

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE I-710 TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
A Meeting Held at Bateman Hall, Room 2
11331 Ernestine Avenue
Lynwood, CA
April 21, 2004**

I. Call to Order

Chairman Pagett called the meeting to order at 1:40 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman William Pagett, Maywood, Paramount; Carlos Alvarado, Bell, Cudahy; Victor Rollinger, Carson; Robert Zarrilli, Commerce; Patrick Fu, Huntington Park; Sumire Gant, Long Beach; Yadi Fahardi, Lynwood; Mohammad Mostahkami, South Gate; Kevin Wilson, Vernon; Maged El-Rabaa, County of Los Angeles; Kerry Cartwright, Port of Long Beach; Sue Lai, Port of Los Angeles; Sharas Bangalore, Caltrans; Ernest Morales, LACMTA; Carol Gomez, SCAQMD.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Vice Chairman Desi Alvarez, Downey; John Oropeza, Bell Gardens; Augustus Ajawara, Compton; Alan Bowser, SCAG; Sandra Balmir, FHWA/FTA.

OTHERS PRESENT: Captain Jeff Goodwin, California Highway Patrol; Jim Clouet, SCAQMD; Linda Taira, Caltrans; Hamid Bahadori, Automobile Club of Southern California; Adrian Garcia, Office of Assemblyman Alan Lowenthal; Richard Powers, Gateway Cities COG; Jack Joseph, Gateway Cities COG; Deborah Chankin, Gateway Cities COG; Jerry Wood, Gateway Cities COG; Esmeralda Garcia, MIG; Dave Levinshohn, Parsons Brinckerhoff Quade & Douglas; Julie Rush, Parsons Brinckerhoff Quade & Douglas; Gary Hamrick, Meyer Mohaddes Associates; Kelly Knowland, Knowland & Associates; Young Kim, MM Associates.

II. Roll Call

Roll was taken through self-introductions.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Jack Joseph led the pledge of allegiance.

IV. Amendments to the Agenda

There were no amendments to the agenda.

V. Public Comments

Jim Clouet, SCAQMD, addressed the TAC regarding pending legislation (SB 1397) authored by Senator Martha Escutia which would extend the AQMD's oversight regarding railroad locomotive emissions. He said he would like to come back and give a brief presentation to the TAC.

VI. Consent Calendar

Chairman Pagett pointed out that one correction was needed to the minutes of the meeting of March 25, 2004, in that they should show that he had said that the Major Corridor Study anticipates the need for \$800,000,000 and not \$800,000 in arterial improvements. With that correction, it was the consensus of the TAC to receive and file the minutes of March 25, 2004.

VII. Reports

- A. Tier 1 Community Advisory Committees Update
- B. Tier 2 Community Advisory Committee Update

Esmeralda Garcia, MIG, addressed both agenda items relating to the community advisory committees. She summarized the meetings to date of the tier 1 community advisory committees. She said that only one community had yet to have a meeting—Compton—but that the committee for that city was currently being organized. She reported that the Tier 2 Community Advisory Committee was nearing its final stages. She said that the Tier 2 Committee was scheduled to meet the following night to listen to design concepts.

- C. Hybrid Design Technical Report

Jerry Wood, Gateway Cities COG Consultant Engineer, presented a summary report on the design concepts that had so far been endorsed by the tier 1 community advisory committees. He said that he was working on a strategy to deal with the issues at the north end of the project in Commerce and East Los Angeles, but that there was otherwise a consensus on general design elements south of Washington Blvd. He said a primary design criterion was separation of cars and trucks.

Member Kevin Wilson expressed that he would like to see near dock facilities incorporated into the plan. Dave Levinsohn, PBQD, responded that near dock facilities had been screened out because they depend on private funding that public agencies have no control over.

Chairman Pagett said that the cities of South Gate, Maywood, Vernon, and Bell Gardens want construction of on and off ramps at Slauson Avenue included.

Member Mohammad Mostahkami asked if the design concepts were to be shared with the Tier 2 Community Advisory Committee. Mr. Wood responded that they would at the next night's meeting.

Member Ernest Morales asked where the truck inspection facility is in the plans. Richard Powers, Gateway Cities COG, said that the I-710 Oversight Policy Committee had received a report on safety initiatives on I-710 and had unanimously supported the construction of a truck inspection facility. Mr. Wood responded that he had identified a potential location for one just north of the I-405 freeway interchange.

Chairman Pagett said that the arterial improvements from Alternatives C, D, and E need to be included in the plans. Mr. Wood replied that his report regarded only mainline improvements. Dave Levinsohn suggested calling this the "mainline hybrid alternative". Mr. Wood said that was acceptable to him.

Mr. Wood concluded his report by describing a map of the consensus design features from the Port of Long Beach to Washington Blvd. at the north.

D. Next Steps

Richard Powers distributed copies of the I-710 Oversight Policy Committee actions directing the TAC to develop a hybrid alternative for the project based on the guiding principles adopted by the TAC and the OPC.

E. Next Meeting Date

It was the consensus of the TAC to not set a next meeting date until the Tier 2 Community Advisory Committee completed its work.

XIII. Adjournment

The meeting of the I-710 Technical Advisory Committee was adjourned by consensus at 4:02 p.m.