

Southern California Association of Governments 900 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1700, Los Angeles, CA 90017

# ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES OF THE MEETING THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2018

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE. A DIGITAL RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE IN SCAG'S LOS ANGELES OFFICE.

# **Members Present**

1.	Sup. Linda Parks (Chair)	Ventura County
2.	Hon. Margaret Clark, Rosemead	District 32
3.	Hon. Jordan Ehrenkranz, Canyon Lake	WRCOG
4.	Hon. Larry Forester, Signal Hill	GCCOG
5.	Hon. Mike Gardner, Riverside	WRCOG
6.	Hon. Diana Mahmud, South Pasadena	SGVCOG
7.	Hon. Pam O'Connor, Santa Monica	WCCOG
8.	Hon. Jim Osborne, Lawndale	SBCCOG
9.	Hon. David Pollock, Moorpark	VCOG
10.	Hon. Carmen Ramirez, Oxnard	District 45
11.	Hon. Laura Rosenthal, Malibu	District 44
12.	Hon. Meghan Sahli Wells, Culver City	WCCOG
13.	Hon. Emma Sharif, Compton	GCCOG
14.	Hon. Edward HJ Wilson, Signal Hill	GCCOG
15.	Hon. Diane Williams, Rancho Cucamonga	SBCTA

#### **Members Not Present**

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16.	Sup. Luis Plancarte, Imperial County (Vice Chair)	Imperial County
17.	Hon. Ana Beltran, Westmoreland	ICTC
18.	Hon. Maria Davila, South Gate	GCCOG
19.	Hon. Ned Davis, Westlake Village	LVMCOG
20.	Hon. Peggy Delach, Covina	District 33
21.	Hon. Paula Devine, Glendale	AVCJPA
22.	Hon. Mitchell Englander, Los Angeles	District 59
23.	Hon. Sandra Genis, Costa Mesa	OCCOG
24.	Hon. Shari Horne, Laguna Woods	OCCOG
25.	Hon. Judy Mitchell, Rolling Hills Estates	District 40
26.	Hon. Cynthia Moran, Chino Hills	SBCTA
27.	Hon. Judy Nelson, Glendora	SGVCOG
28.	Hon. Deborah Robertson, Rialto	District 8
29.	Hon. Betty Sanchez, Coachella Valley	CVAG
30.	Hon. Bonnie Wright, Hemet	WRCOG
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The Energy and Environment Committee (EEC) held its meeting at 900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1700, Los Angeles, CA 90017. A quorum was present.

# **CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Honorable Linda Parks, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. and asked Councilmember Larry Forester, Signal Hill, Gateway Cities Council of Governments (GCCOG), to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

For today's meeting, Chair Linda Parks announced the committee will be using a new electronic voting system that will enhance the members' boardroom experience by utilizing touch-screen voting, navigating a paperless agenda, and using a digital speaker signup. The members watched a 4-minute training video to view the features and functions of the new e-system.

Chair Linda Parks announced Hasan Ikhrata's resignation as SCAG's Executive Director. She noted many accomplishments and accolades Mr. Ikhrata had received through the years to become a major leader in California. Hasan Ikhrata made remarks and thanked Chair Parks and the members of the Energy and Environment Committee. He stated he is honored and humbled in working for the members and commended them for the work that they do for the region. Mr. Ikhrata expressed gratitude and appreciation for their collaboration and professionalism.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

There was no public comment speaker.

## **REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS**

There was no reprioritization of the agenda.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

#### **Approval Item**

1. Minutes of the Meeting, September 6, 2018

#### Receive and File

- 2. Proposed Affordable Clean Energy Rule
- 3. Notification to HCD and Caltrans of Estimated RTP Adoption Date
- 4. High Quality Transit Area (HQTA) Pilot Project
- 5. Highlights from 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Demographic Workshop June 11, 2018
- 6. APA California Recognizes Outstanding Planning in the SCAG Region

A MOTION was made (Pollock) to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion was SECONDED (Osborne) and passed by the following votes:

AYE/S: Parks, Clark, Ehrenkranz, Forester, Gardner, Mahmud, O'Connor, Osborne, Pollock,

Ramirez, Rosenthal, Sahli-Wells, Sharif and Williams (14).

**NOE/S:** None (0).

**ABSTAIN:** None (0).

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

#### 7. Future Communities Pilot Program Update

Chair Parks introduced the item and asked Rye Baerg, SCAG staff, to provide background information.

Illustrating with a PowerPoint presentation, Mr. Baerg provided the Future Communities Pilot Program (FCPP) Research project goals; discussed the expert interview takeaways; readiness survey which consisted of 96 online responses and 31 fleet inventory responses; case studies; and call for projects. He responded to questions regarding funding sources for the program. In closing, Mr. Baerg announced the FCPP team will present the proposed guidelines at the November 2018 meeting for review and recommendation for Regional Council approval.

On behalf of the EEC members, Chair Parks thanked Mr. Baerg for his presentation.

8. Go Human Campaign Update

Chair Linda Parks introduced the item and asked Lindsey Hansen, SCAG staff, to provide background information.

9. Environmental Justice Working Group Update

Chair Linda Parks introduced the item and asked Anita Au, SCAG staff, to provide background information.

10. 2018 Green Region Innovation Index

Chair Parks welcomed and introduced Adam Fowler, Beacon Economics, who provided a presentation regarding the Tenth Annual California Green Innovation Index, in partnership with Next10, an independent, nonpartisan organization that educates, engages and empowers Californians to improve the state's future.

On behalf of the EEC members, Chair Parks thanked Mr. Fowler for his presentation.

11. Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) Update

Chair Linda Parks welcomed and introduced Barbara Spoonhour, Director of Energy and Environmental Programs, Western Riverside Council of Governments.

Illustrating with a PowerPoint Presentation, Ms. Spoonhour provided background information regarding Clean Power Alliance. She discussed the partnership with member agencies and renewable energy opportunities and shared benefits for businesses, residents and communities. Ted Bardacke, Executive Director, Clean Power Alliance, made remarks and stated that Clean Power Alliance, a Joint Powers Authority, is comprised of 31 member jurisdictions across Los Angeles and Ventura counties. He further discussed the agency's energy resources that provides renewable energy opportunities and cost competitiveness including its launch service in February and May 2019. In closing, he cited CCA's core authorities such as, set rates, procurement and release of long-term for offers.

On behalf of the EEC members, Chair Parks thanked the guest speakers for their presentation.

## 12. Global Climate Action Summit (GCAS) Report

Chair Parks introduced the item. Councilmembers Carmen Ramirez, Pam O'Connor and Meghan Sahli-Wells provided reports regarding their participation at the 2018 Global Climate Action Summit (GCAS) in San Francisco, convened on September 12 - 14, 2018. They discussed the Summit's plenary sessions on decarbonization of global, national and local economies and takeaways from the summit.

#### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

A report was not provided.

#### **STAFF REPORT**

Grieg Asher, SCAG staff, thanked the members for their patience with utilizing the new agenda and voting system.

#### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEM/S**

Chair Parks asked that an item be added to a future agenda regarding food waste and how it affects greenhouse gas emissions and transportation. Chair Parks suggested combining this topic along with Councilmember Clark's request for an item be added to a future agenda regarding organic waste recycling, reduction and strategies.

## **ANNOUNCEMENT/S**

President Wapner announced the formation of an Emerging Technologies Committee which would be a new committee reporting to the Regional Council to continue the work and discussion established by the Open Data/Big Data — Smart and Connected SCAG Region Committee. He stated the purpose of the Emerging Technologies Committee is to research and identify new and emerging technologies that play an important role in the RTP/SCS; and for the three (3) policy committees to utilize the Emerging Technologies Committee as a resource. If interested in serving the committee, President Wapner asked the members to contact SCAG staff as appointments will be formalized at the November 1 Regional Council meeting.

Chair Parks announced the Executive Education Forum for Policy (EXED) for Local Leaders at the University of Southern California's Sol Price School of Public Policy (USC Price) is accepting applications for the Local Leaders Program. The program—designed for local elected officials—offers a focused curriculum in ethics,

governance, leadership and public policy to promote and enhance commitment to public value and reach across sectors.

Councilmember Laura Rosenthal, Malibu, District 44, announced the National League of Cities' resolution in support of local control over rodenticide/pesticide use. Councilmember Rosenthal encouraged writing a similar letter urging the state legislature to pass a bill to support allowing individual cities to enact laws regarding pesticide and herbicide use. For those interested in more information, Councilmember Rosenthal can be contacted directly at the City of Malibu.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Parks adjourned the EEC meeting at 12:00 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 1, 2018.

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#### Energy and Environment Committee Regulary Scheduled Meetings Attendance Report

2018

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MEMBERS	Date Appointed if after 1/1/18	Representing	COUNTY	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total Mtgs Attended To Date
Beltran, Ana	'	Westmoreland, ICTC	Imperial		1	1	0					0				2
Clark, Margaret		Rosemead, RC District 32	Los Angeles		1	1	1					1	1			5
Davila, Maria	8/20/2018	South Gate, GCCOG	Los Angeles									0				0
Davis, Ned		Westlake Village, LVMCOG	Los Angeles		0	1	0					1				2
Delach, Peggy		Covina, RC District 33	Los Angeles		0	0	0					0				0
Devine, Paula		Glendale, AVCJPA	Los Angeles		1	0	1					1				3
Ehrenkranz, Jordan		Canyon Lake, WRCOG	Riverside		1	1	0					1	1			4
Englander, Mitchell		Los Angeles, RC District 59	Los Angeles		0	0	0					0				0
Forester, Larry		Signal Hill, GCCOG	Los Angeles		1	1	1					1	1			5
Gardner, Mike		Riverside, WRCOG	Riverside		1	0	0					1	1			3
Genis, Sandra		Costa Mesa, OCCOG	Orange		1	0	1					0				2
Horne, Shari		Laguna Woods, OCCOG	Orange		1	1	1					1				4
Mahmud, Diana		So. Pasadena, SGVCOG	Los Angeles		0	1	0					0	1			2
Mitchell, Judy		Rolling Hills Estates, RC District 40	Los Angeles		1	1	0					1				3
Moran, Cynthia	2/1/2018	Chino Hills, SBCTA	San Bernardino		1	1	1					0				3
Nelson, Judy		Glendora, SGVCOG	Los Angeles		0	0	1					0				1
O'Connor Pam	6/1/2018	Santa Monica, WCCOG	Los Angeles									0	1			1
Osborne, Jim		Lawndale, SBCCOG	Los Angeles		0	0	1					0	1			2
Parks, Linda (CHAIR)		Ventura County	Ventura		1	1	1					0	1			4
Plancarte, Luis (Vice Chair)		Imperial County	Imperial		1	1	1					1				4
Pollock, David		Moorpark, VCOG	Ventura		1	1	1					1	1			5
Ramirez, Carmen		Oxnard, RC District 45	Ventura		1	1	1					1	1			5
Robertson, Deborah		Rialto, RC District 8	San Bernardino		0	0	0					0				0
Rosenthal, Laura		Malibu, RC District 44	Los Angeles		0	1	1					1	1			4
Sahli-Wells, Meghan		Culver City, RC District 41	Los Angeles		1	1	1					1	1			5
Sanchez, Betty		Coachella, CVAG	Riverside		1	1	1					0				3
Sharif, Emma		Compton, RC District 26	Los Angeles		1	1	1					1	1			5
Williams, Diane		Rancho Cucamonga, SBCTA	San Bernardino		1	1	1					1	1			5
Wilson, Edward H.J.		Signal Hill, GCCOG	Los Angeles		1	1	1					1	1			5
Wright, Bonnie		Hemet, WRCOG	Riverside		1	0	0					0				1
VACANT		BIASC	Orange		0	0	0					0				0