hon. Cynthia Sternquist, Temple City	SGVCOG
Hon. Michael Vargas	Riverside County CoC
Hon. Scott Voigts, Lake Forest	OCCOG
Hon. Don Wagner	Orange County
Hon. Alan Wapner, Ontario	SBCTA/SBCOG
Hon. Thomas Wong, Monterey Park	SGVCOG
Hon. Jeff Wood, GCCOG	District 24
Mr. Paul Marquez, Caltrans District 7	Ex-Officio Member

**Members Not Present:**

Hon. Konstantine Anthony, Burbank	District 42
Hon. Kathryn Barger	Los Angeles County
Hon. Ross Chun, Aliso Viejo	OCCOG
Hon. Denise Delgado, Coachella	Pres. Appt. (Member at Large)
Hon. Heather Hutt, Los Angeles	District 45
Hon. Paul Krekorian, Los Angeles	District 49/Public Transit Rep.
Hon. Bridgett Lewis, Torrance	Pres. Appt.
Hon. Richard Loa, Palmdale	NCTC
Hon. L. Dennis Michael, Rancho Cucamonga	District 9
Hon. Linda Molina, Calimesa	Pres. Appt. (Member at Large)



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Hon. Gil Rebollar, ICTC	District 1
Hon. Suely Saro, Long Beach	District 29
Hon. Jeremy Smith, Canyon Lake	Canyon Lake
Hon. Hilda Solis	Los Angeles County
Hon. Steve Tye, Diamon Bar	District 37
Hon. Wallace, Colleen, Banning	WRCOG

**CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Vice Chair Mike Judge, Simi Valley, Ventura County Transportation Commission, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. A quorum was present.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Vice Chair Judge opened the Public Comment Period and outlined instructions for public comments. He noted this was the time for persons to comment on any matter pertinent to SCAG's jurisdiction that were not listed on the agenda. He reminded the public to submit comments via email to [TCPublicComment@scag.ca.gov](mailto:TCPublicComment@scag.ca.gov). Ruben Duran, Board Counsel, acknowledged there were no public comments received by email before or after the deadline.

Seeing no public comment speakers, Vice Chair Judge closed the Public Comment Period.

**REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no requests to prioritize agenda items.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Vice Chair Judge opened the Public Comment Period.

Seeing no public comment speakers, Vice Chair Judge closed the Public Comment Period. Vice Chair Judge noted that there would be a revision to the minutes of the July 6, 2023 meeting to indicate that Committee member, Hon. Trish Kelley, Mission Viejo, is the Committee representative for the Transportation Corridor Agencies and not Orange County Council of Governments.

Approval Items

1. Minutes of the Meeting – July 6, 2023
2. 2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Guidelines

Receive and File

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3. Acceptance of FY24 Office of Traffic Safety Grant Funds
4. Sustainable Communities Program – Civic Engagement, Equity, and Environmental Justice Award Recommendation
5. South Coast Air Quality Management District Rule 2202 Amendment
6. Transit Ridership Update
7. LOSSAN Rail Corridor Resiliency Subcommittee Update
8. Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) 2.0 Program Update
9. Gas Tax Revenue Decline and Zero Emission Vehicle Transition

A MOTION was made (Harnik) to approve Consent Calendar Item 1 (as revised) and 2, and Receive and File items 3 through 9. The motion was SECONDED (Solache) and passed by the following roll call votes.

**AYES:** Becerra, Betts, Brotman, Brown, Do, Dumitru, Dutrey, Gazeley, Gibbs, Goodell, Hagman, Harnik, Judge, Jung, Kelley, Krupa, Lilienthal, Lorimore, Mann, Manos, Marquez, McCallon, McLean, Moore, Najarian, Nava-Froelich, Navarro, Nazarian, Reece, Ruiz, Saleh, Sandoval, Schwank, Simonoff, W. Smith, Solache, Speake, Sternquist, Vargas, Wagner, Wapner, Wong, Wood (43)

**NOES:** None (0)

**ABSTAIN:** None (0)

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

10. Transportation Committee Outlook and Future Items

There were no Public Comments on Item 10.

Annie Nam, SCAG staff, provided a report on the committee outlook through June 2024. Ms. Nam noted that the outlook was organized for three program areas: Connect SoCal, Local Assistance Program and regional updates. She shared that staff would provide support to assist local partners for the Regional Early Action Program (REAP 2.0), the County Transportation Commission

partnership program and Regional Pilot Initiative (RPI) among others. She also noted that they would bring upcoming state and federal funding opportunities and provide SCAG's role in these programs.

#### 11. Smart Cities Update: Future Communities (FCPP) & Mobility Innovations (SCP Call 3)

There were no Public Comments on Item 11.

Marisa Laderach, SCAG staff, reported on Future Communities Pilot Program and the Smart Cities Innovations. Ms. Laderach shared the FCPP was a \$4 million program with a goal to apply new technologies and data analytics to reduce vehicles miles travelled and greenhouse gas emissions. She noted that it would promote pilots that can be replicated in the region. She explained that the program began in 2019 but was disrupted by COVID and noted most of the projects had been concluded but four would conclude within months and a final report would be issued. The projects are an integrated real-time parking guidance in Anaheim, online permitting in Cerritos, facilitation of BlueLA fleet in Los Angeles and broadband implementation in Ontario. She also provided an overview of the completed projects in Glendale, Monrovia, Riverside and San Bernardino County. She highlighted that these projects were successful in reducing vehicle miles travelled and could be modeled by other jurisdictions. For example, online permitting in Riverside increased significantly with the introduction of the Integrated Electronic Plans reducing miles travelled by 6,200 monthly. San Bernardino, the nation's largest county, realized VMT reduction with the development of their Remote Electronic Warrants Program. Modernizing the process with technology provided efficiency and time savings. She also reported on the Mobility Innovations projects. She noted the Sustainable Communities Program (SCP) supports implementation of 2020 Connect SoCal. Curb space management has risen as an important area for mobility innovation, and she reviewed the curb space projects stating there are eight research efforts in cities regionally to evaluate curb space usage and potential opportunities for innovation. Ms. Laderach reported the findings indicating that online portals are very popular, and demand is growing particularly for permitting, warranting and other administrative activities that can be more efficient with modernization.

Hon. Curt Hagman, San Bernardino County, commented that their Remote Electronic Warrants Program has been successful in bringing efficiency and time savings to their warranting process. It has resulted in the reduction of 250,000 vehicle miles travelled.

Hon. Karen Spiegel, Riverside County, asked if education was a part of these pilot programs particularly those involving senior citizens. Ms. Laderach responded that education and user assistance was a pilot component.

Hon. Trish Kelley, Mission Viejo, TCA, suggested that these successful pilot projects can be shared out as part of SCAG's Toolbox Tuesday program. Ms. Laderach responded that it would be a great addition to the series and would look into scheduling it.

## 12. Regional Mobility Hubs Strategy

There were no Public Comments on Item 12.

Priscilla Freduah-Agyemang, SCAG staff, reported on Regional Mobility Hubs Strategy. She noted that mobility hubs are part of a mix of mobility strategies identified in Connect SoCal 2020 to promote regional mobility. Mobility hubs are locations where travelers can connect to multiple modes of transportation in a safe, comfortable environment serving as one-stop mobility centers. These options can include public transit/rail, active transportation and shared mobility services. The goal of the strategy is to expand the network of mobility hubs in the region and develop a connected network. Hubs also encourage greater participation and coordination by those providing these services and shape greater system integration. Ms. Freduah-Agyemang provided examples of mobility hubs in the region including Union Station, Hollywood Station, and Wilshire/Vermont as connections with car share, bike share, bus shelters and transit. Fontana and Montclair Transit centers were highlighted in San Bernardino County. She reviewed mobility hub strategies in the region which plan for future sites and strategies in each county. Additionally, hub site criteria was reviewed which helped identify good locations such as those near major sports events. She reviewed next steps including developing guidance on design and implementation and continued work with stakeholders.

Hon. Larry McCallon, Air District Representative, commented that hubs also include the San Bernardino Downtown Transit Center which connects Arrow Service, Metrolink, Omnitrans bus service and serves as a vibrant mobility center for the city and greater area.

Hon. Marsha McLean, NLAC, District 67, announced that on October 20, 2023 there will be a grand opening of the North County Vista Canyon multi-modal center which will connect with Metrolink and other mobility options.

## 13. Transportation System Performance Update – Vehicle Miles Traveled

There were no Public Comments on Item 13.

Jeremy Marks, SCAG staff, provided an update on transportation system performance. He stated these updates sought to identify how travel behavior has changed since COVID and would be quarterly. He reviewed vehicle miles traveled noting a significant drop off at the start of the pandemic but nearly recovering November/December 2021 along with holiday activity. Vehicle

delay was examined, and data indicated it decreased during the pandemic and had returned with increased traffic although not fully to pre-pandemic levels perhaps due to the increase in work at home and other societal changes.

### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Hon. Tim Sandoval, Pomona, District 38, welcomed new members Tim McOsker, Los Angeles, District 62, Jeff Wood, Lakewood, Gateway Cities COG, and Daniel Brotman, Glendale, AVCJPA. He also reported that SCAG's 14<sup>th</sup> Economic Summit would be held December 7, 2023 and elected officials were welcome to attend for free.

### **METROLINK REPORT**

Hon. Art Brown, Buena Park, District 21, reported that beginning October 23, Metrolink would add four additional weekday trains and six additional weekend trains on the Antelope Valley Line. The new schedule included a late-night weekday train departing L.A. Union Station at 11:39 p.m. Along with the October schedule change, the city of Santa Clarita would open its new Vista Canyon station, adding a new access point to the Metrolink system. Also in August, Metrolink relaunched its low-income discount program with a new branding called the "Mobility-4-All" program. Metrolink passengers with a California Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) card are eligible for a 50% discount on all Metrolink tickets and passes. Since Metrolink began the program in September 2022, it has sold more than 80,000 tickets with the discounted fare.

### **STAFF REPORT**

David Salgado, SCAG staff, reported that applications for the Regional Utilities Supporting Housing Pilot Program were now open through November 6, 2023. He noted that the call for projects funding program would award \$35 million regionally. He also shared that in November the Draft Connect SoCal would be released followed by public workshops throughout the region and members were encouraged to look for events in their area.

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Hon. Ken Mann, Lancaster, requested a discussion on formulaic funding for the Infrastructure Investment in Jobs Act including a breakdown for cities in the region.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Sandoval adjourned the Transportation Committee meeting at 11:03 a.m.



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MEMBERS	CITY	Representing	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB
Andrade-Stadler, Adele	Alhambra	District 34					1				
Anthony, Konstantine	Burbank	District 42	1	1							
Barger, Kathryn		Los Angeles County		1							
Becerra, Liz	Victorville	District 65	1	1			1				
Berkson, Brian	Jurupa Valley	Pres Appt.	1	1			1				
Betts, Russell	Desert Hot Springs	CVAG		1			1				
Brotman, Daniel	Glendale	AVCJPA					1				
Brown, Art	Buena Park	District 21	1	1			1				
Chun, Ross	Aliso Viejo	OCTA	1	1							
Delgado, Denise	Coachella	Pres. Appt.	1	1							
Do, Andrew		Orange County	1	1			1				
Dumitru, Jonathan	Orange County	District 17		1			1				
Dutrey, J. John	Montclair	SBCTA	1	1			1				
Gazeley, James	Lomita	District 39	1	1			1				
Gibbs, Jason	Santa Clarita	NCTC		1			1				
Goodell, Brian	Mission Viejo	OCTA	1	1			1				
Hagman, Curt		San Bernardino Cnty	1	1			1				
Harnik, Jan	Palm Desert	RCTC	1	1			1				
Hernandez, Laura	Prt Hueneme	District 45		1			1				
Hutt, Heather	Los Angeles	District 57									
Judge, Mike	Simi Valley	VCTC	1	1			1				
Jung, Fred		OCCOG	1	1			1				
Kelley, Trish	Mission Viejo	OCCOG	1	1			1				
Krekorian, Paul	Public Transit Rep	District 49									
Krupa, Linda	Hemet	WRCOG	1	1			1				
Lewis, Bridgett	Torrance	Pres. Appt.		1							
Lilienthal, Malcolm	Hemet	WRCOG	1	1			1				
Loa, Richard	Palmdale	NCTC		1							
Lorimore, Clint	Eastvale	District 4	1	1			1				
Mann, Ken	No. L.A. County	District 43	1	1			1				
Manos, Steve	Lake Elsinore	District 63	1	1			1				
Marquez, Paul	Caltrans District 7	Ex-Officio	1	1							
Marquez, Ray	Chino Hills	District 10	1	1			1				
McCallon, Larry	SBCTA/SBCCOG	District 7					1				
McLean, Marsha	No. L.A. County	District 67	1	1			1				
McOsker, Tim	Los Angeles	District 62					1				
Michael, L. Dennis	Rancho Cucamonga	District 9	1	1							
Molina, Linda	Calimesa	Pres. Appt.	1	1							
Moore, Carol	Laguna Woods	OCCOG	1	1			1				
Najarian, Ara	Glendale	AVCJPA	1	1			1				
Nava-Froelich, Maria		ICTC	1	1			1				
Navarro, Frank	Colton	District 6		1			1				
Nazarian, Sharona	Beverly Hills	WSCCOG	1	1			1				
Rebollar, Gil	ICTC	District 1	1	1							
Reece, Ed	Claremont	SGVCOG	1	1			1				
Ruiz, Crystal	San Jacinto	WRCOG	1				1				

Attachment: TCAttendance Sheet October 5, 2023 (Minutes of TC Meeting, October 5, 2023)

Saleh, Ali	City of Bell	GCCOG	1	1		1			
Sandoval, Tim	Pomona	District 38	1	1		1			
Saro, Suely	Long Beach	District 29	1	1					
Schwank, Zak	Temecula	District 5	1	1		1			
Simonoff, Marty	Brea	District 22	1	1		1			
Smith, Jeremy	Canyon Lake	Canyon Lake							
Smith, Ward	Placentia	OCCOG	1	1		1			
Solache, Jose Luis	Lynwood	District 26	1			1			
Solis, Hilda		Los Angeles County							
Speake, Wes	Corona	WRCOG	1	1		1			
Spiegel, Karen		Riverside County		1		1			
Sternquist, Cynthia	Temple City	SGVCOG	1	1		1			
Tye, Steve	Diamond Bar	District 37		1					
Vargas, Michael		Riverside County		1		1			
Voigts, Scott	Lake Forest	Orange County		1		1			
Wagner, Don	Orange County	Orange County	1	1		1			
Wallace, Colleen	Banning	WRCOG	1	1					
Wapner, Alan		SBCTA	1	1		1			
Wong, Thomas	Monterey Park	SGVCOG	1	1		1			
Wood, Jeff	GCCOG	District 24				1			