

**MINUTES OF THE
SR-91/I-605/I-405 CORRIDOR CITIES
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) MEETING
Gateway Cities COG Office, 16401 Paramount Blvd., Paramount
October 24, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Jerry Stock at 1:37 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call was taken by self-introductions.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Jerry Stock, Bellflower, Vice Chair; Kanna Vancheswaran, City of Cerritos; Ed Norris, City of Downey; Eric Widstrand, City of Long Beach; Bill Zimmerman, City of Norwalk; Jose Loera, City of Pico Rivera; Noe Negrete, City of Santa Fe Springs, Chair; Carl Hassel, City of Whittier; Paul J. Barbe, County of Los Angeles.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Okina Dor, Artesia; Bill Pagett, Cities of Hawaiian Gardens and Paramount; Representative from City of Compton; Representative from City of Industry; Max Withrow, City of Lakewood; Mark Christoffels, San Gabriel Valley COG.

OTHERS PRESENT: Lucy Olmos, Metro; Carlos Montez, Metro; Jack Joseph, GCCOG; Kekoa Anderson, GCCOG; Joe Gonzalez, Jacobs; Nick Polichetti, Jacobs; Walt Quesada, Jacobs; Chris Buscarino, WSP; Chris Carillo, Epic Land Solutions; Georgia Medina, Moffatt & Nichol; Stephanie Osirk, Moffat & Nichol; Marie Marston, Civil Works Engineers; Eric Diaz, Optitrans; Elizabeth Alcantar, Los Angeles County Bicycle Coalition; Nick Burkhart, UCLA.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Kekoa Anderson.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

The chair announced that item D on the agenda was not ready to be acted upon and would be brought back at a later meeting and that item C would be taken out of order.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

MATTERS FROM STAFF

There were no matters from staff.

CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Jerry Stock, seconded by Jose Loera, to approve the minutes of the meeting of August 22, 2017. The motion was approved unanimously, with Noe Negrete and Paul Barbe abstaining.

REPORTS

A. I-605 Hot Spots Interchanges Project Updates

Carlos Montez, Metro, provided an update on the I-605 Hot Spots interchange projects. He said they are still going over the geometrics with the cities and are wrapping up the environmental work. He said community meetings will be held early next year, followed by procurements for the design work on the SR-91 interchanges at I-605 and I-710.

It was moved by Eric Widstrand, seconded by Paul Barbe, to receive and file the report. The motion was approved unanimously.

B. South Bound I-605/Beverly Boulevard Interchange Project Update

Lucy Olmos, Metro, introduced Marie Marston of Civil Works Engineers, who provided a PowerPoint presentation on the proposed project. She said the project is intended to address the operational deficiency caused by the fact that currently vehicles exiting from south bound I-605 can only go east on Beverly Blvd. She described the two alternative designs to address this issue, saying that there is an estimated two-year time frame to complete the PAED and PS&E for the interchange improvements. Construction would occur in late 2019, with an estimated cost of \$11 million.

It was moved by Carl Hassel, seconded by Bill Zimmerman, to receive and file the report. The motion was approved unanimously.

C. SB I-605 from SR-91 to South Street Improvements Project Update

Lucy Olmos, Metro, introduced a PowerPoint presentation on proposed improvements to the southbound I-605 between SR-91 and South Street. The planned improvement would be the addition of a fourth lane on the exit ramp to accommodate vehicles wishing to go westbound on South Street. The improvements would address current operational deficiencies, including weaving movements, high accident rates, and queuing on the offramp caused by merging

vehicles. The project scope has an 18-month schedule for the environmental and design phase. Caltrans would complete the environmental document.

It was moved by Jerry Stock, seconded by Carl Hassel, to receive and file the report. The motion was approved unanimously.

D. Measure R Funding Requests: Lakewood Blvd./Alondra Blvd. Intersection Improvement Project—Request for Additional Funds

This item was deferred to a later meeting.

E. Gateway Cities COG Engineer Report

Kekoa Anderson said the January meeting will begin the series of status reports on the early action projects. He said the second tier of Proposition 1 funding from the Rivers and Mountains Conservancy will be coming out early next year. He said a letter will be going out to city managers asking them to designate a staff representative to the I-605 Aesthetics Committee, which will function in a similar way to the I-710 Aesthetics Committee.

It was moved by Jerry Stock, seconded by Ed Norris, to receive and file the report. The motion was approved unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Ed Norris asked that cities that have not yet submitted their priority projects for the Strategic Transportation Plan to please do so.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 2:16 p.m.