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**AMENDED AGENDA
No. 3
MEETING OF THE**

SUSTAINABILITY SUBCOMMITTEE

**Tuesday, December 11, 2012
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

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Hon. Carol Chen, Cerritos, Gateway Cities (Alternate)
Hon. Marsha McLean, Santa Clarita, North LA County (Alternate)

Orange County: Hon. Kris Murray, Anaheim, District 19 (Primary) **Vice-Chair**

San Bernardino County: Hon. Larry McCallon, Highland, District 7 (Primary)
Hon. Ed Graham, Chino Hills, District 10 (Alternate)

Riverside County: Hon. Greg Pettis, Cathedral City, District 2 (Primary)

Ventura County: Hon. Brian Brennan, Ventura, VCOG (Primary)

Ex-Officio: Kristin Eberhard, NRDC (Primary)
David Shepherd, BIA (Alternate)
Terry Roberts, ARB (Other)
Michael Morris, FHWA (Other)

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**SUSTAINABILITY SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2012
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

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MEMBERS PARTICIPATING VIA TELECONFERENCE	
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2. Hon. Ed Graham, Chino Hills, District 10	Civic Center City Council Conference Room 14000 City Center Drive Chino Hills, CA 91709
3. Terry Roberts, ARB	1001 I Street, Seventh Floor Sacramento, CA 95814
4. Hon. Greg Pettis, Cathedral City, District 2	38073 Chris Drive, Cathedral City 92235

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SUSTAINABILITY SUBCOMMITTEE

AGENDA

DECEMBER 11, 2012

The Sustainability Subcommittee 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 & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(Hon. Pam O'Connor, Chair)

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – Members of the public desiring to speak on items on the agenda, or items not on the agenda, but within the purview of the Subcommittee, must fill out and present a speaker's card to the Assistant prior to speaking. Comments will be limited to three minutes. The Chair may limit the total time for all comments to twenty minutes.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

CONSENT CALENDAR

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Approval Items

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| 1. <u>Approve Minutes from October 2, 2012 Sustainability Subcommittee Meeting</u> | Attachment | 1 |
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INFORMATION ITEMS

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| 2. <u>Review Definitions of "Sustainability"</u>
<i>(Marco Anderson, SCAG staff)</i> | Attachment | 4 |
| 3. <u>Future Trends in the Real Estate Development, Building, and Leasing Industries</u>
<i>(David Shepard, Building Industry Association, Mott Smith, Infill Builders Association, and David Pogue, CBRE)</i> | | |
| 4. <u>Review 2012-2035 RTP/SCS Housing Typology Assumptions</u>
<i>(Jacob Lieb, SCAG staff)</i> | | |
| 5. <u>Review of Sustainability Subcommittee Draft Policy Recommendations</u>
<i>(Marco Anderson, SCAG staff)</i> | Attachment | 6 |

SUSTAINABILITY SUBCOMMITTEE

AGENDA

DECEMBER 11, 2012

6. Establish Future Subcommittee Meeting Dates
(*Hon. Pam O'Connor, Chair*)

CHAIR'S REPORT

(*Hon. Pam O'Connor, Chair*)

STAFF REPORT

(*Marco Anderson, SCAG Staff*)

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Any Subcommittee member or staff desiring to place items on a future agenda may make such a request.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Please note that the next regular meeting of the Sustainability Subcommittee meeting will be a joint meeting with the Active Transportation and Public Health Subcommittees. The meeting date and time will be determined.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
SUSTAINABILITY SUBCOMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
October 2, 2012**

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE SUSTAINABILITY SUBCOMMITTEE. AN AUDIO RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN THE OFFICE OF REGIONAL COUNCIL SUPPORT.

The Sustainability Subcommittee of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) held its meeting at the SCAG office in Los Angeles. The meeting was called to order by the Hon. Pam O'Connor. There was a quorum.

Members Present:

Hon. Pam O'Connor (<i>Chair</i>)	Santa Monica, District 41
Hon. Carol Chen	Cerritos, Gateway Cities
Hon. Marsha McLean	Santa Clarita, North L.A. County
Hon. Kris Murray (<i>Vice-Chair</i>)	Duarte, District 35
Hon. Greg Pettis	Cathedral City, District 2
Hon. Ed Graham	Chino Hills, District 10
Kristin Eberhard	NRDC
David Shepherd	BIA
Terry Roberts	ARB

Members Not Present:

Hon. Brian Brennan	Ventura, VCOG
Hon. Larry McCallon	Highland, District 7

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Hon. Pam O'Connor, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

REVIEW AND PRIORTIZE AGENDA ITEMS

CONSENT CALENDAR

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ACTION ITEMS

1. Review of Sustainability Subcommittee Schedule Outlook

Hon. Pam O'Connor provided an overview of the Subcommittee's purpose and its relation to the implementation of the 2012 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) that would assist in the development of the 2016 RTP/SCS.

The Subcommittee reviewed its Work Plan and Schedule Outlook. Thereafter, a motion was made (Murray) to approve the Sustainability Subcommittee Schedule Outlook. The motion was seconded (Graham) and unanimously approved. Roll-call was taken and the item was unanimously approved.

INFORMATION ITEMS

2. Presentation: Scenario Modeling at the Regional Level

Peter Calthorpe and Joe DiStefano, Calthorpe Associates, gave a presentation on the Urban Footprint Scenario Modeling Tool as it relates to the SCAG region, noting its focus on how use of the tool provides information on land use impacts. Hon. Pam O'Connor requested that links to Calthorpe's updated PowerPoint presentation and the referenced Nelson study be sent to the members of the subcommittee.

Discussion regarding the matter included information regarding how SCAG is in the process of discussing and finalizing the detailed Work Plan with Calthorpe to fit our region's needs, including how the model will moving towards a parcel based analysis for scenario development.

3. Update on SCAG Scenario Planning Model

Guoxiong Huang, Acting Manager, SCAG Modeling & Forecasting, gave the Subcommittee a brief update on the SCAG Scenario Planning Model (SPM). Mr. Huang explained the three phases of the SPM. First phase would be to focus on the system setup for the region and locals by March 2013. In the second phase SCAG staff will then select one or two jurisdictions to collaborate on scenario planning. Jurisdictions will then have the tool and access to all the underlying data that goes with the tool to complete the basic local review. The final phase intends to enhance the analysis capabilities to be ready before the Draft 2016 RTP/SCS.

4. Establish Future Subcommittee Meeting Dates

Hon. Pam O'Connor stated that the next meeting of the Sustainability Subcommittee will be the first of the two joint meetings with the Public Health and the Active Transportation Subcommittees. The date selected for the meeting is Monday, November 5 at 10 a.m.

Hon. Pam O'Connor suggested that staff send a Doodle to inquire on the availability on the Subcommittee members and alternates with regard to the list dates for meetings 3-5.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Hon. Pam O'Conner gave the subcommittee a summary of the City of Santa Monica's Sustainability Report Card for 2012.

STAFF REPORT

Marco Anderson, SCAG staff, extended an invitation to the members and stakeholders to invite any other stakeholders that might be interested in attending and participating in the Sustainability Subcommittee discussion. Please pass along my e-mail information, anderson@scag.ca.gov. Staff will be developing a stakeholder list to notify when future subcommittee meetings will be held and the when agendas are posted on the website.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Pam O'Connor adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.



Huasha Liu
Director, Land Use and
Environmental Planning

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REPORT

DATE: December 11, 2012

TO: Sustainability Subcommittee

FROM: Marco Anderson, Regional Planner, Sustainability, (213) 236-1987, anderson@scag.ca.gov

SUBJECT: Definitions of Sustainability for Consideration

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

For information only – no action is required

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

SCAG staff was asked to propose definitions of “Sustainability” for elaboration of SCAG policies.

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

BACKGROUND:

SCAG Land Use and Environmental Planning Division staff was asked to define “Sustainability” for SCAG Planning Purposes. The following are the submissions listed in order received:

Marisol Maciel-Cervantes

“Sustainability is when both developed countries and countries in the process of development plan for development by taking into account three important pillars: economy, equity, and the environment.”

Ping Chang

Sustainability is the enduring quality of a healthy environment, prosperous economy, livable communities and inclusive society for current and future generations!"

Christine Fernandez – cited the SCAG Strategic Plan, and added clarification of “resources”

“Sustainability- We work with our partners and local governments to achieve a quality of life that provides resources (*both natural and economic*) for today’s generation while preserving an improved quality of life for future generations.”

Grieg Asher

“Responsible Stewardship of the Region”

“Local actions, Global results”

“Today’s actions, Future benefits”

Peter Brandenburg & Arlene Granadosin– both prefer the UN definition

"Sustainable development is development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs."

REPORT

Marco Anderson

"Sustainable development is embodied in decision making that compares both the life-cycle costs and benefits of alternatives over a 25-50 year time frame, and imagines, when possible, environmental, economic, and social changes over a 100 year time frame."

Christopher Tzeng – submitted the definition used by the Hamilton Wentworth Regional Council

"Sustainable Development is positive change which does not undermine the environmental or social systems on which we depend. It requires a coordinated approach to planning and policy making that involves public participation. Its success depends on widespread understanding of the critical relationship between people and their environment and the will to make necessary changes."

Alan Thompson

Sustainability is the responsibility to build a future for our children that respects life, in all its forms.

Joongkoo "John" Cho

Sustainability is encouraging a healthy and enjoyable lifestyle for the current generation without limiting the capacity for the next generation

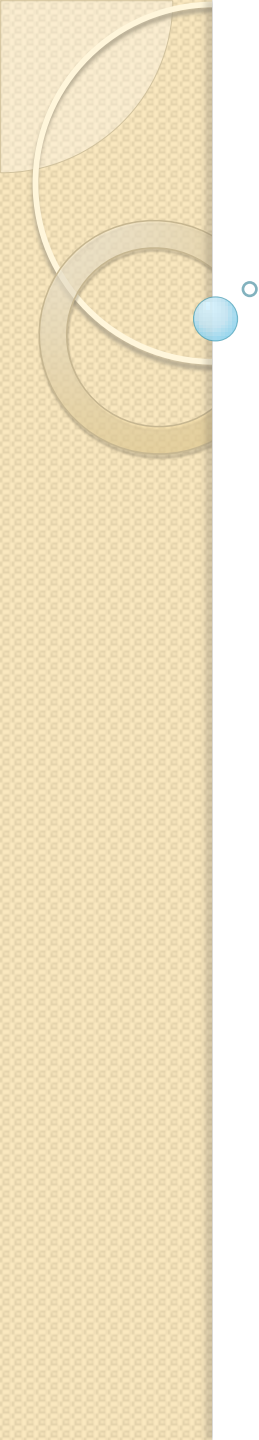
Cheol-Ho Lee

"Living with future generation and nature as well as sharing the benefits of economic growth in justice."

Reviewed by:



Department Director



Sustainability Policy Framework

Sustainability Subcommittee Meeting

December 3, 2012

SCAG Los Angeles Office

Subcommittee Recommendations

- Questions from Members
 - What types of recommendations should Subcommittee members provide to the Policy Committees?
 - What is the substance of the policy recommendations?
- Developed an overall Policy Framework to provide guidance to Subcommittees



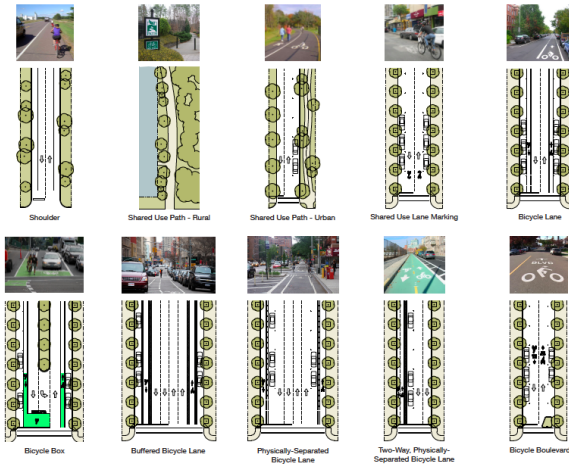
Policy Framework



- Definition(s)
- Needs Assessment
- Performance Measurement
- Strategy
- Investment

Definitions

A COLLECTION OF BIKEWAY TYPES



- Definition of Regional Housing Types & Urban Form Characteristics
- Applying triple bottom line accounting to scenarios



Needs Assessment



- Catalogue Local Policies that Support Sustainability Principles
- Develop Open Space Mitigation Strategies
- Analyze Nexus Between Complete Streets & Livability

Performance Measurement



- Further Refinements of Location Efficiency
- Analyze Job Housing Fit
- Measurement of Livability Benefits

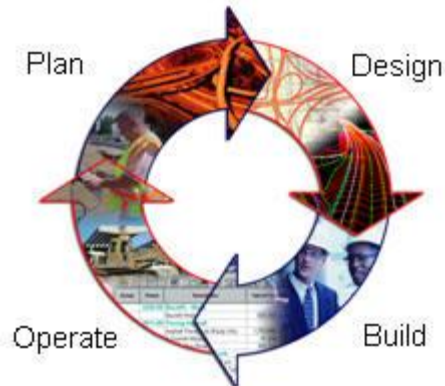


Strategy



- Local Scenario Development and Modeling
- Tools to Analyze Lifetime Cost-Benefits of Sustainable Development

Investment



- Implementation Grant Programs (Compass Blueprint, etc.)
- Validation Studies of Multi-Modal Transportation & Parking Methods



Questions?