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MEETING SUMMARY

SOUTH COAST SUBREGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, December 2, 2009
1:30 p.m.

SBMTD
Santa Barbara, CA

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Salud Carbajal, Supervisor First District; Janet Wolf, Supervisor Second District; Doreen Farr, Supervisor Third District; Marty Blum, Mayor, City of Santa Barbara; Roger Aceves, Mayor, City of Goleta; Joe Armendariz, Councilmember, City of Carpinteria

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

Members Absent: None

SBCAG Staff Members Present: Jim Kemp, Executive Director; Michael Powers, Deputy Director; Steve VanDenburgh, Deputy Director; Scott Spaulding, Transportation Planner, Gregg Hart, Public Information Officer

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Supervisor Wolf requested a Census briefing by County staff. Susan Curtis, County Planning and Development indicated County staff was involved in extensive outreach to Public Health, First 5, Children's Clinics, WIC and distributed Census Activity books, among other materials that targeted the hard to count populations. Supervisor Wolf complemented the County for refining the national census message to a local context.

3. MEETING SUMMARY

Following a motion by Councilman Armendariz, seconded by Mayor Blum, the Meeting Summary of October 7 was approved.

4. MEASURE A CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Gregg Hart summarized the staff report. Supervisor Wolf asked Gregg to clarify the current status of the applicant pool. Mr. Hart indicated that Mr. Chang withdrew and staff was unable to connect with Mr. Hazard to determine if he is still interested in serving on the committee. He added that Mr. Moldaver and Mr. Bradley were present.

Chair Wolf asked the applicants if they wished to make any statements. Mr. Moldaver detailed his experience with Measure A and D. Mr. Bradley detailed his experience with Measure A and 101 In Motion.

Chair Wolf called for a screening of the candidates. Mayor Blum, Supervisors Wolf, Farr, and Carbajal nominated Mr. Bradley, Councilman Armendariz nominated Mr. Greig, and Mayor Aceves nominated Mr. Moldaver. Following a motion by Mayor Blum, seconded by Supervisor Farr, Mr. Bradley was recommended for appointment to the Citizens Advisory Committee by the SBCAG Board.

5. SOUTH COAST RAIL UPDATE

Jim Kemp summarized the status of the LOSSAN MOU. Supervisor Carbajal asked about the legal effect of the LOSSAN MOU and Mr. Kemp replied it was non-binding. Mr. Weinberg asked if Measure A Commuter and Passenger Rail program would be the funding source for SBCAG's increased contribution to LOSSAN and Mr. Kemp replied affirmatively. Following a motion by Supervisor Carbajal, seconded by Councilman Armendariz, the subcommittee unanimously recommended approval of the LOSSAN MOU by the SBCAG Board.

Scott Spaulding summarized the SBCAG effort to request that Amtrak adjust the Surfliner schedule to meet peak hour demand from Ventura County to the South Coast. Supervisor Carbajal asked if MTD would be involved and Mr. Spaulding indicated that if the train schedule were revised, local connecting bus service would be important in order to allow commuters to reach their workplace. Mr. Armendariz asked if wireless internet was available and Mr. Spaulding replied that it was at the Santa Barbara Amtrak station and on Coastal Express buses.

Mr. Spaulding and Mr. Kemp also summarized the proposed rail siding projects at Ortega and Seacliff.

Mr. Weinberg indicated the City of Carpinteria had recently completed a rail crossing study and asked if a siding was proposed for the downtown Carpinteria station. Mr. Spaulding replied no applications for federal stimulus funding had been submitted for projects in Carpinteria.

Mark Bradley emphasized the importance of the Traffic Solutions Division of SBCAG working closely with local employers to publicize these services.

6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Jim Kemp indicated that TTAC and the Measure A Citizens Advisory Committee held a joint meeting on Measure A preliminary draft Expenditure Plan.

Supervisor Wolf recognized and welcomed Mayor Aceves and Councilwoman Helene Schneider to the meeting.

There being no other business, the committee adjourned.