

#### **ANNUAL MEETING**

### **GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

### Please Note Date and Time Thursday, May 5, 2016 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

### La Quinta Resort & Club Flores Ballroom 49-499 Eisenhower Drive La Quinta, CA 92253 Tel: (760) 564-4111

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# GENERAL ASSEMBLY AGENDA THURSDAY, MAY 5, 2016

The General Assembly may consider and act upon any of the items listed on the agenda regardless of whether they are listed as Information or Action Items.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

(Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, President)

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD</u> – Members of the public desiring to speak on items on the Agenda must fill out and present a Public Comment Card to the Assistant prior to speaking. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. The President has the discretion to reduce this time limit based upon the number of speakers. The President may limit the total time for all public comments to twenty (20) minutes.

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

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1.	Minutes of the May 7, 2015 General Assembly Meeting	Attachment	1
<u>ACTIO</u>	ON ITEMS		
2.	<u>Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-17 General Fund Budget and Membership Assessment Schedule</u>	Attachment	13
	Recommended Action: As recommended by the Regional Council, that the General Assembly adopt the Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-17 General Fund Budget and Membership Assessment Schedule; and authorize the Executive Director and the Chief Financial Officer to make adjustments that may be necessary after adoption of the budget (i.e. changes in membership assessment revenue, allocated fringe benefits and indirect cost allocations, etc.).		
3.	<u>Proposed Resolution for Consideration by the General Assembly</u>	Attachment	25
	Recommended Action: The Regional Council recommends that the General Assembly approve the proposed resolution		



described herein.

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4.	Proposed Amendments to the SCAG Bylaws	Attachment	29
	<b>Recommended Action:</b> The Regional Council recommends that the General Assembly approve the proposed amendments to the Bylaws that are described herein.		
5.	2016-2017 SCAG Board Officers	Attachment	60
	<b>Recommended Action:</b> Ratify the Regional Council's approval of the 2016-2017 SCAG Board Officer positions.		
PRESI	IDENT'S REPORT		

**Attachment** 

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- Recognition of Outgoing President Cheryl Viegas-Walker
- Remarks from Incoming President Michele Martinez

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Year In Review

The 2017 Regional Conference and General Assembly is scheduled for Thursday, May 4 – 5, 2017, at the JW Marriott Desert Springs Resort & Spa, 74-855 Country Club Drive, Palm Desert, CA 92260.9



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# GENERAL ASSEMBLY - BUSINESS SESSION SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS MINUTES OF THE MEETING MAY 7, 2015

# THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. A VIDEO RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE ON THE SCAG WEBSITE: www.scag.ca.gov/scagtv

The General Assembly – Business Session, held its May 7, 2015 meeting at the JW Marriott Desert Springs Resort & Spa, 74855 Country Club Drive, Palm Desert, CA 92260. There was a quorum.

Delegate and/or Alternate Representatives from the following Cities, Counties, and County Transportation Commissions were in attendance:

<u>Imperial County:</u> Brawley, Calexico, Calipatria, El Centro, Holtville, Imperial and County of Imperial.

Los Angeles County: Alhambra, Baldwin Park, Bell, Beverly Hills, Burbank, Cerritos, Claremont, Diamond Bar, Duarte, El Monte, Gardena, Glendora, Industry, La Cañada Flintridge, La Habra Heights, La Mirada, Lomita, Long Beach, Long Beach/Avalon, Los Angeles, Lynwood, Malibu, Monrovia, Paramount, Pico Rivera, Pomona, Rolling Hills Estates, Rosemead, San Fernando, San Marino, Santa Clarita, , Santa Monica, Sierra Madre, Signal Hill, South Gate, South Pasadena, Temple City, Torrance and West Hollywood.

<u>Orange County:</u> Aliso Viejo, Buena Park, Costa Mesa, Dana Point, Fountain Valley, Fullerton, Garden Grove, Huntington Beach, Irvine, La Palma, Laguna Hills, Laguna Niguel, Laguna Woods, Los Alamitos, Mission Viejo, Placentia, San Juan Capistrano, Santa Ana, Stanton, Tustin, Villa Park, Westminster, Yorba Linda, and County of Orange.

<u>Riverside County:</u> Banning, Beaumont, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Cathedral City, Corona, Desert Hot Springs, Eastvale, Hemet, Indian Wells, La Quinta, Moreno Valley, Palm Desert, Perris, Riverside, San Jacinto, Torres Martinez Desert, Wildomar; and County of Riverside.

<u>San Bernardino County:</u> Adelanto, Barstow, Big Bear Lake, Chino Hills, Colton, Grand Terrace, Highland, Needles, Ontario, Redlands, Rialto, San Bernardino, Twenty-nine Palms, Upland, Victorville, Yucca Valley and County of San Bernardino.

<u>Ventura County:</u> Fillmore, Ojai, San Buenaventura, Santa Paula, Simi Valley and County of Ventura.



<u>County Transportation Commissions:</u> Orange County Transportation Authority, Riverside County Transportation Commission and San Bernardino Associated Governments.

#### **Staff Present**

Hasan Ikhrata, Executive Director
Debbie Dillon, Deputy Executive Director, Administration
Joe Silvey, General Counsel
Joann Africa, Chief Counsel
Basil Panas, Chief Financial Officer
Darin Chidsey, Director, Strategy, Policy and Public Affairs
Rich Macias, Director, Transportation Planning (Retired)
Huasha Liu, Director, Land Use and Environmental Planning
Catherine Chavez, Chief Information Officer
Naresh Amatya, Acting Director, Transportation Planning
Tess Rey-Chaput, Office of Regional Council Support

#### CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Carl Morehouse called the meeting to order at approximately 11:08 a.m. Presentation of Colors by the Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center Color Guard and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

In voting on agenda items, President Morehouse reminded the City Delegate/Alternate Representatives to vote on the communicator keypad using their pre-coded identifying smartcard. He asked them to insert the smartcards in the keypad when voting; to remove the cards if they need to leave the meeting room; and to re-insert the cards when they return to the meeting. The electronically-recorded votes will indicate how each member voted, by selecting "1" for a "Yes" vote; "2" for a "No" vote and "3" for an "Abstention." These votes will be a part of the official record of the General Assembly Minutes of the Meeting.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

President Morehouse opened the Public Comment period.

Honorable Kathryn McCullough, Lake Forest, thanked SCAG Executive Director, Hasan Ikhrata, and staff for their efforts in the region.

Bill Sadler, Safe Routes to School National Partnership, commended SCAG staff for their efforts in the 2016 RTP/SCS. He expressed appreciation for elevating Active Transportation and for incorporating scenario planning models, performance measures and environmental justice. He suggested improvement in the areas of affordable housing and gentrification.

Carla Blackmar, Public Health Alliance of Southern California, commented regarding partnership with cities, counties and the region to improve public health; commended SCAG's public health analysis framework document as it integrated health into the planning process including adoption of the urban footprint planning model.



Chanell Fletcher, ClimatePlan, commended SCAG for the extensive update process of the 2016 RTP/SCS and the successful 2012 RTP/SCS for incorporating environmental justice, urban footprint scenario planning model, and for ensuring that mobility, sustainability, equity and climate issues are the policy drivers for of this scenario.

Michele Hasson, Leadership Counsel for Justice and Accountability, commented regarding the rural communities that could benefit from transit and transportation and recommend environmental justice performance measures to improve health outcomes for all residents. She suggested incorporating in the 2016 RTP/SCS the regional performance indicators and impacts of the proposed large scale growth on existing rural communities with respect to infrastructure housing, and access to water while paying attention to smaller rural communities.

President Morehouse closed the Public Comment period.

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

There was no reprioritization of the agenda.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

1. Fiscal Year (FY) 2015-16 General Fund Budget and Membership Assessment Schedule

President Morehouse introduced the item.

A MOTION was made (M. Martinez, Santa Ana) to adopt the FY 2015-16 General Fund Budget and Membership Assessment Schedule and authorize the Executive Director and the Chief Financial Officer to make adjustments that may be necessary after adoption of the budget (i.e. changes in membership assessment revenue, allocated fringe benefits and indirect cost allocations, etc.). Motion was SECONDED (O'Connor, Santa Monica) and passed by the following votes:

AYE/S:

Kerr (Adelanto); Messina (Alhambra); Munzing (Aliso Viejo); Baca (Baldwin Park); Moyer (Banning); McIntyre (Barstow); Knight (Beaumont); Mirisch (Beverly Hills); Jahn (Big Bear Lake); Campbell (Brawley); Brown (Buena Park); Talamantes (Burbank); Moreno (Calexico); Hyatt (Calimesa); Ehrenkranz (Canyon Lake); Pettis (Cathedral City); Chen (Cerritos); Marquez (Chino Hills); Navarro (Colton); Spiegel (Corona); Genis (Costa Mesa); Muller (Dana Point); Betts (Desert Hot Springs); Lyons (Diamond Bar); Lorimore (Eastvale); Viegas-Walker (El Centro); Nagel (Fountain Valley); Fitzgerald (Fullerton); Phan (Garden Grove); Medina (Gardena); Murabito (Glendora); Robles (Grand Terrace); Wright (Hemet); McCallon (Highland); Ward (Holtville); Delgleize (Huntington Beach); Gran (Imperial); Terrazas (Imperial County); Reed (Indian Wells); Spohn (Industry); Choi (Irvine); Voss (La Canada Flintridge); Miller (La Habra Heights); Sarega (La Mirada); Hwangbo (La Palma); Kogerman (Laguna Hills); Davies (Laguna Niguel); Horne (Laguna Woods); Gazeley (Lomita); Gonzalez (Long Beach); Richardson



(Long Beach/Avalon); Kusumoto (Los Alamitos); Solache (Lynwood); Sibert (Malibu); Bucknum (Mission Viejo); Shevlin (Monrovia); Giba (Moreno Valley); Katapodis (OCTA); Blatz (Ojai); Dorst-Porada (Ontario); Steel (Orange County); Weber (Palm Desert); Daniels (Paramount); Rodriguez (Perris); Tercero (Pico Rivera); Yamaguchi (Placentia); Harnik (RCTC); Harrison (Redlands); Robertson (Rialto); Washington (Riverside County); Mitchell (Rolling Hills Estates); Clark (Rosemead); Mulvihill (San Bernardino); Hagman (San Bernardino County); Morehouse (San Buenaventura); Lopez (San Fernando); Ledezma (San Jacinto); Ferguson (San Juan Capistrano); Yung (San Marino); Wapner (SANBAG); M. Martinez (Santa Ana); Acosta (Santa Clarita); O'Connor (Santa Monica); Procter (Santa Paula); Capoccia (Sierra Madre); Forester (Signal Hill); Becerra (Simi Valley); De Witt (South Gate); Joe (South Pasadena); Shawver (Stanton); Sternquist (Temple City); Furey (Torrance); Resvaloso (Torres Martinez Desert); Nielsen (Tustin); Heiser (Twentynine Palms); Parks (Ventura County); Negrete (Victorville); Fascenelli (Villa Park); D'Amico (West Hollywood); (Westminster); Walker (Wildomar); Hernandez (Yorba Linda); (102).

**NOE/S:** None (0).

ABSTAIN: Huntington (Yucca Valley) (1).

#### 2. Proposed Amendments to the SCAG Bylaws

President Morehouse introduced the item. Joe Silvey, General Counsel, provided background information.

A MOTION was made (LaBonge, Los Angeles), as recommended by the Regional Council, to review and approve the proposed amendments to the SCAG Bylaws. Motion was SECONDED (Campbell, Brawley) and passed by the following votes:

**AYE/S:** 

Kerr (Adelanto); Messina (Alhambra); Baca (Baldwin Park); Moyer (Banning); McIntyre (Barstow); Knight (Beaumont); Mirisch (Beverly Hills); Jahn (Big Bear Lake); Campbell (Brawley); Talamantes (Burbank); Moreno (Calexico); Hyatt (Calimesa); Froelich (Calipatra); Ehrenkranz (Canyon Lake); Pettis (Cathedral City); Marquez (Chino Hills); Navarro (Colton); Spiegel (Corona); Genis (Costa Mesa); Muller (Dana Point); Betts (Desert Hot Springs); Lyons (Diamond Bar); Lorimore (Eastvale); Viegas-Walker (El Centro); Fitzgerald (Fullerton); Phan (Garden Grove); Medina (Gardena); Murabito (Glendora); Robles (Grand Terrace); Wright (Hemet); McCallon (Highland); Ward (Holtville); Delgleize (Huntington Beach); Gran (Imperial); Terrazas (Imperial County); Reed (Indian Wells); Spohn (Industry); Choi (Irvine); Voss (La Canada Flintridge); Miller (La Habra Heights); Evans (La Quinta); Davies (Laguna Niguel); Horne (Laguna Woods); Gazeley (Lomita); Gonzalez (Long Beach); Richardson (Long Beach/Avalon); Solache (Lynwood); Sibert (Malibu); Shevlin (Monrovia); Giba (Moreno Valley); Blatz (Ojai); Dorst-Porada (Ontario); Weber (Palm Desert); Daniels (Paramount); Rodriguez (Perris); Tercero (Pico Rivera); Yamaguchi



(Placentia); Harnik (RCTC); Harrison (Redlands); Robertson (Rialto); Washington (Riverside County); Mitchell (Rolling Hills Estates); Clark (Rosemead); Mulvihill (San Bernardino); Morehouse (San Buenaventura); Lopez (San Fernando); Ledezma (San Jacinto); Ferguson (San Juan Capistrano); Yung (San Marino); Wapner (SANBAG); M. Martinez (Santa Ana); Hagman (San Bernardino County); O'Connor (Santa Monica); Procter (Santa Paula); Capoccia (Sierra Madre); Forester (Signal Hill); Becerra (Simi Valley); De Witt (South Gate); Joe (South Pasadena); Sternquist (Temple City); Furey (Torrance); Resvaloso (Torres Martinez Desert); Heiser (Twentynine Palms); Parks (Ventura County); Negrete (Victorville); Fascenelli (Villa Park); D'Amico (West Hollywood); Ta (Westminster); Walker (Wildomar); Hernandez (Yorba Linda); Huntington (Yucca Valley) (91).

NOE/S:

Munzing (Aliso Viejo); Brown (Buena Park); Chen (Cerritos); Steel (Orange County); Nagel (Fountain Valley); Sarega (La Mirada); Hwangbo (La Palma); Kogerman (Laguna Hills); Kusumoto (Los Alamitos); Bucknum (Mission Viejo); Katapodis (OCTA); Acosta (Santa Clarita); Shawver (Stanton); Nielsen (Tustin) (14).

**ABSTAIN:** None (0).

3. <u>Proposed Resolution for Consideration by the General Assembly – Wildlife Corridor Across the Ventura Freeway (US 101) at Liberty Canyon</u>

President Morehouse introduced the item and opened the Public Comment period related to this item.

Honorable Dennis Washburn, stated support for the proposed resolution and noted an article in the National Geographic's December 2013 edition regarding a photograph of P22, a mountain lion that has crossed the Santa Monica Mountains. Mr. Washburn emphasized the importance of linking the human population and the wildlife population of our community and stated the proposed resolution would add momentum to the efforts that are currently underway.

Aisha Cohen, student, UCLA, stated support for the proposed resolution and suggested to consider a pedestrian and bicycle pathway that would connect the section of the Wildlife Corridor in Ventura to Los Angeles County.

Beth Pratt, National Wildlife Federation, commented regarding the plight of P22 who crossed two major freeways and now lives in the middle of Griffith Park. She reported that there are fifteen other mountain lions living in the Santa Monica Mountains. Ms. Pratt stated support for the proposed resolution as it will allow for a safe wildlife crossing and connect the ecosystem that all wildlife could thrive.

A MOTION was made (L. Parks, Ventura County), as recommended by the Regional Council, that the General Assembly adopt Resolution No. GA 2015-1, "A Resolution of the General Assembly of the Southern California Association of Governments In Support of Endorsing a



Plan to Build a Wildlife Corridor Across the Ventura Freeway (US 101) at Liberty Canyon." Motion was SECONDED (Becerra, Simi Valley) and passed by the following votes:

**AYE/S:** 

Kerr (Adelanto); Messina (Alhambra); Baca (Baldwin Park); Moyer (Banning); McIntyre (Barstow); Knight (Beaumont); Saleh (Bell); Mirisch (Beverly Hills); Jahn (Big Bear Lake); Campbell (Brawley); Brown (Buena Park); Talamantes (Burbank); Moreno (Calexico); Hyatt (Calimesa); Froelich (Calipatra); Pettis (Cathedral City); Chen (Cerritos); Marquez (Chino Hills); Navarro (Colton); Spiegel (Corona); Genis (Costa Mesa); Muller (Dana Point); Betts (Desert Hot Springs); Lyons (Diamond Bar); Lorimore (Eastvale); Viegas-Walker (El Centro); Minjares (Fillmore); Nagel (Fountain Valley); Fitzgerald (Fullerton); Phan (Garden Grove); Medina (Gardena); Murabito (Glendora); Robles (Grand Terrace); Wright (Hemet); McCallon (Highland); Ward (Holtville); Delgleize (Huntington Beach); Gran (Imperial); Terrazas (Imperial County); Reed (Indian Wells); Spohn (Industry); Voss (La Canada Flintridge); Miller (La Habra Heights); Hwangbo (La Palma); Evans (La Quinta); Davies (Laguna Niguel); Horne (Laguna Woods); Gazeley (Lomita); Gonzalez (Long Beach); Richardson (Long Beach/Avalon); Kusumoto (Los Alamitos); Solache (Lynwood); Sibert (Malibu); Paget (Needles); Blatz (Ojai); Dorst-Porada (Ontario); Weber (Palm Desert); Daniels (Paramount); Rodriguez (Perris); Tercero (Pico Rivera); Yamaguchi (Placentia); Lantz (Pomona); Harnik (RCTC); Harrison (Redlands); Robertson (Rialto); Washington (Riverside County); Mitchell (Rolling Hills Estates); Clark (Rosemead); Muvilhill (San Bernardino); Hagman (San Bernardino County); Morehouse (San Buenaventura); Lopez (San Fernando); Ferguson (San Juan Capistrano); Yung (San Marino); Wapner (SANBAG); M. Martinez (Santa Ana); Acosta (Santa Clarita); O'Connor (Santa Monica); Procter (Santa Paula); Capoccia (Sierra Madre); Forester (Signal Hill); Becerra (Simi Valley); De Witt (South Gate); Joe (South Pasadena); Sternquist (Temple City); Furey (Torrance); Resvaloso (Torres Martinez Desert); Heiser (Twentynine Palms); Musser (Upland); Parks (Ventura County); Negrete (Victorville); Fascenelli (Villa Park); D'Amico (West Hollywood); Ta (Westminster); Walker (Wildomar); Hernandez (Yorba Linda); Huntington (Yucca Valley) (97).

NOE/S:

Munzing (Aliso Viejo); Ehrenkranz (Canyon Lake); Steel (Orange County); Choi (Irvine); Sarega (La Mirada); Kogerman (Laguna Hills); Katapodis (OCTA); Ledezma (San Jacinto); Shawver (Stanton); Nielsen (Tustin) (10).

**ABSTAIN:** Bucknum (Mission Viejo); Shevlin (Monrovia); Giba (Moreno Valley) (3).

4. <u>Proposed Resolution for Consideration by the General Assembly – Five-Year Moratorium on Laws that Negatively Impact California Businesses</u>

President Morehouse introduced the item and asked City of Irvine Delegate Representative, Steven Choi, to provide background information.



A MOTION was made (Choi), that the General Assembly adopt Resolution No. GA 2015-2, "A Resolution of the General Assembly of the Southern California Association of Governments in Support of a Five-Year Moratorium on Laws that Negatively Impact California Businesses." Motion was SECONDED (Katapodis, OCTA) and passed by the following votes:

**AYE/S:** 

Kerr (Adelanto); Messina (Alhambra); Munzing (Aliso Viejo); Baca (Baldwin Park); McIntyre (Barstow); Knight (Beaumont); Jahn (Big Bear Lake); Campbell (Brawley); Brown (Buena Park); Moreno (Calexico); Hyatt (Calimesa); Froelich (Calipatra); Ehrenkranz (Canyon Lake); Chen (Cerritos); Navarro (Colton); Spiegel (Corona); Genis (Costa Mesa); Muller (Dana Point); Lyons (Diamond Bar); Lorimore (Eastvale); V. Martinez (El Monte); Minjares (Fillmore); Nagel (Fountain Valley); Fitzgerald (Fullerton); Phan (Garden Grove); Murabito (Glendora); Robles (Grand Terrace); Wright (Hemet); McCallon (Highland); Ward (Holtville); Delgleize (Huntington Beach); Gran (Imperial); Reed (Indian Wells); Spohn (Industry); Choi (Irvine); Sarega (La Mirada); Hwangbo (La Palma); Kogerman (Laguna Hills); Davies (Laguna Niguel); Gonzalez (Long Beach); Richardson (Long Beach/Avalon); Kusumoto (Los Alamitos); Bucknum (Mission Viejo); Shevlin (Monrovia); Katapodis (OCTA); Blatz (Ojai); Steel (Orange County); Daniels (Paramount); Yamaguchi (Placentia); Washington (Riverside County); Clark (Rosemead); Mulvihill (San Bernardino); Hagman (San Bernardino County); Lopez (San Fernando); Ledezma (San Jacinto); Ferguson (San Juan Capistrano); Yung (San Marino); M. Martinez (Santa Ana); Acosta (Santa Clarita); Forester (Signal Hill); De Witt (South Gate); Joe (South Pasadena); Shawver (Stanton); Sternquist (Temple City); Furey (Torrance); Resvaloso (Torres Martinez Desert); Nielsen (Tustin); Musser (Upland); Negrete (Victorville); Fascenelli (Villa Park); Ta (Westminster); Walker (Wildomar) (72).

NOE/S:

Moyer (Banning); Saleh (Bell); Mirisch (Beverly Hills); Talamantes (Burbank); Pettis (Cathedral City); Marquez (Chino Hills); Betts (Desert Hot Springs); Viegas-Walker (El Centro); Medina (Gardena); Terrazas (Imperial County); Voss (La Canada Flintridge); Miller (La Habra Heights); Evans (La Quinta); Horne (Laguna Woods); Gazeley (Lomita); Sibert (Malibu); Giba (Moreno Valley); Paget (Needles); Dorst-Porada (Ontario); Weber (Palm Desert); Rodriguez (Perris); Tercero (Pico Rivera); Harnik (RCTC); Harrison (Redlands); Robertson (Rialto); Mitchell (Rolling Hills Estates); Morehouse (San Buenaventura); Wapner (SANBAG); O'Connor (Santa Monica); Procter (Santa Paula); Capoccia (Sierra Madre); D'Amico (West Hollywood); Huntington (Yucca Valley) (33).

**ABSTAIN:** Lantz (Pomona); Solache (Lynwood); Heiser (Twentynine Palms); Becerra (Simi Valley) (4).

#### 5. 2015-2016 SCAG Officers

President Morehouse introduced the item and provided background information regarding the Nominating Committee's recommendations to the Regional Council for the 2015-16 SCAG



Officer positions, as follows: Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, for President; Hon. Michele Martinez, for First Vice President; and Hon. Margaret Finlay for Second Vice President.

A MOTION was made (Harnik, RCTC), to ratify the 2015-2016 Regional SCAG Officer positions as reviewed and approved by the Regional Council. Motion was SECONDED (Campbell, Brawley) and unanimously passed by the following votes:

AYE/S:

Kerr (Adelanto); Messina (Alhambra); Munzing (Aliso Viejo); Baca (Baldwin Park); Moyer (Banning); McIntyre (Barstow); Knight (Beaumont); Saleh (Bell); Mirisch (Beverly Hills); Jahn (Big Bear Lake); Campbell (Brawley); Brown (Buena Park); Talamantes (Burbank); Moreno (Calexico); Hyatt (Calimesa); Froelich (Calipatra); Ehrenkranz (Canyon Lake); Pettis (Cathedral City); Chen (Cerritos); Marquez (Chino Hills); Navarro (Colton); Spiegel (Corona); Genis (Costa Mesa); Muller (Dana Point); Betts (Desert Hot Springs); Lyons (Diamond Bar); Lorimore (Eastvale); Viegas-Walker (El Centro); V. Martinez (El Monte); Minjares (Fillmore); Nagel (Fountain Valley); Fitzgerald (Fullerton); Phan (Garden Grove); Medina (Gardena); Murabito (Glendora); Robles (Grand Terrace); Wright (Hemet); McCallon (Highland); Ward (Holtville); Delgleize (Huntington Beach); Gran (Imperial); Terrazas (Imperial County); Reed (Indian Wells); Spohn (Industry); Choi (Irvine); Voss (La Canada Flintridge); Miller (La Habra Heights); Sarega (La Mirada); Hwangbo (La Palma); Evans (La Quinta); Kogerman (Laguna Hills); Davies (Laguna Niguel); Horne (Laguna Woods); Gazeley (Lomita); Gonzalez (Long Beach); Richardson (Long Beach/Avalon); Kusumoto (Los Alamitos); Solache (Lynwood); Sibert (Malibu); Bucknum (Mission Viejo); Shevlin (Monrovia); Giba (Moreno Valley); Paget (Needles); Katapodis (OCTA); Blatz (Ojai); Dorst-Porada (Ontario); Steel (Orange County); Weber (Palm Desert); Daniels (Paramount); Rodriguez (Perris); Tercero (Pico Rivera); Yamaguchi (Placentia); Lantz (Pomona); Harnik (RCTC); Harrison (Redlands); Robertson (Rialto); Washington (Riverside County); Mitchell (Rolling Hills Estates); Clark (Rosemead); Mulvihill (San Bernardino); Hagman (San Bernardino County); Morehouse (San Buenaventura); Lopez (San Fernando); Ledezma (San Jacinto); Ferguson (San Juan Capistrano); Yung (San Marino); Wapner (SANBAG); M. Martinez (Santa Ana); Acosta (Santa Clarita); O'Connor (Santa Monica); Procter (Santa Paula); Capoccia (Sierra Madre); Forester (Signal Hill); Becerra (Simi Valley); De Witt (South Gate); Joe (South Pasadena); Shawver (Stanton): Sternguist (Temple City); Furey (Torrance); Resvaloso (Torres Martinez Desert); Nielsen (Tustin); Heiser (Twentynine Palms); Musser (Upland); Parks (Ventura County); Negrete (Victorville); Fascenelli (Villa Park); D'Amico (West Hollywood); Ta (Westminster); Walker (Wildomar); Huntington (Yucca Valley) (110).

**NOE/S:** None (0).

**ABSTAIN:** None (0).



#### 6. Minutes of the May 1, 2014 General Assembly Meeting

A MOTION was made (M. Martinez, Santa Ana), to approve the Minutes of the May 1, 2014 General Assembly meeting. Motion was SECONDED (Katapodis, OCTA) and passed by the following votes:

**AYE/S:** 

Kerr (Adelanto); Messina (Alhambra); Munzing (Aliso Viejo); Baca (Baldwin Park); Moyer (Banning); McIntyre (Barstow); Knight (Beaumont); Saleh (Bell); Mirisch (Beverly Hills); Jahn (Big Bear Lake); Campbell (Brawley); Brown (Buena Park); Talamantes (Burbank); Moreno (Calexico); Hyatt (Calimesa); Froelich (Calipatra); Pettis (Cathedral City); Chen (Cerritos); Marquez (Chino Hills); Pedroza (Claremont); Navarro (Colton); Genis (Costa Mesa); Muller (Dana Point); Betts (Desert Hot Springs); Lyons (Diamond Bar); Viegas-Walker (El Centro); V. Martinez (El Monte); Minjares (Fillmore); Nagel (Fountain Valley); Fitzgerald (Fullerton); Medina (Gardena); Murabito (Glendora); Wright (Hemet); McCallon (Highland); Ward (Holtville); Gran (Imperial); Terrazas (Imperial County); Reed (Indian Wells); Spohn (Industry); Choi (Irvine); Voss (La Canada Flintridge); Miller (La Habra Heights); Hwangbo (La Palma); Evans (La Quinta); Davies (Laguna Niguel); Gazeley (Lomita); Gonzalez (Long Beach); Richardson (Long Beach/Avalon); Kusumoto (Los Alamitos); Shevlin (Monrovia); Paget (Needles); Steel (Orange County); Daniels (Paramount); Rodriguez (Perris); Yamaguchi (Placentia); Lantz (Pomona); Harnik (RCTC); Harrison (Redlands); Robertson (Rialto); Mitchell (Rolling Hills Estates); Clark (Rosemead); Mulvihill (San Bernardino); Morehouse (San Buenaventura); Ledezma (San Jacinto); Ferguson (San Juan Capistrano); Yung (San Marino); Wapner (SANBAG); M. Martinez (Santa Ana); Acosta (Santa Clarita); Procter (Santa Paula); Capoccia (Sierra Madre); Forester (Signal Hill); Becerra (Simi Valley); De Witt (South Gate); Joe (South Pasadena); Shawver (Stanton); Sternquist (Temple City); Furey (Torrance); Resvaloso (Torres Martinez Desert); Nielsen (Tustin); Parks (Ventura County); Negrete (Victorville); Fascenelli (Villa Park); Walker (Wildomar); Huntington (Yucca Valley) (85).

**NOE/S:** None (0).

ABSTAIN: Ehrenkranz (Canyon Lake); Spiegel (Corona); Washington (Riverside County); Hagman (San Bernardino County); Lorimore (Eastvale); Phan (Garden Grove); Sarega (La Mirada); Kogerman (Laguna Hills); Horne (Laguna Woods); Solache (Lynwood); Sibert (Malibu); Bucknum (Mission Viejo); Giba (Moreno Valley); Katapodis (OCTA); Blatz (Ojai); Dorst-Porada (Ontario); Weber (Palm Desert); Tercero (Pico Rivera); Lopez (San Fernando); Heiser (Twentynine Palms); Musser (Upland); D'Amico (West Hollywood); Ta (Westminster) (23).



#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

#### 7. 2015 Local Profiles for SCAG Member Jurisdictions

Hasan Ikhrata, Executive Director, provided background information on the Local Profiles, a service to the member cities that is prepared by SCAG every two (2) years. The Local Profiles contain he city's demographic, economic, housing transportation and education information.

#### 8. Active Transportation Safety & Encouragement Campaign: Call for Proposals

Hasan Ikhrata, Executive Director, reported that SCAG received a \$2.3 million grant for the Active Transportation Program. He announced that the campaign calls for six (6) cities that will be selected to host demonstration projects. Mr. Ikhrata encouraged the elected officials to take advantage of the program. The deadline is on June 30, 2015.

#### Receive and File

#### 9. 2015 Summary Report: Waiver of Member Dues

A MOTION was made (Jahn, Big Bear Lake), to approve the Consent Calendar, Agenda Item Nos. 7 and 8; and Receive and File, Agenda Item No. 9. Motion was SECONDED (M. Martinez, Santa Ana) and unanimously passed by the following votes:

AYE/S:

Kerr (Adelanto); Messina (Alhambra); Munzing (Aliso Viejo); Baca (Baldwin Park); Moyer (Banning); McIntyre (Barstow); Knight (Beaumont); Saleh (Bell); Mirisch (Beverly Hills); Jahn (Big Bear Lake); Campbell (Brawley); Brown (Buena Park); Talamantes (Burbank); Moreno (Calexico); Hyatt (Calimesa); Froelich (Calipatra); Ehrenkranz (Canyon Lake); Pettis (Cathedral City); Chen (Cerritos); Marquez (Chino Hills); Pedroza (Claremont); Navarro (Colton); Spiegel (Corona); Genis (Costa Mesa); Muller (Dana Point); Betts (Desert Hot Springs); Lyons (Diamond Bar); Lorimore (Eastvale); Viegas-Walker (El Centro); V. Martinez (El Monte); Minjares (Fillmore); Nagel (Fountain Valley); Fitzgerald (Fullerton); Medina (Gardena); Murabito (Glendora); Robles (Grand Terrace); Wright (Hemet); McCallon (Highland); Ward (Holtville); Delgleize (Huntington Beach); Gran (Imperial); Terrazas (Imperial County); Reed (Indian Wells); Spohn (Industry); Choi (Irvine); Voss (La Canada Flintridge); Miller (La Habra Heights); Sarega (La Mirada); Hwangbo (La Palma); Evans (La Quinta); Kogerman (Laguna Hills); Davies (Laguna Niguel); Horne (Laguna Woods); Gazeley (Lomita); Gonzalez (Long Beach); Richardson (Long Beach/Avalon); Kusumoto (Los Alamitos); Solache (Lynwood); Sibert (Malibu); Bucknum (Mission Viejo); Shevlin (Monrovia); Giba (Moreno Valley); Paget (Needles); Katapodis (OCTA); Blatz (Ojai); Steel (Orange County); Weber (Palm Desert); Daniels (Paramount); Rodriguez (Perris); Tercero (Pico Rivera); Yamaguchi (Placentia); Lantz (Pomona); Harnik (RCTC); Harrison (Redlands); Robertson (Rialto); Mitchell (Rolling Hills Estates); Washington (Riverside County); Clark (Rosemead); Mulvihill (San



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**NOE/S:** None (0).

**ABSTAIN:** None (0).

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

#### Year in Review

Hasan Ikhrata, Executive Director, thanked outgoing President Carl Morehouse for his tenure as SCAG President. Mr. Ikhrata introduced a video of SCAG's accomplishments under President Morehouse's leadership in the past year, entitled "2014 Year in Review."

#### Recognition of Outgoing President

Outgoing President Carl Morehouse thanked the members for attending the General Assembly. He made remarks and summarized the accomplishments in the past year, celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of SCAG which included the War on Poverty Summit which was followed-up with the Economic Summit in December both of which continued to address poverty issues in the region. He commented on the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) reform process in collaboration with the California Housing and Community Development (HCD). He emphasized the importance of making the land use planning data as accurate as possible and how it relates to the Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) process. Outgoing President Morehouse also emphasized that SCAG is a metropolitan planning agency and as such, it "aims when it plans;" and that SCAG does not have land use authority or regulatory power. He stated that SCAG is "us" and that "we are interconnected." He asked the members to use SCAG as a resource tool and to take advantage of its contacts with the major think-tanks to assist in planning, housing and other issues. Outgoing President Morehouse thanked the City Delegates; the cities of Regional Council District 47 which he represents; the City of San Buenaventura Councilmembers and City staff; Past Presidents Greg Pettis, Glen Becerra, Pam O'Connor, Larry McCallon and Jon Edney; the Executive/Administration Committee members; Regional Council members; Policy Committee members; General Assembly sponsors; members of the Global Land Use and Economic (GLUE) Council; partners of the Southern California Leadership Council (SCLC); his wife, Janna Minsk; Incoming President Cheryl Viegas-Walker; Hasan Ikhrata and SCAG staff.



On behalf of the Regional Council and the General Assembly, the SCAG Board Officers presented outgoing President Morehouse with a token of appreciation.

#### **Incoming President Remarks**

Incoming President Cheryl Viegas-Walker made remarks and thanked outgoing President Morehouse for his efforts during the past year. President Viegas-Walker congratulated First Vice President Michele Martinez and Second Vice President Margaret Finlay—recognizing the first all-women SCAG Officers. She also thanked the Regional Council and General Assembly members and emphasized their important roles as SCAG moves forward with the development of the 2016 RTP/SCS. President Viegas-Walker stated her commitment to address poverty issues and to follow-up with specific short- and long-term goals. She encouraged strengthening advocacy efforts with the power of being united with one voice. President Viegas-Walker asked the members to utilize SCAG as a resource for critical issues, new projects, financing options, grant writing assistance and other innovative ways to increase the value of their SCAG membership. On behalf of the new SCAG Board Officers, President Viegas-Walker thanked the members and stated she is looking forward to working with everyone in the coming year.

#### <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

With no further business, President Viegas-Walker adjourned the General Assembly at 12:20 p.m. The next General Assembly meeting is scheduled for May 5 - 6, 2016, at the La Quinta Resort and Spa, 49-499 Eisenhower Drive, La Quinta, CA 92253.



### REPORT

**DATE**: May 5, 2016

**TO**: General Assembly (GA)

**FROM**: Regional Council (RC)

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-17 General Fund Budget and Membership Assessment Schedule

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL:

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

As recommended by the Regional Council, that the General Assembly adopt the Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-17 General Fund Budget and Membership Assessment Schedule. Authorize the Executive Director and the Chief Financial Officer to make adjustments that may be necessary after adoption of the budget (i.e. changes in membership assessment revenue, allocated fringe benefits and indirect cost allocations, etc.)

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The General Fund (GF) is the designated financial resource for the operating budget of the Regional Council (RC). It is adopted annually by the General Assembly (GA) upon the recommendation of the RC. The FY 2016-17 General Fund Budget and Membership Assessment Schedule were approved by the RC at the March 3, 2016 meeting, and forwarded to the General Assembly for approval.

#### **STRATEGIC PLAN:**

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan, Goal 3: Enhance the Agency's Long Term Financial Stability and Fiscal Management.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The General Fund supports SCAG activities that are not funded by Federal and State grant funds. The General Fund also pays for lobbying costs, legal fees, and other costs which are otherwise not allowable charges to Federal and State grants. The proposed General Fund budget of \$3,455,893 is \$566,711, or 19.6% more, than the FY 2015-16 budget of \$2,889,182. This is primarily due to including funds for leasehold improvements under the Los Angeles Office building lease in the amount of \$542,000. The proposed Membership Assessment total of \$1,947,181 is \$24,605, or 1.3% more, than the FY 2015-16 total of \$1,922,576.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

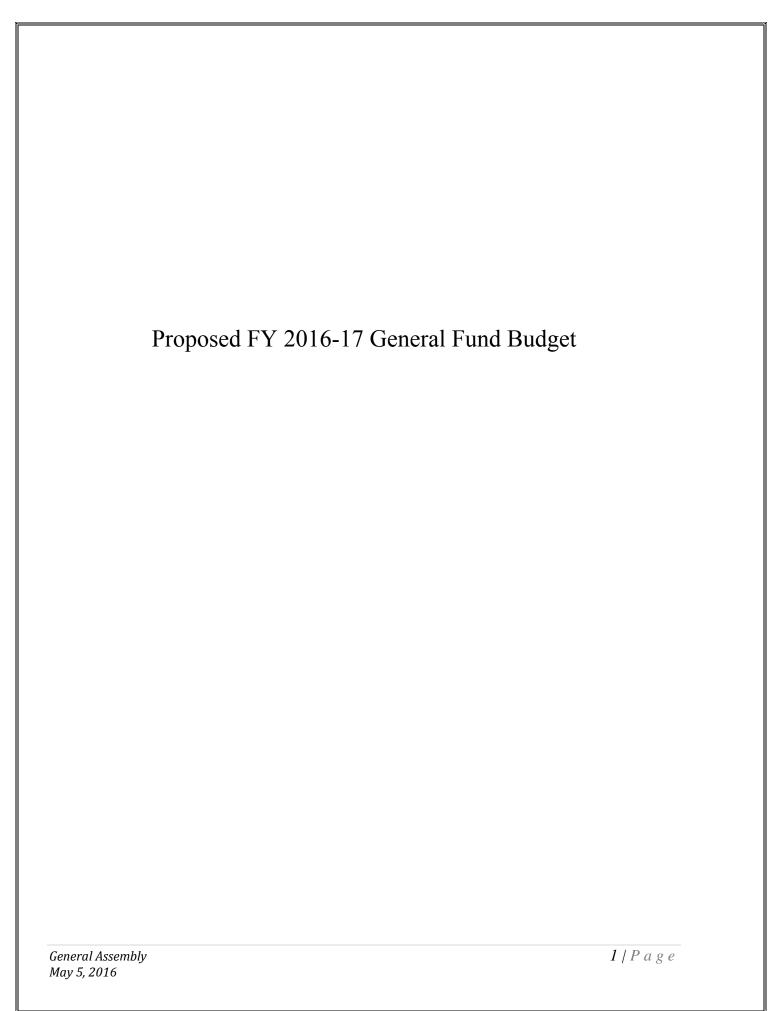
Approval of the General Fund and Membership Assessment Schedule impacts all activities associated with the Regional Council for FY 2016-17.

#### **ATTACHMENT:**

FY 2016-17 General Fund Budget and Membership Assessment Schedule







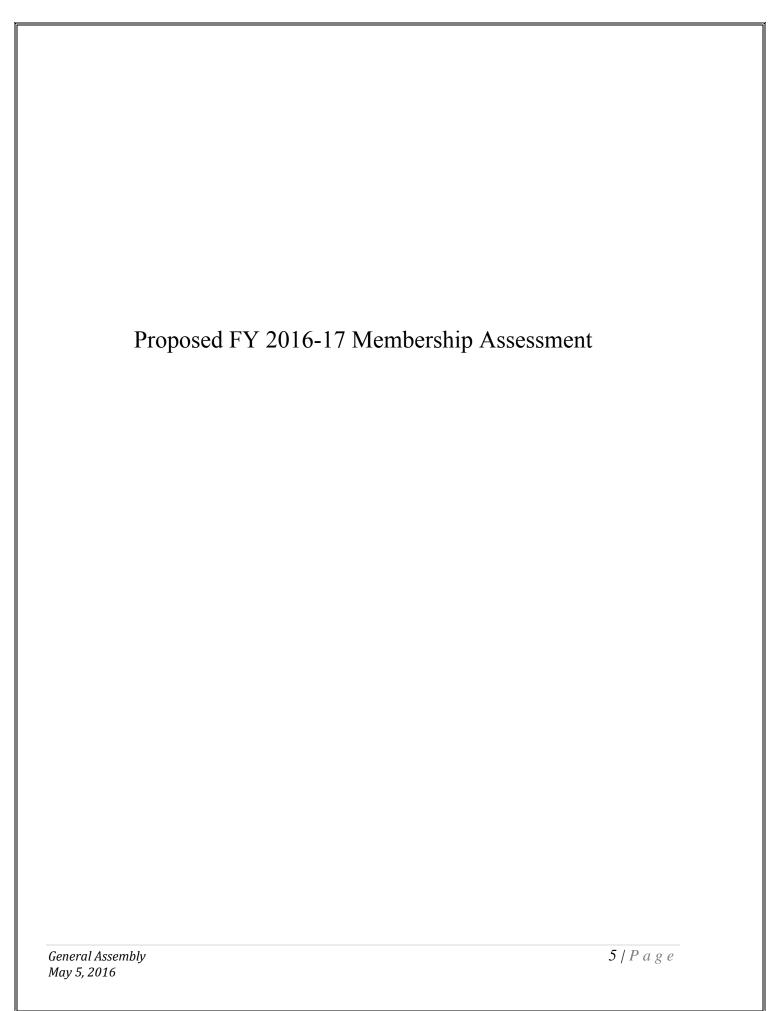
	-	FY15 ACTUAL	FY16 ADOPTED BUDGET	FY17 PROPOSED BUDGET	FY16 ADOPTED TO FY17 PROPOSED INCR (DECR)
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	Membership Dues:	202.255	202.055	207.000	2 0 42
	Counties Cities	292,357	293,957	297,899	3,942
	Commissions	1,484,363 85,000	1,508,619 85,000	1,544,282 85,000	35,663
	Transportation Corridor Agency	10,000	10,000	10,000	_
	Air Districts	-	25,000	10,000	(15,000)
REVENUE:	Sub-total	\$ 1,871,720	\$ 1,922,576	\$ 1,947,181	\$ 24,605
	Interest	75 652	60,000	60,000	
	Interest Other	75,652 61,961	60,000 80,000	60,000 80,000	-
	General Assembly Sponsorships & Registrations	345,195	284,500	284,500	
	Leasehold Improvements Reimbursement	343,173	542,106	1,084,212	542,106
	Sub-total	\$ 482,808	\$ 966,606	\$ 1,508,712	\$ 542,106
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	Total Revenues	\$ 2,354,528	\$ 2,889,182	\$ 3,455,893	\$ 566,711
EXPENDITURES:					
EXI ENDITORES.	Regional Council:				
	Staff Time	2,157	18,297	18,412	115
	Conferences	11,686	15,000	15,000	-
	Legal Services	105,931	100,000	120,000	20,000
	Miscellaneous Other	420	3,000	1,000	(2,000)
	Other Meeting Expense	28,992	20,000	20,000	-
Task .01	Printing	2,230		2,500	2,500
Regional Council	RC/Committee Meeting	15,034	25,000	25,000	-
	RC Retreat	5,214		5,000	5,000
	Stipends	179,340	230,000	220,752	(9,248)
	Travel - Outside Travel - Local	47,538	35,000	35,000	-
	Travel - Local Travel > per diem	22,504	25,000 3,000	25,000	(3,000)
	Travel - Reg Fees	520	3,000	1,000	1,000
	Mileage - Local	18,326	20,000	20,000	-
1	Task sub-total	\$ 439,893	\$ 494,297	\$ 508,664	\$ 14,367
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ı	External Legislative:		6.005	5.504	(251)
Task 0.02	Staff Time Fodoral Lobbuigt	-	6,035	5,784	(251)
Legislative	Federal Lobbyist Other Meeting Expense	15,135	202,383 20,000	239,000 20,000	36,617
Legislative	State Lobbyist	89,461	91,000	100,000	9,000
	Task sub-total	\$ 104,596	\$ 319,418	\$ 364,784	\$ 45,366
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Tool- 02	RHNA:	24.616	21.570		(21.560)
Task .03 RHNA	Staff Time Legal Services	34,616 6,240	31,568	-	(31,568)
MIIIM	Task sub-total	\$ 40,856	\$ 31,568	\$ -	\$ (31,568)
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	Other:							
	Staff Time		380	0	142	8,161		19
	Bank Fees		12,694	15,0		15,000		- 17
	Contingency		307,031	13,0	-	15,000		-
	Demographic Workshop		18,064	13,0	000	18,000		5,000
	Economic Summit		77,899	57,0	000	80,000		23,000
	Labor Summit		-	13,	500	-		(13,500)
	Miscellaneous Other		22,426	11,0	000	11,000		-
Task .04	Office Supplies		24,147	20,0	000	25,000		5,000
Other	Other Meeting Expense		46,822	20,0		-		(20,000)
Other	Professional Memberships		12,832	13,7	700	15,000		1,300
	SCAG Consultant		68,467		-	-		-
	SCAG Memberships		5,038	-	250	21,250		16,000
	Scholarships		14,000	32,0		32,000		-
	Sponsorships Travel		147,050	112,7		135,000		22,250
	Travel - Local		11,518 1,730	15,0	000	15,000 1,000		-
	Mileage - Local		261	-	000	1,000		-
	Task sub-total	\$	770,360	\$ 338,3		\$ 377,411	\$	39,069
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	General Assembly							
	Staff Time		10,124	11,0	)43	11,286		243
	General Assembly		467,779	500,0	000	500,000		-
Task .06	Miscellaneous Other		7,456		-	-		-
GA	Printing		18,277	5,0	000	5,000		-
	Travel - Local		571		-	-		-
	Mileage	<u> </u>	1,180		500	2,500		-
	Task sub-total	\$	505,385	\$ 518,5	543	\$ 518,786	\$	243
	Leasehold Improvements							
Task .07	Leasehold Improvements		-	542,	106	1,084,212		542,106
LHI	Task sub-total	\$	-	\$ 542,	106	\$ 1,084,212	\$	542,106
	Capital Outlay > \$5K							
Task .10	Staff Time		33,158			_		_
Capital	Capital Outlay		33,130			271,407		271,407
Outlay > \$5K	SCAG Consultant		73,028		_	2/1,10/		2,1,10/
		\$	106,186	\$	-	\$ 271,407	\$	271,407
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Task .11 Public Records	Public Records Administration Staff Time		504	12.0	005	12.002		70
Administration	Statt Time	\$	594 594	\$ 12,9	905	12,982 \$ 12,982	\$	78 78
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		FY15 CTUAL	FY16 ADOPTED BUDGET	FY17 ROPOSED BUDGET	PF	FY16 OPTED TO FY17 OPOSED CR (DECR)
Task .12 ICTC Safe Route to School Plan	ICTC Safe Route to School Plan SCAG Consultant	\$ 64,564 64,564	\$ 	\$ -	\$	-
Task .13 Sustainability Project	Sustainability Project SCAG Consultant	\$ 158,281 158,281	\$ 275,000 275,000	\$ -	\$	(275,000) (275,000)
Task .14 International Collaboration	International Collaboration Staff Time Other Meeting Expense Printing Travel	\$ - - - -	\$ 33,071 5,000 5,000 - 43,071	\$ 33,918 5,000 5,000 5,000 48,918	\$	5,000 5,848
Task .15 Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District	Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District Miscellaneous Other SCAG Consultant	\$ - - -	\$ 75,000 - 75,000	\$ 75,000 75,000	\$	(75,000) 75,000 -
	Total for all tasks Allocated Fringe Benefits Allocated Indirect Costs Total	2,190,716 59,233 104,579 2,354,528	\$ 2,650,249 89,195 149,739 2,889,182	\$ 3,262,164 67,792 125,937 3,455,893	\$	611,915 (21,403) (23,802) 566,711

Totals may not add due to rounding



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	UNINC POP COUNTIES/TOTAL POP CITIES	ASSESSMENTS 2016-17
COUNTIES (6)		
IMPERIAL	37,785	6,839
LOS ANGELES	1,046,557	127,471
ORANGE	124,014	35,958
RIVERSIDE	368,823	57,588
SAN BERNARDINO	299,110	51,428
VENTURA	97,497	18,615
SUB-TOTAL	1,973,786	297,899
CITIES (189) & TRIBES (3)		
ADELANTO	33,084	3,423
AGOURA HILLS	20,625	2,072
ALHAMBRA	84,697	7,984
ALISO VIEJO	50,204	4,936
ANAHEIM	351,433	31,802
APPLE VALLEY	71,396	6,808
ARCADIA	57,500	5,581
ARTESIA	16,776	1,732
AVALON	3,820	438
AZUSA	48,385	4,775
BALDWIN PARK	76,715	7,278
BANNING	30,491	3,194
BARSTOW	23,407	2,318
BEAUMONT	42,481	4,253
BELL	35,972	3,678
BELLFLOWER	77,741	7,369
BELL GARDENS	42,667	4,270
BEVERLY HILLS	34,677	3,564
BIG BEAR LAKE	5,165	556
BLYTHE	18,909	1,921
BRADBURY	1,082	196
BRAWLEY	26,273	2,821
BREA	43,328	4,328
BUENA PARK	82,767	7,813
BURBANK	105,543	10,075
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	UNINC POP COUNTIES/TOTAL POP CITIES	ASSESSMENTS 2016-17
CALABASAS	23,943	2,366
CALEXICO	41,033	4,126
CALIMESA	8,353	838
CALIPATRIA	7,466	760
CAMARILLO	67,154	6,434
CANYON LAKE	10,901	1,213
CARSON	92,636	8,685
CATHEDRAL CITY	52,903	5,174
CERRITOS	49,741	4,895
CHINO	84,465	7,963
CHINO HILLS	77,596	7,356
CLAREMONT	35,920	3,674
COACHELLA	43,917	4,380
COLTON	53,384	5,217
COMMERCE	13,003	1,399
COMPTON	98,082	9,166
CORONA	160,287	14,912
COSTA MESA	113,455	10,775
COVINA	48,619	4,796
CUDAHY	24,142	2,383
CULVER CITY	39,579	3,997
CYPRESS	49,184	4,846
DANA POINT	34,208	3,523
DESERT HOT SPRINGS	28,134	2,986
DIAMOND BAR	56,400	5,843
DOWNEY	113,363	10,766
DUARTE	21,668	2,165
EASTVALE	60,633	5,857
EL CENTRO	44,847	4,463
EL MONTE	115,064	10,917
EL SEGUNDO	16,897	1,743
FILLMORE	15,441	1,614
FONTANA	204,312	18,802
FOUNTAIN VALLEY	57,021	5,538
FULLERTON	141,042	13,212
GARDEN GROVE	174,774	16,192
GARDENA	60,082	5,809
GLENDALE	195,799	18,050
GLENDORA	51,290	5,032

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	UNINC POP	ACCECCMENTS
	COUNTIES/TOTAL	ASSESSMENTS
	POP CITIES	<u>2016-17</u>
GRAND TERRACE	12,352	1,341
HAWAIIAN GARDENS	14,456	1,527
HAWTHORNE	86,644	8,156
HEMET	82,253	7,768
HERMOSA BEACH	19,750	1,995
HESPERIA	92,177	8,644
HIDDEN HILLS	1,901	268
HIGHLAND	54,332	5,301
HOLTVILLE	6,246	652
HUNTINGTON BEACH	198,389	18,279
HUNTINGTON PARK	59,033	5,716
IMPERIAL	17,446	1,791
INDIAN WELLS	5,194	559
INDIO	84,201	7,940
INDUSTRY	438	139
INGLEWOOD	111,795	10,628
IRVINE	250,384	22,873
IRWINDALE	1,466	230
JURUPA VALLEY	98,885	9,237
LA CANADA FLINTRIDGE	20,535	2,064
LA HABRA	62,079	5,985
LA HABRA HEIGHTS	5,420	579
LA MIRADA	49,178	4,845
LA PALMA	15,965	1,661
LA PUENTE	40,478	4,077
LA QUINTA	39,694	4,007
LA VERNE	32,228	3,348
LAGUNA BEACH	23,355	2,314
LAGUNA HILLS	30,994	3,239
LAGUNA NIGUEL	64,836	6,229
LAGUNA WOODS	16,652	1,721
LAKE ELSINORE	58,426	5,662
LAKE FOREST	80,070	7,575
LAKEWOOD	81,224	7,677
LANCASTER	159,878	14,876
LAWNDALE	33,228	3,436
LOMA LINDA	23,751	2,349
LONG REACH	20,630	2,073
LONG BEACH	470,292	42,304

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	UNINC POP	
	COUNTIES/TOTAL	ASSESSMENTS
	POP CITIES	<u>2016-17</u>
LOS ALAMITOS	11,779	1,291
LOS ANGELES	3,904,657	346,254
LYNWOOD	70,980	6,772
MALIBU	12,865	1,387
MANHATTAN BEACH	35,619	3,647
MAYWOOD	27,758	2,953
MENIFEE	85,385	8,044
MISSION VIEJO	96,652	9,040
MONROVIA	37,162	3,784
MONTCLAIR	38,458	3,898
MONTEBELLO	63,527	6,113
MONTEREY PARK	61,777	5,958
MOORPARK	35,727	3,657
MORENO VALLEY	200,670	18,481
MORONGO-MISSION INDIANS	1,109	198
MURRIETA	107,279	10,229
NEEDLES	4,940	536
NEWPORT BEACH	87,249	8,209
NORCO	25,891	2,788
NORWALK	106,630	10,172
OJAI	7,612	773
ONTARIO	168,777	15,663
OXNARD	206,148	18,965
PALM DESERT	51,053	5,011
PALM SPRINGS	46,611	4,618
PALMDALE	155,657	14,503
PALOS VERDES ESTATES	13,665	1,457
PARAMOUNT	55,051	5,364
PASADENA	140,879	13,198
PERRIS	72,908	6,942
PICO RIVERA	63,873	6,144
PLACENTIA	52,427	5,132
POMONA	151,713	14,155
PORT HUENEME	22,768	2,262
RANCHO CUCAMONGA	174,064	16,130
RANCHO MIRAGE	17,889	1,831
RANCHO PALOS VERDES	42,358	4,243
PECHANGA BAND OF LUISENO INDIANS	800	171
REDLANDS	70,398	6,720

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	UNINC POP COUNTIES/TOTAL POP CITIES	ASSESSMENTS 2016-17
REDONDO BEACH RIALTO	67,717 102,092	6,483 9,771
RIVERSIDE	317,307	28,786
ROLLING HILLS	1,895	267
ROLLING HILLS ESTATES	8,184	823
ROSEMEAD	54,762	5,339
SAN BERNARDINO	213,933	19,652
SAN BUENAVENTURA	109,338	10,411
SAN CLEMENTE	65,399	6,278
SAN DIMAS	34,072	3,510
SAN FERNANDO	24,222	2,390
SAN GABRIEL	40,313	4,062
SAN JACINTO	45,895	4,555
SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO	36,223	3,701
SAN MARINO	13,341	1,429
SANTA ANA	335,264	30,373
SANTA CLARITA	209,130	19,228
SANTA FE SPRINGS	17,349	1,783
SANTA MONICA	92,185	8,645
SANTA PAULA	30,556	3,200
SEAL BEACH	24,684	2,431
SIERRA MADRE	11,094	1,230
SIGNAL HILL	11,411	1,258
SIMI VALLEY	126,483	11,926
SOUTH EL MONTE	20,426	2,055
SOUTH GATE	96,057	8,987
SOUTH PASADENA	26,011	2,798
STANTON	39,219	3,965
TEMECULA	108,920	10,374
TEMPLE CITY	36,134	3,693
THOUSAND OAKS	129,349	12,179
TORRANCE	147,706	13,801
TORRES MARTINEZ BAND OF CAHUILLA INDIANS	4,075	460
TUSTIN	79,601	7,533
TWENTYNINE PALMS	25,846	2,784
UPLAND	75,787	7,196
VERNON	122	111
VICTORVILLE	121,168	11,456
VILLA PARK	5,960	627
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	UNINC POP COUNTIES/TOTAL POP CITIES	ASSESSMENTS 2016-17
WALNUT	30,112	3,161
WEST COVINA	107,828	10,277
WEST HOLLYWOOD	35,072	3,599
WESTLAKE VILLAGE	8,386	841
WESTMINSTER	92,106	8,638
WESTMORELAND	2,333	306
WILDOMAR	34,148	3,517
WHITTIER	86,538	8,146
YORBA LINDA	67,719	6,483
YUCCA VALLEY	21,355	2,137
YUCAIPA	52,942	5,178
SUB-TOTAL	16,476,665	1,544,282
GRAND TOTAL-ASSESSMENTS	18,450,451	1,842,181
COMMISSIONS		
SANBAG	2,104,291	25,000
RCTC	2,308,441	25,000
VCTC	848,073	10,000
Transportation Corridor Agency	0.44=.0==	10,000
OCTA	3,147,655	25,000
Air Districts		10,000
SUB-TOTAL		105,000
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP AND ASSESSMENTS		1,947,181

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### REPORT

**DATE**: May 5, 2016

**TO**: General Assembly (GA)

**FROM**: Regional Council (RC)

**SUBJECT:** Proposed Resolution for Consideration by the General Assembly

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL: | form We hat

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The Regional Council recommends that the General Assembly approve the proposed resolution described herein.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Each year, in preparation for the annual General Assembly meeting, proposed resolutions and proposed amendments to the SCAG Bylaws are considered by both the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee (Committee) and the Regional Council, prior to submission to the General Assembly. SCAG staff received a request from Hon. Curt Hagman, San Bernardino Supervisor, for a proposed resolution that would direct SCAG to work with the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet) in developing the nation's first high-speed wireless broadband network dedicated to public safety.

On February 22, 2016, the Committee reviewed the proposed resolution and recommended its approval with a minor change. On March 3, 2016, the Regional Council reviewed the proposed resolution as revised by the Committee, and by a majority vote supported its adoption by the General Assembly. Therefore, the Regional Council recommends that the General Assembly approve the proposed resolution initiated by Supervisor Hagman that SCAG work with FirstNet to develop a nationwide public safety broadband network.

**STRATEGIC PLAN:** This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan Goal 1 (Improve Regional Decision Making by Providing Leadership and Consensus Building on Key Plans and Policies; Objective C (Provide practical solutions for moving new ideas forward).

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The SCAG Bylaws provides the opportunity for any Official Representatives of SCAG to propose any policy matter for action by the General Assembly by way of submittal of a resolution. Supervisor Hagman has proposed that the General Assembly approve a resolution supporting SCAG's working with FirstNet as it undertakes the development of a nationwide, first of its kind public safety broadband network.

As background, the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 (signed into law on February 22, 2012) created the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet), which is an independent authority within the U.S. Department of Commerce's National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA).



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The law gives FirstNet the mission to build, operate and maintain the first high-speed, nationwide wireless broadband network dedicated to public safety. FirstNet will provide a single interoperable platform for emergency and daily public safety communications. FirstNet will provide first responders with a reliable, dedicated, resilient broadband network to perform their life saving missions. FirstNet is responsible for building the core network. In December 2015, FirstNet officially launched its 2016 consultation program with state, regional, local and tribal agencies requesting input on the construction of the core network.

Supervisor Hagman finds that SCAG could play a significant role in the process and has submitted the attached resolution which would support SCAG working with FirstNet and making such efforts a priority for 2016 as well as in future years. The draft resolution also proposes that a subcommittee of the Transportation Committee be established to provide leadership and guidance on the project.

On February 22, 2016, the Committee reviewed the proposed resolution and supported its approval. The only change made by the Committee was that the subcommittee to be established be a subcommittee of the Regional Council (instead of a subcommittee of the Transportation Committee) to allow for greater participation on the project. Supervisor Hagman was agreeable to this change and the attached proposed resolution incorporates this change.

On March 3, 2016, the Regional Council considered the proposed resolution as reviewed by the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee, and by a majority vote recommended its approval by the General Assembly.

#### **ATTACHMENT:**

Proposed General Assembly resolution in support of working with FirstNet to develop a nationwide public safety broadband network





#### **RESOLUTION NO. GA 2016-1**

A RESOLUTION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION
OF GOVERNMENTS (SCAG) IN SUPPORT OF WORKING
WITH THE FIRST RESPONDER NETWORK
AUTHORITY (FirstNet) TO DEVELOP A NATIONWIDE
PUBLIC SAFETY BROADBAND NETWORK

WHEREAS, Congress enacted the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 (P.L. 112-96) mandating creation of a nationwide interoperable wireless broadband network to enable police, firefighters, emergency medical service and other public safety professionals to more effectively communicate during emergencies and use emerging technologies to reduce response time, keep communities safe and save lives;

WHEREAS, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) then granted a single license to the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet), with the duty and responsibility to take actions to ensure the building, deployment and operation of a nationwide public safety broadband network (NPSBN) in consultation with federal, state, regional, local and tribal public policy entities;

WHEREAS, FirstNet officially launched its 2016 consultation program with state, regional, local and tribal agencies on December 21, 2015 requesting local input on construction of the core network, placement of towers, coverage areas, adequacy of hardening, security, reliability and resiliency requirements along with assignment of priority to local users; and

**WHEREAS,** it is imperative for the six county SCAG region to be at the forefront of this process to ensure adequate funding and prioritization for our region.

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Transportation Alan Wapner, San Bernardino Associated Governments NOW, THEREFORE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS DOES HEREBY RESOLVE that working with FirstNet be a 2016 priority for SCAG and that such priority be continued in future years until the build out of the system is complete.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that a Subcommittee of SCAG's Regional Council be appointed by the SCAG President to provide leadership and coordination between SCAG and FirstNet in furtherance of this vital infrastructure and communications project.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** at the Annual Meeting of the General Assembly of the Southern California Association of Governments held on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2016.

Cheryl Viegas-Walker	_
President, SCAG	
Councilmember, City of El Centro	
Attested by:	
Hasan Ikhrata, Executive Director	<del>_</del>
Approved as to Form:	

Joann Africa, Chief Counsel

### REPORT

**DATE**: May 5, 2016

**TO**: General Assembly (GA)

**FROM**: Regional Council (RC)

**SUBJECT:** Proposed Amendments to the SCAG Bylaws

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL: Heralle

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** The Regional Council recommends that the General Assembly approve the proposed amendments to the Bylaws that are described herein.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Each year, in preparation for the annual General Assembly meeting, proposed resolutions and proposed amendments to the SCAG Bylaws are considered by both the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee (Committee) and the Regional Council (RC), prior to submission to the General Assembly. This year, there are three (3) primary proposed amendments to the SCAG Bylaws. The first proposed amendment, initiated by SCAG staff, seeks to add to the membership of the RC the member from the private sector appointed to the Executive/Administration Committee (EAC) who would also serve on the RC in an ex-officio, non-voting capacity. The second proposed amendment is from Hon. Greg Pettis regarding a change to the current hiring prohibition in the Bylaws. Finally, the last proposed amendment is from Hon. Steve Hwangbo requesting a change in the voting procedures in the SCAG Bylaws.

On February 22, 2016, the Committee reviewed the proposed amendments and recommended that the Regional Council (RC) further recommend approval of two of the proposed amendments to the General Assembly. On March 3, 2016, the RC considered the proposed amendments and recommended that the General Assembly approve all three of the proposed amendments to the Bylaws.

**STRATEGIC PLAN:** This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan Goal 1 (Improve Regional Decision Making by Providing Leadership and Consensus Building on Key Plans and Policies; Objective C (Provide practical solutions for moving new ideas forward).

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Every year, proposed changes to the SCAG Bylaws may be presented by Official Representatives of SCAG, and these proposals are thereafter reviewed by the Committee and the RC before submittal to the General Assembly. In addition, staff may propose changes to the Bylaws to address matters that were raised during the course of the year.

#### A. <u>Proposals by SCAG Staff</u>

Staff has proposed to add to the membership of the Regional Council, the private sector representative serving on the EAC. In 2008, the SCAG Bylaws were amended to allow the SCAG President to appoint



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one member from the private sector to serve on the EAC in ex-officio, non-voting capacity. Since then, it has been shown that having a private sector representative on the EAC is beneficial to the Agency. Specifically, the private sector representative has provided meaningful input from a business perspective in shaping balanced regional planning policies. For this reason, staff believes it would be worthwhile and provide consistency to have the same private sector representative on EAC also serve on the RC. Therefore, SCAG staff proposes to amend Article V, Section A(1) to add to the membership of the RC the private sector representative on the EAC who would serve in a similar ex-officio, non-voting capacity. Please refer to the proposed change on pages 5 and 6 in the attached marked-up version of the current SCAG Bylaws.

In addition, SCAG proposes clean-up changes to the Bylaws relating to the voting ability of the Public Transportation Representative on the RC (please see pages 11 and 14 in the attached marked-up version of the Bylaws). These changes were inadvertently not included as part of the changes last year when the Public Transportation Representative position was added into the Bylaws.

At its February 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting, the Committee reviewed these Bylaw amendments proposed by staff and by a majority vote, recommended them to the RC. At its March 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting, the RC further reviewed these Bylaw amendments proposed by staff and by a majority vote also recommended their approval by the General Assembly. It should be noted that a few RC members expressed concerns about the precedent of allowing, for the first time, a non-elected official to become a member of the Regional Council.

#### B. <u>Proposal by Hon. Greg Pettis</u>

The Honorable Greg Pettis, Mayor Pro-tem of the City of Cathedral City and RC District No. 2 Representative, has proposed that Article XIII (Hiring Prohibition) of the SCAG Bylaws be replaced with new language that would apply the hiring prohibition to a larger group of individuals and also change the procedure for calculating the one year hiring prohibition. The current language in Article XIII is presented below along with the proposed modification to Article XIII (see also page 24 in the attached marked-up version of the Bylaws).

#### **Current Article XIII [Hiring Prohibition]**

"No current or former elected official who is or was a member of the SCAG Regional Council shall be eligible for a period of one (1) year after the last day of service as an elected official for appointment to any full-time, compensated employment with SCAG."

#### **Proposed Article XIII [Hiring Prohibition]**

"No individual who is or was an Official Representative or Alternate on SCAG's General Assembly or is or was a member of the SCAG Regional Council or is or was a member of any of SCAG's Policy Committees shall be eligible for compensated employment with SCAG for a period of (1) year after the individual's last day of service in any of the SCAG positions described in this Article."



As background, Article XIII was originally proposed in 2007 by several RC members with a five (5) year hiring prohibition period and was based upon a concern that the hiring of current or former RC members might suggest favoritism or possibly create the appearance of a conflict-of-interest. When the proposed Article XIII was reviewed by the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee in 2007, the Committee agreed with the concept of the prohibition but revised the proposal to a four (4) year hiring prohibition. When the matter was presented to the Regional Council, the RC also approved the concept of the prohibition but forwarded Article XIII to the General Assembly with a recommendation that the hiring prohibition period be limited to one (1) year. The General Assembly adopted Article XIII with a one (1) year hiring prohibition in May of 2007.

The Proposed Article XIII put forth by Council Member Pettis is very similar to a proposal put forth by staff last year. Staff's proposal was not supported by the Bylaws and Resolution Committee and therefore, was not presented to the Regional Council or the General Assembly.

Council Member Pettis' proposal to revise Article XIII expands the application of the hiring prohibition to members and alternates of the General Assembly as well as members of the Policy Committees of SCAG. The prohibition would also extend to any non-elected official who serves on the Regional Council or the Policy Committees and would apply to any compensated position with SCAG, not just full-time positions. Finally, the Proposed Article XIII would base the one year hiring prohibition on an individual's last day of service in a SCAG position rather than the last day of service as an elected official.

The Committee reviewed the proposal by Council Member Pettis and, by a unanimous vote, recommended the revision to Article XIII to the Regional Council. On March 3, 2016, the Regional Council reviewed the revision to Article XIII proposed by Council Member Pettis and by a majority vote recommended that the revision be adopted by the General Assembly.

## C. Proposal by Hon. Steve Hwangbo

The Honorable Steve Hwangbo, Council Member of the City of La Palma and RC District No. 18 Representative, has proposed that SCAG's voting procedures as presented in the SCAG Bylaws be changed so that a determination of the passage of any measure will be based on the affirmative vote of a majority of those members voting on the measure rather than a majority of those members present at the time of the vote on the measure.

This proposed amendment would require a series of similar changes to all of the sections of the Bylaws that address voting by the General Assembly, the RC or any of the SCAG committees. For purposes of explanation and illustration in this staff report, only one section of the Bylaws, Article V. A.(5)(c) is presented below. However, changes to several sections of the Bylaws have been revised to fully effectuate this change and all the required changes are presented in the attached marked-up version of the Bylaws (please see pages 5, 11, 13, 16 and 24).



## Current Article V, Section A(5)(c) [Voting by the Regional Council]

"The affirmative votes of a majority of the voting-eligible Regional Council members present with a quorum in attendance are required for action by the Regional Council, except as set forth in subsections (d), (e) and (f) below."

## Proposed Article V, Section A (5)(c) [Voting by the Regional Council]

"The affirmative votes of a majority of the voting-eligible Regional Council members voting with a quorum in attendance are required for action by the Regional Council, except as set forth in subsections (d), (e) and (f) below."

The proposal put forth by Council Member Hwangbo would necessitate the replacement of the word "present" with the word "voting" in the Bylaw Article used for illustration above. For a measure to pass under the current Bylaw language, there must be an affirmative vote by a majority of those present (i.e., counting those in favor, those opposed and those abstaining). Under the proposed language, a measure would pass with the affirmative vote of a majority of those voting (i.e., counting those in favor and those opposed, but without counting those who abstain). It should be noted that under the Bylaws, RC members are free to abstain from voting on any issue and any abstention does not count as a vote in favor or against a motion, but is counted for purpose of acknowledging who is present at the time of voting.

To illustrate the matter further, assume there are 40 RC members present for a vote, which would be a quorum. A majority of those present is 21, which is the number of affirmative votes necessary to pass a measure under the current Bylaws. If 3 RC members abstain and 20 members vote for the measure and 17 vote against it, the measure would not pass even though the count of those voting is 20 for and 17 against.

If the word "present' is changed to "voting" then the abstaining members would not impact the passage or failure of a measure and in the above example, a 20-17 vote would pass a measure.

There are additional implications to changing the word "present" to "voting" for some of the smaller committees in SCAG such as the EAC. For example, assume there are 8 EAC members in attendance at a meeting which would be a quorum and which would require 5 affirmative votes to pass a measure under the current Bylaws. If the word" present" is changed to "voting" in the Bylaw section affecting the EAC, and 3 members abstain, then only 3 affirmative votes would be needed for a measure to pass.

The Committee reviewed the proposed amendment put forth by Council Member Hwangbo and by a majority vote did not recommend it to the RC. The Committee recommended maintaining the current voting procedures in the Bylaws that require the affirmative vote of a majority of those present to pass a measure. Several Committee members noted the importance of acknowledging all those present for purposes of establishing a quorum and voting. Other Committee members noted that considering abstentions as required by the current voting procedures could undermine a majority vote.



At its March 3, 2016 meeting the RC fully considered the proposed amendment put forth by Council Member Hwangbo, recognizing the pros and cons to maintaining the current voting procedures. By a majority vote, the Regional Council rejected the guidance of the Committee and instead recommended that the General Assembly approve the proposed amendment that SCAG's voting procedures in the Bylaws be changed so that a determination of the passage of any measure will be based on the affirmative vote of a majority of those members voting on the measure, rather than a majority of those members present at the time of the vote on the measure.

## **ATTACHMENT:**

Marked-up version of the Proposed Bylaws Amendments





#### **BYLAWS**

#### THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

#### Preamble

The Southern California Association of Governments (hereinafter referred to as either the "Association" or "SCAG") is an agency voluntarily established by its members pursuant to the Joint Exercise of Powers Act for the purpose of providing a forum for discussion, study and development of recommendations on regional challenges and opportunities of mutual interest and concern regarding the orderly physical development of the Southern California Region among units of local government.

#### **ARTICLE I - FUNCTIONS**

The functions of the Association are:

- A. Exchange of objective planning information. Making available to members, plans and planning studies, completed or proposed by local governments, Tribal Governments, or those of State or Federal agencies, which would affect local governments.
- B. Identification and study of challenges and opportunities requiring objective planning by jurisdictions in more than one (1) county in the Southern California area and the making of appropriate policy or action recommendations.
- C. Review and/or develop governmental proposals. Review and/or develop proposals creating agencies of regional scope, and the making of appropriate policy or action recommendations concerning the need for such units or agencies.
- D. Consider questions of common interest and concern to members of the Association in the region and may develop policy and action recommendations of an advisory nature only.
- E. Act upon any matter to the extent and in the manner required, permitted or authorized by the joint powers agreements, State or Federal law, or the regulations adopted pursuant to any such law.
- F. Assist local Association members in the acquisition of real and personal property convenient or necessary for the operation of members by entering into such financing agreements as are necessary to accomplish the pooling and common marketing of such agreements or certificates of participation in order to reduce the cost to members of the acquisition of such real or personal property.
- G. Undertake transportation planning programs and activities in accordance with the Association's responsibilities as a metropolitan planning organization as outlined in 23 U.S.C.A. § 134 et seq., and as may be amended from time to time.

#### **ARTICLE II - DEFINITIONS**

- A. <u>Alternate</u>, as used in these Bylaws, means either the mayor or a member of the legislative body of a member city, or the chair of the Board of Supervisors or a member of the legislative body of a member county designated to serve in an official capacity at a meeting of the General Assembly only in the absence of the Official Representative of the member city or county.
- B. <u>Association</u>, as used in these Bylaws, means the Southern California Association of Governments as established by that certain Southern California Association of Governments Agreement filed with the California Secretary of State on April 20, 1973, (said Agreement is hereinafter referred to as "Joint Powers Agreement").
- C. <u>Davs</u>, as used in these Bylaws, means calendar days.
- D. <u>General Assembly</u>, as used in these Bylaws, means a meeting of the Official Representatives of the members of the Association.
- E. <u>Official Representative</u>, as used in these Bylaws, means (1) the mayor or a member of the legislative body of each member city, (2) the chair of the Board of Supervisors or a member of the legislative body of the member county, or (3) the chair or member of the governing board of a member County Transportation Commission (CTC) within the counties of Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and Ventura. Official Representatives may also be referred to as "Delegates" of the Association.
- F. **Voting-Eligible** or **voting-eligible**, as used in these Bylaws describes those members of the Association who retain all voting rights as members and who have not been designated as Ex-Officio members without a right to vote in accordance with Article III A. (3).

### ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP AND REPRESENTATION FOR THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### A. Membership

- (1) All cities and all counties within the area of the counties of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, Ventura and Imperial are eligible for membership in the Association. In addition, the CTCs from those counties are also eligible for membership in the Association.
- (2) Each member county and each member city shall have one (1) Official Representative and one (1) Alternate in the General Assembly, except that the City of Los Angeles, if and while it is a member city, shall have three (3) Official Representatives and three (3) Alternates. Each CTC member shall have one (1) Official Representative in the General Assembly.
- (3) Membership shall be contingent upon the execution of the Joint Powers Agreement and the payment by each county, city, or CTC of each annual dues

assessment. In the event a county, city, or CTC has not paid the annual dues assessment by January 1 of the July 1-June 30 Fiscal Year, its Official Representative(s) shall, after a written notice of dues delinquency from the Executive Director and a subsequent affirmative vote by a majority of the Regional Council voting-eligible members with a quorum in attendance, serve in an Ex-Officio status, without the right to vote in any matter before the General Assembly.

(4) Any federally recognized Indian Nation within the SCAG region which is significantly involved in regional problems or the boundaries of which include territory in more than one (1) county, shall be eligible for advisory membership in the Association. The representatives of any such advisory member may be a member of the Regional Council and participate in the work of committees of the Association.

#### B. Representation in the General Assembly

- (1) Only the Official Representative or Alternate present shall represent a member in the General Assembly; provided, however, that a member of the Board of Supervisors of a member county may participate in the discussion of the General Assembly.
- (2) Except as described herein, the Official Representative of each city in the General Assembly shall be its respective Regional Council member. In the event that a city does not have a city council member as its respective Regional Council member, or if a city does not wish to have its Regional Council member be its Official Representative or Alternate, a city may designate as its Official Representative or Alternate a member of its city council who is not a Regional Council member; provided that if and while the City of Los Angeles is a member city, the mayor of the City of Los Angeles shall be one of its Official Representatives.
- (3) Names of Official Representatives and Alternates shall be communicated in writing to the Association by the appointing city or county forty-five (45) days before the annual meeting of the General Assembly.
- (4) Official Representatives or Alternates shall serve at the General Assembly until a successor is appointed, except if an Official Representative or Alternate ceases to be a member of the appointing legislative body, then the seat shall be vacant until a successor is appointed.

#### ARTICLE IV - GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### A. Powers and Functions

Subject to Article I, the powers of the General Assembly, shall include:

- (1) The determination of policy matters for the Association.
- (2) Any Official Representative may, at any meeting of the General Assembly, propose a subject(s) for study by the Association provided that the Official Representative has notified the President of the proposal forty-five (45) days in advance of any regular meeting of the General Assembly. The General Assembly may determine whether a study will be made of the subject(s) proposed, or may refer such subject(s) to the Regional Council.
- (3) Any Official Representative may, at any regular meeting of the General Assembly, request review by the General Assembly of any action of the Regional Council which has been taken between meetings of the General Assembly.
- (4) At its annual meeting, the General Assembly shall review the proposed General Fund budget and annual dues assessment schedule and shall adopt an annual General Fund budget and an annual dues assessment schedule.
- (5) Any Official Representative who desires to propose any policy matter for action by the General Assembly shall submit the matter to the Regional Council in the form of a proposed resolution at least forty-five (45) days prior to any regular meeting of the General Assembly. The President shall appoint Regional Council members to serve on the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee to consider each such resolution, and the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee shall submit its recommendations for action to the Regional Council. Upon review of any proposed resolution, the Regional Council shall submit its recommendations to the General Assembly. A copy of each such proposed resolution together with the Regional Council's recommendations thereon, shall be included in the agenda materials for each regular meeting of the General Assembly.

## B. Meetings

- (1) A regular meeting of the General Assembly shall be held once a year. Special meetings of the General Assembly may be called by the Regional Council upon the written request of the President and with the affirmative votes of a majority of the Regional Council voting-eligible members present at a meeting with a quorum in attendance. Ten (10) days' written notice of a special meeting shall be given to the Official Representatives and Alternates of each member of the Association. An agenda specifying the subject of the special meeting shall accompany the notice.
- (2) The time, date and location for meetings of the General Assembly shall be determined by the Regional Council.
- (3) Notice of the regular meeting of the General Assembly shall be given to the Official Representatives and Alternates of each member of the Association at least thirty (30) days prior to each regular meeting. An agenda for the regular

meeting shall accompany the notice. Notice of any changes to the agenda shall be given at least ten (10) days prior to the regular meeting.

(4) The General Assembly may adopt rules for its own procedures.

### C. Voting in the General Assembly shall be conducted in the following manner:

- A quorum of the General Assembly shall consist of one-third of the Official Representatives from voting-eligible members of the Association or their Alternates.
- (2) Each Official Representative of a voting-eligible member of the Association shall have one (1) vote. In the absence of the Official Representative, the Alternate shall be entitled to vote. Unless otherwise identified in these Bylaws, an affirmative vote of a majority of the Official Representatives or Alternates of the General Assembly voting-eligible members voting, with a quorum in attendance shall be necessary for the approval or adoption of any matter presented for action to the General Assembly.
- (3) Voting may be by voice, displaying voting cards, roll call vote or through the use of an electronic voting system. A roll call vote shall be conducted upon the demand of five (5) Official Representatives or their Alternates present, or at the discretion of the presiding officer.

#### ARTICLE V - REGIONAL COUNCIL

- A. <u>Regional Council Organization</u>: There shall be a Regional Council of the Association which shall be organized as set forth below and which shall be responsible for such functions as are hereinafter set forth:
  - (1) **Membership:** The membership of the Regional Council shall be comprised of: one (1) representative from each member county Board of Supervisors, except for the County of Los Angeles which shall have two (2) representatives; one (1) representative from the Tribal Government Regional Planning Board, who shall be a locally elected Tribal Council member from a federally recognized Tribal Government within the SCAG region; one (1) representative from each District (as defined below); the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles serving as an at-large representative for the City; one (1) city council member or member of a County Board of Supervisors, from the governing boards of each of the six (6) County Transportation Commissions ("CTC"); one (1) local government elected representative from one of the five (5) Air Districts within SCAG to represent all five (5) Air Districts operating within the SCAG region; one (1) local government elected representative from the Transportation Corridor Agencies (TCA); one (1) local government elected representative serving as the Public Transportation Representative to represent the transit interests of all of the operators in the SCAG region; and the member from the private sector appointed to serve on the

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Executive/Administration Committee who would also serve on the Regional Council in an ex-officio, non-voting capacity.

- (a) <u>Districts</u>: For purposes of representation on the Regional Council, Districts shall be organized and defined as follows:
  - (1) A District shall be established by the Regional Council and be comprised of a group of cities that have a geographic community of interest and have approximately equal population. A District may be comprised of cities within different counties, but Districts established by subregions under Article V A.(1)(a)(5) shall include only cities within the boundaries of such subregions. Procedures for District Representative elections shall be set forth under the Regional Council Policy Manual ("Policy Manual").
  - (2) The Regional Council shall review, and if it deems necessary, modify or establish District boundaries based upon city population data as most recently available from the State Department of Finance. The Regional Council shall review the district boundaries in 2004 and thereafter in every year ending in 3 or 8.
  - (3) Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Bylaws, in the event that upon review of the Districts by the Regional Council in 2004 or thereafter, District boundaries are changed, then those impacted Districts shall have the option to retain the current District representative or hold a special election, no later than two (2) months after final action by the Regional Council, to elect their District representative who shall serve for a term established by the Regional Council. Such elections shall be held in accordance with the procedures established in the Policy Manual A.(1).
  - (4) If a new city within the Association's region is incorporated after Districts have been established, the newly incorporated city shall be assigned by the Regional Council in consultation with the applicable subregional organization, to a District with other cities with which it has contiguous borders until such time as District boundaries are again reviewed by the Regional Council.
  - (5) In any area where a subregional organization has either (1) been formally established under a joint powers agreement pursuant to California Government Code Sections 6500 et. seq. serving as the subregional planning agency for the general purpose local governments and is not a single-purpose joint powers authority or a special district entity, or (2) been recognized by action of the Regional Council; and is organized for general planning purposes such as for the purpose of conducting studies and projects designed to improve and coordinate the common governmental

responsibilities and services on an area-wide and regional basis, exploring areas of intergovernmental cooperation and coordination of governmental programs and providing recommendations and solutions to problems of common and general concern, such subregional organization shall make recommendations to establish a District (or Districts) within the boundaries of such subregional For purposes of establishing Districts, the subregional organization shall use the definition of District as set forth in Article V  $A_{1}(1)(a)(1)$  above. The subregional organization shall have authority to make recommendations to the Regional Council to establish Districts in every year ending in 3 or 8 and shall use city populations as most recently determined by the State Department of Finance. If a new city within the subregional area is incorporated after Districts have been established, the newly incorporated city shall be assigned to a District in accordance with Article V A.(1)(a)(4) above until such time as Districts are again reviewed.

(6) The Regional Council shall establish a maximum of seventy (70) Districts.

## (b) Regional Council Representation

- (1) There shall be a minimum of one (1) District representative for all of the cities within each county in the Association.
- (2) Any Regional Council member representing a member city in a single City District or county which has not yet paid its annual dues assessment by January 1 of the July 1 June 30 Fiscal Year shall, after a written notice of dues delinquency from the Executive Director and a subsequent affirmative vote by a majority of the voting-eligible Regional Council members present with a quorum in attendance, shall be placed in an Ex-Officio member status, without the right to vote, on the Regional Council or any committee or subcommittee of the Association.
- (3) Any Regional Council member from a member city in a District comprised of multiple cities which has not paid its annual dues assessment by January 1 of the July 1-June 30 Fiscal Year, and who represents a District comprised of more than one (1) city, shall, after a written notice of dues delinquency from the Executive Director and a subsequent affirmative vote by a majority of the voting-eligible Regional Council members present with a quorum in attendance, relinquish his/her position on the Regional Council and the seat shall be declared vacant by the President. Such vacancies shall be filled through the District Representative special election procedures set forth by the Regional Council.

- (4) Any Regional Council member from a Native American Tribe which has not paid its annual dues assessment by January 1 of the July 1-June 30 Fiscal Year, and who represents the Tribal Government Regional Planning Board, shall, after a written notice of dues delinquency from the Executive Director and a subsequent affirmative vote by a majority of the voting-eligible Regional Council members present with a quorum in attendance, relinquish his/her position on the Regional Council and the seat shall be declared vacant by the President. Such vacancies shall be filled by the Tribal Government Regional Planning Board.
- (5) CTC, TCA and the Tribal Government Regional Planning Board representatives to the Regional Council shall be appointed by their respective governing boards, and the appointments shall be formally communicated in writing to the President. The Air District representative shall be determined by the five (5) Air Districts within SCAG, with such determination formally communicated in writing to the President.
- (6) Any Regional Council member representing a CTC which has not paid its annual dues assessment by January 1 of the July 1-June 30 fiscal year shall, after a written notice of dues delinquency by the Executive Director and a subsequent affirmative vote by a majority of the voting-eligible Regional Council members present with a quorum in attendance, be granted Ex-Officio status without the right to vote, on the Regional Council.
- (7) The position of the Public Transportation Representative will rotate among the six counties without any SCAG dues requirement for the position, and the appropriate CTC will make the two-year appointment subject to the SCAG President's official appointment. This position shall also be discussed with the Chief Executive Officers (CEOs) of the CTCs who may develop additional procedures for the selection process. A representative from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority shall serve as the initial Public Transportation Representative on the Regional Council.

## (2) <u>Terms of Office</u>:

(a) Membership on the Regional Council by District representatives shall be for two (2) years upon election. Terms of District representatives shall commence on the adjournment of the annual meeting of the General Assembly and expire at the conclusion of the second regular meeting of the General Assembly occurring after their election. If a District representative on the Regional Council resigns from his or her position as the District representative or officially ceases to be a locally elected official, his or her Regional Council shall be declared vacant by the President. Moreover, the President shall also declare vacant the Regional Council membership of a District Representative if so required by federal or state statutes or regulations, or in response to a no confidence vote by a District undertaken in accordance with the District Representative Election Procedures in the Regional Council Policy Manual. A no confidence vote shall only be undertaken in response to a resolution passed by all cities in the District that are not in arrears with regard to its annual dues assessment to SCAG. All such vacancies shall be filled through special election procedures as set forth by the Regional Council. In the case of District representatives elected pursuant to special elections to fill vacancies, the term shall be for such time as will fill out the remainder of the vacated term.

- (b) The terms of District representatives who represent even-numbered Districts shall be two (2) years and shall expire in even-numbered years. Terms of District representatives who represent odd-numbered Districts shall be two (2) years and shall expire in odd-numbered years.
- (c) Membership on the Regional Council by county representatives and representatives of the CTCs, Tribal Government Regional Planning Board, Air Districts, TCA and the Public Transportation Representative shall be for two (2) year terms, commencing on the date of appointment and expire two (2) years thereafter. If any of the above-mentioned representatives officially cease to be a locally elected official, his or her Regional Council seat shall be declared vacant by the President. Vacancies on the Regional Council shall be filled by action of the respective county, CTC, the Tribal Government Regional Planning Board, TCA, as determined by the five Air Districts in the SCAG region in the case of the Air District representative or as determined by the CTCs in the SCAG region with respect to the Public Transportation Representative.
- (3) <u>Meetings</u>: Unless otherwise determined by the Regional Council, it shall generally meet at least once a month. The date, time and location of the Regional Council meetings shall be recommended by the Executive Director and ratified by the Regional Council. Meetings shall be held upon the call of the President or upon the call of a majority of the members of the Regional Council. The Regional Council may adopt any other meeting procedures as part of the Regional Council Policy Manual.

#### (4) **Duties**

(a) Subject to the policy established by the General Assembly, the Regional Council shall conduct the affairs of the Association and shall approve the Regional Council Policy Manual and any amendments thereto. The Executive Director or his designee shall have the authority to make administrative modifications to the Regional Council Policy Manual to

- reflect past Regional Council actions without the Regional Council's approval of a formal amendment to the Regional Council Policy Manual.
- (b) The Regional Council shall review and may amend the General Fund Budget as proposed by the Executive Director. The proposed General Fund Budget and the annual dues assessment schedule, as approved by the Regional Council, shall be submitted to members of the General Assembly at least thirty (30) days before the annual meeting. After adoption of the General Fund Budget and annual dues assessment schedule by the General Assembly, the Regional Council, in coordination with the Executive Director, shall control all Association expenditures in accordance with such General Fund Budget.
  - (1) The Regional Council shall have the power to make changes to or transfer funds within the General Fund Budget in order to meet unanticipated needs or changed situations. Any and all such actions shall be reported to the General Assembly at its next regular meeting.
  - (2) At each annual meeting of the General Assembly, the Regional Council shall report on all budget and financial transactions since the previous annual meeting.
- (c) The Regional Council shall submit a report of its activities at each regular meeting of the General Assembly.
- (d) The Regional Council shall have the authority to appoint, ratify the annual Performance Agreement of, fix the compensation and benefits of and remove an Executive Director of the Association, and shall also have the authority to fix the salary classification levels for employees of the Association.
- (e) The Regional Council or Policy Committees shall have the power to establish committees or subcommittees to study specific problems, programs, and other matters which the Regional Council or General Assembly have approved for study.
- (f) Recommendations from committees for policy decisions shall be made to the Regional Council. The Regional Council shall have the authority to act upon policy recommendations including policy recommendations from the committees, or it may submit such recommendations, together with its comments, to the General Assembly for action.
- (g) The Regional Council shall be responsible for carrying out policy decisions made by the General Assembly.

- (h) Members of the Regional Council may make informational inquiries of the Executive Director or Association executive staff consistent with the official Association duties of such members; however, members of the Regional Council shall refrain from any actions or contacts within the Association that would interfere with with the powers and duties of the Executive Director.
- All Regional Council members shall comply with the SCAG Conflict of Interest Policy as adopted and amended from time to time by the Regional Council.
- (5) <u>Voting:</u> In the Regional Council voting shall be conducted in the following manner:
  - (a) Only representatives of the membership as defined in Article V (A)(1) shall have the right to vote as a member of the Regional Council.
  - (b) One-third (1/3) of the voting-eligible members of the Regional Council shall constitute a quorum of the Regional Council.
  - (c) The affirmative votes of a majority of the voting-eligible Regional Council members <u>voting</u> with a quorum in attendance are required for action by the Regional Council, except as set forth in subsections (d), (e) and (f) below.

(d) In order to recommend the annual budget to the General Assembly, the affirmative votes of a majority of a quorum of the voting-eligible members of the Regional Council is required.

- (e) In order to appoint or remove the Executive Director, the affirmative vote of not less than a majority of the Regional Council voting-eligible membership is required.
- (f) Each official representative from a CTC, the Tribal Government Regional Planning Board, the Air Districts and TCA as well as the Public Transportation Representative shall have the right to vote in the same manner as other voting-eligible members of the Regional Council.
- (g) Voting-eligible Regional Council members are free to abstain from voting on any issue before the Regional Council. Any abstention does not count as a vote in favor or against a motion.
- (6) Expenses: Members of the Regional Council shall serve with compensation and shall be reimbursed for the actual necessary expenses incurred by them in the performance of their duties for the Association, to the extent that such compensation and reimbursement are not otherwise provided to them by another public agency, a Tribal Government or the Tribal Government Regional Planning

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Board. The Regional Council shall determine the amount of such compensation and set forth other procedures for expenses under the Policy Manual.

B. <u>Permanent Committees</u>: For the purpose of developing policy recommendations to the Regional Council, the Regional Council shall establish as permanent committees the "Executive/Administration Committee," the "Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee" and the three (3) policy committees known as the "Transportation Committee," the "Energy and Environment Committee," and the "Community, Economic and Human Development Committee" (the latter three committees collectively referred to herein as the "Policy Committees".)

### C. Executive/Administration Committee

- (1) Membership: The membership of the Executive/Administration Committee (EAC) shall be comprised of the President, First Vice- President, Second Vice-President and Immediate Past-President and the President shall serve as the chair. The EAC shall also include the respective Chairs and Vice Chairs of Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee and the three (3) Policy Committees, the representative from the Tribal Government Planning Board serving on the Regional Council, and an additional four (4) Regional Council members appointed by the President In making the appointments, the President shall ensure that the six (6) counties within SCAG have representation on the EAC. In addition, the President may appoint one (1) member from the private sector to serve on the EAC in an ex-officio, non-voting capacity. Appointment by the President of members to the EAC shall be for one (1) year terms, which such appointment to expire upon the adjournment of the regular meeting of the General Assembly.
- (2) <u>Meetings</u>: The EAC shall generally meet at least once a month and in accordance with the Regional Council Policy Manual, except that the EAC may decide not to meet upon the call of the EAC chair after consultation with the Executive Director or his designee.

#### (3) **<u>Duties:</u>**

(a) Subject to any limitations that may be established by the General Assembly and/or the Regional Council,, the EAC is authorized to make decisions and take actions that are binding upon the Association if the President or the Executive Director determine that such decisions or actions are necessary prior to the next regular meeting of the Regional Council, except that a majority of the voting-eligible members of the EAC is required to make decisions or take actions that are binding upon SCAG relating to the annual budget; the hiring, removal, compensation and benefits of the Executive Director; and the salary classification levels for employees of SCAG.

- (b) Subject to the policies of the Regional Council, the EAC shall be responsible for: (1) developing policy recommendations to the Regional Council on administration, human resources, budgets, finance, operations, communications, or any other matter specifically referred by the Regional Council; and (2) negotiating an annual Performance Agreement with the Executive Director, subject to ratification of the Regional Council. The Executive Director's Performance Agreement shall be effective the first day of July of the calendar year. The EAC shall be responsible for performing the annual evaluation of the Executive Director's performance of the prior year's agreed-upon Performance Agreement. The EAC shall complete the Executive Director's annual Performance Evaluation no later than the regularly scheduled meeting in June of the Regional Council.
- (c) The powers and duties of the EAC shall include such other duties as the Regional Council may delegate.
- (4) <u>Voting</u>: A quorum shall be one-third (1/3) of the voting-eligible members of the EAC. The affirmative vote of the majority of the voting-eligible EAC members voting, with a quorum in attendance is required for an action by the Executive/Administration Committee.

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#### D. <u>Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee</u>

- (1) <u>Membership</u>: Regional Council members may serve as members to the Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee (LCMC). Members to the LCMC shall be appointed by the President for one (1) year terms with such appointments to expire with the adjournment of the regular meeting of the General Assembly.
- (2) Meetings: The LCMC shall generally meet once a month and in accordance with the Regional Council Policy Manual, except that the LCMC may decide not to meet upon the call of the LCMC chair after consultation with the Executive Director or his designee.

### (3) **Duties**:

- (a) The Legislative, Communications and Membership Committee shall be responsible for developing recommendations to the Regional Council regarding legislative and telecommunications matters; providing policy direction for the agency's marketing communications strategy, outreach issues/materials and electronic communications systems; reviewing sponsorship opportunities whose cost will exceed \$5,000; and promoting agency membership.
- (b) The duties of the LCMC shall include such other duties as the Regional Council may delegate.

## E. **Policy Committees**

#### (1) <u>Membership</u>:

- (a) The Policy Committees may include as voting members the following: Regional Council members; one (1) representative from the California Department of Transportation; local government elected representatives from each of the general purpose subregional organizations as established under Article V(A)(1)(a)(5) of these Bylaws; and one (1) duly appointed board member, who is a general purpose local elected official from an agency with which the Association has a statutory or Memorandum of Understanding relationship.
- (b) The Policy Committees may include ex-officio (non-voting) members who shall be representatives from regional and subregional single purpose public agencies and other members as approved by the Regional Council.
- (c) Regional Council members representing the CTCs, the Tribal Government Regional Planning Board, TCA and the Air Districts <u>as well as the Public</u> <u>Transportation Representative</u> shall have the right to vote as members of the Policy Committees and may be appointed Chair or Vice-Chair of a Policy Committee.
- (2) <u>Appointments to Policy Committees</u>: The President with regard to each Policy Committee shall:
  - (a) Appoint all interested and available Regional Council members to one (1) of the Policy Committees for two (2) year terms. In making such appointments, the President shall to the extent practicable appoint an equal number of members to each policy committee taking into consideration regional representation, geographical balance, diversity of views and other factors deemed appropriate by the President.
  - (b) Appoint to the Policy Committees members representing public agencies which have a statutory or Memorandum of Understanding relationship with SCAG. The members shall be appointed for two-(2) year terms based on a written request from the agency's governing board. Appointments shall be limited to one (1) representative from each public agency. In making such appointments, the President shall consider regional representation.
  - (c) Appoint Ex-Officio (non-voting) members to the Policy Committees representing the business sector, labor, higher education and community groups upon the recommendation of the respective Policy Committee and approval by the Regional Council. The term of each such Ex-Officio member shall be limited to the remainder of the Presidential year, and each such Ex-Officio member may be re-appointed by a future SCAG

President. Ex-Officio members appointed to SCAG's Policy Committees shall be required to file Statement of Economic Interests forms and comply with all SCAG policies that are applicable to Policy Committee members.

- (d) In addition to the appointments to the Policy Committees of subregional organization elected representatives provided for above in subsection (1)(a) of this Section E, the President shall appoint to the Policy Committees for two (2) year terms additional local government elected representatives from each subregional organization which has at least four (4) Districts.
- (e) The determination of the total number of additional representatives from each subregional organization to be appointed to the Policy Committees shall be as follows: One (1) additional local government elected representative for each District in excess of three (3) Districts shall be appointed by the President. The governing boards of each of the subregional organizations shall nominate the additional representatives provided for in this subsection (2)(e) to be appointed to the Policy Committees. In making the appointments, the President shall consider, among other things, regional representation.
- (f) In addition to the appointment of the Regional Council member representing the Tribal Government Regional Planning Board to a Policy Committee, the President shall appoint with the consent of the Tribal Government Regional Planning Board additional members to each Policy Committee such that the Tribal Government Regional Planning Board shall have two (2) voting members on each Policy Committee. Such representative shall be locally elected Tribal Council members from the federally recognized Tribal Governments within the SCAG region.
- (g) In order to facilitate participation by member cities of the Association, the President shall have the authority to make at-large appointments of local elected officials from cities that are not directly represented on a Policy Committee; provided, that the President shall only make such at-large appointment if there is no vacant subregional appointment to the Policy Committees. The term of the local elected official appointed by the President in this manner shall be limited to the remainder of the Presidential year, except that the local elected official may continue to serve on the Policy Committee if its respective city council approve his or her re-designation and a future SCAG President authorizes the reappointment. Local elected officials serving in an at-large capacity on a Policy Committee are not eligible to serve as the Chair or Vice-Chair of the Policy Committee.
- (3) <u>Meetings</u>: The Policy Committees shall generally meet at least once a month and in accordance with the Regional Council Policy Manual, except that the Policy

Committees may decide not to meet upon the call of the respective Policy Committee chair after consultation with the Executive Director or his designee.

(4) **Voting**: The affirmative vote of the majority of the voting-eligible members of a Policy Committee voting with a quorum in attendance is required for an action by a Policy Committee.

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- (5) **Duties of the Transportation Committee** (TC): The Transportation Committee shall study and provide policy recommendations to the Regional Council relative to challenges and opportunities, programs and other matters, which pertain to the regional issues of mobility and accessibility, including, but not limited to all modes of surface transportation, transportation system preservation and system management, regional aviation, regional goods movement, transportation finance as well as transportation control measures.
- (6) **Duties of the Energy and Environment Committee (EEC):** The Energy and Environment Committee shall study and provide policy recommendations to the Regional Council relative to challenges and opportunities, programs and other matters, which pertain to the regional issues of energy and the environment. EEC shall also be responsible for reviewing and providing policy recommendations to the Regional Council on matters pertaining to environmental compliance.
- (7) <u>Duties of the Community, Economic and Human Development Committee (CEHD)</u>: The Community, Economic and Human Development Committee shall study and provide policy recommendations to the Regional Council relative to challenges and opportunities, programs and other matters which pertain to the regional issues of community, economic and human development, housing and growth. CEHD shall also receive information regarding projects, plans and programs of regional significance for determinations of consistency and conformity with applicable regional plans.
- (8) **Joint Meetings of the Policy Committees:** The duties of the Policy Committees are specified in subsections (4), (5) and (6) of this subsection. To the extent that there are matters which are within the scope of review of more than one Policy Committee, the respective Policy Committees shall meet in joint meetings to consider the matter and provide unified policy recommendations to the Regional Council, if applicable. The chairs of the respective Policy Committee shall decide amongst themselves who shall preside over the joint meeting.
- F. Appointments: The President is authorized to appoint members of the Regional Council to SCAG committees, ad hoc committees, subcommittees, or task forces to study specific problems, programs, or other matters which the Regional Council or General Assembly have approved for study. The President is authorized to appoint new members or re-appoint prior members to any SCAG committee, ad hoc committee, subcommittee or task force. The President is also authorized to appoint Regional Council members to governing boards of other agencies, districts, commissions, and authorities as representatives of the Association. If no Regional Council members are

available for such appointment, the President may appoint an elected official not on the Regional Council to represent the Association. Elected officials appointed to represent the Association who are not then members of the Regional Council shall be Ex-Officio members of the Regional Council without the right to vote. Terms of appointment of Regional Council members and other elected officials to governing boards of other agencies, districts, commissions, and authorities shall be consistent with the term of office of the appointing President.

#### ARTICLE VI - OFFICERS, DUTIES, ELECTIONS AND VACANCIES

- A. Officers of the Association shall consist of a President, a First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Immediate Past President and a Secretary-Treasurer. The Association's President, First Vice-President, and Second Vice-President shall be elected annually by the Regional Council at its annual General Assembly meeting, from among its membership as set forth below. The Executive Director of the Association shall serve as the Secretary-Treasurer of the Association, but shall have no vote in the Association.
- B. Officers of the Association, except the Secretary-Treasurer, shall be elected from a list of candidates for each office which shall be prepared by a Nominating Committee and submitted to the Regional Council for review and approval. The Nominating Committee shall be composed of six (6) Regional Council members who collectively represent the six (6) counties within the SCAG region, with at least two (2) members being County representatives. Members on the Nominating Committee shall serve for one (1) year terms with the term to expire with the adjournment of the regular meeting of the General Assembly. The Immediate Past President shall serve as the chair of the Nominating Committee for one (1) year. The Nominating Committee shall review the candidates based upon minimum eligibility requirements established by the Regional Council and as set forth below in Article VI (C).

In the event that prior to the annual General Assembly meeting, a candidate for President or First Vice-President who has been approved by the Nominating Committee or Regional Council officially loses his or her seat on its respective local elected office or respective Regional Council District representative seat, the candidate for First Vice-President shall be deemed the candidate for President and the candidate for Second Vice-President shall be deemed the candidate for First Vice-President, provided that the applicable candidates are agreeable to the change.

In the event that prior to the annual General Assembly meeting, a candidate for Second Vice-President who has been approved by the Nominating Committee or Regional Council officially loses his or her seat on its respective local elected office or respective Regional Council District representative seat, the Regional Council shall select the candidate from a list of candidates who meet the minimum eligibility requirements established by the Regional Council. The Nominating Committee may also meet to review the list of candidates and make a recommendation to the Regional Council regarding the new candidate for Second Vice-President if there is sufficient time before the General Assembly meeting.

- C. The Nominating Committee shall review the candidates based upon the following eligibility requirements:
  - (1) At the time of the application, the candidate must have completed at least one full term (i.e. two years) on the Regional Council.
  - (2) Candidate must be actively involved with SCAG.
  - (3) Candidate must be a local elected official from a SCAG member county, city or county transportation commission.
  - (4) At the time of the application, it is reasonable to conclude that the candidate will be in elected office during the term of the respective officer position (e.g. term limits do not prevent the candidate for serving the term of the respective officer position).
  - (5) If applicable, it is reasonable to conclude that the candidate shall maintain representation of his or her Regional Council District.
  - (6) Candidate may be self-nominated or nominated by a colleague on the Regional Council.
  - (7) Candidate must have submitted a completed nomination application to SCAG by the appropriate deadline.
- D. The recommended candidates for each office shall be submitted to the Regional Council for consideration and approval by the Nominating Committee at least one (1) month prior to the annual General Assembly meeting. The Nominating Committee shall recommend one candidate to the Regional Council for each office (except Secretary-Treasurer). If the Nominating Committee cannot agree on one candidate to recommend to the Regional Council, all candidates for the respective office shall be presented to the Regional Council. The Regional Council may also consider and approve candidates for each office who are nominated directly at a Regional Council meeting as part of the election process. New Officers shall take office after the ratification of the General Assembly and commencing upon the adjournment of the General Assembly meeting.
- E. A vacancy shall immediately occur in the office of the President, First Vice- President, Second Vice-President or Immediate Past President upon the resignation or death of the person holding such office, or upon the person holding such office ceasing to be a local elected official. Upon the occurrence of a vacancy in the office of President, First Vice-President, or Second Vice-President, a vacancy shall be filled for the balance of an unexpired term in order of succession by elevating the next remaining officer to such position, and the President shall call for a Special Election to fill the unexpired term of the office of Second Vice-President. Such second Vice-President shall be selected from a list of candidates which shall be prepared by a Nominating Committee structured in accordance with the provisions of Article VI, Section B. The nominee selected for the office of second Vice-President shall be submitted to the Regional Council by the

Nominating Committee. The new second Vice-President shall take office upon adjournment of that meeting. Upon the occurrence of a vacancy in the position of the Immediate Past President, the next most immediate and available past President of SCAG still serving as a Regional Council member shall fill the position and serve for the balance of the unexpired term.

- F. Notwithstanding any provision in these Bylaws to the contrary, a Regional Council member from the Tribal Government Regional Planning Board or the Air Districts shall not be eligible to be elected by the Regional Council as Officers of the Association. Regional Council members representing the CTCs are eligible to be elected by the Regional Council as Officers of the Association.
- G. The President of the Association shall be the presiding officer of the Regional Council and of the General Assembly. The First Vice-President shall act as the presiding officer in his/her absence. The Second Vice-President, followed by the Immediate Past President, shall act as the presiding officer in the absence of both of the above officers.
- H. The Secretary-Treasurer shall maintain a record of all Association proceedings, maintain custody of all Association funds, and otherwise perform the usual duties of such office.

#### **ARTICLE VII - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

The Executive Director shall be the chief administrative officer of the Association. The powers and duties of the Executive Director are:

- A. Subject to the authority of the General Assembly and the Regional Council, to administer the affairs of the Association including, but not limited to, oversight and approval of the Personnel Rules, Procurement Manual and Accounting Manual of the Association.
- B. Consistent with all applicable personnel policies, procedures and salary classifications, to appoint, direct, discipline, remove and set the compensation and benefits of all other employees of the Association.
- Annually to prepare and present a proposed budget to the Regional Council and to control the approved budget.
- D. To serve as Secretary-Treasurer of the Association.
- E. To attend the meetings of the General Assembly and the Regional Council.
- F. To perform such other duties as the General Assembly or the Regional Council or the Regional Council Policy Manual may require.
- G. To ensure compliance with the Association's responsibilities as a metropolitan planning organization as outlined in 23 U.S.C.A. § 134 et seq., and as may be amended from time to time.

## **ARTICLE VIII - FINANCES**

### A. Fiscal Year

The Fiscal year of the Association shall commence on July 1.

## B. **Budget Submission and Adoption**

The Association budget shall be submitted by the Executive Director to the Regional Council. The Regional Council shall adopt an Association budget at least 30 days prior the Annual Meeting. The Association budget and assessment schedule shall be adopted by the General Assembly at the Annual Meeting. Notwithstanding any provision of the agreement establishing the Association, any member that cannot pay its assessment therefore because of any applicable law or charter provision, or other lack of ability to appropriate or pay the same, may add such assessment to its assessment for the next full fiscal year. The budget for each year shall provide the necessary funds with which to obtain and maintain the requisite liability and worker's compensation insurance to fully protect each of the signatory parties hereto, and such insurance shall be so obtained and maintained.

#### C. Annual Membership Dues Assessment

Each year, upon adoption of the General Fund Budget, the General Assembly shall fix an annual membership dues assessment for all members of the Association in amounts sufficient to provide the funds required by the budget and shall advise the legislative body of each member thereof on or before the first regularly scheduled Regional Council meeting within thirty (30) days of the date of the General Assembly meeting of such year. Absent any other decision regarding membership assessments by the General Assembly, the annual membership dues assessment will be adjusted by the most recent year to date change in the Consumer Price Index, with a minimum of one per cent (1%), for the Los Angeles -Riverside-Orange Counties area. The Regional Council, for not more than one (1) year at a time, may defer, waive, or reduce payment of the annual dues for any member. Similarly, the Executive Director may authorize reduced payment of the annual dues for any member by no more than ten (10%) for not more than one (1) year at a time based upon the member's documented financial hardship. In taking any of the actions above, the Regional Council shall adjust the General Fund Budget to provide a balanced General Fund Budget reflecting any of the above actions. Any action of the Regional Council deferring, waiving, or reducing the payment of the annual dues shall be reported at the following General Assembly meeting. The amount of each member's assessment shall be determined in accordance with the formula set out in Paragraph "D," following.

In addition, at the time the Regional Council considers a waiver of the annual dues for any member, the Regional Council shall decide on a case-by-case basis whether the representative of the member can continue to vote on the Regional Council or any committee or subcommittee of the Association, serve in a leadership position, receive a stipend or have any other membership rights or privileges restricted during the period when the member's annual dues have been waived.

#### D. Methods of Assessment

Each member county and each member city, based on its total population, shall pay, as part of its total annual assessment, the following fixed basic assessment:

COUNTIES		CITIES	
Total Population	Base	Population	Base
Up to 249,999	3,500	Up to 9,999	\$ 100
250,000 - 1,099,999	10,000	10,000 - 24,999	250
1,100,000 - 1,999,999	15,000	25,000 – 99,999	500
2,000,000 - 3,999,999	25,000	100,000 - 499,000	750
4,000,000 up	35,000	500,000 -999,999	1,000
•		1,000,000 up	1,250

For purposes of the annual assessment each federally recognized Tribal Government in the SCAG region shall be treated as a member city. The remainder of the total annual dues assessment to be borne by the member counties shall be charged to and paid by said member counties in proportion that the population of unincorporated portions of each bear to the total regional population. The remainder of the total annual assessment to be borne by the member cities shall be charged to and paid by said member cities in the proportion that the population of each bears to the total regional population. The computation of the shares of said total annual assessments as above provided shall be based upon the respective populations of the counties and cities as determined by the State Controller in making the most recent allocation to cities and counties pursuant to the Motor Vehicle License Fee Law, or based upon population data from the State Department of Finance in the event that the State Controller data is not available. For a member city newly incorporated pursuant to California Government Code Section 57176, the total annual assessment for the first five (5) years following incorporation shall be based upon such city's actual population as defined under California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 11005.3(d).

If any county or city was not a member at the time the latest assessment was fixed and shall become a member of the Association thereafter, an assessment shall be payable by such county or city to the Association upon becoming a member in a sum based upon the current county or city per capita rate, as the case may be, prorated from the date of establishing membership until the July 1 following the next annual meeting of the General Assembly after such date. Notwithstanding the previous provisions of this Section, no rebates or adjustments shall be made among the existing member counties and/or cities if such additional assessments shall be received from new members. Notwithstanding the previous provisions of this Section, no regular dues assessment of any county or city shall exceed twenty percent (20%) of the total assessment for any annual assessment period.

**Regional Council Membership Assessment for CTCs:** Each CTC shall pay a fixed annual Regional Council membership assessment based on total population, using the following assessment table:

Total Population	Annual Assessment		
Up to 249,000	\$ 3,500		
250,000-1,099,999	\$ 10,000		
1,100,000-1,999,000	\$ 15,000		
2,000,000-3,999,999	\$ 25,000		
More than 4,000,000	\$ 35,000		

Regional Council Membership Assessment for TCA, the Air Districts and the Public Transportation Representative: TCA shall pay a fixed annual Regional Council membership assessment of \$10,000. The annual Regional Council membership assessment to have a representative from the Air Districts on the Regional Council shall also be \$10,000 to be paid in a manner agreed upon by the five (5) Air Districts within the SCAG region. There is no required membership assessment for the Public Transportation Representative on the Regional Council.

#### E. Annual Audit

The Regional Council shall cause an annual external audit of the financial affairs of the Association to be made by a certified public accountant at the end of each fiscal year. The Regional Council shall employ a certified public account of its choosing. The Regional Council shall also establish an Audit Committee to provide oversight of the annual external audit. The members of Audit Committee shall be comprised of members of the Regional Council and serve for one (1) year terms. The First Vice--President shall be a member of the Audit Committee and the Second Vice-President shall serve as the chair of the Audit Committee for one (1) year. The audit report shall be made to Association member cities and counties.

## F. **Indemnification for Tort Liability**

In contemplation of the provisions of Section 895.2 of the Government Code of the State of California imposing certain tort liability jointly upon public entities solely by reason of such entities being parties to an agreement as defined in Section 895 of said code, the parties hereto as between themselves, pursuant to the authorization contained in Sections 895.4 and 895.6 of said code, will each assume the full liability imposed upon it, or any of its officers, agents or employees by law for injury caused by a negligent or wrongful act or omission occurring in the performance of this agreement to the same extent that such liability would be imposed in the absence of Section 895.2 of said code. To achieve the above stated purpose each party indemnifies and holds harmless the other party for any loss, cost or expense that may be imposed upon such other party solely by virtue of said Section 895.2. The rules set forth in Civil Code Section 2778 are hereby made a part of these Bylaws.

G. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 7 of said Joint Powers Agreement by which this Association is formed, no contract, employment, debt, liability or obligation of the Association shall be binding upon or obligate any member of this Association without the express written request or consent of such member and only to the extent so requested or consented to; nor shall the Association have the authority or the power to bind any member by contract, employment, debt, liability, or obligation made or incurred by it without the written request or consent of such member, and then only to such extent as so requested or consented to in writing.

#### H. Depositaries and Investments

In addition to the depositary and the disbursing officer as specified in Section 7 of the Joint Powers Agreement, the Regional Council may authorize additional depositaries and those authorized to disburse the Association's funds, and may specify the terms and conditions pertaining thereto.

## ARTICLE IX - STATUTORY AUTHORITY

The Southern California Association of Governments shall be an agency established by a joint powers agreement among the members pursuant to Title 1, Division 7, Chapter 5, of the Government Code of the State of California and shall have the powers vested in the Association by State or Federal law, the joint powers agreement, or these bylaws. The Association shall not have the power of eminent domain, or the power to levy taxes.

## **ARTICLE X - VOLUNTARY WITHDRAWAL**

Any member may, at any time, withdraw from the Association providing, however, that the intent to withdraw must be stated in the form of a resolution enacted by the legislative body of the agency wishing to withdraw. Such resolution of intent to withdraw from the Association must be given to the Executive Director by the withdrawing agency at least 30 days prior to the effective date of withdrawal. The withdrawing agency shall not be entitled to a refund of the annual assessment paid to the Association.

## **ARTICLE XI - AMENDMENTS**

The Bylaws and any amendments thereto are subject to the approval of the General Assembly.

Amendments to these Bylaws may be proposed by an Official Representative, the Executive Director, the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee and the Regional Council.

If proposed by an Official Representative, the amendment shall be submitted to the Regional Council at least forty-five (45) days prior to a regular meeting of the General Assembly for assignment and consideration by the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee.

The Bylaws and Resolutions Committee shall be composed of two (2) Regional Council members per County, with at least two (2) members being County representatives. Members on the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee shall serve for one (1) year terms with the term to expire with the adjournment of the regular meeting of the General Assembly.

Proposed Bylaws Amendments May 5, 2016

The Second Vice-President shall serve as the chair of the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee for one (1) year.

Except for amendments proposed by the Regional Council, all proposed amendments to the Bylaws shall be considered by the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee, and thereafter, by the Regional Council. The proposed amendments, along with the recommendations of the Regional Council, shall be forwarded to the Official Representative of each General Assembly member at least thirty (30) days prior to the General Assembly meeting at which such proposed amendments will be voted upon.

An affirmative vote of a majority of the General Assembly voting members voting with a quorum in attendance is required to adopt an amendment to these Bylaws. If, within sixty (60) days after the adoption of any amendment, one-third (1/3) or more of the Official Representatives protest such amendment by filing a written protest with the Executive Director, the adoption of such amendment shall be suspended until the next meeting of the General Assembly when the amendment shall again be taken up for consideration and vote.

Notwithstanding any provision of the agreement establishing the Association, Article V - A-4(b) and the Article VIII A, B, and E of said Bylaws shall not be changed except with the concurrence of the legislative body of each signatory party to said agreement which has not then withdrawn from the Association.

## **ARTICLE XII - EFFECTIVE DATE**

These Bylaws shall go into effect immediately upon the effective date of the agreement establishing the Association.

#### **ARTICLE XIII - HIRING PROHIBITION**

No individual who is or was an Official Representative or Alternate on SCAG's General Assembly or is or was a member of the SCAG Regional Council or is or was a member of any of SCAG's Policy Committees shall be eligible for compensated employment with SCAG for a period of one (1) year after the individual's last day of service in any of the SCAG positions described in this Article.

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## Proposed Bylaws Amendments May 5, 2016

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DATE: May 5, 2016

TO: General Assembly (GA)

FROM: Regional Council (TE)

**SUBJECT:** 2016-2017 SCAG Board Officers

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL: Hosas Wehath

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Ratify the Regional Council's approval of the 2016-2017 SCAG Board Officer positions.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

On March 3, 2016, the Regional Council approved the following slate of officers to serve as the 2016-2017 SCAG Board Officers. The General Assembly is asked to ratify the Regional Council's election of the following individuals:

For the Position of 2016-2017 SCAG President: Michele Martinez, Santa Ana, District 16 For the Position of 2016-2017 First Vice President: Margaret E. Finlay, Duarte, District 35 For the Position of 2016-2017 Second Vice President: Alan Wapner, Ontario, SANBAG

## STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan, Goal 5: Optimize Organizational Efficiency and Cultivate an Engaged Workforce; Objective d: Define the roles and responsibilities at all levels of the organization.

## **SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND:**

On February 18, 2016, the Nominating Committee met to review four (4) applicants for the 2016-2017 Board Officer positions for: President; First Vice President; and Second Vice President. acknowledging that all of the four (4) applicants are outstanding, the Nominating Committee unanimously nominated the above-named candidates to serve as the SCAG Board Officers for 2016-17.

On March 3, 2016, the Regional Council reviewed the nominated candidates and unanimously approved their election. Based upon the eligibility requirements for SCAG Officer Candidates as set forth in the SCAG Bylaws, all candidates satisfy the eligibility requirements. The Regional Council, therefore, recommends that the General Assembly ratify the Regional Council's approval of the 2016-17 SCAG Board Officers whose terms of office shall commence upon the adjournment of today's General Assembly meeting.

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Work related to the nominating process is covered by SCAG's Indirect Cost Budget, including WBS No. 810.SCG0120.09.

#### ATTACHMENT:

None





**DATE:** May 5, 2016

**TO:** General Assembly (GA)

FROM: Cheryl Viegas-Walker, President

**SUBJECT:** Year in Review

In accordance with the SCAG's Bylaws, and on behalf of the Regional Council, I am submitting to the General Assembly the Regional Council activities that have taken place since the General Assembly last met in Palm Desert on May 7, 2015. I am pleased to transmit to the General Assembly the following SCAG accomplishments:

## **Developed Plans and Policies for the SCAG Region**

The 2016-2040 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (2016 RTP/SCS): On April 7, 2016, the Regional Council approved the 2016 RTP/SCS as well as certified the associated Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR). The 2016 RTP/SCS integrates land use strategies and transportation investments, and balances local policies with regional priorities and targets.

- o **Highway and Arterial Element.** Developed and secured the approval of the Transportation Committee to incorporate the Highway and Arterial Element into the 2016 RTP/SCS, including guiding principles for the strategic expansion of our roadway network.
- Safety and Security Element. Updated the Safety and Security Element in the 2016 RTP/SCS to ensure consistency with the updated State Highway Safety Improvement Plan.
- Aviation and Airport Ground Access Element. Developed and secured the approval of the Transportation Committee to develop and incorporate the Aviation and Airport Ground Access Element into the 2016 RTP/SCS.
- o **Transit and Passenger Rail Element.** Developed and incorporated the Transit and Passenger Rail Element into the 2016 RTP/SCS. The proposed Transit and Passenger Element includes significant expansion to all forms of public transportation around our region, including bus services, Bus Rapid Transit (BRT), Light Rail, Commuter and Inter-City Rail, and California High Speed Train.
- Goods Movement. Developed a comprehensive goods movement plan element for the 2016 RTP/SCS, with collaboration from regional stakeholders including partner agencies and industry representatives. SCAG's goods movement plan was



- incorporated into the California Freight Mobility Plan. SCAG also provided critical input into the development of US DOT's National Strategic Freight Plan.
- o **Transportation Finance Plan.** Developed a comprehensive financial plan for the 2016 RTP/SCS and associated research on long-term alternatives to transportation funding, leading the region and State on innovative funding initiatives.
- Environmental documentation (a Program Environmental Impact Report or PEIR) for the 2016 RTP/SCS was developed in compliance with the provisions of applicable state regulations (i.e., California Environmental Quality Act or "CEQA"), as well as other applicable federal and state laws.
- Worked closely with local jurisdictions and agencies to develop a Policy Growth Forecast consensus forecasts of population, households, and employment at the regional/county and sub-county levels for use in the 2016 RTP/SCS.
- Conducted outreach and public participation efforts for the 2016 RTP/SCS and PEIR.
  - o Conducted 20+ open houses in 2015 and utilized robust feedback received from the public to develop a plan that reflects broad stakeholder input, needs and goals.
  - o Following the release of the Draft Plan, SCAG held 4 duly-noticed public hearings (three public hearings were videoconferenced to 4 regional offices in different counties), and 14 elected official briefings within the SCAG region to allow stakeholders, elected officials and the public to comment on the Draft 2016 RTP/SCS and the Draft PEIR
  - Developed brochures, fact sheets, visual presentations, videos, an interactive website
    and other public information materials to help the public better understand the
    purpose, components and benefits of the Plan.
  - o Translated flyers, surveys and key documents into Spanish, Chinese, Korean and Vietnamese to provide greater accessibility to diverse populations in the region.
- Received and considered input on the Draft Plan
  - During the comment period, staff received comments from 162 individual entities in the form of letters, emails, direct comments through the RTP/SCS website, as well as comments received during the public hearings.
  - o Staff developed a Proposed Final 2016 RTP/SCS responsive to the comments received and the project updates provided by the six county transportation commissions.
- Adopted and received federal approval of the conformity determination for the 2016 RTP/SCS and the conformity re-determination for the 2012 RTP/SCS and 2015 FTIP for the 2012 annual PM2.5 standards



The Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP): This year, staff completed 4 Amendments, 3 Administrative Modifications, and 1 Consistency Amendment to the 2015 FTIP. One of the 3 administrative modifications was completed on an emergency basis that helped Metro and Caltrans save \$2.5M that would have lapsed had it not been addressed promptly. In October 2015, the Regional Council approved the 2017 FTIP Guidelines. A key revision to the 2017 FTIP Guidelines is the incorporation of the steps the CTCs must follow in submitting SOV Capacity projects for inclusion in the FTIP pursuant to the federal Congestion Management Process (CMP) requirements. This issue was raised by the FHWA through the 2014 SCAG Certification process. Staff anticipates seeking Transportation Committee's recommendation to release the Draft 2017 FTIP for the required public review and comments in summer of this year and seek Regional Council to adopt it in the fall.

**Air Quality Management Plan:** SCAG transmitted a portion of the 2016 South Coast Air Quality Management Plan, approved by the Regional Council, to the South Coast Air Quality Management District for inclusion in the Final 2016 South Coast AQMP.

Los Angeles-San Bernardino Inter-County Transit and Rail Connectivity Study: In cooperation with, and at the request of Metro and SANBAG, SCAG initiated this study in late 2015 to develop a transit and rail improvement strategy focusing on the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension and the Metrolink San Bernardino Line corridors. The study will recommend a strategy for coordinated transit and rail improvements, including Bus Rapid Transit, Light Rail and Commuter Rail, which best serve communities along the corridor, including travel to and from Ontario International Airport.

Metro Green Line Extension Study: In cooperation with Metro and the Cities of Norwalk and Santa Fe Springs, SCAG is in the process of initiating this study to evaluate the feasibility, benefits and costs of extending the Metro Green Line from its current eastern terminus at I-605 in Norwalk to the Norwalk/Santa Fe Springs Metrolink station. This extension would potentially provide a regionally significant connection that could link the Metro Rail, Metrolink commuter rail, Los Angeles-San Diego-San Luis Obispo (LOSSAN) passenger rail corridor, and future California High-Speed Rail systems. With the completion of the Airport Metro Connector and the LAX Automated People Mover, this would further provide a rail connection between Orange County and LAX.

**Pavement Management System:** SCAG completed development of a regional pavement management framework giving SCAG the capability of better assessing system preservation needs for the region's local streets and roads. Our work to date will allow SCAG to better coordinate and service the needs of our member jurisdictions.

Obtained Regional Transportation Infrastructure and Sustainability Funding and Promoted Legislative Solutions for Regional Planning Priorities.

**Advocated for long-term Federal surface transportation authorization legislation:** Lobbied in partnership with national stakeholder groups for Congress to pass H.R. 22 – the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, the first long term transportation authorization law in 10 years.



- SCAG championed for a key Southern California objective freight funding. The FAST Act provides for the first time in U.S. history funding authorization for a national freight/goods movement program.
- o SCAG spearheaded a state effort to retain local flexibility of use of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) Program funding within the bill.

Advocated for additional State revenues for the region: SCAG led a successful Legislative Advocacy trip to Sacramento in March 2016 with members of the board and a contingent of local business leaders to encourage members of the California State Legislature to address the SCAG region's numerous transportation needs. During the year, SCAG also advocated for the passage of the following state legislative bills, chaptered into law, that either increase direct funding or provide ongoing authority to raise or increase funding to benefit transportation and infrastructure projects in Southern California:

- AB 194 High Occupancy Toll Lanes Authorization, providing authority to regional transportation agencies to develop and operate HOT lanes and expands the authority to include other toll facilities.
- AB 914 San Bernardino County Toll Facility authorizing SANBAG to conduct, administer, and operate a value-pricing program on Interstate 10 and 15 in San Bernardino County.
- o SB 767- Authorizing the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, subject to voter approval, to impose an additional .5% transactions and use tax to finance capacity enhancing/congestion mitigating transportation and transit projects throughout Los Angeles County.

**Congestion Pricing Study:** SCAG was successfully awarded multi-million dollar federal competitive grants to continue planning for innovative congestion pricing initiatives.

Secured additional Sustainability Grants funding: The Strategic Growth Council awarded SCAG \$800,000 in grant resources to supplement SCAG's Sustainability Grants Program. To date, SCAG has successfully contracted 70 Sustainability Planning Grants approved by the Regional Council in 2013 and 2014, with 32 projects completed, 31 projects scheduled to be completed by the end of June 2016 and the remaining 7 grant projects to be completed by the end of FY 2016-2017.

**Secured funding to expand Plug-In Electric Vehicle Readiness:** The California Energy Commission (CEC) awarded SCAG \$125,000 to support the deployment of multi-unit dwelling PEV readiness strategies.

Led a collaborative effort for programming State active transportation funds: SCAG collaborated with the six county transportation commissions to program the regional component of the 2015 California Active Transportation Program. The Regional Program awarded approximately \$76 million to 49 projects, with 77% of the funding invested in disadvantaged communities.



Developed, Maintained and Promoted the Utilization of State of the Art Models, Information Systems and Communication Technologies.

**Developed new web-based outreach and communications for the 2016 RTP/SCS:** Centralized RTP/SCS information on a new easy-to-use microsite, developed to be mobile/tablet friendly and compliant with the 1990 Americans with Disabilities Act. This site featured short videos, fact sheets, and engaging graphics, as well as updates on the RTP/SCS development process and digital copies of the document drafts.

Continued to utilize new communications platforms: Grew SCAG's presence on social media, particularly on Twitter and Facebook, using the platform to engage stakeholders, promote SCAG programs such as Go Human, and bolster SCAG's position as a key voice on regional issues of transportation and sustainability.

**Established SCAG as a Regional Data Center of the U.S. Census Bureau:** The designation expands the agency's role in utilizing and disseminating census data to regional stakeholders.

**Quick facts:** SCAG produced a 2016 Pocket Guide of the SCAG Region, which summarizes demographic and economic information in a handy wallet-size guide

**Provided valuable services to members:** SCAG fulfilled more than 200 modeling and socioeconomic data requests from members and other regional stakeholders.

## Created advanced transportation demand models to support planning:

- o Developed a base year regional travel demand model to assist in the development and analysis of the 2016 RTP/SCS, PEIR, AQMP and 2017 FTIP.
- Developed a subregional model development tool for use by local jurisdictions and subregional agencies to assist in local planning and analysis. Continued development of a next-generation activity-based model.
- o Continued support and participation of new scenario planning module modeling methodologies for public health and land conservation.
- O Promoted interagency consultation and coordinated modeling activities with County Transportation Commissions, Caltrans, ARB, air districts, and State/Federal agencies; provided technical assistance and modeling services to regional and subregional agencies in support of their planning studies such as the Metrolink's Strategic Plan, Coachella Valley Rail Feasibility Study, and South Orange County Mobility Study.
- o SCAG collaborated with Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) on the development of the C-PHAM model to measure physical activity benefits through the Scenario Planning Model. SCAG is continuing to refine this work to monitize these benefits. SCAG also developed a SPM Enhancement tool that can provide an estimate of active transportation activity based on growth in intersection density, which was used in the 2016 RTP/SCS.

Continued enhancement of SCAG's Geographic Information Systems (GIS) system and services: SCAG provides ongoing GIS services, training and technical support for the agency, local jurisdictions, stakeholders, and partners.



- SCAG expanded its GIS Rollout Program, providing technical assistance to over 115 local jurisdictions, including hardware and software support for 38 jurisdictions, and software trainings to local planning/city staff.
- o SCAG implemented a multi-phase enterprise GIS database system, developed customized advanced GIS tools and models for HQTA, TPA, and CalEnvironScreen, and several interactive GIS web applications.

## **Developed Advanced Web Tools for Regional Cooperation:**

- o SCAG developed a web-based tool called REVISION to support performance monitoring at regional and local levels in relation to tracking the progress of the Sustainable Communities Strategy. The REVISION tool will be continuously refined to meet future local and regional needs.
- SCAG provided enhancements to the FTIP information system to assist County Transportation Commissions and SCAG staff in assessing financial impacts of proposed projects.
- o Developed a web-based data management tool for use by SCAG and local jurisdictions to assist in data sharing and land use planning collaboration.
- o SCAG launched an update to the Active Transportation Database in the Spring of 2016 to collect bicycle and pedestrian count data across the region, giving local agencies an important resource to support planning and grant applications.

**Disaster Recovery Preparedness:** Implemented information security technology and processes to provide improved redundancy and failover of SCAG systems in the event of disaster, and implemented Emergency Web Page to be activated during disasters to provide information and work instructions to staff.

**Improved Internal Database Systems:** Implemented enhancements to SCAG's Customer Relationship Management (CRM) database, OWP Management System (OMS), and Comprehensive Budget Development System (CBDS) to increase staff efficiency and improve funding reports.

**Improved Privacy and Security:** Initiated Information Technology (IT) Governance and Data Security teams to analyze and implement information privacy, security and audit compliance measures

## Optimized Organizational Efficiency and Cultivated an Engaged Workforce.

**New Wellness Initiative:** SCAG implemented a health initiative to increase employee active transportation and encourage wellness and fitness.

**Recognizing Staff**: SCAG reinvigorated and updated the Employee Recognition Program with quarterly and annual recognition campaigns and awards.

**Staff Development:** The agency continues to invest in employee development, and encourage and fund employee training and tuition reimbursement. SCAG sent three employees through the Southern California Leadership Council's "Leadership Southern California" program.

**Sustainability in Contracting:** SCAG implemented new sustainable guidelines in its procurement manual and published on SCAG's website.



## **Projects in Collaboration and Partnership**

Regional Active Transportation Safety and Encouragement Campaign: SCAG launched the "Go Human" active transportation safety and encouragement campaign in the Fall of 2015 with a series of advertisements calling attention to traffic safety, appearing on billboards, bus shelters, buses and on the radio. The program was developed in collaboration with the CTCs and County Public Health agencies. SCAG partnered with local cities across the region on a series of events that help residents experience temporary bike and pedestrian friendly street improvements. The program also developed an "off the shelf" Go Human safety and encouragement element as an eligible program cost for Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities (AHSC) cap & trade grant applicants.

Joint Work Programs: SCAG continued to work with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) and other CTCs to further develop First/Last Mile strategies and facilitate implementation of key policy elements of the RTP/SCS, with a focus on active transportation, affordable housing and public health. SCAG also worked with the San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG) and the Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) to develop Safe Routes to School Strategies.

**New Mobility Innovations:** SCAG partnered with ridesourcing companies to acquire proprietary and useful data to enable modeling of new mobility innovations.

**International Partnerships:** SCAG shared and promoted its planning methodology and practices through joint seminars and workshops, internships, and the exchange of technical information and publications with several international partners.

**University Partnerships:** SCAG collaborated with universities in the region through the University Partnership program, which harnesses the intellectual capacity of the urban planning schools in the region to improve the long range planning activities of SCAG.

**Air Quality:** Collaborated with the Air Resources Board and local air districts in developing new transportation conformity budgets in the respective Air Quality Management Plans / State Implementation Plans

**Green Region:** Served as regional partner for the Civic Sparks program and refined the Green Region Sustainability Indicators project to help quantify sustainable actions at the jurisdictional level.

**Developing Valuable Research:** SCAG staff attended professional conferences and presented over 25 papers related to SCAG's state-of-the-practice tools, techniques, and planning efforts

**Toolbox Tuesdays:** Conducted multiple learning sessions with planners and interested parties and engaged stakeholders convening the regional Freeway Cap Coalition.

