



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
WESTSIDE CITIES COUNCIL
OF GOVERNMENTS**

MEETING NOTES

MONDAY JULY 25, 2016
12:00 NOON

HOSTED BY: COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
WEST HOLLYWOOD LIBRARY
626 N SAN VICENTE BLVD
WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA 90069

IN ATTENDANCE:

- Beverly Hills:** Mayor John Mirisch. Staff: Cheryl Friedling, Aaron Kunz
- Culver City:** Councilmember Meghan Sahli-Wells, Mayor Jim B. Clarke
- Santa Monica:** Councilmember Kevin McKeown, Councilmember Gleam Davis. Staff: Danielle Noble, Francie Stefan, Stephanie Venegas
- West Hollywood:** Mayor Lauren Meister. Staff: Paul Arevalo, Bianca Siegl
- City of LA:** District 11 Staff: Debbie Dwyer Harris. Chief Legislative Analyst Office: Deborah Choi
- County of LA:** District 3: Rachel Zaiden
- WSCCOG:** Executive Director: Cecilia Estolano. Staff: Winnie Fong. Counsel: Lauren Langer
- Other Agencies:** Eric Geier (Metro); Josh Kurpies (50th Assembly District); Javiera Cartagena (SCAG); Jeff Kiernan (League of CA Cities); John Geiger (Los Angeles County Internal Services Department)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councilmember Kevin McKeown (WSCCOG Chair) called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. and welcomed the board to the meeting then initiated self-introductions by the attendees.

2. ACTION ITEMS

(A) APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 3, 2016 DRAFT MEETING NOTES

A motion was made by Councilmember Meghan Sahli-Wells and seconded by Mayor Lauren Meister to approve the June 3, 2016 draft meeting notes. The motion passed unanimously.

(B) APPOINTMENT OF WSCCOG REPRESENTATIVE TO SCAG TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Mayor John Mirisch withdrew his letter of interest in serving on the SCAG Transportation Committee and provided a comment regarding equal representation of the member cities on appointments for SCAG, League of California Cities, and other agencies. Chair McKeown declared the election by acclamation and the Board appointed Mayor Jim Clarke as the SCAG Transportation Committee representative.

(C) APPOINTMENT OF WSCCOG REGIONAL DIRECTOR TO THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES – LOS ANGELES COUNTY DIVISION

Mayor John Mirisch withdrew his letter of interest in serving as the League's Regional Director. Chair McKeown declared the election by acclamation and the Board appointed Councilmember Lindsey Horvath as the WSCCOG Regional Director for the League.

D) ANNUAL WORK PLAN FOR FY 2016-17

WSCCOG Executive Director Cecilia Estolano provided a brief overview of the proposed annual work plan. Chair McKeown commented that he would like to explore the installation of more electric vehicle charging stations at residential properties. Mayor Meister requested that the COG monitor the West LA VA Master Plan. Mayor Mirisch suggested that the COG look into aging in place as part of the purview of the homelessness initiative, as well as first and last mile issues for transportation. Councilmember Sahli-Wells recommended that the COG look into all of these issues through a sustainability lens. A motion was made by Mayor Lauren Meister and seconded by Councilmember Meghan Sahli-Wells to approve the 2016-17 annual work plan. The motion passed unanimously. Chair McKeown called for a roll call vote. Ayes: Councilmember McKeown, Mayor Meister, Mayor Mirisch, and Councilmember Sahli-Wells.

E) JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY AGREEMENT AMENDMENT DISCUSSION

Ms. Estolano provided a brief background on how the other COGs designate its alternate representatives and recommended Alternative #1 in the staff report to allow the County of Los Angeles to designate a non-elected member as its alternate representative. The Board engaged in a discussion on whether the COG should allow this for other member cities, including the City of Los Angeles. The City of Los Angeles proposed to designate a staff member as the second alternate representative to Councilmember Mike Bonin and Councilmember Paul Koretz. The Board also discussed other options including teleconferencing, as well as a weighted vote for the alternate representatives. Mayor McKeown made a motion for the member cities to return to their respective legislative body to consider amending the WSCCOG JPA to allow only the County of Los Angeles to appoint a staff person as the alternate representative and directed WSCCOG staff and the counsel to draft language on the proposed amendment to the JPA for the member cities to recommend to their respective legislative bodies to take action and approve the amendment. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sahli-Wells. Chair McKeown conducted a roll call vote. Aye: Councilmember McKeown, Mayor Meister, and Councilmember Sahli-Wells. No: Mayor Mirisch.

3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Estolano provided a brief comparison of Metro's revised expenditure plan and proposed sales tax ballot measure with the COG's recommendation to Metro. The Board engaged in a

discussion on whether to draft a position on the ballot measure. Chair McKeown suggested that the COG staff monitor the member cities' council positions on the ballot measure over the next month and report back to the Board to further discuss whether the COG should take a position at the next COG Board meeting.

4. PRESENTATION

(A) Los Angeles Community Choice Energy Presentation by the County of Los Angeles

John Geiger of the Los Angeles County Internal Services Department provided a brief overview of the Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) process, including the completion of the feasibility study and drafting the joint powers authority.

5. LEGISLATION

(A) Senate Bill 522 (Mendoza) – Expansion of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Board

Mayor Mirisch provided the board with a brief update on the legislation.

(B) Governor's Proposed By-Right Affordable Housing

Jeff Kiernan (League of California Cities) provided with a brief update on the legislation.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Meister announced the launch of West Hollywood's bike share in August followed by announcements of upcoming events presented by Mayor Mirisch, Councilmember Sahli-Wells, and Councilmember Davis.

7. FUTURE MEETING LOCATION AND AGENDA ITEMS

Ms. Estolano presented a revised schedule for the upcoming board meetings to reflect the third Thursdays of every odd-numbered month so that the Board members and the Transportation committee members are able to attend the meetings.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

Jeff Kiernan (League of California Cities) and Javiera Cartagena (SCAG) announced upcoming events.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 1:31 p.m.
