AGENDA

Public comment on any agenda item may be made during the consideration of that item. All comments on items not listed on the agenda may be made during the time allotted on the agenda to the public. Members of the public may comment by raising a hand and being recognized by the Chair. Speakers shall confine their comments to three minutes per speaker. Unless otherwise noted in the Agenda, the public may only comment on matters that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Westside Cities Council of Governments or items listed on the agenda.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS, AND IDENTIFICATION OF VOTING MEMBERS
   (2 min)

3. ACTION ITEMS (10 min)
   A. Approval of February 14, 2019 Draft Meeting Notes
      Action: Approve the February 14, 2019 draft meeting notes
   B. SCAG Energy and Environment Committee Representative Appointment
      Action: Appoint WSCCOG Representative to the SCAG Energy and Environment Committee
   C. Metro Westside/Central Service Council Representative Appointment
      Action: Appoint WSCCOG Representative to the Metro Westside/Central Service Council
   D. South Bay Cities Council of Government’s Contract Renewal for Metro Deputy for the Southwest Area Metro Board Member
      Action: Approve SBCCOG’s contract renewal with Michael Bohlke to continue his role as the Metro Deputy for the Southwest Area Metro Board Member
   E. COG Regional Homelessness Coordination Grant (2018-19)
      Action: Approve the WSCCOG’s scope of work and direct the Board and the Executive Director to sign the contract with the County of Los Angeles upon final review and approval of the County Counsel and WSCCOG Counsel

4. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT (5 min)
   - Call for Nominations for WSCCOG Regional Director to the League of California Cities – Los Angeles County Division
   - Notice of Vacancy of LAFCO Alternate Public Member
   - Westside Mobility Study and MSP 5-Year Plan Request for Proposal Update
5. PRESENTATIONS (30 min)
   A. Voting District Authorization for Clean Air Bill (SB 732) – Philip Crabbe, Public Affairs Manager, South Coast Air Quality Management District
   B. Mobility Data Specification (MDS) – Marcel Porras, Chief Sustainability Officer, LADOT

6. INFORMATIONAL ITEM (5 min)
   A. FCC Declaratory Ruling to Accelerate the Deployment of Wireless Facilities

7. LEGISLATION (10 min)
   A. Overview of Legislative Bills Related to SB 127 and SB 355
   B. League of California Cities Legislative Update

8. RECEIVE AND FILE
   A. Recap of February and March 2019 AQMD and CARB Meetings/Activities

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS (5 min)
   A. Updates fromWSCCOG Appointed Representatives
   B. SCAG Regional Conference and General Assembly (May 1-3)

10. FUTURE MEETING LOCATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS (3 min)
    A. Future Meeting Location
       i. Thursday, June 13, 2019 at City of Beverly Hills – City Hall Municipal Gallery
    B. Future Agenda Items
       i. Election of FY 2019-20 WSCCOG Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary
       ii. WSCCOG FY 2018-19 Budget and Work Plan
       iii. Estolano LeSar Advisors Executive Director Contract Renewal

11. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (5 min)
    Members of the public may address the Westside Cities Council of Governments (WSCCOG) on any subject on or off the agenda by raising a hand and being recognized by the WSCCOG Chair. Speakers shall confine their comments to three minutes per speaker.

12. ADJOURN

Written materials distributed to the Board within 72 hours of the Board meeting are available for public inspection immediately upon distribution at the WSCCOG office 448 S. Hill, Suite 1105, Los Angeles, CA 90013, during normal business hours. Such documents will also be posted on the WSCCOG website at www.westsidecities.org and will be made available at the meeting.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you require a disability related modification or accommodation to attend or participate in this meeting, including auxiliary aids or services, please contact WSCCOG Project Director Winnie Fong at 323-306-9856 or winnie@estolanolesar.com at least three days prior to the meeting.
1. CALL TO ORDER
Vice Mayor John Mirisch (WSCCOG Chair) called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.

2. WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS, AND IDENTIFICATION OF VOTING MEMBERS

3. ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval of November 15, 2018 Draft Meeting Notes
A motion was made by Councilmember John Heilman and seconded by Vice Mayor Meghan Sahli-Wells to approve the draft meeting notes. The motion passed unanimously.
B. **SCAG Regional Council District #41 Representative**

The WSCCOG Board held a discussion about special elections in an event that the current Regional Council District representative’s council term expires before the end of the Regional Council’s term. Vice Mayor Meghan Sahli-Wells expressed her interest to continue to serve on the Regional Council. Councilmember Lauren Meister expressed interest in serving on the Regional Council after Vice Mayor Sahli-Wells’ term. A motion was made by Councilmember Kevin McKeown and seconded by Councilmember John Heilman for Vice Mayor Meghan Sahli-Wells to continue serving on the Regional Council. The motion passed unanimously.

4. **SEPULVEDA PASS PRESENTATION**

Peter Carter (Senior Manager of Systemwide Mobility Corridors at Metro) provided an update to the Board on the Sepulveda Transit Corridor Project, which included an update on the corridor study process. Metro conducted a series of public outreach meetings to gain feedback for the six concepts under review, which include heavy rail, light rail, monorail, and an extension from the proposed Purple Line station in Westwood. Mr. Carter also discussed the results from the concept development, which included a travel demand analysis for each concept, as well as their key strengths and challenges.

5. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT**

A. **WSCCOG Appointed Representative Update**

Executive Director Cecilia V. Estolano provided an update on WSCCOG’s appointed representatives stating that the WSCCOG issued a call for nominations for the SCAG Energy and Environment Committee and the Metro Westside/Central Service Council.

B. **Westside Mobility Study and MSP 5-Year Plan Request for Proposal Update**

Ms. Estolano provided an update on the Westside Mobility Study and SCAG’s request for proposals for the Multi-Subregional Program 5-year plan, as well as a timeline for the process.

C. **Cities’ Homelessness Plan Implementation Grants Update**

Ms. Estolano notified the Board that Culver City and West Hollywood were awarded Homelessness Implementation Plan grants from Los Angeles County. Culver City will develop a feasibility study on motel conversion and inclusionary zoning ordinance, while West Hollywood will study city-owned properties for bridge and permanent supportive housing.

E. **WSCCOG Website and Twitter**

Ms. Estolano informed the Board of the WSCCOG’s new Twitter account, which will update followers on subregional news and encouraged the cities and community members to follow the account.

F. **WSCCOG Agenda and Meeting Information**

Ms. Estolano informed the Board that WSCCOG staff have created list of deadlines for members of the Board and their staff to request items for the next Board meeting agenda and for WSCCOG cities to post the agenda.
G. Statement of Economic Interest (Form 700) Annual Filing Period
Ms. Estolano informed the Board that the deadline to file their Form 700s is April 2\textsuperscript{nd}. Ms. Estolano added that WSCCOG staff Winnie Fong will coordinate the collection of the forms among members of the Board.

H. WSCCOG Financial Reports
Ms. Estolano informed the board that the WSCCOG’s treasurer provided the Board with a financial statement attached to the agenda.

6. WSCCOG STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

A. Transportation

i. **Metro Board Southwest Corridor Member Nominations Update**
Ms. Estolano provided an update on the Southwest Corridor Subcommittee’s nomination of Mayor James Butts to serve another term as representative on the Metro Board of Directors. The City Selection Committee was short of a full quorum in January, and that the Southwest Corridor Subcommittee must now re-nominate Mayor Butts.

ii. **Overview of Metro Congestion Pricing Proposal**
Ms. Estolano provided an update on a motion by Metro Board members Solis, Garcetti, Hahn, and Butts directing Metro to report back on a funding plan to accelerate the remaining 8 projects in its 28 by ’28 initiative. Metro staff responded to the motion with a controversial report that assumed the agency would deny local return funds from local municipalities. Ms. Estolano also stated that as a response to the report, Metro’s Public Advisory Committee unanimously agreed to draft a letter requesting the agency to comply with the following key concepts: (1) decoupling congestion pricing from 28 by ’28 project acceleration, (2) study how congestion pricing could help the county achieve goals for equity, mobility, and access to opportunity, (3) clarify if the 28 by ’28 project acceleration would affect Metro’s Long Range Transportation Plan, Vision 2028 Strategic Plan, and other major plans, (4) keep its promises for local return, MSPs, and other Measure M Local programs, and (5) address transit comprehensively by considering how funding from congestion pricing would benefit other local operators.

iii. **Micro-Mobility Vehicle Workshop on E-Scooter Recap**
Ms. Estolano provided an update to the Board that Metro is considering a program to regulate dockless e-scooters and dockless bicycles on Metro rights-of-way. Vice Mayor Sahli-Wells addressed Metro’s statements that they likely will not be participating in the mobility data specification (MDS) even though other cities have participated in it so that they do not have to depend on micromobility companies. Vice Mayor Sahli-Wells added that Culver City has information from its own study that the she can send to Metro and other cities in the WSCCOG region.

iv. **Open Streets Program FY 2020 Mini-cycle Application**
Ms. Estolano informed Board members and their staff that Metro is holding a mini-cycle application for fiscal year 2020 for their Open Streets Grant
Program. She also encouraged cities in the WSCCOG to apply, as other cities within the WSCCOG region have benefitted from the award in the past.

7. LEGISLATION

A. Overview of Legislative Bills Related to Redevelopment and Affordable Housing
Ms. Estolano informed the Board of four bills that are under review in the California State Legislature: AB 11 (Chiu), SB 5 (Beall and McGuire), SB 4 (McGuire and Beall), and SB 50 (Wiener). Each bill relates directly to WSCCOG’s legislative and policy platform on financing opportunities for affordable housing development and sustainable approaches to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. When discussing SB 50, Vice Mayor Mirisch stated that dense market-rate housing should not be viewed as a solution to the region’s housing issues. Hernan Molina (City of West Hollywood) added that the bill should allow cities to have their own discretion of where they do and do not want density. Ms. Estolano clarified that SB 50 differentiates from a similar bill from last year, AB 827 (Wiener), in that Senator Wiener consulted with government officials and labor and housing advocates, recommending that the Board continue to engage with the bill. Councilmember McKeown requested that the COG Board agendize the bill for future meetings as it evolves.

B. Update from League of California Cities
Jeff Kiernan (League of California Cities) provided a brief update to the Board that Legislative Action Day will be on April 24th, 2019.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Connect SoCal
Vice Mayor Sahli-Wells informed the Board that she attended a policy meeting to launch Connect SoCal, which is SCAG’s 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy. Vice Mayor Sahli-Wells discussed the data at the presentation, which included millennial housing choices and the region’s aging population and added that it leaves the members of the COG with many decisions to consider for the future.

B. Westside Urban Forum
Mayor Gleam Davis announced that she will be presenting at the Westside Urban Forum on February 15th and that tickets for the event were sold out.

C. Department of Water and Power
Councilmember McKeown announced that the DWP will not maintain its natural gas plants, adding that the switch to renewable energy will reduce greenhouse gas dependence by 19 percent.

D. AB 3059 “Go Zones”
Josh Kurpies announced that Assemblymember Richard Bloom introduced AB 3059, which would authorize two “Go Zone” demonstration programs in Northern and Southern California.

E. West Los Angeles Armory Bridge Housing Site
Stephanie Cohen announced that the Third Supervisorial District will move forward with a proposal to build a bridge housing site in the West Los Angeles Armory,
adding that Board members can visit www.supervisorkuehl.com/westLA for a list of community meetings. She also requested the COG’s assistance with communication to the general public about the meetings, as the proposal would need federal and state legislation to move forward.

F. CicLAvia: “Culver City Meets Palms”
Vice Mayor Megan Sahli-Wells announced that the CicLAvia event “Culver City Meets Palms + Mar Vista” will take place on March 3rd.

9. FUTURE MEETING LOCATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS

10. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

11. ADJOURN
    The WSCCOG Board adjourned early at 1:07 p.m.
DATE: April 11, 2019

TO: Westside Cities Council of Governments Board

FROM: Westside Cities Council of Governments Staff

SUBJECT: SCAG Energy & Environment Committee Representative (2019-2021)

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**Recommended Action**
Appoint the WSCCOG representative to the SCAG Energy and Environment Committee.

**Background**
The role of the SCAG Energy & Environment Committee (EEC) considers environmental and energy issues of regional significance, including but not limited to air quality, water quality, solid and hazardous waste, habitat preservation, environmental justice, and environmental impact analysis. Members of the EEC serve a two-year term. The EEC meets on the first Thursday of every month from 10:00am to 12:00pm at the SCAG Headquarters located in Downtown Los Angeles.

**Call for Candidates**
The Westside Cities Council of Governments (WSCCOG) posted a call for candidates on February 1, 2019 for the position for a two-year term beginning May 2019. WSCOG received two letters of interest from the following elected officials:

- Councilmember Daniel Lee - City of Culver City (Refer to **Attachment 1**)
- Councilmember Greg Morena - City of Santa Monica (Refer to **Attachment 2**)

**Voting Process**
The SCAG EEC representative shall be elected by a majority of the quorum of the COG. The voting member from each member city present at the meeting will cast one (1) vote. The candidate with the majority of the votes will be appointed as the representative to the SCAG EEC.

**Attachments**
1. Letter of Interest – Councilmember Daniel Lee (City of Culver City)
2. Letter of Interest – Councilmember Greg Morena (City of Santa Monica)
February 28, 2019

The Honorable Board of Directors  
Westside Cities Council of Governments  
448 S. Hill Street, Suite 1105  
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Subject: Appointment as WSCCOG’s Representative on the Southern California Association of Governments’ (SCAG) Energy and Environment Committee

Dear Chair Mirisch and Board Members:

I am interested in serving as the WSSCOG's representative on the SCAG Energy and Environment Committee (EEC). As the WSSCOG’s Member on the EEC, I plan to attend all EEC meetings to advance the WSSCOG’s positions on environmental and energy issues of significance to our region, which could include policies and programs to improve our air and water quality and the handling of municipal solid and hazardous waste. Also, I welcome the opportunity to enhance our region’s environmental stewardship through the EEC’s future efforts related to habitat preservation, environmental justice, and environmental impact analyses on projects that impact the Westside Cities. I am committed to reporting back to the WSCCOG Board on the EEC’s efforts on a regular basis.

Currently, I serve as our City Council’s Alternate for our Mayor’s representation to the SCAG Southern California Association of Governments and as an Alternate Member of the Clean Power Alliance Board. My background in these areas along with my service on our city’s Sustainability Subcommittee, my past work with the Global Climate Convergence and Sierra Club Clean Break Committee have helped prepare me to serve on the EEC. How governments and policy makers choose to address our energy future will play a large role in the future financial and environmental vitality of the Southern California. A roadmap that includes robust infrastructural investment in a clean energy future is essential both for a healthy economy and the health of future generations. Thank you for your consideration of my appointment.

Sincerely,

Daniel Lee  
Council Member
February 21, 2019

I am writing to express my interest in representing the WSCCOG on the Southern California Association of Government (SCAG) Energy and Environment Committee. Before being elected to the Santa Monica City Council in November of 2018, I have served as a commissioner on the Audit Subcommittee and a member of the GoSaMo Transit Board. Previously, I participated on the Santa Monica Pier Lessee Association and the Executive Board of the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce.

Building on this experience, I would welcome the opportunity to be considered as the WSCCOG appointment to the SCAG Energy and Environment Committee. As the Owner of the Albright, I led our restaurant to become the first “green certified” business on the Santa Monica Pier. I also spearheaded efforts for the recent implementation of the Pier's organic recycling program. Under my leadership, the Albright earned the Sustainable Quality Award (SQA) Grand Prize and the SQA Excellence in Stewardship of the Environment Award.

As an active advocate for environmental sustainability, I believe my appointment to this committee would directly align with this pursuit. I sincerely appreciate the Board’s consideration of this appointment.

Sincerely,

Greg Morena
DATE: April 11, 2019
TO: Westside Cities Council of Governments Board
FROM: Westside Cities Council of Governments Staff
SUBJECT: Metro Westside/Central Service Council Representative (2019-2022)

Recommended Action
Appoint the WSCCOG representative to the Metro Westside/Central Service Council.

Background
The Metro Service Councils advise on planning and implementation of service within their area; call and conduct public hearings; evaluate Metro bus programs related to their service area; review proposed service changes; make policy recommendations to the Metro Board; participate in quarterly meetings with the Metro Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Deputy CEO and management staff.

Metro’s Westside/Central Service Council region includes the cities of Beverly Hills, Culver City, Los Angeles, Malibu, Santa Monica, and West Hollywood. The representatives of the Westside/Central Service Council are in charge of making recommendations on bus routes and schedules for Metro bus lines operating within the subregion. Formed in 2002, the Council is comprised of four (4) members nominated for appointment by the Mayor of Los Angeles, one (1) each by Los Angeles County Supervisors Mark Ridley Thomas (2nd District) and Sheila Kuehl (3rd District), and three (3) members nominated by the Westside Cities Council of Governments (WSCCOG).

The current Westside/Central Service Council roster, which includes three WSCCOG appointees are as follows:

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<td>Martha Eros (Vice Chair) *</td>
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<td>LA County 2nd District</td>
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<td>Carl Torres</td>
<td>Transportation Planning Manager, Metro Westside/Central</td>
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*WSCCOG Appointed Representatives
**General Requirements**
The Service Council Bylaws require that nominees live, work, or represent the region and that they ride public transit at least on a monthly basis. Metro strives to appoint Service Council members reflective of the demographics of their respective region. The 2010 Census demographics of the Westside/Central Council region are:

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The current demographic makeup of the Westside/Central Council consists of four (4) Hispanic, three (3) White, and two (2) Black members in terms of racial/ethnic identity. The gender makeup of the Council is five (5) men and four (4) women. The Westside/Central Service Council usually meets on second Wednesday of each month at 5:00pm at Metro Gateway Headquarters, adjacent to Union Station.

**Call for Nominations**
The term of WSCCOG’s appointee Perri Sloane Goodman is scheduled to expire on June 30, 2019. WSCCOG posted a call for interested candidates and received a letter of interest from Ms. Sloane Goodman to continue her term from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2022.

**Attachment**
1. Letter of Interest – Perri Sloane Goodman (City of West Hollywood)
April 3, 2019

Dear Winnie,

As we have discussed, my current term as representative to LA Metro's Westside/Central Service Council is due to end in June of this year. I am writing today to express my continued interest in this role, which I have filled since 2011. Being a member of the Service Council provides the opportunity to stay abreast of current developments at Metro and to maintain relationships with Metro staff, allowing me to get information affecting our communities quickly and easily.

As Transit Program Administrator for the City of West Hollywood, I have a clear grasp on transit issues affecting the Westside. As a regular transit user myself, I am extremely familiar with the issues faced by our transit riding constituency, and the policies proposed by Metro. I feel that my continued participation on the Service Council will benefit West Hollywood, the Cities of the Westside, and their residents.

I hope that the COG Board will plan to reappoint me for another term. Thank you for providing me with this opportunity. Don't hesitate to contact me if you need any additional information.

Regards,

[Signature]

Perri Sloane Goodman
Transit Program Administrator
City of West Hollywood
DATE: April 11, 2019

TO: Westside Cities Council of Governments Board

FROM: Westside Cities Council of Governments Staff

SUBJECT: South Bay Cities Council of Government’s Contract Renewal for Metro Deputy for the Southwest Area Metro Board Member

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**Recommended Action**
Approve South Bay Cities Council of Government’s (SBCCOG) contract renewal with Michael Bohlke to continue his role as the Metro Deputy for the Southwest Area Metro Board Member.

**Background**
Since 2015, the South Bay Cities Council of Government (SBCCOG) has been contracting with Michael Bohlke to serve as the Deputy to Metro Board member who represents the South Bay cities, as well as the Westside cities. WSCCOG also pays for a portion of the Deputy’s salary ($1,832 annually). Mr. Bohlke’s contract agreement is set to expire on July 31, 2019. SBCCOG is proposing to amend Mr. Bohlke’s contract and extend the contract period to July 31, 2021. SBCCOG Board will be taking action on the contract for approval on May 23, 2019.

**Attachment**
1. Draft contract agreement between SBCCOG and Michael Bohlke
AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES BETWEEN
MICHAEL S. BOHLKE AND
SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (SBCCOG)

THIS AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT is made this 23rd day of May, 2019 by and
between Michael S. Bohlke (hereinafter referred to as “Consultant”) and South Bay Cities
Council of Governments (hereinafter referred to as “SBCCOG”).

RECITALS:

A. The parties previously entered into a Consulting Services Agreement dated June 25, 2015
(“Agreement”), wherein the SBCCOG retained the services of Consultant to serve as the Metro
Deputy for the Southwest Area Metro Board member.

B. The parties now desire to extend the term of that Agreement which is scheduled to end on
July 31, 2021.

AGREEMENT:

1. Term of Agreement
   This Agreement shall be extended to cover services rendered from August 1, 2017 to July
31, 2021 and month to month thereafter unless extended by amendment or earlier terminated as
provided herein.
   All services shall be performed in accordance with generally accepted professional
practices and principles and to SBCCOG’s satisfaction.

In all other respects, the Agreement as amended is hereby reaffirmed and in full force and effect.

These parties have executed this Agreement on the day and year shown above.

SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS      CONSULTANT

________________________   _________________________
Britt Huff, CHAIR            Michael S. Bohlke

ATTEST:

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Jacki Bacharach, Board Secretary
SCOPE OF WORK

The Deputy will provide staff support for the LACMTA Southwest Corridor Sector Board Member, which shall include but not be limited to, the following:

- Attend relevant MTA and MTA-related meetings, in addition to other transportation-related summits, meetings or forums which impact METRO and the region and inform the policy decision-making of the Board Member;

- Review and analyze MTA-generated reports, memos and other written material to assist the Board Member in making informed decisions on policies and programs and other items considered by the Board;

- Recommend action and strategies for the successful passage of policy items under the consideration by the LACMTA Board;

- Prepare correspondence and reports for and on behalf of the Board Member;

- Provide liaison services on behalf of the Board Member to the Councils of Governments, member cities, city staff, elected officials and other stakeholders to facilitate two-way communication, including preparation of monthly newsletters, and the coordination of advocacy efforts;

- Assist Councils of Governments and member cities on administrative issues within the MTA;

- Assist in developing support for transportation projects, programs and services which benefit the cities and populace of the South Bay and Westside of Los Angeles County and the region as a whole;

- Monitor, attend meetings when necessary and report to Westside and South Bay Cities COG on relevant SCAG, AQMD and other regional agencies’ policy deliberations and actions;

- Monitor and report on transportation-related activities at the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach regarding good movement issues

- Assist with other projects, events and activities as required.
Exhibit B

Certificate of Exemption from Workers’ Compensation Insurance

TO: South Bay Cities Council of Governments

SUBJECT: Sole Proprietor/Partnership/Closely Held Corporation with No Employees

Please let this memorandum notify the City of West Hollywood that I am a

☐ sole proprietor  ☐ partnership  ☐ closely held corporation

and do not have any employees whose employment requires me to carry workers’ compensation insurance. Therefore, I do not carry worker’s compensation insurance coverage.

Contractor Signature ____________________________

Printed Name of Contractor ____________________________

Date ____________________________
DATE:        April 11, 2019
TO:          Westside Cities Council of Governments Board
FROM:        Westside Cities Council of Governments Staff
SUBJECT:     COG Regional Homelessness Coordination Grant (2018-19)

Recommended Action
Approve the WSCCOG’s scope of work for the 2018-19 COG Regional Homelessness Coordination Grant and direct the WSCCOG Board and Executive Director to sign the contract with the County of Los Angeles upon final review and approval of the County Counsel and WSCCOG Legal Counsel.

Background
The County Homeless Initiative secured another round of grant funding for the COGs to continue with regional coordination for FY 2018-19. The WSCCOG is eligible to apply up to $30,000 for the grant funding. The County developed a list of core deliverables for the COGs to complete under the grant, which includes:

1. **City Engagement**: Engage cities around land use and zoning to develop more interim and supportive housing
2. **Regional Coordination**: Create a regional response to homelessness that is aligned with County Homeless Initiative

WSCCOG staff worked with the WSCCOG Homelessness Working Group and the County Homeless Initiative Team on the scope of work (refer to Attachment 1).

Key Deliverables
1. WSCCOG Homelessness Strategic Plan
2. Inventory of Westside cities’ SB 2 compliance status
3. Inventory of potential State and Federal underutilized parcels for supportive housing

Activities
1. Monthly conference call meetings with the WSCCOG Homelessness Working Group
2. Technical assistance to WSCCOG member cities in grant funding
3. Subregional stakeholder convening to inform the development of the WSCCOG Homelessness Strategic Plan
4. Meeting with Assemblymember Richard Bloom (AD 50) and Senator Ben Allen (SD 26) to discuss HEAP funding guidelines
5. Meeting with key stakeholders to support a subregional housing needs assessment
6. Supportive housing tour (if needed)

Attachment:
1. Proposed scope of work for FY 2018-19 COG Regional Coordination
Proposed Scope of Work for the FY 2018-19 COG Regional Coordination
By the WSCCOG Executive Director Team
(Led by Estolano LeSar Advisors)

The County Homeless Initiative provided a list of required deliverables to be included in the COG’s statement of work under the COG Regional Coordination grant funding for FY 2018-19. The WSCCOG Executive Director Team, led by Estolano LeSar Advisors (ELA), will conduct the proposed activities to support the member cities in regional engagement and city plan implementation.

Task 1: City Engagement
Engage cities around land use and zoning to develop more interim and supportive housing

A. **Inventory of Cities’ SB 2 Compliance Status**
The County is working towards achieving 100% SB 2 Compliance across the region. SB 2 compliance would ensure that the Westside cities are eligible for homeless-related State and Federal grants. The goal is to create inventory of cities in compliance and those out of compliance, with details about what needs to be done to come into compliance. WSCCOG staff will work with the member cities to confirm that they are in compliance with SB 2 in an effort to promote regional SB 2 compliance and implementation as outlined in the County’s approved strategies to combat homelessness (Strategy FI). WSCCOG staff will create an inventory report of the cities’ SB 2 compliance status.

B. **Shelter Emergency Declaration for Homeless Emergency Aid (HEAP) Grant**
The WSCCOG member cities expressed concerns regarding HEAP’s requirement for cities to declare a shelter emergency because it conflicts with existing encampment policies. This requirement deterred our cities from applying for the HEAP grant in 2018. The WSCCOG will continue to communicate the cities’ concerns, which includes engaging with Assemblymember Richard Bloom (AD 50) and Senator Ben Allen (SD 26) to advocate amending the HEAP’s shelter emergency declaration requirements by the next funding cycle.

C. **Inventory of Potential Parcels for Interim and Supportive Housing**
Some of our cities are currently compiling information on potential publicly-owned or privately-owned sites to be analyzed for interim and supportive housing. WSCCOG staff will consult with State and Federal agencies on potential underutilized publicly-owned sites, such as Caltrans’ surplus properties.

D. **Provide Technical Assistance on Grant Funding Opportunities**
WSCCOG will research future grant funding opportunities for member cities, including grants for multi-jurisdictional projects. WSCCOG’s role in providing technical assistance to member cities will be limited to disseminating information and fielding inquiries related to the grant applications.
E. **WSCCOG Homelessness Strategic Plan**

WSCCOG staff will draft a Homelessness Strategic Plan to provide grant-ready information for the COG and our member cities, such as the following: (1) baseline data; (2) existing programs, facilities, and services; (3) inventory of State and Federal parcels for interim and supportive housing; (4) subregional goals and an action plan to prevent and combat homelessness. This plan would also identify subregional activities and projects for the WSCCOG to pursue future multi-jurisdictional grant opportunities.

F. **Subregional Housing Needs Assessment**

The WSCCOG Homelessness Strategic Plan will include an immediate action for a housing needs assessment study for the Westside subregion. The study will identify strategies to meet the gap in affordable and supportive housing units. WSCCOG will engage in a campaign to seek support and funding for the study from local stakeholders, such as the chambers of commerce, tourism boards real estate communities, faith-based organizations, financial affiliates, and other.

G. **Organize a Supportive Housing Tour (If applicable)**

The Westside cities’ elected officials and staff currently promote supportive housing and are well-informed about the local supportive housing projects in the subregion. WSCCOG will assist in organizing a supportive housing tour to newly elected officials, if necessary.

**Task 2: Regional Coordination**

Create a regional response to homelessness that is aligned with the County Homeless Initiative

A. **WSCCOG Homelessness Working Group Conference Call**

WSCCOG will convene a monthly conference call with the WSCCOG Homelessness Working Group, which will include the following: (1) progress updates on the cities’ homelessness plan implementation efforts; (2) share and disseminate information to the cities from LAHSA and the County Homeless Initiative, as well as updates on Measure H, grant funding opportunities, annual homeless counts and events/conferences.

B. **WSCCOG Homelessness Public Education Implementation Strategy**

In 2018, the City of Santa Monica developed a Homelessness Curriculum Framework, which informs and educates people about homelessness strategies to effectively interact with community members experiencing homelessness. The WSCCOG is committed to using this framework to promote a consistent and unified message on homelessness across all member cities in the Westside subregion. In 2019, the WSCCOG developed a Homelessness Public Education Implementation Strategy, which identified activities to encourage community members to participate in homelessness solutions and engage with homeless individuals. WSCCOG will implement the Homelessness Public Education Strategy by conducting the following activities: (1) encourage cities to use and incorporate the Homelessness Curriculum Framework in their homelessness resources materials (2) collaborate with United Way’s Everyone In to host
community information and advocacy workshops in each member city and promote the Homelessness Curriculum Framework that is customized to the jurisdictions; and (3) continue to aggregate homeless-related resources and services on the Westside on theWSCCOG’s website.

C. Westside Subregional Homelessness Convening
WSCCOG will convene a meeting with key stakeholders to provide input on regional goals and efforts, which will inform the development of theWSCCOG Homelessness Strategic Plan. The convening will include, but limited to, elected officials, city managers, city staff, emergency responders, local service providers, faith-based organizations, and other community leaders.
DATE: April 11, 2019

TO: Westside Cities Council of Governments Board

FROM: Westside Cities Council of Governments Staff

SUBJECT: Executive Director’s Report

Call for Nominations forWSCCOG Regional Director to the League of California Cities – Los Angeles County Division
On March 29, 2019, WSCCOG received a correspondence from Mayor Pro Tempore Lindsey Horvath (City of West Hollywood) with a request to step down as the WSCCOG Regional Director representative for the Los Angeles County Divisions of the League of California Cities (refer to Attachment 1). WSCCOG is currently seeking call for nominations from elected officials to serve as a Regional Director on behalf of the WSCCOG on the League of California Cities. Refer to Attachment 2 for the call for nominations. WSCCOG will be accepting letters of interest until Friday, May 10, 2019. The Board will consider the nominations and appoint the Regional Director representative on Thursday, June 13, 2019.

Notice of Vacancy of Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) Alternate Public Member
The Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) is in charged with the responsibility to provide the orderly formation and growth of cities and special districts. On March 27, 2019, LAFCO for the County of Los Angeles announced a vacancy for an alternate public member. LAFCO is currently accepting applications for the vacant position to serve a term until May 4, 2020. Applications are due Monday, May 6, 2019. For more information, refer to Attachment 3.

Westside Mobility Study and Measure M Multi-Year Subregional Program (MSP) 5-Year Plan Request for Proposal (RFP) Update
On February 7, 2019, SCAG received three (3) proposals in response to the RFP. WSCCOG staff will continue to work with SCAG and the Proposal Review Committee to select the consultant. Once the consultant is selected, WSCCOG will work with the member cities to identify key staff to participate in a technical working group for each of the major tasks in the study.

WSCCOG Homelessness Public Education Implementation Strategy
WSCCOG worked with the WSCCOG Homelessness Working Group to develop a Public Education Implementation Strategy (refer to Attachment 4). The strategy builds on Santa Monica’s Homelessness Curriculum Framework, which informs and educates people about homelessness strategies to effectively interact with community members experiencing homelessness. The strategy includes a regional effort for the Westside member cities to work together in using the framework and partnering with United Way’s Everyone In campaign. WSCCOG staff also developed a webpage to serve as a one-stop source of homelessness-related policies and program initiatives in the Westside subregion.
**WSCCOG Letter of Support for AB 653 (Bloom)**
On April 2, 2019, the WSCCOG Executive Director signed a letter of support for AB 653 (Bloom), which would allow Los Angeles County to lease a portion of the West Los Angeles Armory to build a year-round bridge housing program (refer to Attachment 5). This bill supports the WSCCOG’s Legislative and Policy Platform to increase efforts for more permanent and supportive housing for homeless people and families.

**WSCCOG Financial Report**
Below is the WSCCOG’s current balance sheet submitted by the WSCCOG Treasurer as of March 31, 2019.

**Westside Cities Council of Governments**

**Balance Sheet**

**as of March 31, 2019**

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Hi Winnie

Thanks for taking my call yesterday.

I'm emailing to express my deepest gratitude for the opportunity to serve the WSCCOG as your representative to the LA County Division of the League of California Cities Board of Directors. Unfortunately, with my current commitments and new ones on the horizon, I must now step away from this responsibility. I am happy to continue serving at the pleasure of the COG until such time as the Board has determined who the replacement will be. I'm also happy to offer any information and assistance to on-board the next representative of the COG to this position.

It has been an honor and a pleasure.
Thanks again.

Lindsey P. Horvath
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E-mail correspondence with the City of West Hollywood (including any attachment) is a public record under the California Public Records Act, which may be subject to public disclosure under the Act.
DATE: April 11, 2019

TO: Mayors and Councilmembers of the Cities of Beverly Hills, Culver City, Santa Monica, and West Hollywood

FROM: Cecilia Estolano, WSCCOG Executive Director

SUBJECT: Call for Nominations for WSCCOG Regional Director to the League of California Cities – Los Angeles County Division

The Westside Cities Council of Governments (WSCCOG) is calling for letters of interest from elected officials of the WSCCOG member cities to serve as the WSCCOG Regional Director Representative to the League of California Cities (League) Los Angeles County Division. The current representative is Mayor Pro Tem Lindsey Horvath (City of West Hollywood). The term for the incoming Regional Director will commence in July 2019 upon the WSCCOG Board’s approval on June 13, 2019. The League allows the COGs to set the term limits. WSCCOG has not established the term limits for the COG Regional Director so the representatives can serve as long as they are interested.

The Los Angeles County Division is made up of 86 cities within Los Angeles County and provides members with the opportunity to exchange ideas and information and share the advantages of cooperative advocacy. For more information, refer to the fact sheet overview.

The Regional Director will regularly participate in the monthly Legislative Committee and Board of Directors meetings, which usually meets via conference call on the last Wednesday of the month at 4:00 p.m. The Regional Director is also invited to attend the General Membership meetings and Divisions events, but it is not mandatory to attend.

Eligible candidates should express their candidacy by sending a letter of interest to WSCCOG Project Director Winnie Fong at winnie@estolanolesar.com by Friday, May 10, 2019. For questions about the position and about the League, please contact Winnie Fong at (323) 306-9856 or by email.
ABOUT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DIVISION

- The largest of 16 regional divisions in the League of California Cities®
- Representing 86 cities and over 11 million people in Los Angeles County
- Covering 4,500 square miles
- Over 450 Elected Officials
- Thousands of City Staff
- Membership includes the smallest in population (Vernon) to the largest (Los Angeles) of the state’s 482 cities

2019 DIVISION STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

- Provide information and resources to city officials to anticipate and prepare for natural and man-made disasters and the impact of climate change.
- Enhance public safety by supporting legislation, policies and additional funding for criminal justice reform efforts, including the mitigation of impacts of AB 109, Prop. 47 and Prop. 57 and other criminal justice laws.
- Influence legislation and policies to address homelessness, the housing shortage and housing affordability, while preserving local control.

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NOTICE OF VACANCY OF LAFCO ALTERNATE PUBLIC MEMBER

Notice is hereby given, on March 27, 2019, that there is a vacancy for the office of Alternate Public Member of the Local Agency Formation Commission for the County of Los Angeles (LAFCO). Any vacancy in the membership of the Commission is filled for the unexpired term by appointment by the body which originally appointed the member whose office has become vacant. Since the term of the Alternate Public Member expires on May 4, 2020, the term of this new appointment would be until that date.

LAFCO is a State-mandated Commission charged with the responsibility to provide the orderly formation and growth of cities and special districts. LAFCO consists of nine regular members and six alternate members. One of the regular members (and one of the alternate members) represents the general public.

Pursuant to State law, LAFCO reviews and holds public hearings on proposals for boundary changes for the 88 cities and 89 special districts in Los Angeles County. The Commission is also responsible for preparing and adopting reviews of the cities and special districts, and determining and periodically updating their spheres of influence.

The Commission consists of nine regular members and six alternate members, including representatives from the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors, the City of Los Angeles, the San Fernando Valley, and the other 87 cities and independent special districts in Los Angeles County. The Public Member is a regular member of the Commission and represents the general public. The Public Member and Alternate Public Member are appointed by the other members of the Commission. The Alternate Public Member serves and votes in place of the Public Member when the Public Member is absent or disqualified from participating in a meeting of the Commission.

The Commission meets once a month in downtown Los Angeles at the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration (500 West Temple Street). Members currently receive $150 per meeting attended, plus mileage expenses for travel to and from meetings.

Officers, employees, and appointees of Los Angeles County or any city or district with territory in the County are prohibited from serving as the Alternate Public Member. This restriction applies at the time of appointment, meaning that applicants whose application indicates an intent to resign or retire prior to final appointment from any prohibited office, employment, or appointment, may still be considered by the Commission.

An application is available on the homepage of LAFCO’s website (www.lalafco.org). The deadline to submit an application is Monday, May 6, 2019, at 5:00 p.m. Applications can be submitted in person, by U.S. mail or courier (LAFCO, 80 South Lake Avenue, Suite 870, Pasadena, California, 91101), or by e-mail to Alisha O’Brien (aobrien@lalafco.org). The office hours are Monday – Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., closed Fridays and Holidays.

Should you have any questions, please contact Alisha O’Brien, LAFCO Government Analyst, at 626/204-6500.
WSCCOG Homelessness Public Education
Implementation Strategy for 2019

The purpose of the WSCCOG Homelessness Public Education Implementation Strategy is to coordinate a consistent and unified message on homelessness across all member cities in the Westside subregion. WSCCOG will implement the Homelessness Public Education Strategy by conducting the following activities to encourage community members to participate in homelessness solutions and engage with homeless individuals.

**Strategy #1: Homelessness Curriculum Framework**

In 2018, the City of Santa Monica developed a Homelessness Curriculum Framework, which informs and educates people about homelessness strategies to effectively interact with community members experiencing homelessness, which focuses on the DEEPeR Strategy (Determine Situation, Effective Engagement, Problem Solving, and Resolution). The WSCCOG is committed to using this framework to promote a consistent and unified message on addressing homelessness across all cities in the Westside subregion (refer to Attachment A for the curriculum framework).

Santa Monica produced seven (7) videos based on curriculum framework: [https://www.weare.santamonica.gov/homelessness-videos](https://www.weare.santamonica.gov/homelessness-videos)

1. **Day in the Life** – Santa Monica shares a story of Kevin, who has lived Santa Monica for many years. The video shares his inspiring story about how changed his life by connecting local service providers and housing.
2. **Services in Sixty Seconds** - Santa Monica has longstanding partnerships with local social service agencies to provide a comprehensive range of housing and supportive services. “Services in Sixty” highlights a few of the organizations that serve people experiencing homelessness in Santa Monica.
3. **DEEPeR Overview** - The DEEPeR strategy provides a set of tools that empower community members to have safer, more effective interactions with people experiencing homelessness. The DEEPeR overview video introduces this strategy, which can be applied to any encounter with someone you do not know.
4. **DEEPeR Businesses** - Local businesses are often impacted by homelessness. Businesses can how they can apply the DEEPeR strategy and other resources to problem-solve situations at their business.
5. **DEEPeR Landlords** - Property managers play a vital role in our community. Using the DEEPeR strategy can help address problematic behaviors and direct people toward services.
6. **DEEPeR Residents** - The DEEPeR strategy can help residents have safer, more effective interactions with our neighbors experiencing homelessness. Residents
can learn more about the resources available in Santa Monica and ways to get involved to address homelessness.

7. **DEEPeR Charitable Organizations** - Faith communities and other charitable organizations have a long history of helping those in need. The DEEPeR strategy can guide these organizations to help in more effective ways by connecting people to social services.

WSCCOG will conduct the following activities to promote the curriculum framework:

1. Encourage the Westside cities to use the Santa Monica’s Homelessness Curriculum Framework and incorporate the messaging in their homelessness resource materials to the public (e.g., homelessness resource brochures and toolkits).
2. Encourage cities to produce their own educational videos and materials, similar to Santa Monica, and customize them based on their homeless programs, local service providers, and other relevant resources.
3. Feature the DEEPeR strategy on the WSCCOG website and Santa Monica’s general DEEPeR strategy overview video as a way to introduce the concept to community members. Cities that have yet to produce a video based on the curriculum framework can refer their community members to the WSCCOG website to access the information regarding DEEPeR.

**Strategy #2: Partner with United Way’s Everyone In**

In 2018, a majority of the Westside cities adopted a resolution to declare their support to United Way’s Everyone In campaign. WSCCOG will engage with the member cities in partnering with United Way by participating as a co-host in the following activities:

1. Strategically schedule “Community Information + Advocacy Training” workshops throughout the region to educate community members, as well as foster support for local development for permanent supportive and affordable housing. Each workshop will also be customized in each community by providing the following information:
   a. Feature the DEEPeR Strategy Overview video and include information on how to access or refer people to local services and resources
   b. Provide updates on the city’s implementation progress on their homelessness plans, including forthcoming housing development projects to serve people who are experiencing homelessness
2. Organize a community pop-up event in each neighborhood to promote and educate community members about the DEEPeR strategy
3. Organize a storytelling event
4. Organize a supportive housing tour in the Westside subregion

**Strategy #3: WSCCOG Homelessness Webpage**

The WSCCOG’s website is a one-stop source of information related to subregional policies and program initiatives. The website also aggregates resources from all
member cities related to transportation and tourism. WSCCOG has created a webpage featuring cities’ homelessness-related resources [www.westsidecities.org/homelessness](http://www.westsidecities.org/homelessness). The webpage will also provide detailed information about the DEEPeR strategy.

An in effort to promote the webpage, WSCCOG will encourage the member cities to share the website, as well as utilize unique hashtags on Twitter to increase traffic to the webpage. The website will feature the following information:

1. Homeless Data
   a. Annual homeless count by each member city
2. City Homelessness Action Plans
   a. Summary of Westside cities’ homelessness plans
3. Resources
   a. Direct people who want to assist people experiencing to LAHSA’s Los Angeles Homeless Outreach Portal (LA-HOP) webpage [https://www.lahsa.org/portal/apps/la-hop/request](https://www.lahsa.org/portal/apps/la-hop/request)
   b. Toolkits and resources for community members to participate in homelessness solutions and engage with people experiencing homelessness from each member city
   c. Information about Westside cities’ homelessness taskforce meetings
   d. Information about the DEEPeR Strategy and Videos
4. News and Updates
   a. Post and share homelessness-related events
   b. Share updates on cities efforts to combat homelessness, including the development of supportive and affordable housing, local ordinances related to homelessness, feasibility studies, impacts in local communities from local efforts and Measure H, etc.

**Timeline**

- **1st Quarter**
  o Create and launch the WSCCOG homelessness webpage
  o Promote the WSCCOG homelessness webpage through an e-mail blast and launching a press release to the member cities
  o WSCCOG to encourage cities to develop resource materials using the Homelessness Curriculum Framework

- **2nd Quarter**
  o Santa Monica launches DEEPeR strategy videos to the public
  o WSCCOG to add a section on the website about the DEEPeR strategy

- **3rd and 4th Quarter**
  o WSCCOG will work with the cities to organize partner events with United Way’s Everyone In Campaign, which will be strategically scheduled in each jurisdiction in an effort to gain support and provide education for potential interim housing development and shelters
April 2, 2019

The Honorable Richard Bloom  
California State Assembly  
State Capitol, Room 2003  
Sacramento, California 95814

RE:  AB 653 (Bloom), As Amended to relate to State Armories – Support  
Set to be heard April 10, 2019, in the Assembly Accountability &  
Administrative Review Committee

Dear Assembly Member Bloom:

The Westside Cities Council of Governments (WSCCOG) is writing in support of AB 653 as amended on March 21, 2019.

Current law authorizes the State Director of General Services, with the approval of the Adjutant General, to lease and sell real property held for armory purposes, on terms and conditions in the best interests of the state and subject to legislative approval.

AB 653 would authorize the State Director of General Services, with the approval of the Adjutant General, to lease a portion of the West Los Angeles Armory that is not used for military purposes to the County of Los Angeles to build a year-round bridge housing program.

The 2018 Los Angeles County Point-in-Time (PIT) Homeless Count reported 52,765 individuals experiencing homelessness on any given night, 39,396 of whom are currently unsheltered. The PIT count in the Westside subregion accounted roughly 9 percent of the County’s homelessness population. The County, particularly in the Westside, continues to face a homelessness crisis as a result of increasing rents and stagnating incomes, and the establishment of bridge housing is a viable solution.

We support Los Angeles County’s findings that bridge housing is a critical component of our homeless crisis response system as it combines a safe place for people experiencing homelessness to sleep and the comprehensive wrap-around services they need to successfully obtain and retain permanent housing. It differs from winter shelter in the following reasons:
1. Physical design (bridge housing provides more comfortable and semi-private sleeping areas),
2. Hours of operation (bridge housing is open 24 hours a day and encourages clients to stay onsite to receive services during the day), and
3. Service delivery (bridge housing provides ample wrap-around services).

AB 653 also supports the WSCCOG's Legislative and Policy Platform to increase efforts for more permanent and supportive housing for homeless people and families. Therefore, we look forward working with you to secure passage of AB 653.

Sincerely,

Cecilia V. Estolano
WSCCOG Executive Director

cc:  Los Angeles County Legislative Representative
     Martha Guerrero: mguerrero@ceo.lacounty.gov
     Each Member and Consultant, Assembly Accountability & Administrative Review Committee
     Each Member and Consultant, Assembly Veteran's Affairs Committee
Voting District Authorization for Clean Air Bill – SB 732 (Allen)

**Proposal:** This bill seeks authorization from the Legislature to create a voting district in the South Coast region to allow local funding measures to be placed on the ballot. This bill would give the community the opportunity to pursue local ballot measures, similar to cities, counties, and transportation agencies, and determine if they want to invest in clean air and address climate change.

**Need for Bill:**
- Community members came to the South Coast AQMD seeking local solutions through voter initiative efforts to address air pollution and climate change.
- 17 million residents in the South Coast Air Basin breathe some of the most polluted air in the nation, with the highest levels of ozone and second-highest levels of particulate matter (PM). In 2017 the region exceeded the federal ozone standard on 145 days.
- Children, the elderly, and those with pre-existing conditions are particularly vulnerable.
- Over 80% of regional nitrogen oxide (NOx) emissions are from mobile pollution sources, with most from trucks and heavy-duty equipment.
- Funding for cleaner vehicles and equipment is urgently needed to improve public health and meet upcoming federal clean air deadlines, which require a 45% reduction of NOx emissions by 2023 and 55% by 2031. Additional emission reductions will be required by 2038 to meet the more stringent 2015 federal ozone standard.
- **Federal sanctions are looming** that: 1) cut off billions of dollars in federal highway funds; 2) create stricter requirements for businesses; and 3) result in a federal takeover of local air quality efforts, likely resulting in draconian measures harmful to the local economy;
- Climate change is causing more and more harmful consequences, including wildfires, increased air pollution, rising oceans and extreme weather conditions.

**Benefits:** Funding could fully implement the Air Quality Management Plan and:
- **Eliminate unhealthy air pollution** in the South Coast region;
- **Meet statewide greenhouse gas emission reduction goals** in our region;
- Provide substantial funding to businesses, cities, counties and transportation agencies – e.g. clean vehicles and equipment, zero emission buses, clean commuter trains, and construction of clean infrastructure, creating jobs and reinvesting in the local economy;
- Deploy the cleanest technology as quickly as possible and transform the goods movement industry and industrial sectors to zero or near-zero emission technology;
- Greatly reduce serious health impacts, such as asthma, bronchitis, decreased lung growth in children, various cancer and cardiovascular risks, premature death, emergency room and hospital visits, and hundreds of thousands of health-related lost work days and missed school days – overall resulting in estimated monetized health benefits totaling over **ten billion dollars** every year; and
- Resolve environmental inequities in disadvantaged communities disproportionately impacted by air pollution.
DATE: April 11, 2019
TO: Westside Cities Council of Governments Board
FROM: Westside Cities Council of Governments Staff
SUBJECT: FCC Declaratory Ruling to Accelerate the Deployment of Wireless Facilities

Background
On September 26th, 2018, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) adopted FCC-18-133, “Accelerating Wireless/Wireline Broadband Deployment by Removing Barriers to Infrastructure Investment,” which went into effect on January 14, 2019. The ruling requires cities to accelerate their review of small cell applications on new and existing utility poles and street lights in public rights-of-way and private property in a way that is consistent with the FCC’s national standard for permissible local regulations. The ruling places the following limits on local regulations:

1. Prohibiting local moratoria on small cell infrastructure deployments
2. Prohibiting cities’ ability to impose fees for basic cost recovery for reviewing small cell applications to $100 per site
3. Prohibiting cities from imposing fair market rates for the private use of taxpayer-funded property at $270 for the installation of small cell facilities, and
4. Lowering standards for aesthetic review

Through the ruling, the FCC allows cities a 60-day review period for small cell attachments to existing structures and a 90-day review period for attachments to new structures. Failure to act within these so-called “Shot Clocks” is considered a prohibition of service. The FCC denied a motion to delay this implementation except for the regards of aesthetics.

Deadline for Aesthetic Standards
The FCC deadline for cities to adopt and publish small cell facility aesthetic standards is April 15, 2019. If a city fails to adopt and publish such standards by the deadline, then the city may lose the ability to impose the standards on telecommunication users who deploy small wireless facilities in the city. Some cities are currently amending their ordinances to comply with FCC requirements and convening to establish their respective aesthetic regulations for small cell attachments.

Discussion
The April 15th deadline grants cities within the WSCCOG an opportunity to retain control over the appearance of small cell installations and to create standardized aesthetic guidelines for the COG region. We encourage cities to discuss the status of their respective ordinances on aesthetic standards for small cell attachments.
DATE: April 11, 2019

TO: Westside Cities Council of Governments Board

FROM: Westside Cities Council of Governments Staff

SUBJECT: Overview of Legislative Bills related to SB 127 and SB 355

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**SB 127 (Wiener) – Complete Streets for Active Living**

SB 127 would allocate funding to implement and achieve the Caltrans Strategic Management Plan’s goals to triple bicycling, double walking, and include complete streets improvements on several projects statewide by 2020. The bill also includes complete streets performance measures and reporting requirements for Caltrans.

Specifically, the bill would:

- Prioritize accessibility improvements for State Highway Account funds to reduce VMT and promote public health, replacing Caltrans’ current main priority to operate, maintain, and rehabilitate the state highway
- Require Caltrans to include complete streets improvements in its Asset Management Plan, which is to be completed by 2020
- Require the Asset Management Plan to prescribe a community input process for how complete streets would be incorporated into State Highway and Protection Program projects
- Require that funds in the State Highway Account be programmed, budgeted, and expended to maximize the use of federal funds for accessibility improvements to reduce fatalities and severe injuries for vulnerable road users
- Establish a Division of Active Transportation that would be responsible for enforcing complete streets performance measures
- Require Caltrans to create pedestrian and protected bikeway networks throughout California

As of January 24, 2019, the bill is currently being reviewed by the State Transportation Committee.

**Alignment with COG Legislative Priorities**

This bill is relevant to the WSCCOG legislative priorities to support the increase of funding for transportation operations, programs, and projects; support the expansion of bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure; and support efforts that promote new models for mobility that attract and provide convenient choices for people while helping to reduce vehicle congestion and climate change.
SB 355 (Portantino) – Joint Powers Agencies: Meetings
SB 355 would remove the provision under Section 54956.96 of the Government Code stating that an alternate member of the legislative body of a joint powers agency (JPA) is required to be a member of the legislative body of a local agency within the JPA to attend closed JPA meetings.

The Ralph M. Brown Act currently authorizes JPAs to appoint an alternate representative to attend closed sessions in lieu of a local agency’s regularly appointed member only if they are a member of its legislative body. If passed, this bill would allow JPA representatives who are not legislative members of a JPA local agency to attend closed meetings as alternates.

As of February 28, 2019, the bill is currently being reviewed by the Senate Governance and Finance Committee.

Effect on WSCCOG’s Governing Structure
This bill would allow members of the WSCCOG to appoint non-legislative members of their respective local agencies to serve as alternates during closed COG sessions.
SUMMARY
This bill aims to allocate sufficient funding to implement and achieve the goals of the Strategic Management Plan, and include complete streets performance measures and reporting requirements for Caltrans. Such a policy will require Caltrans to create complete pedestrian and protected bikeway networks throughout California and prioritize complete streets so that our roads are accessible and safe for all users.

BACKGROUND/EXISTING LAW
Caltrans owns and maintains 50,000 lane-miles of the state highway system through the State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP), which is funded with $2.4B annually.

Caltrans adopted Deputy Directive 64 in 2008 and updated it in 2014 to require the Department to consider complete streets in all phases of design, delivery, construction, and rehabilitation on all projects. Caltrans adopted a Strategic Management Plan 2015-2020 that includes goals to triple bicycling and double walking by 2020. The Caltrans Strategic Management Plan 2015-2020 also includes goals to include complete streets improvements on an increasing number of projects between the years 2015-2020. Despite these policies, Caltrans does not prioritize complete streets.

PROBLEM
Caltrans still prioritizes throughput of car and truck traffic above all other users, such as people on foot attempting to cross the street to access homes and businesses, people bicycling in the corridor, or people riding the bus. Even though the most cost effective time to make complete streets upgrades is during repaving and repairing, creating complete streets is not prioritized -- rarely even considered -- when major rehabilitation and maintenance projects are done on these roads. Such efforts will ensure that California roads are safer for everyone, including children needing safe routes to school, the elderly, and the disabled.

Additionally, by creating complete streets, pedestrians and bicyclists are encouraged to lead more active lives by walking and biking in safe passageways. Caltrans must prioritize accessibility and efficiency improvements to move all people (not just cars).

Many surface streets that carry local traffic also operate as state highways. Because they are meant to carry traffic quickly, they do not always include sidewalks or protected bicycle facilities that make it safe to walk and bike along them. At the same time, walking and bicycling trips have doubled between 2000-2012 and constitute nearly 20 percent of all trips in California based on the National Household Travel Survey. A Smart Growth America study found that California as a state ranks at number 17 for pedestrian risk, with 6,616 pedestrian deaths between 2005 and 2014. The report states there has been an increased risk for California pedestrians in the last two years.

SOLUTION
This bill does the following:

1. Changes the order of priorities on the use of State Highway Account funds, the primary source of funds that flow to the SHOPP, by prioritizing accessibility improvements for all users of the transportation system to reduce vehicle miles traveled and promote public health. This replaces operation, maintenance, and rehabilitation of the state highway as number one priority for Caltrans.

2. Requires that Caltrans explicitly include complete streets improvements in the Asset Management Plan process currently underway, to be completed by 2020, which sets out a new process for managing SHOPP projects, with performance measures and reporting requirements.

1 Smart Growth America, Dangerous By Design 2016, https://smartgrowthamerica.org/resources/dangerous-by-design-2016/
3. Defines a process for how complete streets shall be incorporated into SHOPP projects through robust engagement with communities and local governments, and provides an opt-out clause where necessary.

4. Establishes a Division of Active Transportation within Caltrans to be responsible for adherence to complete streets performance measures.

CO-SPONSORS

- American Heart Association/American Stroke Association
- California Bicycle Coalition
- California Walks
- Safe Routes to School

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SB 50 (Wiener) Planning and Zoning: Housing Development: Incentives.

- Would require cities to allow development up to 55 feet and unlimited density within one ½ mile of a major transit stop.
- Would require cities to allow housing projects that adhere to existing height limitations unlimited density within one ½ mile of a major transit stop.
- Would limit single-family only zoning by allowing housing projects that adhere to existing height limitations unlimited density in single-family zoned neighborhoods near high quality public schools and jobs.
- Would limit or eliminate parking requirements. Would award Density Bonus Law concessions and incentives.

The League has issued an oppose unless amended position on SB 50, and although we are still formulating the language for the proposed amendments the issues the League would like Senator Wiener to address are:

- **SB 50 would greatly undermine locally adopted General Plans, Housing Elements** (which are certified by the Department of Housing and Community Development), and Sustainable Community Strategies (SCS). By allowing developers to override state approved housing plans, SB 50 seriously calls to question the need for cities to develop these community based plans in the first place.

- **Housing developers and transit agencies would have the power to determine** housing densities, heights up to 55 feet, parking requirements, and design review standards for “transit-rich housing projects” within one-half mile of a major transit stop. For those “transit-rich housing projects” within one-quarter mile radius of a stop on a high-quality bus corridor, developers would be able to determine housing density, and parking requirements above .5 spots per unit.

- **What is the full scope of SB 50?** As presently drafted, it is very difficult to determine what constitutes a “jobs-rich area” since the Department of Housing and Community Development and the Office of Planning and Research are largely tasked with making that determination. 

**UPDATE:** [www.mappingopportununityCA.org](http://www.mappingopportununityCA.org) is a website by an independent research group that has determined what “jobs-rich area” likely means under SB 50 and have created an interactive map to illustrate the impact. **Nearly all of the Westside Cities would be considered “jobs-rich”** and would be subject to:

- No limit on density; maximum .5 parking spaces per unit; 3 additional density bonus law incentives waivers, e.g. height limitation; setback requirement; floor area ratio; open space requirement; etc.

- **Greater density but no public transit?** SB 50 would require cities to allow greater density in communities that are high opportunity and jobs rich, but lack access to public
transit. This seems at odds with many state policies that encourage and incentivize denser housing near transit so that individuals may become less dependent on automobiles.

- **SB 50 allows some communities to be exempt** if they develop their own plan that is consistent with the objectives of the bill. Why not all communities? Shouldn’t all jurisdictions have the ability to have a community-led planning process that takes into account local needs and input as long as state objectives are still me

Below are the League’s additional housing bills of concern:

**AB 1279 (Bloom) Planning and Zoning: Housing Development: High-Resource Areas.**
- Would require HCD to determine “high-resource areas”, areas of high opportunity and low residential density not experiencing displacement or gentrification.
- Would require by-right approval for up to 100 units and 55 ft., if the project meets affordability requirements and site limitations.
- Projects would not need to be near transit.

**AB 1568 (McCarty) General Plans: Housing Element: Production Report: Withholding of Transportation Funds.**
- Would withhold and divert critical transportation funds from the Road Repair and Accountability Act (SB 1, Beall), for cities’ basic maintenance and road repair needs, if the jurisdiction has not produced enough housing units to satisfy state housing goals (RHNA).

**AB 1763 (Chiu) Density Bonuses: Affordable Housing.**
- Would greatly expand existing Density Bonus Law to allow developers to receive a density bonus of 80% and four additional concessions if 100% of project’s units are affordable to low-income households.
- For projects that are 100% affordable to low-income households and are within one-half mile radius of a major transit stop, a city would have to allow unlimited density and an additional three stories or 33ft.
- If the development is within one ½ mile of a high quality transit corridor, a city would have to allow unlimited density and an additional two stories or 22 feet.

**SB 4 (McGuire) Housing.**
- Would require up to fourplexes on vacant lots in single-family neighborhoods, by-right housing approvals, TOD heights one-story above existing heights; based on city population.

**SB 13 (Wieckowski) Accessory Dwelling Units.**
- Would cap/limit impacts fees and other mitigation fees.
- Would require jurisdictions to act on an ADU application within 60 days of application submittal.
- If HCD finds that a jurisdiction’s ordinance is out of compliance, the department would notify the Attorney General that the jurisdiction is in violation of the law.

**SB 330 (Skinner) Housing Crisis Act of 2019.** Until Jan. 2030, a city would not be able to:
- Downzone.
- Impose parking requirements.
• Increase impact fees. Apply any fees to affordable housing
• Impose a housing moratorium.
• Impose design standards that are costlier than those in effect in 2019.
• Establish a maximum number of conditional use permits.
• Adhere to a voter approved initiative that limits density or intensity of housing, and infrastructure.

The LA County Division has also taken positions on these bills:
• AB 755 (Holden) California Tire Fee: Stormwater Permit Compliance Fund -- SUPPORT
• AB 1093 (Rubio) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems: financial capability analysis -- SUPPORT
• SB 355 (Portantino) Joint powers agencies: meetings -- SUPPORT
• AB 1568 (McCarty) General plans: housing element: production report: withholding of transportation funds -- OPPOSE
Date: March 20, 2019

To: Gateway Cities Council of Governments Board of Directors
South Bay Cities Council of Governments Board of Directors
Westside Cities Council of Governments Board of Directors
Las Virgenes – Malibu Council of Governments Board of Directors
League of Cities LA County Division Board of Directors

From: Judith Mitchell, Governing Board Member, South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) and California Air Resources (ARB) Board

Subject: Recap of February and March 2019 AQMD and CARB Meetings/Activities

AQMD February and March Board meetings/Other Key Items

Visit to DC: I traveled to Washington, D.C. to advocate for federal issues affecting the AQMD. Discussions were held with congressional members and their staff in support of on-going funding for DERA, Targeted Air Shed Grants, and EPA Section 103/105 grants in the budget. Also, Board Members stressed the need to hold EPA accountable for progress on the heavy-duty truck low NOx emissions standard.

Amazon Fulfillment Center: I visited an Amazon Fulfillment Center in the Inland Empire recently. Amazon staff discussed warehouse and trucking operations associated with that facility and other facility types that they operate, as well as some of their corporate sustainability practices. They are currently working on a Shipment Zero program with a goal of net zero carbon emissions. In the future, this program may include tracking fuel usage and emissions from third-party trucks that come to the warehouse.

Proposed Approach to Address Hydrogen Fluoride Storage and Use at Petroleum Refineries:
At the February 1 meeting, the AQMD Board heard a presentation from staff about a possible rule or Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with each refinery to reduce the risk and consequences of a release of modified hydrogen fluoride (MHF). This included a possible phase-out of MHF if satisfactory mitigation and performance standards cannot be achieved. MHF is currently used at two refineries in the Basin: Torrance Refining Company Refinery (formerly ExxonMobil Refinery) and Valero Wilmington Refinery.

AQMD staff presented information on hydrogen fluoride use, health impacts, dispersion characteristics, and mitigation measures. The AQMD Board adopted (9-4) a motion to direct staff to work with both the community and industry over the next 90 days to reach a resolution that will be presented to the Refinery Committee and the Board. For more information, visit http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/Agendas/Governing-Board/2019/2019-mar1-001.pdf?sfvrsn=6

Facility-Based Mobile Source Measures: At the March 1 meeting, AQMD staff presented an update on Facility-Based Mobile Source Measures as part of the 2016 AQMP. This is being done by developing indirect source rules for warehouses and rail yards, pursuing memoranda of understanding (MOU) for marine ports and airports, and continuing to study potential regulatory and voluntary approaches for new/redevelopment projects.

Ports MOU Working Group: The working group is meeting regularly with representatives from CARB, EPA, Ports of LA (POLA) and LB (POLB), Coalition for Clean Air, Pacific Merchant Shipping Association, and California Trucking Association to estimate the potential emission benefits from the Ports Clean Air Action Plan measures. These estimates will be used to inform the development of an MOU with the Ports for emission reductions. Discussion topics included methodologies for estimating emissions for drayage trucks and cargo handling equipment. The group will meet through October. The MOU adoption by POLA and POLB Boards is expected by Sept 2019. The AQMD Board adoption is expected in Nov 2019. For more information, visit http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/Agendas/Mobile-Source/MSC021519.pdf?sfvrsn=10
**Airports MOU Working Group:** AQMD Staff is holding ongoing meetings with representatives from five commercial airports and California Airports Council (CAC) to discuss the MOU and Air Quality Improvement Plans (AQIPs). The Working Group will meet over the next 7-8 months. AQIP and MOU adoption by each airport is expected by Sep 2019. AQMD Board MOU adoption is expected in Nov 2019. For more information, visit [http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/Agendas-Mobile-Source/MSC021519.pdf?sfvrsn=10](http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/Agendas-Mobile-Source/MSC021519.pdf?sfvrsn=10)

**AQMD Summer Internship:** Applications are now being accepted for the 2019 Governing Board Summer Internship Program. The program is open to high school seniors, and currently enrolled college students, both undergraduate and graduate level. Applications may be submitted between February 1 and March 31 each year. For more information, visit [http://www.aqmd.gov/careers/governing-board-summer-internship?fbclid=IwAR2LtuOl3PuAb7pdYn0MEcOYYGzqi5s81_IHFW1laEGys9fqm9-q0La4CaM](http://www.aqmd.gov/careers/governing-board-summer-internship?fbclid=IwAR2LtuOl3PuAb7pdYn0MEcOYYGzqi5s81_IHFW1laEGys9fqm9-q0La4CaM)

**Zero Emission Lawn and Garden Equipment:** AQMD recently announced $2.5 million in incentive funds to help commercial gardeners and landscapers, local governments, school districts, colleges and non-profit organizations buy new zero-emission, battery-electric commercial-grade lawn and garden equipment and scrap and replace their old, polluting gasoline- or diesel-powered equipment. Participants may receive up to 60 percent off the purchase price for new equipment. This program is not available to individual residents who are not gardeners or landscapers. Participants will receive significant discounts applied at point of purchase on approved equipment. For example, a leaf blower with a backpack battery and a charger that retails for $1,400 can be purchased for only $560 plus tax, a 60 percent discount. Priority will be given to participants that are located in environmental justice or disadvantaged communities in the South Coast Basin. Visit [www.aqmd.gov/lawngarden](http://www.aqmd.gov/lawngarden) to view eligible equipment and dealer locations.

**SB 732 Voting District Authorization Ballot Measure for Air Quality Funding:** AQMD staff has been doing outreach on SB 732, relating to authorization for a sales tax ballot measure within the South Coast Air District. This measure would be focused on raising funds to facilitate a significant reduction of air pollution in the South Coast region, in support of the 2016 AQMP. The bill would authorize a voting district in the South Coast region to allow for possible future local funding ballot measures. The bill does not create any tax or raise any funds.

**Environmental Justice (EJ) and AB 617:** AQMD staff is continuing its work on AB 617 to address the disproportionate impacts of air pollution in environmental justice communities. The measure requires AQMD to take specific actions to reduce air pollution and toxic air contaminants from commercial and industrial sources. Approximately 80-100 people attended each of the AB 617 Community Steering Committee meetings in Wilmington/Carson/West Long Beach, Commerce, and Boyle Heights. AQMD staff provided an overview of potential emission reduction strategies and information about our enforcement activities. For more information and meeting dates, visit [http://www.aqmd.gov/nav/about/initiatives/environmental-justice/ab617-134](http://www.aqmd.gov/nav/about/initiatives/environmental-justice/ab617-134)
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**February - Zero-Emission Airport Shuttle Regulation:** CARB held the first of two planned Board hearings to consider approval of the Zero-Emission Airport Shuttle Regulation (Regulation). The Regulation will transition combustion powered airport shuttles that serve California’s commercial airports to zero-emission vehicles (ZEVs). The proposed Regulation will require fixed route airport shuttles that serve California’s 13 largest airports to transition to 100 percent ZEVs by 2035. The proposed regulation would apply to public and private fleets, including operators of parking facilities, rental car agencies, and hotels. For more information, visit [https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/zero-emission-airport-shuttle](https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/zero-emission-airport-shuttle)

**February – Aliso Canyon Natural Gas Leak Settlement:** CARB announced the approved settlement in the lawsuit against Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) resulting from the 2015-2016 Aliso Canyon natural gas leak. This settlement will fully mitigate the 109,000 metric tons of methane released into the atmosphere over the approximately five-month duration of that leak. Full mitigation will be complete by 2031.

SoCalGas will pay a total of $119.5 million, including at least $26.5 million for full mitigation by directly addressing the largest source of California’s methane emissions: dairies. The mitigation will be achieved by providing loans to construct methane digesters at 12 San Joaquin Valley dairies, grouped into three clusters, and constructing conditioning facilities and pipelines to allow the natural gas pipeline system to receive biomethane generated by cattle in the valley’s dairies. The loan will be paid back over time by proceeds from sales of the generation of the renewable methane, which will not return to SoCalGas. As mitigation progresses, repayments will be directed to two funds that will fund additional beneficial projects in the South Coast Air Basin. For more information, visit [https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/aliso-canyon-natural-gas-leak/about](https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/aliso-canyon-natural-gas-leak/about)

**March - AB 617 Community Air Protection Program:** CARB staff will present their recent efforts in developing tools in support of AB 617, and the community selection process for the second year. In September 2018, CARB approved the selection of the first ten communities to develop community air monitoring plans and/or community emissions reduction programs under the Community Air Protection Program adopted pursuant to Assembly Bill (AB) 617. For more information, visit [https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/community-air-protection-program](https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/community-air-protection-program)

**March - Actions to Minimize Community Health Impacts from Freight:** CARB staff will present an informational update on California's actions to minimize emissions and community health impacts from its freight system, including regulatory development, incentives, plans, and guidance on freight facilities. For more information, visit [https://www.arb.ca.gov/gmp/sfti/sfti.htm](https://www.arb.ca.gov/gmp/sfti/sfti.htm)
WEDNESDAY
11:00 a.m.  TRAFFIC SAFETY LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM
In partnership with the Office of Traffic Safety and Auto Club of Southern California
Traffic safety is a serious issue in Southern California. On average, more than 1,500 people die and 136,000 people are injured in collisions every year, and most collisions happen on local streets—not freeways. SCAG’s Traffic Safety Leadership Symposium will explore regional traffic safety issues and the policy and implementation tools available to local governments. Expert panelists will highlight local strategies to improve safety, including balancing enforcement and equity, education and outreach strategies, and safe street design. This session is open to elected officials and city managers. For more information, email Lindsey Hansen at hansen@scag.ca.gov

THURSDAY
8:00 a.m.  REGISTRATION & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
Sponsored by SMG Worldwide—Greater Ontario Convention & Visitors Bureau
9:00 a.m.  REGIONAL COUNCIL MEETING
10:15 a.m.  WELCOME AND KEYNOTE
11:00 a.m.  GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING
12:15 p.m.  SUSTAINABILITY AWARDS LUNCHEON
Sponsored by Majestic Realty
2:00 p.m.  BREAKOUT SESSIONS I
BOOM GOES THE GREEN ECONOMY
We’re ushering in a new era for the green economy. New state-level policies and innovations are spurring market changes. Many new sustainable technologies are proving to be real moneymakers, and the region is seeing supercharged growth in green jobs. This is good news for all parts of the region, including less urbanized and more rural areas. All kinds of communities, in different sizes and locations, have the potential to benefit from this boom. This panel will lay out a clear path for Southern California leaders to harness the green economy at home.

THE NEW MOBILITY REVOLUTION
Sponsored by WSP
New mobility technologies are popping up and proliferating almost faster than we can keep track. What are some of the innovations that stand to change the face of how we get around in Southern California the most, or the soonest?

WHERE WILL OUR CHILDREN LIVE?
This panel will discuss the threat the housing crisis poses for the next generation, and zero in on the planning and policy strategies that will allow future generations to realize the dream of homeownership.

3:15 p.m.  BREAK & NETWORKING
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THURSDAY continued
3:30 p.m. BREAKOUT SESSIONS II

IS OUR INFRASTRUCTURE READY FOR THE NEW NORMAL?
Sea level rise, extreme weather and more are becoming “the new normal.” Are we ready to meet the challenges climate change poses to the systems we depend on? What can we be doing now to mitigate negative impacts on our infrastructure? This panel will tackle the issues that climate stresses present, and look at what leaders can prioritize in order to address these challenges.

UNLEASHING THE POWER OF DATA
Sharing data and building programming knowledge in local governments leads to greater efficiency and better service for the whole region. Shared data also spurs innovation: If everyone is working from the same information, and the information is shared instead of protected, it fosters ideas. This panel will show how advances in civic tech, and particularly the advent of widespread data-sharing, can change the face of the region for the better.

STUDENT SHOWCASE
This session shines a light on some of the most exciting research and planning work being done in the region. A select group of outstanding students will share projects that demonstrate innovative sustainability planning concepts and illustrate the power of applied data to solve civic problems. All attendees of this session will be able to vote to award their favorite projects for an Audience Award and accompanying cash prizes.

5:30 p.m. RECEPTION

FRIDAY
8:30 a.m. BREAKFAST
9:00 a.m. WELCOME
  • Student Showcase Awards
9:15 a.m. MORNING KEYNOTE
9:45 a.m. PLENARY SESSION
10:45 a.m. CONNECT SOCAL
  A special presentation on Connect SoCal, the 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy, a long-range visioning plan that balances future mobility and housing needs with economic, environmental and public health goals.

11:30 a.m. WRAP UP