



SACOG Board of Directors

Item #17-8-15
Report

August 10, 2017

Chief Executive Officer's Report

The following is a brief status report on some of the major issues and projects currently being advanced by SACOG.

UPDATES:

Civic Lab will launch on Thursday, August 17, from Noon-3:00 p.m. at the Sacramento Convention Center. Doors open and lunch is served immediately following the SACOG board meeting. We encourage you to invite your staffs. For any questions contact Raef Porter at (916) 340-6261 or rporter@sacog.org.

We have a good number of you attending our Denver study tour on September 17-19 timed with the annual Rail-Volution conference. A draft itinerary was sent to the Board. If you would like to attend and haven't yet RSVP'd, please contact Rene Handy (rhandy@sacog.org or 916-340-6279).

The SACOG board retreat is confirmed for Friday, October 6 from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. The location will be confirmed next week. We hope you'll be able to attend.

Technical Assistance with Michele Reeves: SACOG staff was able to secure some funding for Ms. Reeves of Civilis Consulting to conduct a limited number of half-day or full-day workshops on economic and community revitalization along corridors and Main Streets. If your community is interested in being considered for a workshop, please see agenda item #24 and contact Greg Chew at (916) 340-6227 or gchew@sacog.org by August 21.

The Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting has been awarded to SACOG by the Government Finance Officers' Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for SACOG's comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management. SACOG's FY 2015/16 CAFR has been judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program, which includes demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the CAFR. This is the first time SACOG has received this distinguished award since 2012. To learn more about this award program and the requirements to receive an award, please visit: <http://www.gfoa.org/cafr>.

I was one of more than 60 speakers who testified before the California Air Resources Board on July 27 in support of directing a portion of the VW settlement money to Sacramento. The Board voted in favor of the staff recommendation to invest \$44 million in a variety of clean air

strategies, including an electric-car sharing program. The bottom line is that despite an effort by stakeholders from Southern California to redirect some of the settlement money to Los Angeles, the Board awarded the funding to Sacramento, making it the first “Green City” designation in California as a result of the settlement.

We convened a meeting of the regional managers – all of your city managers and county chief administrative officers – on August 2. SACOG has traditionally provided a quarterly forum for the regional managers to discuss issues of local and regional significance. We had an excellent meeting that included a deep dive on the future of retail and how e-commerce could impact future sales tax revenues. We’ve asked one of our guest speakers from this meeting to present some of the findings to you at the August 17 board meeting.

My tour of our six-county region continues, and I want to express my appreciation to all of you who have taken the time to host me, introduce me to your city and county staff, and explain your opportunities, challenges, and plans for the future. I’m truly impressed by the optimism and “can-do” spirit that each of you have for both your local communities and the region as a whole.

Please note that our September 14 board meeting will start one hour later than usual, beginning at 10:30 a.m., in order to accommodate a number of SACOG board members who are attending the Greater Sacramento Economic Council board meeting.

CONSENT ITEMS:

All of the items on the consent calendar received unanimous support at their respective committee meetings.

ACTION ITEMS:

Item #5: Approve Regional Active Transportation Program Augmentation Policy Framework. This item was approved by the Transportation Committee (with one abstention). The item is coming forward as an action item for full board consideration and discussion.

Item #6: Executing a One-Year Extension of the Joint Fuel & Lubricants Contract with Hunt & Sons, Inc. As the Government Relations & Public Affairs Committee did not meet, this item is coming forward as an action item for full board consideration and discussion.

Item #7: Consideration of Senate Bill 3. As the Government Relations & Public Affairs Committee did not meet, this item is coming forward as an action item for full board consideration and discussion.

Item #8: Amendment #1 to FY 2017-18 Overall Work Program and Budget. As the Government Relations & Public Affairs Committee did not meet, this item is coming forward as an action item for full board consideration and discussion.

Item 9: Resolution for Larry Greene. Larry Greene, Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District, will retire at the end of August. Following approval of the resolution, Mr. Greene will be presented with the resolution.

WORKSHOP:

Ms. Isabel Domeyko from New Economics & Advisory will discuss retail and e-commerce trends at the meeting.

LAND USE ACTIVITIES:

Please see Receive & File item #22 for the Blueprint Implementation Land Use Activities.

CALENDAR:

August 28, 2017	10:00 a.m. Government Relations & Public Affairs Meeting
August 31, 2017	10:00 a.m. Transportation Committee Meeting
August 31, 2017	1:00 p.m. Land Use & Natural Resources Committee Meeting
September 14, 2017	10:30 a.m. SACOG Board Meeting

Approved by:

James Corless
Chief Executive Officer

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