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MEETING SUMMARY

SOUTH COAST MEASURE D POLICY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

February 13, 2008

1. CALL TO ORDER AND COMMITTEE INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Carbajal called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m. and the committee proceeded with self-introductions.

South Coast Subregional Planning Committee Members Present: Salud Carbajal, Supervisor First District; Janet Wolf, Supervisor Second District; Marty Blum, Mayor, City of Santa Barbara; Michael Bennett, Mayor, City of Goleta; Joe Armendariz, Councilmember, City of Carpinteria.

Ex-Officio Members Present: Aileen Loe, Caltrans District 5; Richard Weinberg, SBMTD Board of Directors

Committee members proceeded with self-introductions. Policy Development Committee members in attendance included: Wilson Hubbell, Santa Barbara Bicycle Coalition; Eva Inbar, Coalition for Sustainable Transportation; Hamid Bahadori, Automobile Club of Southern California; Jan Evans, Santa Barbara County Taxpayers Association; Dennis Story, Coastal Rail Now; Steve Cushman, Santa Barbara Chamber; Belen Seana, PUEBLO; Paula Perotte, SB 15th District PTA; Kelly Burns, Associated Students, UCSB and Tom Blabey, Goleta Valley Chamber.

SBCAG Staff Members Present: Jim Kemp, Executive Director; Gregg Hart, Public Information Officer; Stephen VanDenburgh, Deputy Director; and Brittany Odermann, Transportation Planner.

Supervisor Carbajal turned the meeting over to facilitator, Pat Saley.

2. REVIEW OF AGENDA AND MEETING OBJECTIVES

Pat Saley briefly reviewed the agenda and meeting objectives.

3. NOVEMBER 7 MEETING REVIEW

The committee received the November 7, 2007 meeting summary.

4. RECEIVE REPORT ON PUBLIC INPUT ON DRAFT INVESTMENT PLAN RECEIVED THROUGH PRESENTATIONS TO CIVIC GROUPS AND POLICY BODIES

Gregg Hart summarized the staff report stating that reception of the draft investment plan has been positive. He requested that committee members share additional groups with him that would like to hear more about the Measure D renewal effort.

5. RECEIVE PRESENTATION ON RESULTS OF VOTER OPIONION SURVEY

Jim Kemp introduced John Fairbank of Fairbank, Mauslin, Maullin and Associates the research firm hired to conduct a voter opinion survey. Mr. Fairbank summarized poll results with a PowerPoint presentation.

6. REVIEW INVESTMENT PLAN, 2-6-08

Jim Kemp and Steve VanDenburgh introduced the ballot pamphlet draft of the investment plan. Committee members discussed minor language edits and Steve VanDenburgh requested that these suggestions be forwarded to him in an email no later than February 25, 2008. Councilmember Armendariz suggested that the City of Carpinteria may not be receiving their fair share in the proposed investment plan and asked the committee to consider allocating an additional \$1.0 million in funds to a project in Carpinteria. Committee members discussed whether this request should be met and how this re-allocation could be accomplished. Mayor Bennett from the City of Goleta suggested that the Goleta Overpass Improvement Project allocation could be reduced by \$500,000 and reallocated to the City of Carpinteria and that with small reductions from other projects, the City of Carpinteria's request could be met. Chair Carbajal expressed his appreciation to Mayor Bennett for his efforts to reach an accommodation. The committee discussed reallocating additional funds from other projects but there was insufficient support to make these changes to the draft plan.

The committee agreed that \$500,000 would be reallocated from the Goleta Overpass project to a City of Carpinteria project and that SBCAG staff would work on language for the scope of the project.

7. REVIEW ORDINANCE DRAFT, 2-6-08

Steve VanDenburgh summarized the staff report and reviewed several sections of the draft ordinance that specifically address the needs of Santa Barbara County. He noted that the ordinance is a work in progress and is still being reviewed by county counsel, bond counsel and the Board of Equalization.

Hamid Bahadori raised concern over the threshold level for amendments that may require going back to the voting public and asked that staff review Section 17 and consider including a threshold for changes to the investment plan. Mr. Bahadori also suggested that Section 27, Maintenance of Effort, include an adjustment requirement for inflation to ensure this objective is achieved. Mr. Bahadori also suggested that the committee consider revisions to the ballot language title so that "road repair" is not the first activity listed.

SBCAG staff requested that suggestions for ordinance revisions be forwarded in writing to Steve VanDenburgh by Monday, February 25, 2008 for consideration.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

Marc Chyttilo presented public comment on behalf of the Coalition for a Fair Measure D. Mr. Chyttilo highlighted the following issues in the draft ordinance:

- Expansion of section describing the Oversight Committee (Section 22) – including an expanded list of functions and specific membership make-up.
- Inclusion of 10% set aside for alternative modes from the Local Street and Transportation Improvements program by the City of Santa Barbara and the County.
- Possible expansion of subregional committee membership.
- Inclusion of a “complete streets” policy.

9. NEXT STEPS FOR SBCAG STAFF, COMMITTEE AND BOARD

Jim Kemp outlined the milestone schedule for the Measure D renewal effort noting that it is anticipated that the North and South committees would complete their work on the investment plan at their next meeting and forward their recommendations to the full SBCAG board for adoption at its March 20 meeting. Following board approval the plan would be taken back to each city council and the board of supervisors for formal approval.

10. ADJOURN SOUTH COAST MEASURE D RENEWAL POLICY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**11. CALL TO ORDER SBCAG SOUTH COAST SUBREGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE**

The committee elected Councilmember Armendariz as the new chair and Mayor Bennett as the vice-chair.

The committee received the 2008 meeting schedule for the South Coast Subregional Planning Committee.

12. ADJOURN SOUTH COAST SUBREGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

The next meeting of the committee is scheduled for Wednesday, March 5 at 1:30 p.m. at the offices of Santa Barbara MTD.