

**Approved minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Santa Barbara County Association of Governments
Board of Directors**

Thursday, October 15, 2009

8:30 AM

**Board of Supervisors Hearing Room
105 East Anapamu Street, 4th Floor
Santa Barbara, CA**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Alvarez called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Members Present: Janet Wolf, Supervisor, Second District; Doreen Farr, Supervisor, Third District; Joni Gray, Supervisor, Fourth District; Joe Centeno, Supervisor, Fifth District; Lupe Alvarez, Mayor, City of Guadalupe; Russ Hicks, Mayor, City of Buellton (arrived at 8:36 a.m.); Larry Lavagnino, Mayor, City of Santa Maria; Michael Siminski, Mayor, City of Lompoc (arrived at 8:32 a.m.); Ed Skytt, Councilmember, City of Solvang; Michael Bennett, Councilmember, City of Goleta, Joe Armendariz, Councilmember, City of Carpinteria; Iya Falcone, Councilmember, City of Santa Barbara (arrived at 8:36 a.m.)

Members Absent: Salud Carbajal, Supervisor, First District

Staff Present: Jim Kemp, Executive Director; Stephen VanDenburgh, Deputy Director of Programs; Michael Powers, Deputy Director Planning; Aubrey Spilde, Transportation Planner; Kent Epperson, Program Director, Traffic Solutions; Terry Contreras, Board Clerk; Kevin E. Ready, Sr., Senior Deputy County Counsel, Aileen Loe, Caltrans District Representative, Pat Mickelson, Caltrans District 5 Representative

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

A. *Pending litigation: (Government Code § 54956.9(a))*

- *Coalition Against Automobile Subsidies v SBCAG S.B.S.C. Case # 1266839*
- *Sustainable Transportation Advocates of Santa Barbara v SBCAG (two cases: S.B.S.C. Case # 1303310, California Court of Appeal Case #212524)*

B. *Pending litigation: (Government Code § 54956.9(a))*

B. HYBRID UTILITY VEHICLE EARMARK

Approve the cities of Guadalupe and Lompoc as the co-sponsors of a hybrid utility vehicle project.

C. SBCAG MEDICAL INSURANCE CONTRIBUTION

Adopt a resolution maintaining the SBCAG employer's maximum medical insurance contribution of \$475 per month, effective with the January 1, 2010 premium under the Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act.

E. SBCERS EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION RATES

Endorse the Executive Committee recommendation and the Retirement Board decision to support Alternative Funding Option 2.

F. FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Adopt FTIP amendment #15 to add projects in the SHOPP Lump Sum Collision Reduction and State Highway Maintenance Programs and adds federal funding for existing road and transit projects.

G. FEDERAL JOBS ACCESS REVERSE COMMUTE \ NEW FREEDOM PROGRAMS

Approve project scores for FTA 5316 Jobs Access Reverse Commute and 5317 New Freedom grant applications for the FY 2009 funding cycle and authorize their submittal to Caltrans.

H. PROPOSITION 84 PLANNING GRANT

Authorize acceptance of planning grant for transportation data and model improvements from state Strategic Growth Council.

Motion made to approve Consent Calendar Items 6A-C and 6E-H.

Motion: Wolf

Second: Lavagnino

Motion carried: 12-0.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Sienna Dixon, Alana Block and Anthony Brown addressed the board on Santa Barbara School Districts Transition Program and asked the community for support to stop littering.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

No public hearings scheduled.

11. AMERICAN RECOVERY & REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA)

- A. *Receive a report on the obligation status of roadway and transit ARRA (stimulus) funding in Santa Barbara County.*
- B. *Approve back-up projects that could receive funds not obligated within the county by October 15 or redistributed to SBCAG from other regions.*
- C. *Approve FTIP Amendment #16 to reprogram ARRA-TE funding from the city of Santa Maria to the city of Lompoc's Alan Hancock Bike path project.*

Motion made to approve staff recommendations of items 11A, 11B and 11C.

Motion: Hicks

Second: Skytt

Motion carried: 12-0

INFORMATION ITEMS

12. TRAFFIC SOLUTIONS ANNUAL REPORT

Receive a report on the activities of the Traffic Solutions division of SBCAG for FY 08-09.

Motion made to receive the Traffic Solutions report for FY 08-09.

Motion: Farr

Second: Bennett

Motion carried: 12-0

13. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Jim Kemp reported on the North County and South Coast Subregional Planning Committee meetings held on October 7, 2009 and also the LOSSAN board meeting held on September 9, 2009 in Oceanside.

Councilmember Bennett reported on the Coast Rail Coordinating Council meeting held on September 25, 2009 in Monterey, Ca.

14. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Jim Kemp reported on the following items:

- Application for discretionary funding for the Santa Maria River Bridge Project under the TIGER Program
- Application for High Speed Intercity Rail Programs
- State Local Partnership Program
- SBCAG Board meeting of November 19, 2009 and possible quorum issues.

15. CALTRANS DISTRICT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Aileen Loe, Caltrans, reported on the following :

- Recovery Act Funds obligated to California
- Milpas to Hot Springs roundabout completion and the celebration on October 21, 2009.

16. COMMUNICATIONS

17. ADJOURN

Chair Alvarez adjourned the meeting at 11:34 a.m.

