



# San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments

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## Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes

**Date: February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

**Time: 3:30 pm**

**Location: West Covina City Hall (1444 W. Garvey Ave. S., West Covina, CA)**

### 1.0 Call to Order

J. Fasana called the meeting to order at 3:40 pm.

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance

1.2 Roll Call / Introductions

#### Members Present

Alhambra	B. Messina
Claremont	S. Pedroza
Covina	A. Gonzalez
Diamond Bar	C. Herrera, D. Liu
Duarte	J. Fasana
Glendora	D. Tessitor
Industry	T. Spohn
La Canada Flintridge	D. Spence
LA County District 5	M. Cano, G. Sund
Rosemead	S. Ly
San Gabriel	D. Gutierrez
South El Monte	J. Gonzales
Walnut	T. King

#### Members Absent

Montebello

#### SGVCOG Staff:

N. Conway, Executive Director  
M. Creter, Staff  
K. Boyd, Staff  
M. Echternach, Staff

#### Guests:

P. Hubler, ACE  
R. Richmond, ACE  
J. Silvey, ACE  
D. Stanley, ACE  
G. Arrellano, CHSRA  
J. Martinez, CHSRA  
J. DeStefano, Diamond Bar  
D. Arrula, El Monte  
P. Wallach, El Monte  
J. Ballas, Industry  
G. Neely, Office of Sen. Bob Huff  
S. Amiri, MTA  
B. Baeder, San Gabriel Valley Tribune  
S. Neely, SCAG  
S. Atchley, Pomona  
C. Freeland, West Covina  
A. Pasmant, West Covina

**2.0 Public Comment**

**3.0 Consent Calendar**

- 3.1 January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes
  - 3.2 Transit Operators
    - 3.2.1 Foothill Transit
    - 3.2.2 Montebello Bus Lines
    - 3.2.3 Metro San Gabriel Valley Service Sector
  - 3.3 Partnering Agency Reports
    - 3.3.1 Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro)
    - 3.3.2 Alameda Corridor-East Construction Authority
    - 3.3.3 Gold Line Foothill Extension Status Report
  - 3.4 Correspondence/Media Publications
- There was a motion to approve the consent calendar (M/S/C: S. Ly/ D. Spence/ Unanimous).

**4.0 Correspondence to the California High Speed Rail Authority**

The Committee reviewed the draft SGVCOG letter to the CHSRA. Several revisions were suggested, including revising the SGVCOG's position on the UPRR/UPRR Adjacent alternatives to indicate that the SGVCOG did not have a position on either alternative.

There was a motion to approve the letter as amended and forward it to the Governing Board for review and approval (M/S/C: S. Ly/ B. Messina/ Unanimous).

**5.0 Development of a Public-Private Partnership Policy**

This item was carried over to the March meeting.

**6.0 ACE Project Update - Accomplishments and Status**

R. Richmond (ACE) presented on this item. He discussed progress to date and expenditures and addressed many of the perceived criticisms of the Project, including project costs, SGVCOG liability, staff size and staff compensation.

There was extended discussion on this item. Issues discussed included: development of original cost estimates, distinction between budget and cost estimates, national significance of ACE Project, challenges of coordinating with the railroads, impact of perceived discord between ACE and SGVCOG in Sacramento and Washington D.C., and the need to clarify roles and responsibilities between ACE and SGVCOG.

**7.0 Presentation on the Statutory Rules & Regulations and Functional Job Duties, Responsibilities, & Best Management Practices related to SGVCOG and the ACE Project**

This item was carried over to the Governing Board meeting.

**8.0 Update on SGVCOG Public Works' TAC ACE Phase II Report Review Subcommittee**

Staff provided a brief update on this item and indicated that the subcommittee had developed a narrowed list of grade crossings to include for further study and analysis. The ACE Board of Directors will be reviewing the request for funding to develop concept plans and cost estimates for these grade crossings at their February meeting.

**9.0 New Business**

S. Pedroza requested an update on bicycle master planning at an upcoming Committee meeting.

**10.0 Next Meeting**

**11.0 Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.