



## Local Advisory Committee

August 20, 2008

Dominguez Community Center  
21156 S. Santa Fe Avenue  
Carson, CA 90810

## MEETING SUMMARY

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### INTRODUCTION

On Wednesday, August 20, 2008 the Carson Local Advisory Committee held their third meeting. The meeting was held at Dominguez Community Center. Twelve community members were in attendance. In attendance from the I-710 Project Team were: Devon Cichoski (Metro), Jerry Wood (Gateway Cities COG), Becky Draper (MIG), Esmeralda Garcia (MIG) and Arcelia Arce (The Robert Group). The purpose of the meeting was to provide to provide the LAC members with an opportunity to meet one another and learn about each other's priorities.

Ray Park, Local Advisory Committee (LAC) Chair opened the meeting and welcomed the audience and discussed the importance of the upcoming process. He then handed the floor to Becky Draper. Ms. Draper gave brief remarks then introduced Esmeralda Garcia to facilitate the meeting. Ms. Garcia introduced the project team to the LAC and then asked Mayor Jim Dear to give a few remarks. Mayor Dear explained to the LAC that their role was to advise him on the I-710 project and that he saw many opportunities for them to put their talents and interests to use. He indicated that he had recently made four new appointments to the LAC for a total of 17 members. Mayor Dear then turned meeting back to Ms. Garcia.

### PROJECT UPDATE

#### Technical Team

Ms. Garcia introduced Jerry Wood, Gateway Cities COG who gave a brief overview and update on the project that touched on:

- Technical Team progress



- Project duration
- Technical Team members makeup
- Overview of studies included in the I-710 Corridor Project EIR/EIS

### **Community Participation**

Ms. Draper then gave an overview of the Community Participation framework and outreach progress to date. She discussed the following points:

- Formation status and meeting timeframe for the Community Advisory Committee, Subject Matter Working Groups, Technical Advisory Committee, Project Committee, and Executive Committee.
- Composition and charge for each committee.
- Collateral materials update (i.e, corridor documentary video, newsletter and scoping meeting mailer)
- Public Scoping Meetings schedule, purpose and locations

Discussion points related to Ms. Draper review included:

- Subject Working Group topics (Environment, Transportation and Community Design/Economics)
- Subject Working Group appointment process (each LAC may name a representative to each of the Subject Working Groups if desired)
- Noticing of Public Scoping Meetings (newspaper advertisements, mailing of 58,000 notices, announcements to all Local Advisory Committees and communities along the I-710 Corridor)

### **PROJECT HISTORY**

Ms. Garcia then gave some background on the project. The initial concepts required residential property acquisitions drawing concerns from the public. Metro subsequently reformulated their outreach strategy and hired a consultant team to assist. This began the Major Corridor Study - a completely new approach- grassroots, from the bottom up.

Ms. Garcia then turned it over to Ray Park who described his participation in Major Corridor Study with particular emphasis on the Tier 2 process and the subsequent report that was formulated from that process. Copies of the Tier II Report were distributed to each of the LAC members.

Louis Diaz, a member of the LAC, commented that the Tier 2 report is still a living document. He was proud of everyone's efforts and the assistance given by MIG and the technical team.

### **COMMITTEE EXPECTATIONS AND OUTCOMES**

The LAC members were then asked to individually introduce themselves and to share some thoughts on what they expected and wanted to see come out of the process. Key points included:

- Desire for increased and expanded participation

- Attention to health-related issues surrounding I-710 project.
- Economic impact of the I-710 corridor project.
- Understanding freeway impacts on Carson.
- Building on the work of the Major Corridor Study and Tier 2 process.Louis Diaz-
- Education and opportunity to contribute knowledge
- Helping to formulate and implement positive changes for the I-710 corridor.
- Planning for the future and generations to come.

Mr. Park's appointment to the Community Advisory Committee was confirmed. Mr. Park then gave a few words regarding what his goals for the LAC are:

- Provide feedback and input on issues related to locally preferred alternative.
- Provide local voice on concerns of health risks associated with the corridor
- Represent the larger Carson community through the LAC.

Mr. Wood explained that this process is very unique and has never been done before. There will be opportunity to review and comment on the draft studies. Ms. Garcia indicated that moving forward meeting notes would be distributed, and then proceeded to invite the LAC members to the Project Committee meeting on August 21 in Paramount. Early scoping meetings were announced as follows:

- September 9- East LA
- September 10- Paramount
- September 11- Long Beach

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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- ▽ + INCREASED/EXPANDED PARTICIPATION
  - ▽ WORKING AS A TEAM
  - ▽ COMMON INTERESTS AND EXPERIENCES
  - ▽ + + WORKING TO MOVE FORWARD TIER II STRATEGIES!
  - ▽ + OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN AND CONTRIBUTE
  - ▽ SHARING EARLIER MCS EXPERIENCE
  - ▽ + IDENTIFYING BEST WAY TO USE PERSONAL ASSETS TO ASSIST LAC
  - ▽ BEING PART OF PROCESS
  - ▽ ANSWERING AN IMPORTANT NEED
- ▽ PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE THROUGH ACTION TODAY
  - ▽ RESOURCES AVAILABLE WHEN NEEDED
  - ▽ INFORMATION PRIOR TO LAC MEETINGS
  - ▽ RAY PARK CONFIRMATION AS COMMITTEE CHAIR



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