

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
SR-91/I-605/I-405 CORRIDOR CITIES COMMITTEE**

**A Meeting Held at the
Gateway Cities Council of Governments
1st Floor Conference Room
16401 Paramount Blvd., Paramount, CA**

June 26, 2019, 5:00pm

I. Call to Order

Chair DuBois called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Roll Call was taken by self-introductions.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Diane DuBois, City of Lakewood Chair; Raymond Dunton, City of Bellflower; Naresh Solanki, City of Cerritos; Sean Ashton, City of Downey; Jesse Alvarado, City of Hawaiian Gardens; Stacy Mungo, City of Long Beach; Leonard Shryock, City of Norwalk; Laurie Guillen, City of Paramount; Fernando Dutra, City of Whittier; Bill Johnson, County of Los Angeles.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Tony Lima, City of Artesia; Janna Zurita, City of Compton; Representative from City of Industry; Representative from City of Pico Rivera; Joe Angel Zamora, City of Santa Fe Springs.

ALSO PRESENT: Ernesto Chaves, Metro; Genny Cisneros, GCCOG Staff, Yvette Kirrin, GCCOG Engineer; Kekoa Anderson, GCCOG Engineer.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Member Ashton.

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 Member DuBois, seconded by Member Dunton, to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion was approved unanimously.

VIII. Reports

A. I-605 Hot Spots – Engineering Report

Freeway Hot Spots

Ernesto Chaves, Metro, gave a PowerPoint presentation which updated the Committee on the status of freeway interchange projects. Mr. Chaves reviewed the background for the early action projects program, stating that, to be eligible, projects needed to have independent utility, limited right-of-way impacts, and be able to be completed within five years. He identified independent projects with I-605 interchanges that were analyzed in collaboration with Caltrans.

Non-Freeway or Arterial Intersection Hot Spots

Ernesto Chaves, Metro, gave a PowerPoint presentation which reviewed the arterial hot spots program. He said the initial list of intersection improvements were at 28 locations, for which \$39.9 million had been programmed. He said Metro was asked to complete PA/ED for ten intersections and complete PS&E for five intersections.

It was moved by Member Dunton, seconded by Member DuBois, to receive and file the report. The motion was approved unanimously.

B. I-605 Corridor Aesthetic Master Plan

Kekoa Anderson, GCCOG, provided an overview of the I-605 Corridor Aesthetic Master Plan. The corridor master plan unifies and compliments the existing corridor. Project Aesthetics Goals and Objectives are kept at the forefront to create a visually pleasing corridor, ensure visual unity with the corridor, enhance community identity, promote design for safety, functionality, and maintainability.

He reported that the Technical Advisory Committee had approved the I-605 Corridor Aesthetic Master Plan at their last TAC meeting.

Due to the size of the document, it could not be included in the meeting agenda packet, however the full document can be viewed/downloaded from the GCCOG Web Site.

It was moved by Member Mungo, seconded by Member Dunton, to approve I-605 Corridor Aesthetic Master Plan. The motion was approved unanimously.

C. The I-605 “Hot Spots” Measure M Multiyear Subregional Program (MSP)

Yvette Kirrin provided an overview presentation of the I-605 “Hot Spots” Measure M Multiyear Subregional Program (MSP). She provided a handout that detailed the steps taken to create the 91/605/405 Multi Sub-Regional Plan (MSP) for the Measure M funds. The goal was to quantify a project from each jurisdiction to be funded and delivered, consistent with the Measure M guidelines. Most of the jurisdictions completed the GCCOG informational request for projects, and returned a list of projects for review by GCCOG and Metro staff. No projects were provided by the Cities of Compton, Industry, Norwalk and Santa Fe Springs. She noted that the same presentation and recommendation to approve the Measure M MSP work plan (ie. List) was presented to the TAC on May 28, 2019 and the motion was approved unanimously. As far as next steps, she recommended the Measure M MSP work plan (or list of projects) be forwarded to Metro Staff for approval and funding.

It was moved by Member DuBois, seconded by Member Dutra, to approve the proposed MSP workplan. The motion was approved unanimously.

D. Gateway Cities Engineer’s Report

Kekoa Anderson reported that there is an initiative to create an aesthetics committee for the SR-91 corridor similar to the ones established for the I-710 and I-605 Corridors.

The completed master plans to date are for the I-710 Corridor and the I-605 Corridor which both include the interchanges at SR-91. When the two plans were completed, the next step was to look at the east-west connection of SR-91, and how it ties into the aesthetics for the I-710 Corridor and the I-605 Corridor. To the east of the project, I-5, that crosses into Orange County, has another aesthetic theme. To the west of the project, outside of the COG boundaries, another theme is being developed. The goal of the SR-91 Aesthetic Committee is to determine a concept plan for this segment of SR-91 that blends with the individual

perpendicular freeway connections and tie into themes to the east and west.

One of the reasons to initiate the SR-91 Aesthetic Master Plan now is because there are projects that are in progress.

- Westbound 91, which is in Plans, Specifications & Estimate (PS&E) Phase. 65% Submittal is anticipated by December of this year.
- SR-91 (Atlantic to Cherry), which is in Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA&ED) phase
- SR-91 (Central to Acacia), which also is in PA&ED phase.

Aesthetic assumptions for structures need to be defined so that they can be incorporated into the structural analysis for 65% design level. Not having the aesthetics defined early may cause re-work and potential delays to project schedules.

It was moved by Member Guillen, seconded by Member Dutra, to receive and file the report. The motion was approved unanimously.

IX. Comments from Committee Members

Chairman DuBois thanked the Committee for attending the meeting and assuring that there was be a quorum.

X. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 5:57 p.m.