

GATEWAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Transportation Committee

AGENDA

*Wednesday, October 5, 2011
4:30 p. m. Meeting*

*Gateway Cities Council of Governments
16401 Paramount Boulevard, 1st Floor Conference Room
Paramount, California*

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION: The Transportation Committee will hear from the public on any item on the agenda or an item of interest that is not on the agenda. The Transportation Committee cannot take action on any item not scheduled on the agenda. These items may be referred for administrative action or scheduled on a future agenda. Comments are to be limited to three minutes for each speaker, unless extended by the Transportation Committee, and each speaker will only have one opportunity to speak on any one topic. You have the opportunity to address the Transportation Committee at the following times:

- A. AGENDA ITEM: at this time the Transportation Committee considers the agenda item OR during Public Comments, and
- B. NON-AGENDA ITEMS: during Public Comments, comments will be received for a maximum 20-minute period; any additional requests will be heard following the completion of the Transportation Committee agenda; and
- C. PUBLIC HEARINGS: at the time for public hearings.

Please keep your comments brief and complete a speaker card for the Chair.

- I. **CALL TO ORDER**
- II. **ROLL CALL – BY SELF INTRODUCTIONS**
- III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

IV. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA - This is the time and place to change the order of the agenda, delete or add any agenda item(s).

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS - Three minutes for each speaker.

VI. MATTERS FROM STAFF

VII. CONSENT CALENDAR: All items under the Consent Calendar may be enacted by one motion. Any item may be removed from the Consent Calendar and acted upon separately by the Transportation Committee.

A. Approval of Minutes – Minutes of the Transportation Committee Meeting of September 7, 2011, is presented for approval. Approval receives and files the minutes of September 7, Transportation Committee meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR ACTION:

A MOTION TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM.

VIII. REPORTS

A. MTA Board Recap by Director DuBois

SUGGESTED ACTION: A MOTION TO HEAR REPORT, POSSIBLE ACTION AND/OR GIVE DIRECTION TO STAFF

B. MTA/Caltrans Highway Maintenance Demonstration Update

SUGGESTED ACTION: A MOTION TO HEAR REPORT, POSSIBLE ACTION AND/OR GIVE DIRECTION TO STAFF

IX. REPORTS – COMMITTEES/AGENCIES

A. Gateway Cities Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP) Briefing by Andrew Papson, ICF – Oral Report

SUGGESTED ACTION: A MOTION TO HEAR REPORT, POSSIBLE ACTION AND/OR GIVE DIRECTION TO STAFF

B. Matters from Gateway Cities Service Council by David Hershenson, MTA – Oral Report

SUGGESTED ACTION: A MOTION TO HEAR REPORT, POSSIBLE ACTION AND/OR GIVE DIRECTION TO STAFF

C. Matters from I-5 JPA – Oral Report

SUGGESTED ACTION: A MOTION TO HEAR REPORT, POSSIBLE ACTION AND/OR GIVE DIRECTION TO STAFF

D. Matters from I-710 EIR/EIS Corridor Project – Oral Report

SUGGESTED ACTION: A MOTION TO HEAR REPORT, POSSIBLE ACTION AND/OR GIVE DIRECTION TO STAFF

E. Matters from SR-91/I-605/I-405 Major Corridor Project – Oral Report

SUGGESTED ACTION: A MOTION TO HEAR REPORT, POSSIBLE ACTION AND/OR GIVE DIRECTION TO STAFF

F. Matters from the California High Speed Rail Authority – Oral Report

SUGGESTED ACTION: A MOTION TO HEAR REPORT, POSSIBLE ACTION AND/OR GIVE DIRECTION TO STAFF

G. Matters from the Orangeline Development Authority – Oral Report

SUGGESTED ACTION: A MOTION TO HEAR REPORT, POSSIBLE ACTION AND/OR GIVE DIRECTION TO STAFF

X. MATTERS FROM TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS

XI. ADJOURNMENT

NOTICE: New items will not be considered after 5:30 p.m. unless the Transportation Committee votes to extend the time limit. Any items on the agenda that are not completed will be forwarded to the next regular Transportation Committee meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 2, 2011 4:30 PM.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICAN WITH DISABILITIES ACT, IF YOU NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT THE COG OFFICE AT (562) 663-6850. NOTIFICATION 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THE MEETING WILL ENABLE THE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS TO MAKE REASONABLE ARRANGEMENT TO ENSURE ACCESSIBILITY TO THIS MEETING.

VII. CONSENT CALENDAR
Item A
Approval of Minutes

**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
September 7, 2011**

CALL TO ORDER: MTA Director Diane DuBois called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm. Roll-call was taken by self-introduction.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT Diane DuBois – MTA Director, Gene Daniels – Paramount, Stan Carroll – La Habra Heights, Mohammad Mostakhami – South Gate, Dana Lee – Long Beach Transit, Ron Bates – Pico Rivera, Ken Farfsing – Signal Hill,, Julie Moore – Office of Supervisor Don Knabe, Tom Modica – City of Long Beach, Bill Pagett – City of Paramount

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Ray Dunton – City of Bellflower

OTHERS PRESENT: Niki Tennant – Office of Assemblymember Lowenthal, Art Cervantes – Pico Rivera, Richard Powers – COG Staff, Jerry Wood – COG Staff, Karen Heit – COG Staff, Adrian Alvarez - MTA, David Hershenson – MTA, Scott Broten - ICF, Jeffrey Ang-Olson - ICF, Andrew Papsen – ICF, Susan DeSantis – Arellano Associates, Elizabeth Hansberg – Arellano Associates.

Minutes were approved as presented. Director DuBois presented the I-710 Freeway Maintenance update and the removal of the Graffiti by the MTA. She thanked the individuals involved at the MTA and Caltrans and thanked Assemblymember Lowenthal for clearing the way with Caltrans at the Sacramento Headquarters.

She then introduced Scot Broten from ICF who presented the order of the Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP) Workshop items.

First up was Jerry Wood, GCCOG Engineer, who discussed the history of the AQAP and the intent as envisioned.

Jeff Ang-Olsen -ICF, presented the AQAP “Toolkit” and why the GCCOG needs such a plan. He cited the fact that many of the air quality plans in existence do not provide direction for use by local jurisdictions. He then went on to discuss the Early Action Items that came about from the scoping process for the AQAP. He talked about the out-years of the plan and how the plan has a baseline by which future projects will be measured for emissions reductions. This piece of the AQAP will provide local officials with a tool to measure the effectiveness of existing and planned emissions reduction efforts.

Ang-Olsen went over some of the potential new measures for trucks that may result in fewer emissions. He reviewed potential rail measures that may reduce emissions from rail locomotives. He went on to discuss additional measures for all aspects of Port activities including cargo handling, ships and dredging. A question was asked as to the participation of the railroads both regulatory and voluntary. A question was asked about cost effectiveness of the measures which will be evaluated. Stationary sources that are collective such as water heater emissions will be tallied and looked at for remedies. Questions arose about the impact of emission reduction techniques on land use regulations and on economic development.

Scott Broten reviewed the handbook and the materials that were sitting at the tables. He made the distinction between the I-710 Corridor Project environmental efforts and the COG AQAP. He outlined both projects and their scope as well as how they relate. He went on to discuss the relationship between the technical studies and how they fit in with the I-710 EIR/EIS process. He discussed the two different project areas and how they relate. To simplify the process each project is color coded gold for I-710 and blue for AQAP.

He next discussed how the AQ protocol and data gathering occurs for the development of the AQAP. He reviewed the timing and relationship of the AQAP with other plans and regulations from other agencies. He discussed how the AQAP relates to the Gateway Cities Sustainable Communities Strategy and the SCAG - RTP. A question was asked about the use of the MATES modeling and health impacts.

Jerry Wood finished up with a discussion of the implementation and the agency and public participation process. He once again defined the difference between the two different sets of project deliverables. He highlighted the utility of the Community Medical Needs Assessments in improving the knowledge about that state of the health in the various communities.

The meeting adjourned at 5:35 pm.