

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE GATEWAY CTITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
Chair - MTA Director Diane DuBois**

**Gateway Cities COG Office
16401 Paramount Blvd., Paramount, CA 90723
November 2, 2011**

CALL TO ORDER: MTA Director Diane DuBois called the meeting to order at 4:40 pm. Roll-call was taken by self-introduction.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Gene Daniels – Paramount, Bruce Barrows – Cerritos, Cheri Kelley - Norwalk, Mohammad Mostakhami – South Gate, Ken Farfsing – Signal Hill, Bill Pagett – City of Paramount, Ron Bates – Pico Rivera

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Diane DuBois – MTA Director, Stan Carroll – La Habra Heights, Ray Dunton – City of Bellflower, Dana Lee – Long Beach Transit, Julie Moore – Office of Supervisor Don Knabe, Tom Modica – City of Long Beach

OTHERS PRESENT: Richard Powers – Gateway Cities COG Staff, Jerry Wood – Gateway Cities COG Staff, Karen Heit – Gateway Cities COG Staff, Scott Broten - ICF, Andrew Papson – ICF, Susan DeSantis – Arellano Associates, Robert Urteaga – Move LA, Nancy Pfeffer – Gateway Cities COG Staff, Jack Joseph – Gateway Cities COG Staff, Karissa Selvester – Long Beach Transit, Tony Moreno – La Mirada, Chris Wilson – Office of Assemblymember Lowenthal, R. Miller – Stantec Consulting

Minutes were approved as presented.

Director DuBois announced that the Agenda for this meeting was limited to a few items associated with the Gateway COG Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP) and that regular reports would resume next month. She then reviewed the activities of the October MTA Board meeting including the award of feasibility and constructability of the I-710 Early Action projects soundwalls. She brought up the additional \$1 million for TOD planning work slated for the West Santa Ana Branch, the Green Line Extension and Metrolink. She reviewed the new Sheriff's contract that included the restoration of deputies for the Blue and Green Line and dedicated deputies for the Expo Line.

She discussed the process for recruiting and interviewing candidates for the Gateway Service Sector Council and brought forth a recommendation for a new citizen member – Marisa Perez. The Transportation Committee approved sending her name forward for approval by the Board of Directors.

Director DuBois introduced Scott Broten. AQAP Project Manager from ICF who gave a presentation on the Construction Phasing and Emissions Report. He described the

assumptions for the report and standards by which the emissions were considered. Emissions considered were CO, NOx, PM 2.5, PM 10 and fugitive dust. He reviewed each emission and the findings from the modeling exercise. The greatest area of exceedence is from fugitive dust. He referenced the MTA Green Construction policy and that it would represent a 40% decrease in NOx emissions. Using this policy there is also a significant decrease in PM 10 and PM2.5. He summarized the exceedences for the construction emissions. The study will make it possible to plan for mitigations and strategies for reducing exceedences; potential mitigation measures were discussed. The Committee concurred with and approved the recommendations on Page 8 of the Environmental Committee report and forwarded the report on to the COG Board.

The next report was the review of the Environmental Committee recommendations for the Draft Health Impact Assessment (HIA). Ron Bates suggested revising the recommendations to send the draft HIA report through a Peer Review process and then directly on to Caltrans for consideration of inclusion in the I-710 Project environmental documentation.

Angelo Logan, CEHAJ, addressed the issue of Peer Review and made suggestions that a scientific based Peer Review be established. There was general discussion about how the Peer Review be done. Committee members and the public were encouraged to submit their thoughts on conducting the Peer Review.

The Committee moved that the HIA and all associated issues be sent through Peer Review process and forwarded on to Caltrans. The Committee also instructed staff to report back on the Peer Review process.

The meeting adjourned at 5:35 pm.