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GENERAL ASSEMBLY HOST COMMITTEE

Monday, February 28, 2022 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

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- 2. Hon. Sean Ashton Downey, RC District 25
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- **12. Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker** El Centro, RC District 1
- **13. Hon. Alan Wapner** LCMC Chair, SBCTA Representative
- **14. Hon. Mark Waronek** Lomita, SBCCOG
- **15. Hon. Frank A. Yokoyama** CEHD Vice Chair, Cerritos, RC District 23



Southern California Association of Governments Remote Participation Only Monday, February 28, 2022 9:30 AM

The General Assembly Host Committee may consider and act upon any of the items on the agenda regardless of whether they are listed as Information or Action items.

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (The Honorable Carmen Ramirez, Chair)

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD (Matters Not on the Agenda)

This is the time for persons to comment on any matter pertinent to SCAG's jurisdiction that is **not** listed on the agenda. Although the committee may briefly respond to statements or questions, under state law, matters presented under this item cannot be discussed or acted upon at this time. Public comment for items listed on the agenda will be taken separately as further described below.

General information for all public comments: Members of the public are encouraged, but not required, to submit written comments by sending an email to: <u>ePublicComment@scag.ca.gov</u> by 5pm on Friday, February 25, 2022. Such comments will be transmitted to members of the legislative body and posted on SCAG's website prior to the meeting. Any writings or documents provided to a majority of the General Assembly Host Committee regarding any item on this agenda (other than writings legally exempt from public disclosure) are available at the Office of the Clerk, located at 900 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1700, Los Angeles, CA 90017 during normal business hours and/or by contacting the office by phone, (213) 630-1420, or email to aguilarm@scag.ca.gov. Written comments received after 5pm on Friday, February 25, 2022, will be announced and included as part of the official record of the meeting. Members of the public wishing to verbally address the General Assembly Host Committee in real time during the meeting will be allowed up to a total of 3 minutes to speak on items on the agenda, with the presiding officer retaining discretion to adjust time limits as necessary to ensure efficient and orderly conduct of the meeting. The presiding officer has the discretion to equally reduce the time limit of all speakers based upon the number of comments received. If you desire to speak on an item listed on the agenda, please wait for the chair to call the item and then indicate your interest in offering public comment by either using the "raise hand" function on your computer or pressing *9 on your telephone. For purpose of providing public comment for items listed on the Consent Calendar (if there is a Consent Calendar), please indicate that you wish to speak when the Consent Calendar is called; items listed on the Consent Calendar will be acted upon with one motion and there will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the legislative body so requests, in which event, the item will be considered separately.



REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval

1. Minutes of the Meeting – February 14, 2022

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEM

2. Sponsorship Update (Houston Laney, Lead – Internal & Website Communications)

3. Program Update (Margaret de Larios, Lead – External Communications & Media)

ADJOURNMENT



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MINUTES OF THE MEETING GENERAL ASSEMBLY HOST COMMITTEE (GAHC) MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2022

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES IS A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HOST COMMITTEE (GAHC). A VIDEO AND AUDIO RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE AT: <u>http://scag.iqm2.com/Citizens/</u>.

The General Assembly Host Committee (GAHC) of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) held its meeting virtually (telephonically and electronically), given the declared state of emergency (pursuant to State of Emergency Proclamation dated March 4, 2020) and local public health directives imposing and recommending social distancing measures due to the threat of COVID-19, and pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(1)(A). A quorum was present.

Members Present

Hon. Carmen Ramirez, 2 nd Vice President, Chair		Ventura County
Hon. Art Brown, Vice Chair, TC	Buena Park	District 21
Hon. Margaret E. Finlay	Duarte	District 35
Hon. Jan Harnik, 1 st Vice President		RCTC
Hon. Jorge Marquez, Chair, CEHD	Covina	District 33
Hon. David Pollock, Chair, EEC	Moorpark	District 46
Hon. Deborah Robertson, Vice Chair, EEC	Rialto	District 8
Hon. Alan D. Wapner, Chair, LCMC		SBCTA
Hon. Mark Waronek	Lomita	SBCCOG
Members Not Present		
Hon. Sean Ashton, Chair, TC	Downey	District 25
Hon. Peggy Huang, Vice Chair, LCMC		TCA
Hon. Clint Lorimore, President	Eastvale	District 4
Hon. Rex Richardson, Imm. Past President	Long Beach	District 29
Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker, President's Appt.	El Centro	District 1
Hon. Frank Yokoyama, Vice Chair, CEHD	Cerritos	District 23

Staff Present

Javiera Cartagena, Director of Government and Public Affairs



Houston Laney, Lead – Internal Government and Public Affairs Margaret de Larios, Public Affairs Specialist III Maggie Aguilar, Clerk of the Board

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable Carmen Ramirez called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. Chair Ramirez asked Hon. Mark Waronek, Lomita, SBCCOG, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Given the declared state of emergency (pursuant to State of Emergency Proclamation dated March 4, 2020) and local public health directives imposing and recommending social distancing measures due to the threat of COVID-19, and pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(1)(A), Chair Ramirez announced the meeting was being held virtually (telephonically and electronically).

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Chair Ramirez opened the Public Comment Period and asked the Clerk to outline instructions for public comments. Chair Ramirez asked if there were any members of public who wished to speak.

The Clerk acknowledged there were no members of the public who wished to speak and also reported that no written public comments were received by email before the 5 p.m. deadline or after the deadline.

Seeing no public comment speakers, Chair Ramirez closed the Public Comment Period.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

There was no prioritization of agenda items.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Chair Ramirez opened the Public Comment Period.

Seeing no public comment speakers, Chair Ramirez closed the Public Comment Period.

Approval

1. Minutes of the Meeting – January 24, 2022





A MOTION was made (Finlay) to approve Consent Calendar, Item 1. Motion was SECONDED (Robertson) and passed by the following votes:

AYES: Brown, Finlay, Harnik, Marquez, Pollock, Ramirez, Robertson, Waronek, and Wapner (9)

NOES: None (0)

ABSTAIN: None (0)

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEM

2. Sponsorship Update

Chair Ramirez opened the Public Comment Period.

Seeing no public comment speakers, Chair Ramirez closed the Public Comment Period.

Houston Laney, Lead Internal and Website Communications, provided a brief update on the fundraising efforts. He noted recent sponsors as follows:

- Southern California Gas Company (Sustainability Awards Luncheon Sponsor), \$20,000
- Best, Best & Krieger (Reception Sponsor), \$10,000
- AT&T (Breakfast and Panel Sponsor), \$10,000
- Clean Power Lines (Gold Sponsor), \$5,000
- County of Ventura (Gold Sponsor), \$5,000
- Arrival (Auto Showcase Sponsor), \$5,000
- Riverside County Office of Economic Development (Silver Sponsor), \$3,000
- Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District (Bronze Sponsor), \$1,000
- Cubic Corporation (Bronze Sponsor), \$1,000

Mr. Laney reported that this brought the sponsorship total to \$137,900, with a total of 20 sponsors, which meant they were at 55.2% of their goal of \$250,000.

Hon. Margaret Finlay, Duarte, District 35, stated she knew they had a lower overall goal but asked how this compared to prior years. Mr. Laney stated that they were on pace for probably \$300,000, which was slightly lower than what they had done in the past. He noted that 2015 was SCAG's 50th anniversary and it was the first time they had surpassed that \$300,000 mark. He stated that one or two years after that they actually dipped back below \$300,000 and in 2018 and 2019, they were over \$300,000.



Hon. Deborah Robertson, Rialto, District 8, asked if they had a title sponsor level. Mr. Laney stated they use to have a presenting sponsor but some of the companies preferred being recognized as a platinum sponsor, so they went with this instead. He noted that Southern California Edison was a platinum sponsor at \$30,000, which was the level they had done in the past. He also indicated that the Southern California Gas Company had been a platinum sponsor in the past and he was currently in negotiations with them.

2nd Vice President Jan Harnik, RCTC, asked if they knew who the speaker would be. Mr. Laney reported they currently had no updates on this.

Mr. Laney also reported that Arrival, one of the sponsors, would be showcasing one of their electric delivery vans.

Chair Ramirez asked who she could speak to regarding the program. Mr. Laney stated she could speak with Javiera Cartagena, Margaret de Larios or with him.

Hon. David Pollock, Moorpark, District 46, asked what the plans were for Wednesday afternoon and evening. Mr. Laney reported that the President's reception was scheduled for that evening from six to eight.

Chair Ramirez noted the next meeting was scheduled for February 28.

Mr. Laney reminded members to send in their self-certification form on the sponsorship policies and procedures if they had not done so already.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Ramirez adjourned the Regular Meeting of the General Assembly Host Committee at 9:50 a.m.

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