



Western Riverside Council of Governments Planning Directors Committee

AGENDA

**Thursday, June 13, 2024
9:30 AM**

**Western Riverside Council of Governments
3390 University Avenue, Suite 200
Riverside, CA 92501**

Remote Meeting Locations:

**Corona City Hall
400 S. Vicentia Avenue
Planning & Development Conference Room
Corona, CA 92882**

**County of Riverside
4080 Lemon Street, 12th Floor
Riverside, CA 92501**

**March Joint Powers Authority
14285 Meridian Parkway, Suite 140
Riverside, CA 92518**

**City of Perris
City Hall
101 N D Street
Perris, CA 92570**

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the public, presenters, and support staff.

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The Committee may take any action on any item listed on the agenda, regardless of the Requested Action.

1. CALL TO ORDER (Joe Perez, Chair)

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public can address the Committee regarding any items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee that are not separately listed on this agenda. Members of the public will have an opportunity to speak on agenda items at the time the item is called for discussion. No action may be taken on items not listed on the agenda unless authorized by law. Whenever possible, lengthy testimony should be presented to the Committee in writing and only pertinent points presented orally.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

All items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and may be enacted by one motion. Prior to the motion to consider any action by the Committee, any public comments on any of the Consent Items will be heard. There will be no separate action unless members of the Committee request specific items be removed from the Consent Calendar.

A. Action Minutes from the April 11, 2024, Planning Directors Committee Meeting

Requested Action(s):

1. Approve the Action Minutes from the April 11, 2024, Planning Directors Committee meeting.

B. Approval of Planning Directors Committee Meeting Schedule for 2025

Requested Action(s):

1. Approve the schedule of Planning Directors Committee meetings for 2025.

6. REPORTS / DISCUSSION

Members of the public will have an opportunity to speak on agenda items at the time the item is called for discussion.

A. SCAG Highways to Boulevards Regional Study

Requested Action(s): 1. Receive and file.

B. Housing Topics Roundtable

Requested Action(s): 1. Receive and file.

7. REPORT FROM THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Chris Gray

8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

Members are invited to suggest additional items to be brought forward for discussion at future Committee meetings.

9. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members are invited to announce items / activities which may be of general interest to the Committee.

10. NEXT MEETING

The next Planning Directors Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 8, 2024, at 9:30 a.m., in WRCOG's office at 3390 University Avenue, Suite 200, Riverside.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Planning Directors Committee

Action Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Planning Directors Committee meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Kenneth Phung at 9:30 a.m. on April 11, 2024, in WRCOG's office.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice-Chair Phung led the Committee members and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

- City of Calimesa - Kelly Lucia
- City of Eastvale - David Murray
- City of Menifee - Cheryl Kitzerow
- City of Moreno Valley - Sean Kelleher
- City of Murrieta - David Chantarangsu*
- City of Norco - Vince Acuna
- City of Perris - Kenneth Phung
- City of San Jacinto - Kevin White
- City of Temecula - Matt Peters
- City of Wildomar - Matt Bassi
- March JPA - Jeffrey Smith
- Riverside Transit Agency (RTA) - Jennifer Nguyen

* Arrived after Roll Call

Absent:

- City of Beaumont
- City of Banning
- City of Canyon Lake
- City of Corona
- City of Hemet
- City of Jurupa Valley
- City of Lake Elsinore
- City of Riverside
- County of Riverside
- Western Water

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

RESULT:	APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED
MOVER:	Moreno Valley
SECONDER:	Menifee
AYES:	Calimesa, Eastvale, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Murrieta, Norco, Perris, San Jacinto, Temecula, Wildomar, March JPA, RTA

A. Action Minutes from the February 8, 2024, Planning Directors Committee Meeting

Action:

1. Approved the Action Minutes from the February 8, 2024, Planning Directors Committee meeting.

6. REPORTS / DISCUSSION

A. Local Permit Ready Accessory Dwelling Unit Programs

Action:

1. Received and filed.

B. TUMF Nexus Study - Release Draft for Review

RESULT:	APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED
MOVER:	Wildomar
SECONDER:	San Jacinto
AYES:	Calimesa, Eastvale, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Murrieta, Norco, Perris, San Jacinto, Temecula, Wildomar, March JPA, RTA

Action:

1. Recommended that the Executive Committee direct staff to release the draft TUMF Nexus Study update for a 30-day review / comment period.

7. REPORT FROM THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Chris Gray, Deputy Executive Director, reminded the Committee that the WRCOG General Assembly will take place on June 20, 2024, at Pechanga Resort Casino, with Sean McVay as the keynote speaker. Staff is currently organizing a housing roundtable, which will focus on various housing topics such as new legislation compliance, ADUs, and surplus lands, and will give the Committee a chance to ask questions and share information.

8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

Committee member Cheryl Kitzerow suggested an item regarding SB 330, no net loss ordinances, and how to fund affordable housing production.

9. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee member David Chantarangsu stated that the Town of Portola Valley was recently decertified of its housing element by the HCP because work was not moving fast enough.

10. NEXT MEETING

The next Planning Directors Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 13, 2024, at 9:30 a.m., in WRCOG's office.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:46 a.m.



Western Riverside Council of Governments Planning Directors Committee

Staff Report

Subject: Approval of Planning Directors Committee Meeting Schedule for 2025
Contact: Chris Gray, Deputy Executive Director, cgray@wrcog.us, (951) 405-6710
Date: June 13, 2024

Recommended Action(s):

1. Approve the schedule of Planning Directors Committee meetings for 2025.

Summary:

All Planning Directors Committee meeting dates are proposed for the 2nd Thursday of the month, every other month, at 9:30 a.m.

Purpose / WRCOG 2022-2027 Strategic Plan Goal:

The purpose of this item is to approve the schedule of the Planning Directors Committee meetings for 2025. This item aligns with WRCOG's 2022-2027 Strategic Plan Goal #4 (Communicate proactively about the role and activities of the Council of Governments).

Discussion:

Following are the proposed 2025 meeting dates for the Planning Directors Committees. The June meeting would conflict with the annual WRCOG General Assembly, so it has been moved to May.

Committee	Day	Time	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Planning Directors	2nd Thurs.	9:30 a.m.	DARK	13	DARK	10	8	DARK	DARK	14	DARK	9	DARK	11

Prior Action(s):

None.

Financial Summary:

This item is for informational purposes only; therefore, there is no fiscal impact.

Attachment(s):

None.



Western Riverside Council of Governments Planning Directors Committee

Staff Report

Subject: SCAG Highways to Boulevards Regional Study
Contact: Hina Chanchlani, SCAG Associate Regional Planner, chanchlani@scag.ca.gov, (213) 236-1829
Date: June 13, 2024

Recommended Action(s):

1. Receive and file.
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Summary:

SCAG received federal funding to develop a Highways to Boulevards Regional Study, which will identify opportunities to reconnect communities by removing, retrofitting, or mitigating transportation facilities, such as highways or railways, that create barriers to community connectivity. SCAG staff and consultants are engaging with subregional staff to seek input on the study's progress. Two Project Advisory Committees (PACs) provide input and feedback, informing two stages of this study through June 2025. This presentation aims to engage Committee members and seek their input on opportunities in the subregion.

Purpose / WRCOG 2022-2027 Strategic Plan Goal:

The purpose of this item is to provide an overview of the Study and seek input from Committee members. This effort aligns with WRCOG's 2022-2027 Strategic Plan Goal #5 (Develop projects and programs that improve infrastructure and sustainable development in our subregion).

Discussion:

Background

The Highways to Boulevards Regional Study will identify opportunities to reconnect communities by removing, retrofitting, or mitigating transportation facilities such as highways or railways that create barriers to community connectivity. The Study furthers Connect SoCal's vision for a more resilient and equitable future. SCAG will engage stakeholders from across the region from November 2023 through June 2025.

The Study goals include:

- Identifying opportunities to reconnect communities by removing, retrofitting, or mitigating

transportation facilities, such as highways or railways, that create barriers to community connectivity including mobility, access, or economic development.

- Offering a path for communities to reknit by removing, retrofitting, or mitigating transportation facilities so that what remains is a better fit for the context of their surroundings and serves all people.
- Providing a framework to identify and evaluate potential transportation facilities to reconnect communities for performance improvements to provide more multi-modal travel options.
- Focusing on areas that intersect with Priority Equity Communities.
- Preserving local communities and creating opportunities for safer and healthier communities.
- Positioning the region to compete for Federal Reconnecting Communities program funds.

Present Situation

SCAG has secured consultant support for this work and SCAG staff and consultants are engaging with staff in the subregion to seek input on the Study's progress. Input and feedback from two Project Advisory Committees (PACs) inform two stages of this Study through June 2025.

Prior Action(s):

None.

Financial Summary:

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Attachment(s):

None.



Western Riverside Council of Governments Planning Directors Committee

Staff Report

Subject: Housing Topics Roundtable

Contact: Colin Drukker, Principal, PlaceWorks, cdrukker@placeworks.com, (714) 966-9220

Taylor Libolt Varner, Planning and Acquisitions Project Manager, National Community Renaissance, tlvarner@nationalcore.org, (909) 639-1857

Date: June 13, 2024

Recommended Action(s):

1. Receive and file.
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Summary:

This item is reserved for a presentation by Colin Drukker to review the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines and exemptions that relate to housing and streamlined environmental review of housing projects, and Taylor Libolt Varner to review recent housing related legislation and Housing Element and housing production litigation updates.

Purpose / WRCOG 2022-2027 Strategic Plan Goal:

The purpose of this item is to provide information about housing topics of interest based on feedback received from a survey of member agencies. This item aligns with WRCOG's 2022-2027 Strategic Plan Goal #5 (Develop projects and programs that improve infrastructure and sustainable development in our subregion).

Discussion:

Background

Housing continues to be a dynamic and multifaceted topic with constant changes and opportunities through complexities in legislature and implementation. WRCOG intends to regularly invite various expert presenters to discuss some of these complex housing topics to support member agencies in compliance and understanding of housing law.

Prior Action(s):

None.

Financial Summary:

Transportation & Planning Department activities are included in the Agency's adopted Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Budget under the Transportation Department. This item is for informational purposes covered by the LTF budget; this funding source is identified in the Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Budget.

Attachment(s):

None.