

March 7, 2025

November 1, 2024, Regional Planning Committee Meeting Minutes

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Chair Joe LaCava (City of San Diego) called the Regional Planning Committee (RPC) meeting to order at 1 p.m.

1. Non-Agenda Public Comments/Member Comments

Public Comments: Katheryn Rhodes.

Member Comments: Chief Executive Officer Mario Orso and Planning Director Karen Jewell (Caltrans).

Consent

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

The RPC was asked to review and approve the minutes from its September 6, 2024, meeting.

Public Comments: None.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Ed Musgrove (San Marcos), and a second by Mayor Bill Wells (East County), the RPC voted to approve the Consent Agenda.

The motion passed.

Yes: Chair LaCava, Vice Chair Tracy Martinez (North County Coastal), Mayor Wells, Councilmember Musgrove, and Councilmember Mike Donovan (South County).

No: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: County of San Diego.

Reports

3. Smart Growth Incentive Program

The RPC was asked to recommend that the Board of Directors approve the evaluation criteria and release the call for projects for Smart Growth Incentive Program Cycle 6.

Public Comments: Katheryn Rhodes.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Musgrove, and a second by Vice Chair Martinez, the RPC voted to recommend that the Board of Directors approve the evaluation criteria and release the call for projects for Smart Growth Incentive Program Cycle 6.

The motion passed.

Yes: Chair LaCava, Vice Chair Martinez, Mayor Wells, Councilmember Musgrove, and Councilmember Donovan.

No: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: County of San Diego.

4. Regional Climate Action Planning

Senior Regional Planner Anna Bettis and Manager of Regional Planning Susan Freedman presented an overview of the regional Priority Climate Action Plan and development of the Comprehensive Climate Action Plan.

Public Comments: Katheryn Rhodes.

Action: Discussion.

5. Adjournment

The Board of Directors is scheduled to approve the 2025 Legislative Calendar at its November 22, 2024, meeting including the next RPC meeting date which will be posted at that time.

Chair LaCava adjourned the meeting at 1:56 p.m.

Confirmed Attendance Regional Planning Committee Meeting

Jurisdiction	Name	Member/ Alternate	Attend
City of San Diego	Chair Joe LaCava	Member	Yes
	Vivian Moreno	Alternate	No
County of San Diego	Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer	Member	No
	Supervisor Joel Anderson	Alternate	No
East County	Mayor Bill Wells	Member	Yes
	Councilmember Patricia Dillard	Alternate	Yes
North County Coastal	Vice Chair Tracy Martinez	Member	Yes
	Deputy Mayor Joy Lyndes	Alternate	No
North County Inland	Mayor Rebecca Jones	Member	No
	Councilmember Ed Musgrove	Alternate	Yes
South County	Councilmember Mike Donovan	Member	Yes
	Deputy Mayor Alonso Gonzalez	Alternate	No
Advisory Members			
Caltrans, District 11	Everett Townsend	Member	No
	Roy Abboud	Alternate	No
	Karen Jewell, this meeting only	Alternate	Yes
Metropolitan Transit System	Patricia Dillard	Member	No
	George Gastil	Alternate	Yes
North County Transit District	Joe Garcia	Member	No
	Rick Robinson	Alternate	No
Port of San Diego	Michael Zucchet	Member	No
	Lesley Nishihira	Alternate	No
San Diego County Water Authority	Ditas Yamane	Member	Yes
	Craig Elitharp	Alternate	No
Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association	Angela Elliott-Santos	Member	No
	Cody Martinez	Alternate	No
U.S. Department of Defense	Muska Laiq	Member	No
	Anna Shepard	Alternate	No
California Department of Fish and Wildlife	Vacant	Member	No
	David Mayer	Alternate	No
Wildlife Conservation Board	John Donnelly	Member	No
	Vacant	Alternate	No
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	Michelle Lynch	Member	No
	Kyle Dahl	Alternate	No
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	Vacant	Member	No
	Susan Wynn	Alternate	No