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**ORANGELINE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY/ECO-RAPID TRANSIT
 JOINT MEETING
 PLANNING, PROGRAMMING AND FUNDING SUB COMMITTEE MEETING
 LEGISLATIVE SUB COMMITTEE MEETING**

February 08, 2017

Sparr Heights Community Center
 1613 Glencoe Way
 Glendale, CA 91208

5:00 PM Meeting

AGENDA

Public comments on items on the agenda will be taken at the time the item is called and are limited to 3 minutes per speaker.

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call and Introduction of Attendees
4. Consent Calendar

The items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board member or the General Public so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.

- a. Approval of Minutes of November 9, 2016

End of Consent Calendar

5. Public Comments
 Those presenting public comments on items not on the agenda will be heard at this time
6. Update and/or Action Regarding Eco-Rapid Transit Planning, Programming and Funding Sub-Committee Meeting
7. Update and/or Action Regarding Eco-Rapid Transit Legislative Sub-Committee Meeting
8. Communication Items to the Committee
9. Communication Items from the Committee
10. Adjournment



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MINUTES OF THE JOINT PLANNING, PROGRAMMING AND FUNDING
SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING OF
THE ORANGELINE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
October 12, 2016, City of Paramount

CALL TO ORDER

City of South Gate, Vice-Mayor and Board Chair, Maria Davila called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. at the Gateway Cities Council of Governments, City of Paramount

ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTION OF ATTENDEES

Authority Board Subcommittee Members:

Maria Davila, Board Chair, Vice-Mayor, City of South Gate
Luis H. Marquez, Councilmember, City of Downey
Frank Quintero, Commissioner, Burbank-Glendale-Pasadena Airport Authority
Scott Larsen, Former Mayor, City of Bellflower
Renee Bobadilla, City Manager Representative
Zareh Sinanyan, Board Vice Chairman

Others:

Michael R. Kodama, Executive Director, Eco-Rapid Transit
Saeed Ali, Senior Policy Analyst, State Senator Tony Mendoza
Norman Emerson, Emerson Associates
Allyn Rifkin, Transportation Planner/Engineer, Eco-Rapid Transit
Norman Arakawa, Port of Long Beach
Kumiko Torres, JETRO

ITEM 4 – CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval of Minutes of September 14, 2016

MOTION: Former Mayor of the City of Bellflower Scott Larsen moved to approve the consent calendar. Burbank Glendale Pasadena Airport Authority Commissioner Frank Quintero seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

ITEM 5 – PUBLIC COMMENTS

No comments were given and the public comments portion of the meeting was closed.

ITEM 6 and 7 – UPDATE AND/OR ACTION REGARDING ECO-RAPID TRANSIT PLANNING, PROGRAMMING AND FUNDING AND LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

Executive Director Michael Kodama summarized recent discussions with Metro staff regarding the projected timeline for the West Santa Ana Branch (WSAB) funding under the proposed Measure M. The current proposal is to implement the project in two phases: Phase 1, from Artesia to the existing Green Line Transit service, is projected to be completed by the year 2021. Phase 2, from the Green Line and terminating at Downtown Union Station, is projected to be completed by the year 2041. He handed out a press release from Metro announcing that Metro has received 3 unsolicited proposals from qualified construction firms to participate in Public Private Partnerships (3P) specifically to accelerate some of the included Measure M projects. Two of these proposals would help the WSAB project.

Scott Larson recapped discussions with Ernst & Young, consultants to Metro on Public Private Partnerships. The WSAB could be accelerated if a concept is included in its implementation. The consensus was that in order to attract a private funding partner the 3P concept would have to include the entire project from Artesia to Union Station. Also assumed is that Federal Funding for the project must be included. Under that scenario it is anticipated that the project could be implemented by 2029.

Norman Emerson reminded the sub-committee the importance of including an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) in the upcoming steps of the WSAB work program. It will also be important to focus on getting the federal government to include the project in the “new-starts” category of rail transit funding.

Board Vice-Chair Zareh Sinanyan, inquired how the funding commitment might extend to north of Union. Burbank-Glendale-Pasadena Airport Authority Commissioner Frank Quintero indicated that Measure M would include \$900,000 funding for the planning rail service between the Airport and Union Station. That could include the extension of the WSAB along the remainder of the Eco-Rapid Transit corridor. Frank Quintero suggested that an important next step would be to meet with the City of Glendale Development Director, Scott Ochoa, to line up support for the inclusion and coordination of the Airport to Union Station funding.

Scott Larson reminded the sub-committee that the Eco-Rapid Transit Board had previously taken a position AGAINST Measure M. The question was raised, under the possibilities raised for accelerated implementation with 3P funding, if the sub-committee would reconsider that position. Board Vice-Chair Zareh Sinanyan proposed a NEUTRAL position. Scott Larson seconded that as a motion. After much discussion, the sub-committee unanimously supported a recommendation for changing the Eco-Rapid Transit position on Measure M to NEUTRAL.

Norman Arikawa from the Port of Long Beach introduced Kumiko Torres from JETRO who has been assisting him in developing the itinerary for the previously approved tour of Japan high speed rail facilities. The tour, from October 22 through October 29, 2016 will feature several kinds of Japanese rail services. Mr. Arikawa went over some important protocols and answered other concerns of sub-committee members who are planning to participate in the tour.

**ITEM 7 – UPDATE AND/OR ACTION REGARDING ECO-RAPID TRANSIT
LEGISLATIVE SUB-COMMITTEE**

This item was discussed as part of the discussion on Item 6.

ITEM 8 – COMMUNICATION ITEMS TO THE BOARD

There were no communication items to the board.

ITEM 9 – COMMUNICATION ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

There were no communication items from the board.

ITEM 10 – ADJOURNMENT

Sub Committee meeting was adjourned at 6:05 pm

Chair

Approved: