#### LAS VIRGENES – MALIBU COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

### Tuesday, May 18, 2021, 8:30 AM

#### **MEETING INFORMATION AND ACCOMMODATION**

Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Orders, which waived certain Brown Act meeting requirements, including any requirements to make a physical meeting location available to the public; and, most recently, the March 19, 2020 Executive Order, which ordered all residents to stay at home. As such, the Las Virgenes-Malibu Council of Governments will provide Members of the Public the opportunity to view and participate in the meeting remotely using Zoom:

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# <u>AGENDA</u>

# 1. CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call of Governing Board Members:

Kelly Honig, Westlake Village, President Karen Farrer, Malibu, Vice President Stuart Siegel, Hidden Hills Denis Weber, Agoura Hills Alicia Weintraub, Calabasas

# 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

# 3. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Public comments are limited to three minutes per speaker. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54954.2, the Governing Board is prohibited from discussing or taking immediate action on any item not on the agenda unless it can be demonstrated that the item is of an emergency nature, or the need to take action arose subsequent to the posting of the agenda.

# 4. CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent Calendar items will be approved in one motion unless removed for separate discussion or action.

A. April 20, 2021 Draft Meeting Notes – Attachment (page 4-6)

B. May 2021 Financial Statement – Attachment (page 7)

Recommended Action: Approve Consent Calendar

# 5. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Assemblymember Jacqui Irwin will provide a legislative update.
- B. Executive Director's Report Attachment (page 8-9)
- C. Draft 2022 Cities' and COGs' Homelessness Funding Framework Attachment (page 10-14) <u>Recommended Action</u>: Refer the Draft 2022 Cities' and COGs' Homelessness Funding Framework to the COG's Homeless Working Group for review and recommendation to the Technical Advisory Committee and Governing Board.
- D. Reports from Member Cities on COVID-19
  - Agoura Hills, Calabasas, Hidden Hills, Malibu, and Westlake Village

# 6. ACTION ITEMS

- A. State Legislation Attachment (page 15) <u>Recommended Action</u>: Discuss and provide direction to COG staff.
- B. Contract Extension for Homeless Outreach Coordinator Attachment (page 16-18)

<u>Recommended Action</u>: Approve the contract extension of Gabriel Graham, Homeless Outreach Coordinator.

C. Las Virgenes-Malibu Council of Governments Representative to Los Angeles County Division, League of California Cities – Attachment (page 19) <u>Recommended Action</u>: Approve the appointment of Laura McCorkindale as the COG representative to the to the Board of the Los Angeles County Division, League of California Cities.

# 7. PUBLIC SAFETY, LEGISLATIVE AND AGENCY PARTNER UPDATES

- A. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
- B. Los Angeles County Fire Department
- C. Cal Cities
- D. Updates from Legislative Staff and Agency Partners (page 20-22)

# 8. GENERAL COMMENTS AND REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

# 9. FUTURE MEETING DATES

Technical Advisory Committee Meeting: Wednesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 8:30 AM Governing Board Meeting: Tuesday, June 15<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM

# 10. ADJOURNMENT

#### Agenda Item 4.A (Consent Calendar)

#### Draft Meeting Notes Governing Board Meeting VIRTUAL MEETING - VARIOUS LOCATIONS April 20, 2021

The Governing Board conducted the virtual meeting, via Zoom, and in accordance with California Governor Newsom's Executive Orders N-20-20 and N-35-20 and COVID-19 pandemic protocols.

1 – Call to Order: Vice President Kelly Honig called the meeting to order at 8:32 AM.

Roll Call of Governing Board members present:

Kelly Honig, Westlake Village, President Karen Farrer, Malibu, Vice President Stuart Siegel, Hidden Hills Denis Weber, Agoura Hills Alicia Weintraub, Calabasas

The following non-voting city elected officials participated in the meeting: Chris Anstead, Councilmember, Agoura Hills Ned Davis, Councilmember, Westlake Village

2 – Approval of Agenda:

- ACTION: Stuart Siegel moved to approve the Agenda. Denis Weber seconded. The Motion carried 5-0, by the following roll call vote:
- AYES: President Honig, Vice President Farrer and Governing Board members Siegel, Weber and Weintraub.
- NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

3 – Public Comment Period: None

4 – Consent Calendar: 4.A Meeting Notes from March 16, 2021; 4.B April 2021 Financial Statement.

- ACTION: Alicia Weintraub moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Stuart Siegel seconded. The Motion carried 5-0, by the following roll call vote:
- AYES: President Honig, Vice President Farrer and Governing Board members Siegel, Weber and Weintraub.

NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

5.A. – Executive Director's Report: The Executive Director highlighted his report. No action was taken by the Governing Board.

5.B – ReCoverCA Wildfire Assistance Program: Maureen Richey, on behalf of California Housing and Community Development, made the presentation. No action was taken by the Governing Board.

5.C – Reports from Member Cities on COVID-19: City Managers and Governing Board commented on COVID-19-related issues in their respective cities. No action was taken by the Governing Board.

6.A – State Legislation: The Executive Director presented a summary of previous legislation that was discussed at the February and March COG meetings and any action that was subsequently taken by member cities to support or oppose any of these bills. Following the presentation, President Honig asked the Governing Board if their respective cities had taken a position on any of the bills. This matter was continued to the May meeting and no action was taken by the Governing Board.

6.B – Support for a State Audit of Sexual Harassment Allegations at Metropolitan Water District of Southern California: The Executive Director stated that Vice President Farrer requested the issue be considered by the Governing Board. Vice President Farrer outlined her concerns on the issue and requested support for taking action. Other members of the Governing Board felt they would have to take the matter back to their respective cities for consideration before a vote could be taken at the COG. No action was taken by the Governing Board.

6.C – Measure R and M Adjustments: The Executive Director presented the Measure R Adjustment request by Los Angeles County to allocate \$1,125,000 from the County's share of Measure R funds to Agoura Hills to complete the Agoura Road Widening, which requires an additional \$550,000 and an additional \$575,000 for the Kanan/Agoura Intersection. The Measure M Adjustment for Calabasas is reprograming \$1,987,335 from the Old Town Parkway Improvements project to Mulholland Highway Phase II project. The Measure M Adjustment is revenue neutral as no additional Measure M funds are being requested.

- ACTION: Denis Weber moved to approve the Measure R and Measure M Adjustments. Alicia Weintraub seconded. The Motion carried 5-0, by the following roll call vote:
- AYES: President Honig, Vice President Farrer and Governing Board members Siegel, Weber and Weintraub.
- NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

7.A – Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department: Lt. Fender provided an update from the Lost Hills/Malibu Station.

7.B – Los Angeles County Fire Department: Chief Smith provided an update.

7.C – Cal Cities: Jeff Kiernan provided an update from Cal Cities.

7.D – Updates from Area Legislators and Agencies. Tessa Charnofsky provided an update from Supervisor Kuehl, Aurelia Friedman provided an update from Congressman Lieu and Jeremy Wolf provided an update from Senator Stern.

8. – Comments and Request for Future Agenda Items: None

9. – Future Meeting Dates: President Honig noted the next meeting dates for the Technical Advisory Committee and Governing Board.

10. – Adjournment: President Honig asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 AM.

ACTION:	Dennis Weber moved to adjourn the meeting. Alicia Weintraub seconded. The Motion carried 5-0, by the following roll call vote:
AYES:	President Honig, Vice President Farrer and Governing Board members Siegel, Weber and Weintraub
NOES:	None.
ABSENT:	None

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Dipple Executive Director

DATE:	May 18, 2021
TO:	Governing Board and Alternates
FROM:	Terry Dipple, Executive Director
SUBJECT:	May 2021 COG Financial Statement

#### SUMMARY

All of the revenue and expenditures are in accordance with the COG's 20/21 adopted budget.

20/21 Expected Revenue		
Dues	100,000	
Metro (admin & planning)	57,250	
Metro (for consultant)	103,470	
LA County Homeless Grant	69,133	
Total Expected Revenue	329,853	
20/21 Expenditures to Date	-259,261	
Terry Dipple – 7/20 Ex. Dir.	-12,250	
M. Micheline 7/20 Metro	-8,283	
G. Graham 7/20	-5.000	
Terry Dipple – 8/20 Ex. Dir.	-12,250	
M. Micheline 8/20 Metro	-8,283	
G. Graham 8/20	-5,000	
COG Liability Insurance	-3,607	
Terry Dipple – 9/20 Ex. Dir.	-12,250	
M. Micheline 9/20 Metro	-8,283	
G. Graham 9/20	-5,000	
Terry Dipple – 10/20 Ex. Dir.	-12,250	
M. Micheline 10/20 Metro	-8,283	
G. Graham 10/20	-5,000	
Terry Dipple – 11/20 Ex. Dir.	-12,250	
M. Micheline 11/20 Metro	-8,283	
G. Graham 11/20	-5,000	
Terry Dipple – 12/20 Ex. Dir.	-12,250	
M. Micheline 12/20 Metro	-8,283	
G. Graham 12/20	-5,000	
Terry Dipple – 1/21 Ex. Dir.	-12,250	
M. Micheline 1/21 Metro	-8,364	
G. Graham 1/21	-5,000	
Terry Dipple – 2/21 Ex. Dir.	-12,250	
M. Micheline 2/21 Metro	-8,364	
G. Graham 2/21	-5,000	
Terry Dipple – 3/21 Ex. Dir.	-12,250	
M. Micheline 3/21 Metro	-8,364	
G. Graham 3/21	-5,000	
Terry Dipple – 4/21 Ex. Dir.	-12,250	
M. Micheline 4/21 Metro	-8,364	
G. Graham 4/21	-5,000	
Total	259,261	

DATE:	May 18, 2021
TO:	Governing Board and Alternates
FROM:	Terry Dipple, Executive Director
SUBJECT:	Executive Director's Report

# OVERVIEW

The purpose of this memorandum is to update the Governing Board on the status of COG projects and other items of interest.

LA Region's Top 15 Transformative Regional Projects – I was contacted recently by Los Angeles County DPW regarding Director Mark Pestrella's efforts to compile a list of the LA Region's Top 15 Transformative Regional Projects, as part of the education and advocacy campaign for the American Jobs Plan. I was asked to provide project suggestions that address key priorities that have significant impacts, such as:

- Climate change resilience
- Transportation
- High-speed broadband
- Water resources
- Housing Power/utilities
- Sustainability Workforce development
- Environmental/waste management equity
- Hospitals

In my discussions with DPW, they expressed interest in the Wildfire Outdoor Warning Sirens and Utility Undergrounding in the Malibu Canyon region. After discussions with Malibu, I submitted the following projects:

- \$15 million for wildfire outdoor warning sirens. It could be more. The project is in the preliminary design phase.
- \$750 million to underground all of Malibu region.

Los Angeles County-wide COG General Assembly – I proposed to my executive director colleagues from the other LA County COGs about holding a virtual or possibly in person general assembly for all city councilmembers in the county later this summer. I am attempting to get the governor as the featured speaker. The idea being, all of the COGs, together, could be a collective voice on urging the governor to work with the cities

on issues such as local control and affordable housing instead of pushing the mandates through the legislature. In addition, we want to address homelessness and other issues of interest to all of the COGs and cities. This is a work-in-progress and I will keep you updated.

**Evacuation Plan** – County OEM recently held a meeting with Westlake Village. In the meeting OEM discussed and drafted out zones for the City, and discussed the adjacent unincorporated area. OEM took the hand drawn zones back and will be digitizing them into GIS format to take them back to those stakeholders to confirm they correctly captured what was discussed/drawn in the meeting. Next, OEM will be setting up a meeting with Agoura Hills, although no date has been set. I will continue to keep you updated on this process.

**COG's Homeless Outreach Coordinator** – Gabriel continues to provide weekly updates on his assistance to people experiencing homelessness in the region.

**Advanced Planning for Measure M 8<sup>th</sup> Year Allocation** – The COG's Highway Working Group will be meeting with Metro again on May 24<sup>th</sup> to discuss Measure M 8<sup>th</sup> Year funding and projects. The COG's 8<sup>th</sup> year allocation is \$13,089,543 (\$2,502,521 for Active Transportation and \$10,587,022 for Highway). The COG will submit any new projects to Metro in June 2021 for informal eligibility review. Metro will work with the COG/cities over the summer to finalize the project list that will be presented to the TAC and Governing Board in September or October, depending on project feedback and eligibility issues.

**COG Homeless Working Group** – The County Homeless Initiative Team has advised the COGs that the County will no longer provide city grants. All grant funds will be distributed to the COGs. This will require the COG to divide the funds with Malibu, which has been receiving an individual city grant from the County. There will be sufficient funds to continue Gabriel Graham's position as Outreach Coordinator. I am currently in negotiations with the County HI Team and will keep the Governing Board posted as we finalize the contract and Scope of Work for FY 21/22. The COG's Homeless Working Group will be meeting on June 3<sup>rd</sup> to discuss and make a recommendation to the TAC and Governing Board.

**Redistricting** – Letters were sent to the California Redistricting Commission and the Los Angeles County Citizens Redistricting Commission. The executive director of the County commission stated the COG's letter would be posted as part of the public comment for the May 26<sup>th</sup> meeting.

DATE:	May 18, 2021
TO:	Governing Board and Alternates
FROM:	Terry Dipple, Executive Director
SUBJECT:	Draft 2022 Cities' and COGs' Homelessness Funding Framework

#### OVERVIEW

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide the Governing Board with information regarding the Draft 2022 Cities' and COGs' Homelessness Funding Framework prepared by the LA County Homeless Initiative Team (HI Team).

#### RECOMMENDATION

That the Governing Board refer the Draft 2022 Cities' and COGs' Homelessness Funding Framework to the COG's Homeless Working Group for review and recommendation to the Technical Advisory Committee and Governing Board.

# Cities' and COGs' Homelessness Funding Funding Allocation Based on 2020 LAHSA Homeless Count (January 2022-June 2023)

Councils of Governments	% Allocation Based on 2020 Homeless Count	Funding Allocation
Antelope Valley	18.10%	\$2,715,000
Gateway Cities COG	31.10%	\$4,665,000
Las Virgenes-Malibu COG	1.90%	\$285,000
San Fernando Valley COG	3.70%	\$555,000
San Gabriel Valley COG	23.50%	\$3,525,000
Southbay Cities COG	12.70%	\$1,905,000
Westside Cities COG	9.00%	\$1,350,000
Total	100.00%	\$15,000,000

### BACKGROUND

The HI Team recently presented the Draft 2022 Cities' and COGs' Homeless Funding Framework to the COG executive directors to outline how the County is changing their grant funding allocations by doing away with grants to individual cities. Instead, the County HI Team is proposing to allocate those individual city grants to their respective COGs. In our case, Malibu's grant funds will now be allocated to the COG and it will be up to the Governing Board to approve the COG's homeless grant funding allocations.

The following is the Draft 2022 Cities' and Councils of Governments' (COGs) Homelessness Funding Framework prepared by the County HI Team:

Homelessness is a regional crisis. As such, one of the top priorities of the Chief Executive Office's Homeless Initiative (CEO-HI) is to continue strengthening the collaboration between the County and diverse stakeholders, including the 88 cities in Los Angeles County. Councils of Governments (COGs) play a critical role in facilitating a regional approach (rather than a siloed approach) towards the solutions to homelessness. Since cities have jurisdiction over planning/land use activities and have the insight to support locally specific solutions, cities (with support from COGs) play a unique role in our countywide efforts to prevent and combat homelessness.

The County makes an annual investment of Measure H Strategy E7 funding (\$500,000) to the COGs for Regional Homelessness Coordination. In addition, the County invested \$9.0 million through the 2018 Cities' Homelessness Plan Implementation Grant program and \$6.0 million through the 2020 COG Innovation Fund program. Building on the success of these three programs, the CEO-HI is recommending that a new allocation of \$15.0 million in Measure H Strategy E7 funds be allocated to the COGs to facilitate a regional approach in preventing and combatting homelessness in Los Angeles County. The term of the new funding will be for 18-months: January 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

For this round of funding, the CEO-HI has determined that COGs are in the best position to administer implementation funding to the cities. COGs can use their regional lens to support cities in developing solutions to combat homelessness and can use their relationships with cities to maximize participation across all member cities.

#### **Funding Priorities**

The funds will support the Priority Areas originally set forth in the Cities' Homelessness Plan Implementation Grant Request For Proposals (RFP):

 $\cdot$  Priority Area 1: Increasing the supply of permanent and interim housing for people experiencing homelessness, and

· Priority Area 2: Enhancing County service systems for those experiencing and/or atrisk of homelessness. **Funding Framework** 

The CEO-HI recommends that the Cities' and COGs' Homelessness Funding Framework include the following elements:

1. Funding allocations for each COG shall be proportionate to the total 2020 Greater Los Angeles Point-in-Time Homeless Count of all cities within each respective COG, excluding the City of Los Angeles and the three cities which have their own Continuums of Care (Glendale, Long Beach and Pasadena).

a) Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Homeless Count was not conducted in 2021. Attachment I includes the recommended funding allocation for each of the COGs based on the 2020 Homeless Count.

b) The Antelope Valley region, which includes the cities of Palmdale and Lancaster, does not currently have a COG structure in place. The CEO-HI plans to execute contracts directly with these two cities.

c) Attachment II lists the cities within each of the COGs or regions.

2. Each COG (and cities within the Antelope Valley), in coordination with its member cities, shall design and implement its own process to determine how to utilize this funding, provided that the funding will be used only for activities which fall within Priority Areas 1 and 2, described above.

3. COGs must engage all their member cities, including the provision of technical assistance where necessary, so that all cities are well positioned to apply for available funding that also maximizes cities' resources.

4. Each COG will have the flexibility to determine how the funding will be distributed within the Priority Areas and/or if any of the funding will be administered directly by the COG for regional programs that meet the Priority Area goals.

5. At least 60% of the Cities' and COGs' Homelessness Funding must be used for Priority Area 1 activities.

6. The current contracts with the COGs and cities are due to expire on December 31, 2021. Pending Board approval, the CEO-HI will execute new contracts with COGS, which will include the funding for Regional Homelessness Coordination activities (\$500,000 per year) and Cities' and COGs' Homelessness Funding (amounts as delineated in Attachment II).

**Eligible Funding Activities** 

The activities listed below may be funded through the Cities' and COGs' Homelessness Funding grant. Funding must not duplicate or supplant programs that are already funded by LAHSA or other entities. Cities' and COGs' Homelessness Funding must concretely expand or enhance homeless services in Los Angeles County:

Priority Area 1:

 $\cdot$  Complete housing element updates, including achieving compliance with SB 2 (Cedillo) 2007.

 $\cdot$  Support the implementation of housing elements that result in affordable housing for people experiencing homelessness or at risk of becoming homeless (For example: rezoning program, CEQA analysis, community engagement, etc.).

• Develop and implement land acquisition strategies that will result in an increase of interim housing (IH) and permanent housing (PH) for people experiencing homelessness or at risk of becoming homeless.

 $\cdot$  Conduct feasibility and environmental studies for the creation of new IH and PH to meet the demand for homeless housing.

· Develop and implement housing and land use ordinances that increase affordable housing for people experiencing homelessness or at risk of becoming homeless; including, but not limited to, Interim and Supportive

Housing Ordinance, Accessory Dwelling Unit Ordinance, Reasonable Accommodations Ordinance, Inclusionary Zoning Ordinance, etc.

· Support efforts to build and/or construct new IH/PH.

 $\cdot$  Support efforts to acquire buildings to be used for IH/PH, including motel/hotel conversion projects (consultant fees, due diligence costs, etc.).

· Establish, design, and invest in a housing trust fund to create new housing resources.

 $\cdot$  Landlord outreach and incentive programs that result in increased housing capacity for people experiencing homelessness (new PH units).

 $\cdot$  Provide rental subsidies for people experiencing homelessness, for PH that was acquired as a result of 2018 Cities' Homelessness Plan Implementation Grants or the 2020 COGs' Innovation Funding (for example, rapid re-housing, shallow subsidies, etc.).

 $\cdot$  Operations and Supportive Services funding for newly established IH/PH beds (for example, space, furniture, case management, etc.).

· Establish safe parking programs.

Priority Area 2:

 $\cdot$  Development of city homelessness plans for those cities that have not previously submitted plans to the CEO-HI.

 $\cdot$  Pilot programs to test innovative, scalable solutions to prevent and combat homelessness.

• Prevention assistance to prevent residents from entering homelessness. Activities may include rental assistance, flexible funds, utility assistance, and providing problem-solving resources.

• Workforce development and training programs for individuals at risk of or currently experiencing homelessness. May include collaborations with social enterprises, recruitment of employers, subsidized employment/training, etc.

• Increased City-service provider coordination to build regional capacity and leverage County resources (for example, regional liaisons and/or regional coordinators).

**Ineligible Funding Activities** 

 $\cdot$  Measure H funding may not be used for City services such as sanitation, public safety, and/or encampment clean-ups.

· Measure H cannot be used to duplicate or supplant existing funding/programs.

DATE:May 18, 2021TO:Governing Board and AlternatesFROM:Terry Dipple, Executive DirectorSUBJECT:State Legislation

#### OVERVIEW

The purpose of this report is to provide the Governing Board with a summary of previous legislation that was discussed at the February and March COG meetings and any action that was subsequently taken by member cities to support or oppose any of these bills.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Discuss and take action to support or oppose any of the bills listed below and provide direction to staff.

#### BACKGROUND

The following is a list of bills that were reviewed by the Governing Board at the February and March 2021 COG meetings:

- SB 9 (Atkins) Statewide Rezoning of Single-Family Neighborhoods & Urban Parcel Splits
- SB 10 (Weiner) Planning and zoning: housing development: density
- SB 12 (McGuire) Local Government: planning and zoning: wildfires
- SB 52 (Dodd) State of Emergency. Local Emergency. Sudden and Severe Energy Shortage. Planned Power Outage
- SB 55 (Stern) Very high fire hazard severity zone: state responsibility area: development prohibition
- SB 99 (Dodd) Community Energy Resilience Act of 2021
- SB 278 (Leyva) Public Employees' Retirement System: disallowed compensation: benefit adjustments
- AB 339 (Lee) State & Local Government: Open meetings.
- AB 361 (R. Rivas) Open Meetings: local agencies: teleconferences.
- AB 377 (R. Rivas) Water quality: impaired waters.

DATE:	May 18, 2021
TO:	Governing Board and Alternates
FROM:	Terry Dipple, Executive Director
SUBJECT:	Contract Extension for Homeless Outreach Coordinator

#### **OVERVIEW**

The purpose of this report is to provide the Governing Board with information pertaining to the contract extension for the COG's homeless outreach coordinator.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Approve the one-year contract extension between the COG and Gabriel Graham for homeless outreach services.

#### BACKGROUND

In 2019, COG President, Alicia Weintraub and the COG's Homeless Working Group held several meetings to discuss the Los Angeles County Homeless Grant and how those funds could be used. Then-President Weintraub and the Homeless Working Group were frustrated by the 48-72-hour response time from LAHSA and service providers to provide assistance to people experiencing homelessness in the COG cities. After protracted negotiations with the County Homeless Initiative Team (HI Team), it was agreed that the COG could use the grant funds to hire a full-time individual that would respond to city staff, public safety partners and homeless service providers to assist people experiencing homelessness in the COG region.

The city managers discussed this matter at the January 8, 2020 Technical Advisory Committee meeting and on January 21, 2020 the Governing Board approved allocating up to \$60,000 in LA County Homeless Innovation Funds, which total \$81,528, to hire a homeless outreach coordinator.

The Executive Director worked with area homeless services providers to identify potential candidates for the position. The Executive Director interviewed and recommended the hiring of Gabriel Graham as the Homeless Outreach Coordinator for the COG. The contract with Gabriel Graham was from March 1, 2020 to February 28, 2021, although Gabriel did not become effective until it was approved by the Governing Board at the March 17, 2020 meeting.

Technically, the contract expired on February 28, 2021 and needs to be extended, as allowed in the original agreement. Attached is the Extension of Agreement for Consulting Services with the Las Virgenes-Malibu Council of Governments, which extends the term of the contract through March 15, 2022. The contract extension has been signed by Gabriel Graham and will become effective upon approval by the Governing Board and signed by the COG President.

# **FISCAL IMPACT**

Limited. Los Angeles County Homeless Grant funds will cover the cost of the services provided by Gabriel Graham. The contract extension does not require any financial contributions by the COG, but the Executive Director is involved in administering the grant and overseeing the homeless outreach coordinator.

# Attachment: Contract Extension for Homeless Outreach Coordinator

#### EXTENSION OF AGREEMENT FOR CONSULTING SERVICES WITH THE

#### LAS VIRGENES-MALIBU COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

THIS AGREEMENT is made by and between the Las Virgenes-Malibu Council of Governments, a joint powers authority (hereinafter called the "COG"), and Gabriel Graham (hereinafter called "CONSULTANT").

#### RECITALS

- A. COG and CONSULTANT entered into an Agroement for the term of one-year that was approved by the COG and executed by the parties on March 17, 2020.
- B. COG has been satisfied with CONSULTANT'S performance and desires to continue the working relationship.
- C. CONSULTANT desires to continue providing services to the COG.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

The AGREEMENT shall be extended for one-year (March 16, 2021 – March 15, 2022) at the same rate of compensation, except the COG may increase CONSULTANT's compensation at some point during the extension period.

All other terms and conditions contained in the original ACREEMENT shall continue through the term of this extension.

EXECUTED on , 2021

LAS VIRGINES-MALIBU COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

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President, Governing Board

CONSULTANT

**DATE**: May 18, 2021

**TO**: Governing Board and Alternates

**FROM**: Terry Dipple, Executive Director

**SUBJECT**: Appointment of Las Virgenes-Malibu Council of Governments Representative to Los Angeles County Division, League of California Cities

#### OVERVIEW

The purpose of this report is to provide the Governing Board with information pertaining to the Las Virgenes-Malibu Council of Governments Representative to Los Angeles County Division, League of California Cities.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Approve the appointment of Laura McCorkindale as the COG representative to the to the Board of the Los Angeles County Division, League of California Cities.

#### BACKGROUND

In September 2019, the Governing Board appointed Vice President Farrer as the Las Virgenes-Malibu Council of Governments representative to Los Angeles County Division, League of California Cities. Vice President Farrer originally agreed to serve for one-year but asked to continue beyond September 2020. However, she recently informed me that her responsibilities in Malibu are taking more time and she would like to step down as the COG representative.

Laura McCorkindale, alternate Governing Board member from Hidden Hills, has expressed interest in serving as the COG's representative to Los Angeles County Division, League of California Cities.

# Agenda Item 7.D

To: LVMCOG Executive Director and Governing Board

Subject: SCAG Update May 2021

From: Rachel Wagner, SCAG Regional Affairs Officer; wagner@scag.ca.gov

HIGHLIGHTS FROM MAY 6, 2021 GENERAL ASSEMBLY

GENERAL ASSEMBLY ELECTS 2021-2022 BOARD OFFICERS

The General Assembly approved the nominations for the SCAG 2021-2022 Board Officers. Congratulations to Hon. Clint Lorimore (City of Eastvale), who will serve as the new SCAG President; Hon. Jan Harnik (Riverside County Transportation Commission), who will serve as First Vice President; and Hon. Carmen Ramirez (County of Ventura), who will serve as Second Vice President. Leadership also took time to recognize Hon. Rex Richardson (City of Long Beach), who served as President for 2020-2021 and will continue on as a board officer in the role of Immediate Past President.

#### HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE May 6, 2021 REGIONAL COUNCIL MEETING

#### ACTION

#### REGIONAL COUNCIL APPROVES THE RACIAL EQUITY EARLY ACTION PLAN

The Regional Council today adopted the Racial Equity Early Action Plan which will guide and sustain SCAG's regional leadership in service of equity and social justice. Following the Regional Council resolution affirming a commitment to advancing justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion, an ad hoc Special Committee on Equity and Social Justice was tasked with recommending a set of policies to the Regional Council and any necessary changes to the bylaws to the General Assembly to help SCAG meet these objectives.

The Early Action Plan is the result of discussions and feedback provided by the Special Committee and provides a definition of equity and establishes goals, strategies, and a set of "early actions" to advance racial equity through SCAG's policies, practices, and activities. The four overarching goals include:

· Shift the Organizational Culture, which is focused on SCAG's internal work and practices.

· Center Racial Equity in Regional Policy & Planning, which refers to SCAG's regional planning functions.

• Encourage Racial Equity in Local Planning Practices, referring to how SCAG can influence the local elected officials and planning professionals with which it works and partners.

• Activate and Amplify, in which SCAG commits to communicating more broadly its commitment to racial equity and joining with others in different fields and sectors to amplify impact.

In support of SCAG's commitment to "early actions," the General Assembly today voted to amend the SCAG Bylaws to include an increase in representation of "communities of concern" in regional policy conversations. The Regional Council also approved \$1.37 million, as part of the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Final Comprehensive Budget, for two new tasks focused on equity outreach and engagement for the 2024 update of Connect SoCal and to provide more planning resources to Environmental Justice communities.

More information on SCAG's work regarding inclusion, equity, diversity, and awareness, including SCAG's definition of Racial Equity, can be found here.

ACTION

**REGIONAL COUNCIL APPROVES 33 ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS** 

The Regional Council today approved 33 local proposals that promote walking and biking, traffic safety and expand opportunities for multimodal transportation options as part of the 2021 SCAG Regional Active Transportation and Sustainable Communities Programs.

The Regional Active Transportation Program consists of 23 projects totaling \$93.4 million that support walking and bicycling. One of these projects is the Sustainable Communities Program – Active Transportation & Safety, which includes 11 sub-projects totaling \$4.97 million that support active transportation and safety planning strategies.

SCAG staff will submit the Regional Active Transportation Program to the California Transportation Commission for adoption at their June meeting. Upon approval, staff will follow up with award letters to project sponsors regarding the next steps. Learn more at www.scag.ca.gov/active-transportation.

INFORMATION

#### SCAG SEEKS FEEDBACK ON INCLUSIVE ECONOMIC RECOVERY STRATEGY RECOMMENDATIONS

To implement SCAG Resolution No. 20-623-2—SCAG's commitment to addressing racial and social equity—and President Rex Richardson's 2020-2021 Work Plan, SCAG staff developed the Inclusive Economic Recovery Strategy. Staff convened 20 focus groups from February through April 2021 to learn about ongoing efforts across the region and identify priorities and areas where SCAG can be most effective and impactful. Staff also continued to seek out best practices and data through a partnership with the University of California, Riverside Center for Social Innovation. Findings and draft recommendations were reviewed by the SCAG bench of economic advisors and the Global Land Use and Economics Council, as well as the stakeholders that participated in the convenings. With additional feedback, staff will finalize a more detailed report and web resource with related appendices. The final report and prioritized recommendations will be brought to the Regional Council in Summer 2021. Learn

more about the Inclusive Economic Recovery Strategy and submit your feedback at www.scag.ca.gov/inclusive-economic-recovery-strategy.

We Want to Hear from You

SCAG is seeking stakeholder input on the findings and proposed recommendations for the final Inclusive Economic Recovery Strategy. All stakeholders who live or work in the SCAG six-county region (Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and Ventura) are encouraged to review the draft Inclusive Economic Recovery Strategy Findings and Recommendations and submit suggestions for recommendation revisions, suggestions for recommendations that should be prioritized and suggestions for new comments/findings and recommendations. The public comment period will be open May 6 through 3 p.m. PST on June 4. All comments should be sent to economicrecovery@scag.ca.gov.

#### SCAG PROGRAM UPDATES

GO Human's Community Streets Mini-Grants Call for Projects Open Through May 19th

Mini-Grants are back! Go Human, with support from the California Office of Traffic Safety, has launched the Community Streets Mini-Grants Program (Mini-Grants). Now in its third year of funding communitydriven traffic safety projects, the Mini-Grants Program will provide up to \$10,000 in project support to community-based organizations, nonprofits, and social enterprises. The Call for Projects application deadline is Wednesday, May 19 at 11:59 p.m. Check out the Mini-Grants page for more information, including the Mini-Grants Guidelines and Application. For inquiries, contact Andrés Carrasquillo, Community Engagement Specialist, at carrasquillo@scag.ca.gov or (213) 630-1401. Co-Branded Safety Advertisements. Go Human is also currently accepting requests for print ads and digital ads! Make a request by filling out a Materials Request Form.

#### UPCOMING MEETINGS

MAY

18th Legislative/Communications & Membership Committee (LCMC)

25th Transportation Conformity Working Group

26th Modeling Task Force

27th Natural Farmlands & Conservation Working Group

JUNE

2nd Executive Administration Committee

**3rd Regional Council and Policy Committees** 

15th Legislative/Communications & Membership Committee

22nd Transportation Conformity Working Group

24th Emerging Technologies Committee

30th Regional Transit Technical Advisory Committee