

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
I-710 CORRIDOR PROJECT EIR/EIS
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
16401 Paramount Blvd., Paramount, CA
March 18, 2009**

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Pagett at 1:37 PM.

II. Roll Call

PRESENT: Bill Pagett, City of Paramount, Chair; Carlos Alvarado, Cities of Bell and Cudahy; Joe Dyer, Cities of Bell Gardens and Maywood; Victor Rollinger, City of Carson; Alex Hamilton, City of Commerce; Dave Hewitt, City of Compton; Mark Christoffels, City of Long Beach; Daniel Ojeda, City of Lynwood; Mohammad Mostahkami, City of South Gate; Kevin Wilson, City of Vernon; Phil Doudar, LACDPW; Ron Kosinski, Caltrans; Ernest Morales, Metro; Eric Shen, POLB; Kerry Cartwright, POLA; Phillip Law, SCAG; Peter Greenwald, SCAQMD; Art Goodwin, ACTA; Arevik Petrosyan, Southern California Edison.

ABSENT: Ed Norris, City of Downey; Patrick Fu, City of Huntington Park; Charlie Honeycutt, City of Signal Hill; Michelle Noch, FHWA & FTA; Mark Sedlacek, LADWP.

Other attendees included: Abdi Saghafi, Caltrans; Richard Mora, Metro; Adrian Alvarez, Metro; Jolene Hayes, POLB; Susan Nakamura, SCAQMD; Jerry Wood, GCCOG; Jack Joseph, GCCOG; Chi Hua Ho, LAUSD; LaDonna DiCamillo, BNSF Railroad; Mike Simon, General Atomics; Ramon Grijalva, Addison Burnet Group; Daryl Fleming, Addison Burnet Group; Jack Waldron, URS; Dave Levinsohn, URS; Carmen Dalpiaz, URS; Rob McCann, LSA; Jayna Goodman, LSA; Julia Lester, Environ; Gill Hicks, Cambridge Systematics.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge of allegiance was led by Kevin Wilson.

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 Victor Rollinger, to approve the consent calendar. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. Reports

A. Los Angeles River Goods Movement Project – Presentation by.

Ramon Grijalva, President, Addison Burnett Group, introduced Daryl Fleming of the Addison Burnett Group, who made a presentation to the TAC on using the Los Angeles River to move containers using a “gondola” approach. This was discussed by the TAC following the presentation and it was suggested by the TAC Chairman that the Addison Burnett Group contact and meet with the Corps of Engineers and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District for their input and review and report the results of such a meeting to the TAC before the TAC could consider this proposal any further.

It was moved by Bill Pagett, seconded by Mark Christoffels, to receive and file the presentation and to concur with the recommendation by the TAC chairman before any further consideration of this proposal.

B. Alternative Technology Workshop – Discussion of Results, Recommendations and Follow-up.

Jack Waldron of URS summarized the results of the Alternative Screening analyses, workshop and screening that were performed. These analyses showed that the alternative of zero emission trucks was ranked higher than the other two types of alternative technologies that were evaluated.

It was moved by Mohammad Mostahkami, seconded by Victor Rollinger, to receive and file the report and to send the final report (and other analyses) to the industry for review and comment and to proceed with a design of the freight corridor based upon highway standards. After discussion among the TAC members, an amended motion was moved by Mark Christoffels, seconded by Kevin Wilson, to receive and file the report and to send the final report (and other analyses) to the industry for review and comment. The amendment was

accepted by Members Mostahkami and Rollinger and the motion passed unanimously.

C. Screening Alternative(s) Analysis and Recommendation(s)
1. Review of AQMD Comments

Jack Waldron presented the analysis of the screening alternatives for review and discussion with the TAC members. Attachment A following the staff report was extensively discussed. Kerry Cartwright said that linear induction motor technology should be included as an alternative technology. Bill Pagett said that there should be an Alternative 5a as an alternative without a freight corridor. Ron Kosinski stated that FHWA/FTA will want consideration of an alternative without a freight corridor in order to meet CEQA and NEPA standards. It was the consensus of the TAC to revise the Attachment with various changes, including adding Alternative 5a as a stand alone alternative without a freight corridor.

It was moved by Mohammad Mostahkami, seconded by Daniel Ojeda, to make these changes and bring them back to the TAC for review by the TAC members. Peter Greenwald expressed concern that the recommended alternatives did not include a zero emission truck only option and that the electric train option was not being continued as a recommendation. Consultant staff responded that Alternative 6b is recommended to be analyzed using zero emission trucks only.

Mohammad Mostahkami offered a substitute motion to his previous motion, seconded by Kerry Cartwright, to continue this item and items VII E, F, and G to the next TAC meeting, which is scheduled to be held on April 1, 2009, at 1:30 PM at the GCCOG offices. The motion was approved, with Peter Greenwald voting no.

VIII. Comments from Committee Members

There were no comments from Committee members.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 3:45 PM.