



Southern California Association of Governments
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November 4, 2021

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (CEHD)
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2021**

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (CEHD). A VIDEO AND AUDIO RECORDING OF THE FULL MEETING IS AVAILABLE AT: <http://scag.iqm2.com/Citizens/>.

The Community, Human and Development Committee (CEHD) 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. Jorge Marquez, Chair
Hon. Frank Yokoyama, Vice Chair
Hon. Adele Andrade-Stadler
Hon. Megan Beaman Jacinto
Hon. Wendy Bucknum
Hon. Juan Carrillo
Hon. Michael C. Carroll
Hon. Letitia Clark
Hon. Steve De Ruse
Hon. Paula Devine
Hon. Diane Dixon
Hon. Rose Espinoza
Hon. Waymond Fermon
Hon. Alex Fisch
Hon. Mark Henderson
Hon. Peggy Huang
Hon. Cecilia Hupp
Hon. Kathleen Kelly
Sup. Matt LaVere

Covina
Cerritos
Alhambra
Coachella
Mission Viejo
Palmdale
Irvine
Tustin
La Mirada
Glendale
Newport Beach
La Habra
Indio
Culver City
Gardena

Brea
Palm Desert
Ventura County

RC District 33
RC District 23
District 34
District 66
District 13
District 43
District 14
District 17
GCCOG
District 42
District 15
OCCOG
CVAG
District 41
District 28
TCA
OCCOG
District 2
CoC



Hon. Jed Leano	<i>Claremont</i>	SGVCOG
Hon. Patricia Lock Dawson	<i>Riverside</i>	District 68
Hon. Marisela Magana	<i>Perris</i>	District 69
Hon. Anni Marshall	<i>Avalon</i>	GCCOG
Hon. Lauren Meister	<i>West Hollywood</i>	WSCCOG
Hon. Bill Miranda	<i>Santa Clarita</i>	SFVCOG
Hon. Kim Nguyen	<i>Garden Grove</i>	District 18
Hon. Trevor O'Neil	<i>Anaheim</i>	District 19
Hon. Sunny Park	<i>Buena Park</i>	OCCOG
Hon. Misty Perez	<i>Port Hueneme</i>	Pres. Appt., Member-at-Large
Hon. Michael Posey	<i>Huntington Beach</i>	District 64
Hon. Nicholas Schultz	<i>Burbank</i>	AVCJPA
Hon. David Shapiro	<i>Calabasas</i>	District 44
Hon. Becky Shevlin	<i>Monrovia</i>	SGVCOG
Hon. Andy Sobel	<i>Santa Paula</i>	VCOG
Hon. Wes Speake	<i>Corona</i>	WRCOG
Hon. Acquanetta Warren	<i>Fontana</i>	SBCTA
Hon. Christi White	<i>Murrieta</i>	WRCOG
Hon. Tony Wu	<i>West Covina</i>	SGVCOG
Hon. Frank Zerunyan	<i>Rolling Hills Estates</i>	SBCCOG

Members Not Present

Hon. Al Austin, II	<i>Long Beach</i>	GCCOG
Hon. David Avila	<i>Yucaipa</i>	SBCTA
Hon. Drew Boyles	<i>El Segundo</i>	District 40
Hon. Ramon Castro	<i>Imperial County</i>	CoC
Hon. Margaret E. Finlay	<i>Duarte</i>	District 35
Hon. Andrew Masiel, Sr.	<i>Tribal Gov't Reg'l Planning</i>	
Hon. John A. Mirisch	<i>Beverly Hills</i>	Pres. Appt., Member-at-Large
Hon. Holly Mitchell		Los Angeles County
Hon. George A. Nava	<i>Brawley</i>	ICTC
Hon. Edward Paget	<i>Needles</i>	SBCTA
Hon. Ariel Pe	<i>Lakewood</i>	GCCOG
Hon. Nithya Raman	<i>Los Angeles</i>	District 51
Hon. Gabriel Reyes	<i>San Bernardino County</i>	CoC
Hon. Rex Richardson	<i>Long Beach</i>	District 29
Hon. Sonny Santa Ines	<i>Bellflower</i>	GCCOG
Hon. Mark Waronek	<i>Lomita</i>	SBCCOG

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable Jorge Marquez called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and asked Business Representative, Randall Lewis, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Chair Marquez provided detailed instructions on the updated public comment protocols and called on Legal Counsel who read a statement for the record on the basis for holding this meeting pursuant to recent amendments to the Brown Act, noting the current recommended social distancing measures and existing declared state of emergency.

Chair Marquez opened the public comment period and noted that today's meeting is being held pursuant to recent Brown Act amendments relating to telephonic/videoconference meetings and process just described by SCAG's legal counsel. He noted the total time for all public comments related to items on the agenda and any other matter within the agency's subject matter jurisdiction is a minimum of ten (10) minutes and the public comment period will be held open for at least 10 minutes to afford the public the ability to comment on all items on this agenda.

Chair Marquez thanked everyone for participating remotely and asked anyone on their computers to speak by using the "raise hand" function on the computer and/or wait for SCAG staff to announce their name or phone number. Additionally, he noted that public comments received via email to CEHDPublicComment@scag.ca.gov after 5pm on October 6, 2021, would be announced and included as part of the official record of the meeting.

SCAG Staff noted there were no public comments received before the 5pm deadline on Wednesday, October 6, 2021, or via hands raised.

Chair Marquez closed the public comment period.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

No reprioritizations were made.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval Item

1. Minutes of the September 2, 2021 Meeting
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Receive and File

2. Connect SoCal CEQA Addendum No. 2 to Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (State Clearinghouse #2019011061)
3. Environmental Justice/Communities of Concern Update
4. California for Community Planning Voter Initiative

A MOTION was made (Bucknum) to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion was SECONDED (Shapiro) and passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: ANDRADE-STADLER, BEAMAN JACINTO, BUCKNUM, CARRILLO, CARROLL, DERUSE, DEVINE, DIXON, ESPINOZA, FERMON, FISCH, HENDERSON, HUANG, HUPP, KELLY, LEVERE, LEANO, LOCK DAWSON, MAGANA, MARQUEZ, MARSHALL, MEISTER, MIRANDA, NGUYEN, O’NEIL, PARK, PEREZ, POSEY, SCHULTZ, SHAPIRO, SHEVLIN, SOBEL, SPEAKE, WHITE, WU, YOKOYAMA AND ZERUNYAN (37).

NOES: NONE (0).

ABSTAIN: NONE (0).

INFORMATION ITEMS

5. Accelerating Housing Production Panel Discussion on Best Practices and Recommendations for Southern California

Chair Marquez reported that under the California 2019-2020 Budget Act, SCAG was awarded \$47 million in REAP funding to support local governments and stakeholders to accelerate housing production and meet RHNA goals. SCAG anticipates an award of up to \$246 million from the REAP 2021 program established in AB 140 (2021). He noted, as part of efforts to strengthen SCAG’s role in supporting the region’s cities and counties in meeting RHNA housing production goals, staff will bring forward a panel discussion on policy recommendations and best practices for increasing housing production and addressing homelessness in the SCAG Region.

Chair Marquez asked Jenna Hornstock, SCAG staff, to moderate the discussion, provide background information on the presentations, and introduce the three speakers: Rick Bishop, Co-Director of the Inland Center for Sustainable Development; Cecilia Estolano, CEO of Estolano Advisors; and Charly Ligety, Director of The Housing Innovative Collaborative (“HICo”).

Each panelist shared their presentations, which included findings, best practices, recommendations, and tools to address the housing crisis, accelerate and streamline housing production and reduce the cost to deliver new units of housing.

The panelists also responded to questions and comments from the Councilmembers, including questions regarding ways to incentivize developers and reduce regulatory barriers, including CEQA reform concerns. Additional comments focused on the type of housing projects that serve the missing moderate income and that it would be helpful if more discussions could be shared with member cities as part of a professional development program.

Ms. Hornstock reported that a Housing Planning working group is convening soon that would help to address most of the comments presented today. She noted that a panel on CEQA reform may also be of interest in response to member requests. Ms. Hornstock stated she would keep the Committee posted on the composition of the working group.

The comprehensive staff report along with each panelist's extensive profile and research, including the PowerPoint presentations, were included in the agenda packet. A recording of the meeting, including the presentations, can be found on SCAG's website.

6. Regional Data Platform Status and Tool Demonstrations

Chair Marquez introduced Tom Vo, SCAG staff, who, along with the project team at ESRI, provided an overview of SCAG's Regional Data Platform (RDP) concept, status updates and demonstrations of its key features, to showcase the preliminary design of the RDP system.

Mr. Vo's presentation included a brief introduction and some background information on the vision and process development of the RDP process, including highlights for how the RDP can facilitate regional data sharing and collaboration to streamline the process and to enable better planning at the local and regional level. Some of the RDP tools demonstrated included the following:

- Regional Data Platform Hub
- Housing Element Parcel Tool
- Local General Plan Template Hub
- Local Data Exchange (LDX) Web

It was noted that the RDP Team anticipates having the pilot system operational in November 2021, rolling out as much functionality as possible to the entire region at that time to assist jurisdictions with General Plan updates, local planning activities, and Connect SoCal development.

Chair Marquez thanked the team for their presentation.

The comprehensive staff report, with detailed descriptions of the RDP tools and process, and the PowerPoint presentation were included in the agenda packet.

7. Regional Early Action Program (REAP) 2021 Program

Chair Marquez provided background information on AB140, which allocated \$600 million to the Regional Early Action Plan, (REAP) 2021 program. He asked Jenna Hornstock, SCAG staff, to present the REAP 2021 draft preliminary program framework.

Ms. Hornstock gave an overview of the REAP 2021 Grant Program, noting its formula share for the SCAG region is estimated to be \$246 million, with an initial allocation of 10 percent of funds likely available starting January 1, 2022. She noted all funds must be obligated by June 2024 and expended by June 2026.

Ms. Hornstock's preliminary draft framework presentation included guidelines and development strategies that align with some of the following REAP 2021 priorities:

- Implementation Approach: Aligning with the Connect SoCal Implementation Strategy;
- Outline of the EAC Strategic Work Plan - Leadership in Resource Deployment;
- Core Objectives – Support transformative planning;
- Draft Proposed Program Areas which include: Early Action Initiatives, CTC Partnership Programs and Housing Supportive Infrastructure Programs;
- Next Steps which include extensive outreach with communities, stakeholders and regional partners; Refining the Draft REAP 2021 Program Framework and updating the Policy Committees in January 2022.

Chair Marquez thanked Ms. Hornstock for her presentation.

The comprehensive staff report, and PowerPoint presentation were included in the agenda packet.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Marquez welcomed Communities of Concern appointee, Ramon Castro of Imperial County, to the CEHD Committee.

Chair Marquez reported on some staff changes that will help streamline the agenda process and provide additional support to the CEHD. He noted that Deputy Planning Director, Jenna Hornstock will take on the role as Planning Lead and Jonathan Hughes would continue as the CEHD dedicated Staff Lead.

Chair Marquez reported on a series of four housing policy forums that will take place over the next year. He noted that the forum is free and encouraged everyone to register on the SCAG website.

STAFF REPORT

Jonathan Hughes, SCAG staff, announced that the November Policy Committee meetings were expected to continue in remote platform; with the EAC continuing to be a hybrid approach.

Mr. Hughes announced that the 12th Annual Southern California Economic Summit will take place on Thursday, December 2, 2021. He noted that additional details are on SCAG’s website and encouraged everyone to register for the event.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no future agenda items requested.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Marquez adjourned the CEHD Committee meeting at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Carmen Summers
Community, Economic and Human Development Committee Clerk

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COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE REPORT

2021-22

MEMBERS	Representing	2021-22												Total Mtgs Attended To Date		
		Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May			
Andrade-Stadler, Adele	Alhambra, District 34	1			1	1									3	
Austin, II, Al	Long Beach, GCCOG														0	
Avila, David	Yucaipa, SBCTA				1										1	
Beaman Jacinto, Megan	Coachella, District 66				1	1									2	
Boyles, Drew	El Segundo, District 40	1	1												2	
Bucknum, Wendy	Mission Viejo, District 13	1			1	1									3	
Carrillo, Juan	Palmdale, District 43	1	1		1	1									4	
Carroll, Michael C.	Irvine, District 14				1	1									2	
Castro, Ramon	Imperial County, CoC														0	
Clark, Letitia	Tustin, District 17	1	1	D A R K		1									3	
De Ruse, Steve	La Mirada, District 31	1				1	1									3
Devine, Paula	Glendale, District 42	1	1			1	1									4
Dixon, Diane B.	Newport Beach, District 15		1			1	1									3
Espinoza, Rose	La Habra, OCCOG	1	1			1	1									4
Fermon, Waymond	Indio, CVAG		1			1	1									3
Finlay, Margaret E.	Duarte, District 35	1	1													2
Fisch, Alex	Culver City, District 41	1	1			1	1									4
Henderson, Mark E.	Gardena, District 28	1	1				1									3
Huang, Peggy	TCA	1	1				1									3
Hupp, Cecilia	Brea, OCCOG	1	1			1	1									4
Kelly, Kathleen	Palm Desert, District 2	1	1			1	1									4
LeVere, Matt	Ventura County, CoC					1	1									2
Leano, Jed	Claremont, SGVCOG	1	1			1	1									4
Lock Dawson, Patricia	Riverside, District 68	1	1				1									3
Magana, Marisela	Perris, District 69	1	1			1	1									4
Marquez, Jorge	Covina, District 33	1	1			1	1									4
Marshall, Anni	Avalon, GCCOG					1	1									2
Masiel, Sr., Andrew	Pechanga Band of Luiseno Indians				D A R K											0
Meister, Lauren	West Hollywood, WCCOG	1	1				1	1								
Miranda, Bill	Santa Clarita, SFVCOG	1	1			1	1									4
Mirisch, John A.	Beverly Hills, Pres. Appt.	1	1			1										3
Mitchell, Holly	Los Angeles County															0
Nava, George A.	ICTC	1				1										2
Nguyen, Kim B.	Garden Grove, District 18	1	1			1	1									4
O'Neil, Trevor	Anaheim, District 19	1	1			1	1									4
Paget, Edward	Needles, SBCTA/SBCCOG	1	1													2
Park, Sunny Youngsun	Buena Park, OCCOG	1	1			1	1									4
Pe, Ariel "Ari"	Lakewood, GCCOG	1	1			1										3
Perez, Misty	Port Hueneme, Pres. Appt.	1	1			1	1									4
Posey, Mike	Huntington Beach, OCCOG	1				1	1									3
Raman, Nithya	Los Angeles, District 51															0
Reyes, Gabriel	San Bernardino County CoC					1										1
Richardson, Rex	Long Beach, District 29	1	1													2
Santa Ines, Sonny	Bellflower, GCCOG	1	1			1										3
Schultz, Nick	Burbank, AVCJPA	1				1	1									3
Shapiro, David J.	Calabasas, District 44	1	1			1	1									4
Shevlin, Becky A.	Monrovia, SGVCOG	1	1			1	1									4
Sobel, Andy	Santa Paula, VCOG	1	1		1	1									4	
Speake, Wes	Corona, WRCOG	1	1		1	1									4	
Waronek, Mark	Lomita, SBCCOG	1	1	D A R K	1										3	
Warren, Acquanetta	Fontana, SBCTA	1	1			1	1									4
White, Christi	Murrieta, WRCOG	1	1			1	1									4
Wu, Tony	West Covina, SGVCOG					1	1									2
Yokoyama, Frank Aurelio	Cerritos, District 23	1	1			1	1									4
Zerunyan, Frank	Rolling Hills Estates, SBCCOG	1	1			1	1									4
TOTAL ATTENDANCE		41	37			42	39									

Attachment: CEHD Attendance Sheet FY 2021-22 (Minutes of the October 7, 2021 Meeting)