

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
I-710 CORRIDOR PROJECT EIR/EIS
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
January 14, 2009**

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Pagett at 1:38 PM.

II. Roll Call

PRESENT: Bill Pagett, City of Paramount; Carlos Alvarado, Cities of Bell and Cudahy; Joe Dyer, City of Bell Gardens; Bob Zarilli, City of Commerce; Dave Hewitt, City of Compton; Patrick Fu, City of Huntington Park; Mark Christoffels, City of Long Beach; Daniel Ojeda, City of Lynwood; Charlie Honeycutt, City of Signal Hill; Mohammad Mostahkami, City of South Gate; Victor Rollinger, City of Carson; Maged El-Rabaa, LACDPW; Ron Kosinski, Caltrans; Adrian Alvarez, Metro; Kerry Cartwright, POLA; Philip Law, SCAG; Susan Nakamura, SCAQMD; John Doherty, ACTA; Patricia Arons, SCE

ABSENT: Ed Norris, City of Downey; Tom Melendrez, City of Maywood; Kevin Wilson, City of Vernon; Eric Shen, Port of Long Beach; Michelle Noch, FTA/FHWA; Mark Sedlacek, LADWP.

Other attendees included: Amir Alam, LACDPW; Ernesto Chavez, Metro; Devon Cichoski, Metro; Abdi Saghafi, Caltrans; Mario Gutierrez, Caltrans; Sue Lai, POLA; Richard Powers, GCCOG; Jerry Wood, GCCOG; Jack Joseph, GCCOG; Dave Randall, Montebello USD; Jack Waldron, URS; Dave Levinsohn, URS; Michael Fischer, Cambridge Systematics; Rob McCann, LSA; Pat McLaughlin, MIG; Julia Lester, Environ; Lupe Valdez, UPRR.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge of allegiance was led by Maged El-Rabaa.

IV. Amendments to the Agenda

There were no amendments to the agenda.

V. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

VI. Consent Calendar

It was moved by Mark Christoffels, seconded by Maged El-Rabaa, to approve the minutes of the meeting of December 17, 2008. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. Reports

A. Status Reports – Engineering

Jack Waldron of URS presented a status report for the I-710 EIR/EIS geometric plans that had been reviewed to date by the sub-TAC groups. This included the north sub-TAC meeting that was held January 13. Jack Waldron informed the TAC that the Screening Studies needed in support of selection of cargo forecasts as well as selection of Alternative(s) had been completed. The TAC members were reminded to send in their comments on the conceptual geometric plans to Metro this week. The TAC was also reminded about the forthcoming PC meeting on Jan. 29. Richard Powers informed the TAC that SCE, DWP and ACTA had been added to the TAC as ex-officio members and that contacts were being made with Metrolink and High Speed Rail to make presentations to the TAC at upcoming meeting. The TAC members were also reminded of the second TAC meeting on Jan. 21.

Mark Christoffels asked to whom any comments should be submitted. Jerry Wood responded that they should be directed to Ernest Morales at Metro.

It was moved by Joe Dyer, seconded by Mark Christoffels, to receive and file the report. The motion passed unanimously.

1. Status Reports – Community Participation

Pat McLaughlin of MIG reviewed the status of the Local, Corridor and Subject Working Groups that make up the community participation. The CAC meets Jan. 21 and the Subject Working Groups have begun to meet. Comments were being requested from the LAC's from their reviews of the conceptual geometric plans.

Mohammad Mostahkami asked when comments should be received from the local advisory committees. Jerry Wood responded that it would be appropriate to get those comments within the next couple of weeks.

It was moved by Daniel Ojeda, seconded by Joe Dyer, to receive and file the report. The motion passed unanimously.

C. I-710 Corridor Project EIR/EIS – Presentations of Draft Studies

A presentation was made by various members of the consultant team to evaluate the six alternatives against the cargo forecast scenario that had been selected by the TAC and concurred with by the PC. The evaluation consisted of using the following evaluation criteria:

- Mobility Measures
- Air Quality Measures
- Traffic Safety Measures
- Right of Way Measures
- Environmental Impact Measures
- Capital Cost Measures

Patricia Arons said that the impact of relocation of any electrical power lines needs to be captured in the analysis.

At the conclusion of the presentation the consultants recommended that Alternative 6 (with consideration of incorporating Alternative Technology from Alternative 3 into Alternative 6 as an option) best met the Purpose and Need for the project and should be used as the basis for analysis in the EIR/EIS. After a short discussion it was recommended by Jerry Wood to continue the discussion of this recommendation and analysis to the Jan. 21 meeting. Ron Kosinski said that he concurred with the recommendation.

It was moved by Mohammad Mostahkami, seconded by Daniel Ojeda, to receive and file this report and continue it to the next meeting for further discussion of the recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Comments from Committee Members

There were no comments from Committee members.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned by consensus at 3:53 PM.