

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
I-710 CORRIDOR PROJECT EIR/EIS
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Via Zoom
JANUARY 18, 2023**

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:40 PM

Roll Call

#	Name	City/Agency	Present	Absent
1.	Bill Pagett	City of Bell	X	
2.	Grissel Chavez	City of Bell Gardens	X	
3.	Richard Garland	City of Carson		X
4.	Mohammed Mostahkami	City of Commerce	X	
5.	Vacant	City of Compton		X
6.	Aaron Hernandez Torres	City of Cudahy		X
7.	Ed Norris	City of Downey	X	
8.	Cesar Roldan	City of Huntington Park	X	
9.	Mouhsen Habib	City of Long Beach	X	
10.	Julian Lee	City of Lynwood		X
11.	Mohammed Mostahkami	City of Maywood	X	
12.	Bill Pagett	City Paramount	X	
13.	Bill Zimmerman	City of Signal Hill		X
14.	Jose Loera	City of South Gate	X	
15.	Lizette Melendrez	City of Vernon		X
16.	Mahdad Derakhshani	County of Los Angeles	X	
17.	Jason Roach	CalTrans	X	
18.	Jacob Waclaw	FHWA & FTA		X
19.	Ernesto Chaves	MTA	X	
20.	Theresa Dau Ngo	Port of Long Beach	X	
21.	Kerry Cartwright	Port of Los Angeles	X	
Total =			14	7

Other attendees included: Yvette Kirrin, Traci Gleason, Nancy Pfeffer, Ana Pantoja – GCCOG staff; James Shankel - CalTrans; Bill Stracker, Sherill Terrell – JM Diaz; Ricardo Corona, Ed Alegre, Lourdes Kriste, Lucy Delgadillo, Eve Moir – Metro; Viviana Gomez, Luke Klipp Office of Supervisor Hahn; Nina Turner, Theresa Dau-Ngo - Port of Long Beach; Nicolas Velazquez - Moffat & Nichol; Wayne Richardson – HDR; Shannon Willits - HNTB; Maggie Cheung - LA County Department of Public Works; Bill Zimmerman – City of Signal Hill; Douglas Benash – City of Bell Gardens; Robert Calix – LB-ELA Corridor Project Team; Elias Saikaly – City of South Gate

II. Amendments to the Agenda

There were no amendments to the agenda.

III. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

IV. Matters from Staff

There were no matters from staff.

V. Consent Calendar

A motion by Ed Norris, Downey, seconded by Mohammad Mostahkami, Commerce to approve the meeting minutes of October 19, 2022 of the 710 TAC, with minor corrections. Roll call was taken and the motion was approved unanimously with no objection, nor abstention.

VI. Reports

Item A: 710 Metro Task Force - Update

Mr. Ed Alegre from Metro introduced Eve Moir, the Project Manager of the 710 ICM Project. Eve provided an ICM update to the group noting that Metro was continuing to complete the 65% Design package with finalization this month. Sending to all stakeholders including meetings with individuals. It will be shared in early Feb, and the 95% review in summer 2023, as well as planning to apply for TCEP in 2022 and hear back in July 2023.

Bill Paget from Bell had a question regarding the ICM and mentioned that Metro is meeting with the Cities regarding bus preemption, and he wanted to be sure that they are communicating with the ICM as there seems like a conflict with "cabinet space" as these project have equipment that needs to be installed, and he wanted to be sure it's coordinated.

Ernesto Chavez, from Metro, shared his screen and provided an update regarding the work of the 710 Metro Task Force. He noted that they are reviewing the list of projects without priority and/or screening for eligibility. Eventually the projects will be evaluated with criteria toward the creation of a draft Investment Plan recommendation to the Metro Board. All projects fit within various categories. The list is over 200 projects and some have more detail than other including concepts to engineering studies.

Regarding the QC of the list, Ms. Kirrin asked what is the procedure if a project is missing, so we ensure that it's complete. She noted that the GCCOG circulated the list last week for review by our TAC members.

Ernesto asked that Yvette with the GCCOG be the central point for corrections/edits by next week, or by January 25th.

Ernesto stated that they've included concepts that include zero emission truck lanes as well as congestion pricing. Theresa asked if the presentations given back in November to the Task Force provided any inputs to the current list including pavement needs and signage. Ernesto noted that he thought so but that cross-reference between the lists is needed. Ernesto noted that congestion pricing options need to be studied. Paul also noted that the 2035 mandate for all electric vehicles.

Metro will share all information with the TAC which includes the methodology and results. Yvette noted that the TAC would like to participate in the creating the methodology and participating so we can be a part of the results that occur.

Nancy Pfeffer also reiterated process issues, including the Ad-Hoc that was formed in mid-2021 after the no-build was determined, which was a subset of the GCCOG Board, which included a recommendation list. She noted that all projects should be in the comprehensive list published by Metro for review. The GCCOG needs to be well engaged in order to support Metro's plan. She wants the TAC to meet monthly to stay current on all items. She noted that each City/agency has a CLC member, and she wanted to make sure everyone knew that they were nominated to serve on the CLC. The TAC was unaware of the CLC members representing their own communities.

A motion by Mohammad Mostahkami (Commerce), seconded by Bill Zimmerman (Signal Hill) to receive and file the report. Without objection and/or abstentions, the motion was approved.

Item B: I-710 Measure R Funds Update (Freeway & Non-Freeway)

Mr. Ricardo Corona, of Metro, presented the Measure R funding report. He noted that next Month's TAC meeting will change to \$110million and remaining will decrease to about \$50million and the equity pie chart will also change a bit to reflect new projects. The new totals \$95 million reflecting reimbursements.

A motion by Mohammad Mostahkami (Commerce), seconded by Ed Norris (Downey) to receive and file the report. Without objection and/or abstentions, the motion was approved.

Item C: I-710 TAC Work Program List – Presentation by Yvette Kirrin

Ms. Yvette Kirrin provided an oral report noting that the 710 TAC advocacy work program exercise was complete and the list of the projects was incorporated into Metro's comprehensive project list that was sent out to the TAC last week.

She reiterated that the Metro Task Force Project list needs to be reviewed by January 25, 2023, per Ernesto's prior report. She also noted that she's working with GCCOG staff to schedule 1 on 1 agency meetings to go over the advocacy plan with each including next steps.

A motion was made by Mohammed Mostahkami (Commerce), seconded by Bill Zimmerman (Signal Hill) to receive and file the report. Without objection and/or abstentions, the motion was approved.

Item D: I-710 Measure R (Non-Freeway) Funding Request

Firestone Boulevard I-710 On-Ramp Project – City of South Gate

Mr. Elias Saikaly, City of South Gate, presented the funding request for the Firestone On-Ramp Project, and noted that the city would like to lead the effort instead of having Caltrans do it, and that they needed to swap out a funding source and replace it with Measure R. He noted that the funding request was for \$1.455 million.

Ernesto Chavez from Metro immediately clarified that this project is considered a "Freeway funding request", as well as it not considered to be new funds, as the request is asking the TAC to endorse transferring the funds from Caltrans to the City.

A motion was made by Mohammad Mostahkami (Commerce), seconded by Bill Pagett (Paramount) to approve \$1.455 Million in Measure R Funds for the project with Caltrans as the lead agency, and to approve a change lead agency from Caltrans to the City. Roll call was taken and there were 12 remaining (quorum) in favor with no abstentions nor any objections, with the motion being unanimously approved.

Item F: COG Engineer's Report – Oral Report by Yvette Kirrin and/or Kekoa Anderson

No Report.

VIII. Matters from the I-710 Technical Advisory Committee

No further matters.

IX. Matters from the Chair

No Matters

X. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:01 PM