



WESTSIDE CITIES

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Westside Cities Transportation Committee
Thursday, August 9, 2007 9:30 AM

Location: Beverly Hills City Hall
Third Floor, Conference Room A
455 No. Rexford Dr., Beverly Hills, CA 90210

Revised and Approved Meeting Notes

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:40 AM by Co-Chair Briskman.

Voting Committee Members Present: Co-Chair Briskman and Co-Chair Heilman

II. Follow-up to COG Board Meeting of 7/19/07:

A. Green Line to LAX: Referral Back to the Committee for Revised Conditions to Reflect Support for Study to Generate "Fresh Data" RE the Proposed Project

Jody Hall Esser provided background regarding referral of this item back to the Committee. The Committee Co-Chairs agreed to continue this matter to a future meeting so that Council Member Rosendahl or his staff representatives could be present for this important discussion.

B. Westside Subway Extension Project: (1) Project Update; (2) Next Steps as Westside Cities Have Confirmed Project Support

Jody Hall Esser advised that each of the Westside Cities had acted formally reaffirming their commitment to the Westside Subway Extension Project. The project Fact Sheet was reviewed and the Co-Chairs directed additional corrections to provide a common COG reference "box", page headers and a revised map.

C. Leave-Behind WSCCOG Transportation Projects Advocacy Packet: (1) Review of Project Summary Sheet; (2) Review of Other Packet Enclosures

The draft packet was reviewed. The Co-Chairs directed additional corrections to provide for uniform headers and a COG reference "box" on each of the Fact Sheets. The summary page was reviewed; typo/text and the addition of a title/header were directed. Staff was requested to make all corrections and to present the packet to the COG Board at the September meeting for receive and file.

D. Concept to Convert Olympic and Pico Boulevards to One-way Traffic Corridors with Contraflow Lanes: Board Referral to Committee to Discuss Request to Develop Scope of Work and Funding Plan for a Study

Jody Hall Esser reminded the Committee of the reason this item was referred to the Committee by the Board. She noted that she had been unable to contact Mr. Rifkin to confirm his attendance at the August meeting. The Co-Chairs directed

this item be continued to a date when Mr. Rifkin is available and after LADOT comments on the concept as is expected shortly.

III. Exposition Light Rail Project Update

Status of the project and potential impact of the State Budget and CTC funding of Expo was discussed. A letter was agreed to be drafted by Steve Cunningham for COG Chair Briskman to sign. Claudette Moody also agreed to provide a list and bio of all CTC members to the cities via Jody Hall Esser for contact to urge project funding.

IV. Changes of Long Range Transportation Plan Schedule/Process

Jody Litvak and Claudette Moody explained changes to the LRTP schedule; noted an upcoming Planning Committee meeting and encouraged attendance. Contact with the Governor's office regarding the State Budget and the loss of and what appears to be opposing (League staff V. local government representative) views regarding "spillover funding" was discussed.

V. AB 922 (Levine) Regional Planning Corridor; Bond Measures and Governor's Proposed Budget; Other Legislative Updates

Jay Greenstein advised that AB922 sponsors had agreed to a minor adjustment to the statistical district boundary to include Palms noting that this would connect the statistical area to Culver City. He noted that other areas of the City of Los Angeles could be carved out in a separate piece of legislation in future, if desired. He and Assemblyman Lloyd Levine's staff were thanked for their efforts in this regard.

VI. Recommended Advocacy Efforts

Staff agreed to a follow up conference call on Wed., August 15th to further coordinate:
1) Presence at the LRTP Planning Committee meeting; 2) Contact with the Governor and Legislators RE the State Budget; 3) Follow up contact with CTC RE Expo funding; 4) Corrections to the "leave behind" advocacy packet.

VII. Next Steps, Confirmation of Future Meeting Dates and Future Agenda Items

Jody Hall Esser advised that scheduled upcoming meeting dates are: October 11 and December 13.

VIII. Public Comment RE Items Not On the Agenda

Jason Weiner advised of plans to invite Westside legislators to meet with members of his organization on issues of mutual interest to the Committee/COG. He suggested the COG/Committee might want to partner in this effort. Mrs. Hall Esser reminded of a very successful meeting that took place in the mid 1990's orchestrated by the Westside Cities Summit to which State elected officials representing all Westside Cities were invited. It was suggested the entire LA delegation be invited if such a meeting is repeated.

Distributed for reference and file:

1. Expo Phase 2 News Volume 1: August 2007
2. Expo Phase 2 Fact Sheet

IX. Adjournment

Jody Hall Esser thanked the Committee for the opportunity to have worked with them over recent years.

The meeting was adjourned by Co-Chair Briskman at 10:55 AM

Meeting Attendance:

Beverly Hills: Linda Briskman, Council member/COG Chair/Committee Vice Chair.

Culver City Scott Malsin, Council Member. Staff: Steve Cunningham, Diana Chang

Los Angeles: Staff: Jay Greenstein (CD5)

Santa Monica: Staff: Liz Bar-El

West Hollywood: John Heilman Council member/Committee Co-Chair. Staff: Joan English

Other: Jody Hall Esser WSCCOG Facilitator; Claudette Moody (Deputy to Metro Chair); Kanchan Matto (Assemblyman Lloyd Levine); Jody Litvak (Metro); Gabby Gonzalez (Expo Construction Authority); Samantha O'Neill, Santa Monica Chamber); Jason Weiner, (Westside Economic Collaborative; Clarissa Filgroun (The Robert Group); Marianne Kim (Auto Club); Randy Miller (WLA Automobile Club); Randy Miller (ACSC Auto Club)