



Southern California Association of Governments
Hybrid (In-Person and Remote Participation)
November 3, 2021

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
EXECUTIVE/ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE (EAC)
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2021**

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

The Executive/Administration Committee (EAC) of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) held its regular meeting both in person and 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. Clint Lorimore, President	<i>Eastvale</i>	District 4
Hon. Jan Harnik, 1st Vice President		RCTC
Hon. Carmen Ramirez, 2nd Vice President		Ventura County
Hon. Rex Richardson, Imm. Past President	<i>Long Beach</i>	District 29
Hon. Jorge Marquez, Chair, CEHD	<i>Covina</i>	District 33
Hon. Frank Yokoyama, Vice Chair, CEHD	<i>Cerritos</i>	District 23
Hon. David Pollock, Chair, EEC	<i>Moorpark</i>	District 46
Hon. Deborah Robertson, Vice Chair, EEC	<i>Rialto</i>	District 8
Hon. Sean Ashton, Chair, TC	<i>Downey</i>	District 25
Hon. Art Brown, Vice Chair, TC	<i>Buena Park</i>	District 21
Hon. Alan D. Wapner, Chair, LCMC		SBCTA
Hon. Peggy Huang, Vice Chair, LCMC		TCA
Hon. Larry McCallon, President’s Appt.	<i>Highland</i>	District 7
Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, President’s Appt.	<i>El Centro</i>	District 1
Mr. Randall Lewis, Ex-officio	<i>Lewis Group of Companies</i>	Business Representative

Members Not Present

Hon. Kathryn Barger, President’s Appt.		Los Angeles County
Hon. Donald P. Wagner, President’s Appt.		Orange County
Hon. Andrew Masiel, Sr.	<i>Pechanga Dev. Corp.</i>	TGRPB Representative



Staff Present

Kome Ajise, Executive Director
Darin Chidsey, Chief Operating Officer
Debbie Dillon, Chief Strategy Officer
Cindy Giraldo, Chief Financial Officer
Sarah Jepson, Director of Planning
Carmen Fujimori, Human Resources Director
Javiera Cartagena, Director of Policy and Public Affairs
Julie Shroyer, Chief Information Officer
Michael Houston, Chief Counsel, Director of Legal Services
Jeffery Elder, Deputy Legal Counsel
Ruben Duran, Board Counsel
Maggie Aguilar, Clerk of the Board
Cecilia Pulido, Deputy Clerk of the Board

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable Clint Lorimore called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

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), President Lorimore announced the meeting was being held both in person and virtually (telephonically and electronically).

President Lorimore asked Larry McCallon, Highland, District 7, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ruben Duran, Board Counsel, stated there was a designated portion allotted for public comment on the agenda, up to 10 minutes, to allow members of the public to comment in real time as was required by newly enacted legislation, AB 361. He stated this was being done out of an abundance of caution and to encourage and promote public participation and transparency in the EAC business.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

President Lorimore opened the Public Comment Period and outlined instructions for public comments. He noted the total time period for all public comments related to items on the agenda and any other matter within the agency's subject matter jurisdiction was ten minutes and the public

comment period would be held open for at least 10 minutes to afford the public the ability to comment on all items on this agenda.

He reminded the public to submit comments via email to ePublicComment@scag.ca.gov. Board Counsel Duran acknowledged there were no written public comments received by email before or after the deadline. Board Counsel Duran 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.

Regional Councilmember Frank Yokoyama, Cerritos, District 23, made a statement relating to conducting in person meetings in the City of Cerritos and asked Board Counsel Duran if hybrid meetings required any specific considerations. Board Counsel Duran provided a response in regard to this inquiry and elaborated further on the requirements for conducting hybrid meetings.

The Clerk announced ten minutes had elapsed.

Seeing no public comment speakers, President Lorimore closed the Public Comment Period.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

There was no prioritization of agenda items.

ACTION ITEM

1. Resolution No. 21-636-1 Regarding Acceptance of Office of Traffic Safety Grant Funds to Support the Active Transportation Safety and Encouragement Campaign

Ms. Giraldo reported staff was seeking the Executive Administration Committee's approval to recommend to the Regional Council to approve a resolution authorizing SCAG to accept a \$1,250,000 grant award from the Office of Traffic Safety. She indicated that when the report was written SCAG had only received tentative approval of the award, but she was pleased to report that they had received final award approval. She stated that with Regional Council approval this would be their sixth year of successfully bringing these grant funds forward which would be used to fund the Go Human Safety program and engagement across the region.

A MOTION was made (Wapner) that the Regional Council approve Resolution No. 21-636-1 authorizing SCAG to accept the Office of Traffic Safety grant funds in the amount of \$1,250,000 to support the Southern California *Go Human* Campaign. Motion was SECONDED (Brown) and passed by the following votes:



AYES: Ashton, Brown, Harnik, Huang, Lorimore, Marquez, McCallon, Pollock, Ramirez, Richardson, Robertson, Viegas-Walker, Wapner and Yokoyama (14)

NOES: None (0)

ABSTAIN: None (0)

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval Items

2. Minutes of the Regular Meeting – September 1, 2021
3. 2022 Meeting Schedule of the Executive Administration Committee, Policy Committees, and Regional Council
4. Contract Amendment Greater Than \$75,000, Contract No. 18-040-C01 Amendment No. 3, Regional Data Platform
5. Contract Amendment Greater Than 30% of the Contract’s Original Value, Contract No. 19-003A-C01, Amendment No. 6, Great Plains (GP) Enterprise Software Services
6. Contracts \$200,000 or Greater: Contract No. 22-024-C01, ESRI Advantage Program
7. SB 9 (Atkins) – Status Report

Receive and File

8. Californians for Community Planning Voter Initiative
9. Purchase Orders \$5,000 - \$199,999; Contracts \$25,000 - \$199,999 and Amendments \$5,000 - \$74,999
10. CFO Monthly Report

A MOTION was made (Pollock) to approve Consent Calendar, Items 2 through 7; Receive and File Item 8 through 10. Motion was SECONDED (Marquez) and passed by the following votes:

AYES: Ashton, Brown, Harnik, Huang, Lorimore, Marquez, McCallon, Pollock, Ramirez, Richardson, Robertson, Viegas-Walker, Wapner and Yokoyama (14)

NOES: None (0)

ABSTAIN: None (0)

CFO REPORT

Cindy Giraldo, Chief Financial Officer, reported that significant effort was being put into meeting the documentation requirements requested by the external auditors in support of the annual financial statements. She also noted that the budget and grants department was busy as well working on parallel tracks to prepare both the budget amendment for the current fiscal year which would come before this committee in December and the preparation of the fiscal year 2023 budget. She also reported that collection dues had increased to about 83%, leaving about \$380,000 to be collected. Lastly, she reported that Tom Philip, Accounting Manager had left SCAG to pursue other opportunities and was happy to report that Erika Bustamante, Budget and Grants Manager, had agreed to work as Interim Accounting Manager until a permanent replacement was found. She indicated this generated another opportunity in the budget and grants department for another SCAG employee to step up as the Interim Budget and Grants Manager.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Lorimore noted that it was hashtag Clean Air Day and hashtag Walk to School Day. He indicated that just before the meeting they were able to make it to a school down the street from the SCAG's offices and thanked staff for setting it up. He highlighted that it was Clean Air Day and throughout the year, residents dealt with some of the worst air quality in the nation. He stated they had seen heavy smoke from wildfires and a rebound in traffic on the roads and freeways. He noted these were considerable public health impacts on the region. He proceeded to present a Clean Air Day Proclamation in support of California Clean Air Day. He stated that while SCAG's planning efforts have played an important role in the region's air quality improvements over the past few decades, millions of residents continue to suffer from poor air quality. He indicated they could all play a part in addressing air pollution in the region, and this was what this proclamation was all about. He proclaimed that SCAG was pleased to join the coalition for clean air and hundreds of other public and private entities in taking action to make air healthier by participating in California Clean Air Day on October 6, 2021. He further stated that SCAG was taking the organizational pledge committing to its various clean and sustainable planning policies, programs, strategies, and initiatives to improve air quality in Southern California as reflected in its adopted Connect SoCal plan. He also noted that there were many useful resources available on the California Clean Air Day website (cleanairday.org) tailored for both organizations and individuals. Lastly, he stated the next meeting of the EAC was scheduled for Wednesday, November 3, 2021, at 3:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Ajise noted that last month was California pedestrian safety month and October was national pedestrian safety month. He indicated SCAG had resources on the website that would encourage people, local partners, and stakeholders to participate in the safety pledge with the rest of them. He announced the 12th annual Southern California Economic Summit was set for Thursday, December 2, and would focus on the theme from inclusive recovery to inclusive growth. He indicated that while they initially planned to hold this economic summit in person, due to the evolving public health concerns, they made the tough decision to change the format. He expressed they were looking forward to holding a very successful virtual conference for the second time in a row. He stated the program would feature the debut of new research and analysis of the state of the region's economy, expert commentary on the issues of how to keep Southern California competitive, and a list of funding programs and innovative approaches to kickstarting inclusive economic growth. Lastly, he noted that there was a public hearing tomorrow on the Greenprint. He stated that since the report had been put out a week ago, there had been a lot of input and as a result, had an amended staff recommendation that would be posted this afternoon.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no future agenda items.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Lorimore adjourned the Regular Meeting of the Executive Administration Committee at 3:32 p.m.

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Executive / Administration Committee Attendance Report

2021-22															Total Mtgs Attended To Date	
MEMBERS	CITY	Representing	JUN	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY		
Hon. Clint Lorimore, President	Eastvale	District 4	1	1	D	1	1								4	
Hon. Jan Harnik, Chair, 1st Vice Chair		RCTC	1	1		1	1									4
Sup. Carmen Ramirez, 2nd Vice Chair		Ventura County	1	1		1	1									4
Hon. Rex Richardson, Imm. Past President	Long Beach	District 29	1	0		0	1									2
Hon. Jorge Marquez, Chair, CEHD	Covina	District 33	1	0		1	1									3
Hon. Frank Yokoyama, Vice Chair, CEHD	Cerritos	District 23	1	1		1	1									4
Hon. David Pollock, Chair, EEC	Moorpark	District 46	1	1		1	1									4
Hon. Deborah Roberston, Vice Chair, EEC	Rialto	District 8	1	1		A	1	1								4
Hon. Sean Ashton, Chair, TC	Downey	District 25	1	0			1	1								
Hon. Art Brown, Vice Chair, TC	Buena Park	District 21	1	1		1	1									4
Hon. Alan Wapner, Chair, LCMC		SBCTA	1	1		R	1	1								4
Hon. Peggy Huang, Vice Chair, LCMC		TCA	1	1			1	1								
Sup. Kathryn Barger, President's Appt.		Los Angeles County	1	1		1	0									3
Hon. Larry McCallon, President's Appt.	Highland	District 7	1	1		K	1	1								4
Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, President's Appt.	El Centro	District 1	1	1			1	1								
Sup. Donald P. Wagner, President's Appt.		Orange County	1	1		1	0									3
Hon. Andrew Masiel, Sr.	Pechanga Dev. Corporation	Tribal Government Regional Planning Board	1	0		0	0									1
Mr. Randall Lewis, Ex-Officio Member	Lewis Group of Companies	Business Representative	1	1		1	1									4
			18	14	0	16	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	63	

Attachment: EAC Attendance Sheet 2021-22 (Minutes of the Meeting - October 6, 2021)