



Southern California Association of Governments
900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1700, Los Angeles, California 90017
March 5, 2020

COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
THURSDAY, February 6, 2020

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE CEHD COMMITTEE. A VIDEORECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE AT: <http://scag.igm2.com/Citizens/>
The Community, Economic and Human Development (CEHD) met at SCAG, 900 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1700, Los Angeles, CA 90017. A quorum was present.

Members Present:

Hon. Peggy Huang, Chair

Hon. Stacy Berry, Vice Chair

Hon. M. Belén Bernal

Hon. Russell Betts

Hon. Wendy Bucknum

Hon. Michael C. Carroll

Hon. Rose Espinoza

Hon. Margaret E. Finlay

Hon. Micheal Goodland

Hon. Bill Hodge

Hon. Tim Holmgren

Hon. Cecilia Hupp

Hon. Bill Jahn

Hon. Robert “Bob” Joe

Hon. Kathleen Kelly

Hon. Jed Leano

Hon. Marisela Magana

Hon. Jorge Marquez

Hon. Anni Marshall

Hon. Lauren Meister

Hon. Bill Miranda

Hon. John Mirisch

Hon. Steve Nagel

Hon. Trevor O’Neil

Hon. Michael Posey

Hon. Jim Predmore

Cypress

South Gate

Desert Hot Springs

Mission Viejo

Irvine

La Habra

Duarte

Jurupa Valley

Calexico

Fillmore

Brea

Big Bear Lake

South Pasadena

Palm Desert

Claremont

Perris

Covina

Avalon

West Hollywood

Santa Clarita

Beverly Hills

Fountain Valley

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Huntington Beach

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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



Hon. Jan Pye	<i>Desert Hot Springs</i>	CVAG
Hon. Paul Rodriguez	<i>Chino</i>	<i>Pres. Appt., Member-at-Large</i>
Hon. Lyn Semeta	<i>Huntington Beach</i>	District 64
Hon. Mark Waronek	<i>Lomita</i>	SBCCOG
Hon. Acquanetta Warren	<i>Fontana</i>	SBCTA

Members Not Present

Hon. Al Austin, II	<i>Long Beach</i>	GCCOG
Hon. David Avila	<i>Yucaipa</i>	SBCTA
Hon. Megan Beaman Jacinto	<i>Coachella</i>	District 66
Hon. Juan Carrillo	<i>Palmdale</i>	North L.A. County
Hon. Steve De Ruse	<i>La Mirada</i>	GCCOG
Hon. Vartan Gharpetian	<i>Glendale</i>	<i>Pres. Appt., Member at Large</i>
Hon. Cecilia Iglesias	<i>Santa Ana</i>	District 16
Hon. James Mulvihill	<i>San Bernardino</i>	<i>Pres. Appt., Member at Large</i>
Hon. Edward Paget	<i>Needles</i>	SBCTA
Hon. Rita Ramirez	<i>Victorville</i>	District 65
Hon. Rex Richardson	<i>Long Beach</i>	District 29
Hon. Sonny Santa Ines	<i>Bellflower</i>	District 24
Hon. David Shapiro	<i>Calabasas</i>	LVMCOG
Hon. Becky Shevlin	<i>Monrovia</i>	SGVCOG
Hon. Tri Ta	<i>Westminster</i>	District 20
Hon. Joseph Tessari	<i>Eastvale</i>	WRCOG
Hon. Tony Wu	<i>West Covina</i>	SGVCOG
Hon. Frank Yokoyama	<i>Cerritos</i>	District 23
Hon. Frank Zerunyan	<i>Rolling Hills Estates</i>	SBCCOG

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable Peggy Huang, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and asked Councilmember Jed Leano, City of Claremont, SGVCOG, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments received.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEM/S

There were no reprioritizations made.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval Items

1. Minutes of the October 3, 2019 Meeting
2. Minutes of the October 21, 2019 Special Meeting

Receive & File

3. State HCD Review Findings of SCAG's Draft RHNA Methodology
4. Go Human Outlook – Safety Strategies and Resources

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

FOR: BERNAL, BERRY, BETTS, BUCKNUM, CARROLL, ESPINOZA, HOLMGREN, HUANG, HUPP, JAHN, JOE, KELLY, LEANO, MAGANA, MARQUEZ, MARSHALL, MIRANDA, NAGEL, POSEY, PREDMORE, PYE, AND RODRIGUEZ (22).

AGAINST: NONE (0).

ABSTAIN: MIRISCH (1).

INFORMATION ITEMS

5. Financial Tools to Preserve Affordable Housing

Chair Huang introduced Steve PonTell, Chief Executive Officer and President of National Community Renaissance. He stated that today's presentation would focus on a variety of initiatives of a pilot program where private sector funding can participate, in conjunction with the public sector. He introduced Jennifer McElyea, Senior Managing Partner, Watt Investment Partners, who discussed a variety of tools available to address the housing crisis, including providing financial incentives for local jurisdictions to invest in and preserve naturally expiring affordable housing.

Ms. McElyea's presentation included an overview of how the Welfare Exemption tax codes and private capital mechanisms could be incentivized as a tool to help preserve existing affordable housing. She discussed its applicability and benefits for partnering with the private sector to invest in housing, which could also include the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions.

Mr. PonTell and Ms. McElyea responded to the comments and questions expressed by the committee members, including questions on ways to make the program work for permanent housing, and comments on the availability of receiving RHNA credits for preserving housing in this 6th RHNA cycle.

President Jahn reported that SCAG's leadership will be leading a delegation to Sacramento to meet with State Legislators. He noted that this pilot program would be included in the discussions.

The full presentation was included in today's agenda packet.

6. Resolution No. 20-618-1 Regarding Regional Funding for Housing

Sarah Jepson, Planning Director, and Ma'Ayn Johnson, SCAG Staff, provided a brief overview of the Assembly Bill (AB) 101 program which was appropriated with funding for two new one-time programs to provide regions and jurisdictions with grants for planning activities, to enable jurisdictions to increase housing planning, and to accelerate housing production to meet housing needs determined in the sixth cycle of RHNA.

Ms. Jepson reported that the Executive Administration Committee (EAC) approved an action today that recommends that the Regional Council authorize SCAG to apply for advanced funding of 25% or \$11,867,755 of its maximum eligible funding allowed under the Regional Early Action Program (REAP). Ms. Jepson described the public and stakeholder engagement process and noted that a broader description of both programs and the eligible planning activities was included in the agenda packet.

Ma'Ayn Johnson described the mechanics of the Local Early Action Program (LEAP) and REAP programs. She noted that the LEAP program allows direct funding to jurisdictions to support local planning efforts and process improvements to increase housing production. She explained that the REAP program intends to provide funding to designated councils of governments, including SCAG (SCAG is eligible to apply for up to \$47,471,023 in one-time funding) to accelerate housing production through regional programs and providing funding to local jurisdictions based on criteria developed by SCAG. Ms. Johnson commented that SCAG is in the beginning stages for developing program objectives that align with regional and jurisdictional priorities, including the development of a Housing Program Framework for REAP. Ms. Johnson noted that there is some urgency to spend the grants as the deadline for spending all funds for both the LEAP and REAP programs is December 31, 2023.

SCAG staff responded on the comments and questions expressed by the committee members, including concerns for funding eligibility for an affordable housing trust fund, equitable funding formulations for jurisdictions with higher RHNA allocations and direct funding to organizations that are eligible and ready to receive funding.

7. Advancement of the Growth Vision for Connect SoCal

Kimberly Clark, SCAG Staff, provided a presentation on Connect SoCal's Advancement of the Growth Vision. She provided background information for developing the Draft Connect SoCal plan's Growth Vision and the Draft SoCal plan's Growth Forecast Principles, which were drafted in partnership with stakeholders from SCAG's Technical Working Group (TWG).

Ms. Clark described the one-on-one engagements process completed with local jurisdictions, Regional Planning Working Groups and Public workshops, seeking feedback for finalizing Connect SoCal's vision of future growth.

Additional topics focused on the Draft Connect SoCal Plan's growth vision methodology, priority growth areas, constrained areas, growth forecast principles, feedback summary and next steps.

SCAG staff responded on the comments and questions expressed by the committee members, including concerns for the final vote and adoption date of the Plan and when local jurisdictions will be notified of any Land Use changes. Additionally, SCAG staff noted that the Draft Growth Vision maps may be accessed on SCAG's Open Data Portal webpage, which is accessible from the SCAG main website.

Moving forward, SCAG staff noted that SCAG will continue to utilize local feedback to finalize the regional Growth Vision, and that there will be an additional update and report provided at the March CEHD Committee meeting. Ms. Jepson noted that a vote on the final release is anticipated at the April 2, 2020 Joint Policy Committee meeting, with a recommendation for adoption to the Regional Council at its April 2, 2020 meeting.

The full presentation was included in the agenda packet.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Huang announced that nominations for Chair and Vice Chair will be coming soon.

STAFF REPORT

Ma'Ayn Johnson, SCAG Staff, asked the Committee to mark their calendars for a webinar on local housing funding hosted by HCD on February 20, 2020 from 1:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m. An email blast will be sent to local jurisdictions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Huang welcomed CEHD's newest members: Hon. Acquanetta Warren, City of Fontana, and Hon. Micheal Goodland, City of Jurupa Valley.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Huang adjourned the CEHD Committee meeting at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:



Carmen Summers
Community, Economic and Human Development Committee Clerk

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CEHD Members

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Berry, Stacy, V-Chair	Cypress	District 18		1												
Betts, Russell	Desert Hot Springs	President's Appointment		1												
Bucknum, Wendy	Mission Viejo	District 13		1												
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Carroll, Michael, C.	Irvine	District 14		1												
DeRuse, Steve	La Mirada	District 31														
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Holmgren, Tim	Fillmore	District 47		1												
Huang, Peggy, Chair	Yorba Linda	TCA		1												
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Leano, Jed	Claremont	SGVCOG		1												
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Marshall, Ann	Avalon	GCCOG		1												
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Attachment: Attendance Sheet (Minutes of the February 6, 2020 Meeting)