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Sustainability Committee Meeting

June 13, 2012 at 11:00 AM

Santa Monica Main Library

2nd Floor, Community Meeting Room

601 Santa Monica Blvd., Santa Monica, CA

Free validated parking in the parking structure.

I. Call to Order and Introductions

II. Board Vision/Priorities Discussion

The Board directed staff to draft a joint Request for Proposals (RFP) for a COG bike sharing program and present it to the Transportation Committee at its June 18, 2012 meeting. An update of progress toward this effort will be provided at the meeting. Due to time constraints, (a public hearing at 1:30 p.m.) discussion of the other priorities was continued to the July Board meeting.

III. Plastic Bag Ban Efforts in the COG Jurisdictions

Staff from each jurisdiction will report on the status of plastic bag ban ordinances and related activities.

IV. Plug-In Electric (PEV) Grant Opportunity

Staff is finalizing the draft California Energy Commission grant application developed by researchers at the Luskin Center for Innovation at the Luskin School of Public Policy at UCLA. The grant focuses on resolution of issues related to updating electrical systems in multi-family buildings. (Draft attached.)

V. Bicycle Coordination Plan Update

The Ad Hoc Committee's focus has been on drafting the COG region RFP, so there is no update on this project at this time.

VI. SB 1066- Lieu- INFORMATION ONLY

At the July 17, 2012 Board meeting, direction was made to send a letter of support of this legislation which would provide the California Coastal Commission with authorities with respect to climate change. Since the Board meeting, the bill's wording has been modified as follows: This bill would (word "require" deleted) *authorize* the conservancy to fund and undertake projects to address climate change, giving priority to projects that maximize public benefits. The Senate Appropriations Committee has voted to pass the bill as amended.

VII. Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission- INFORMATION ONLY

The Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission has been contacting the individual cities to provide information on a new initiative. The Commission has never had a membership dues structure. Funding for many projects is from reimbursable grants, for which the Commission pays money "up front." The Commission believes this seriously hampers its ability to undertake larger projects. The proposed initiative to establish membership dues would create a reserve that the Commission believes would allow access to larger grants and enable the Commission to undertake larger projects to better address Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) and other pollutant and water quality standard issues.

VIII. Receive and File and Direction

April 11, 2011 Draft Meeting Notes- recommended correction to delete reference to time frame in the last paragraph of Item III – Plastic Bag Ban Efforts.

IX. Public Comment on Items NOT on the Agenda

X. Announcements and Future Meeting Agenda Items

XI. Adjournment: Next meeting is scheduled to take place on August 8, 2012. Location to be determined.

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