



## **I-710 Technical Advisory Committee**

*Wednesday, June 21, 2017*

*1:30 – 3:30 PM*

**Gateway Cities Council of Governments**  
**16401 Paramount Boulevard, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room**  
**Paramount, California**

### **AGENDA**

**STAFF REPORTS AND OTHER WRITTEN DOCUMENTS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE GATEWAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS OFFICES, 16401 PARAMOUNT BOULEVARD, PARAMOUNT, CALIFORNIA. ANY PERSON HAVING QUESTIONS CONCERNING ANY AGENDA ITEM MAY CALL THE COG STAFF AT (562) 663-6850.**

**FOR YOUR INFORMATION:** The I-710 Technical Advisory Committee will hear from the public on any item on the agenda or an item of interest that is not on the agenda. The I-710 Technical Advisory Committee cannot take action on any item not scheduled on the agenda. These items may be referred for administrative action or scheduled on a future agenda. Comments are to be limited to three minutes for each speaker, unless extended by the I-710 Technical Advisory Committee, and each speaker will only have one opportunity to speak on any one topic. You have the opportunity to address the I-710 Technical Advisory Committee at the following times:

- A. **AGENDA ITEM:** at this time the I-710 Technical Advisory Committee considers the agenda item OR during Public Comments, and
- B. **NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** during Public Comments, comments will be received for a maximum 20-minute period; any additional requests will be heard following the completion of the I-710 Technical Advisory Committee agenda; and
- C. **PUBLIC HEARINGS:** at the time for public hearings.

**Please keep your comments brief and complete a speaker card for the Chair.**

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. ROLL CALL – BY SELF INTRODUCTIONS**
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**IV. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA** - This is the time and place to change the order of the agenda, delete or add any agenda item(s).

**V. PUBLIC COMMENTS** - Three minutes for each speaker.

**VI. MATTERS FROM STAFF**

**VII. CONSENT CALENDAR:** All items under the Consent Calendar may be enacted by one motion. Any item may be removed from the Consent Calendar and acted upon separately by the I-710 Technical Advisory Committee.

A. Approve Minutes for the Meeting of April 19, 2017, of the I-710 Technical Advisory Committee

CONSENT CALENDAR ACTION:

A MOTION TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM.

**VIII. REPORTS**

- 30 Min** A. I-710 EIR/EIS Project
- Project Status Reports – Oral Report by Metro
  - Project Schedule – Oral Report by Metro

SUGGESTED ACTION: A MOTION TO RECEIVE AND FILE REPORT, POSSIBLE ACTION AND/OR GIVE DIRECTION TO STAFF

- 15 Min** B. Current 710 Early Action Project Update Including
- Cash Flow/Invoicing Status – Oral Report by Metro

SUGGESTED ACTION: A MOTION TO RECEIVE AND FILE REPORT, POSSIBLE ACTION AND/OR GIVE DIRECTION TO STAFF

- 10 Min** C. Early Action Projects – Schedule to Present Monthly Status Updates for Local Projects – Presentation by Gateway Cities COG Staff

SUGGESTED ACTION: A MOTION TO RECEIVE AND FILE REPORT, POSSIBLE ACTION AND/OR GIVE DIRECTION TO STAFF

- 5 Min** D. City of Bell Request for Funding the Local Match for Gage & Slauson Bridge Projects

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- 5 Min E. City of Paramount Request for Funding Garfield Avenue Improvements Cost Increase

SUGGESTED ACTION: A MOTION TO RECEIVE AND FILE REPORT, POSSIBLE ACTION AND/OR GIVE DIRECTION TO STAFF

- 5 Min F. COG Engineer's Report – Oral Report by Kekoa Anderson

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**IX. MATTERS FROM THE I-710 TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**X. MATTERS FROM THE CHAIR**

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

NOTICE: New items will not be considered after 4:00 p.m. unless the I-710 Technical Advisory Committee votes to extend the time limit. Any items on the agenda that are not completed will be forwarded to the next regular I-710 Technical Advisory Committee meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 19, 1:30 PM.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICAN WITH DISABILITIES ACT, IF YOU NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT THE COG OFFICE AT (562) 663-6850. NOTIFICATION 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THE MEETING WILL ENABLE THE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS TO MAKE REASONABLE ARRANGEMENT TO ENSURE ACCESSIBILITY TO THIS MEETING.

**VII. CONSENT CALENDAR**  
**Item A**  
**Approval of Minutes**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
I-710 CORRIDOR PROJECT EIR/EIS  
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
16401 Paramount Blvd., Paramount, CA  
April 19, 2017**

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Bill Pagett at 1:36 p.m.

**II. Roll Call**

**PRESENT:** Bill Pagett, Chair, City of Paramount; Al Cablay, City of Bell; Ray Abassi, City of Bell Gardens; Mohammad Mostahkami, City of Downey; Sergio Infanzon, City of Huntington Park; Alvin Papa, City of Long Beach; Dan Garcia, City of Maywood; Art Cervantes, City of South Gate; Paul Barbe, County of Los Angeles; John Vassiliades, Caltrans; John Schlenz, MTA; Theresa Dau Ngo, POLB; Shozo Yoshikawa, POLA; Lijin Sun, SCAQMD; Michael Huynh, SCE (ex officio).

**ABSENT:** Richard Garland, City of Carson; Maryam Babaki, City of Commerce; Representative from the City of Cudahy; Glen Kau, City of Compton; Raul Godinez, City of Lynwood; Representative from the City of Signal Hill; Kevin Wilson, City of Vernon; Jacob Waclaw, FHWA & FTA; Annie Nam, SCAG; Representative from the California Highway Patrol; John Doherty, ACTA (ex officio); Steve Broyles, LADWP (ex officio).

Other attendees included: Elioth Obando, Caltrans; Kekoa Anderson, GCCOG; Vanessa Barrientos, GCCOG; Jack Joseph, GCCOG; Chris Buscarino, WSP/Parsons Brinckerhoff; Romeo Firme, David Evans & Associates; Georgina Medina, Moffatt & Nichol; Sheila Amparo, BKF.

**III. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mohammad Mostahkami.

**IV. Amendments to the Agenda**

There were no amendments to the agenda.

**V. Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**VI. Matters from Staff**

There were no matters from staff.

**VII. Consent Calendar**

It was moved by Mohamed Mostahkami, seconded by Al Cablay, to approve the minutes of the meeting of March 15, 2017. The motion was approved unanimously.

**VIII. Reports**

**A. I-710 EIR/EIR Project Updates**

- Project Status Reports
- Project Schedule
- Summary Technical Findings: Community Impact Assessment

It was reported that the EIR/EIS is on track to be released for public review at the end of June. Caltrans District 7 has completed its comments and transmitted the document to headquarters yesterday for legal review. AECOM delivered the first draft of the PR to Caltrans about a month ago. Review comments will be completed this week and sent back to AECOM. A status report presentation is scheduled for the Metro Board next week.

LSA studied the baseline and affected environment for each component and analyzed impacts quantitatively and qualitatively. What has changed from the initial report is that there are new alternatives more refined analysis, and more robust environmental analysis.

With regard to land use, the new build alternatives are generally compatible with existing planning and planned use areas. Primary impacts in parks and recreation were identified for Parque Dos Rios and Cesar Chavez Park in Long Beach, Bandini Park in Commerce, and the Compton Hunting and Fishing Club.

There were generally no impacts to community character and cohesion, although localized impacts were identified in Long Beach, Bell, and Commerce. With regard to transit trends and growth, alternative 7 has the most benefit. Both build alternatives create jobs, ranging from 95,000 from alternative 5C to 180,000 from alternative 7 if option 3A is chosen. There would be minor losses in sales and property tax.

Community Facilities that would be facing relocation are Fire Station No. 4 in Vernon, and the Long Beach Multi-Services Center (alternative 7 only), and

the Bell shelter complex (alternative 7 only). Peak period parking restrictions would be needed along Atlantic, Cherry, and Eastern avenues. From an environmental justice standpoint, the study area has a high number of minority and low-income residents. There would be environmental justice improvement in part due to project funded zero emission and near zero emission trucks (there are some exceptions at near-roadway locations), new bicycle and pedestrian only crossings, increased transit services, and a community health benefit program. There could be noise increases at some locations where it is not proposed to build sound walls.

The next steps will be to incorporate these results into the RDEIR/SDEIS, circulate the document for public review, holding hearings, identifying and selecting the preferred alternative, and completing the final EIR/EIS in late 2018 or early 2019.

It was moved by Mohammad Mostahkami, seconded by Ray Abassi, to receive and file the report. The motion was approved unanimously.

#### **B. Current I-710 Early Action Project Update Including Cash Flow/Invoicing Status**

John Schlenz referred the TAC to the expenditure report compiled as of yesterday. He said they are trying to get a record of all expenditures through this quarter.

Mohammad Mostahkami reported that the Firestone Blvd. project in Downey has been completed.

It was move by Ray Abassi, seconded by Al Cablay, to receive and file the report. The motion was approved unanimously.

#### **C. Status Update Regarding the Concept to Prioritize Local Early Action Projects Using the STP**

Kekoa Anderson requested that this item be carried over to next meeting since Yvette Kirrin was not able to attend today's meeting.

Mohammad Mostahkami stated that the TAC needs to look at all the available funding sources to get ready in advance of the next round of early action project funding. John Schlenz asked if everyone was familiar with the eligibility requirements for Measure M. He said that Metro could host a workshop with cross-functional units to assist the TAC.

It was the consensus of the TAC to carry this item over to the next meeting.

**D. City of Bell Request for Funding the Local Match for the Gage and Slauson Bridge Projects**

Al Cablay asked that this item be carried over to the May meeting and include Florence Avenue.

Bill Pagett said Caltrans has millions available under the HDR program. Sergio Infanzon suggested that the HDR program be included on the next agenda.

It was the consensus of the TAC to carry this item over to the next meeting.

**E. COG Engineer's Report**

Kekoa Anderson provided a brief summary of recent COG project meetings.

**IX. Matters from the I-710 Technical Advisory Committee**

There were no matters from the TAC members.

**X. Matters from the Chair**

There were no matters from the chair.

**XI. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 2:55 p.m.