



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD**

**DRAFT**

**MINUTES**

**ARROYO VERDUGO COMMUNITIES JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY**

Thursday, October 7, 2021 - 4:00 p.m.

City of Pasadena – City Hall

Pasadena, CA 91101

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

*Chair called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.*

**II. ROLL CALL**

Present: Daniel Brotman, Chair  
David Perry, Vice-Chair  
Andy Wilson, Member  
Jon Primuth, Member  
Sharon Springer, Member  
Terry Walker, Member

**III. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – None**

**IV. PRESENTATIONS**

**A. North Hollywood (NoHo) to Pasadena Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) – Status Update**

Presenter (Staff): Laura Rubio-Cornejo, Executive Director

Presenter (Metro): Metro staff will present item

Staff Recommendation: Receive and File

*Mr. Hartwell provided an overview of the NoHo to Pasadena Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project, including project background, Draft EIR Public Review, refined proposed project, and next steps. Mr. Harwell answered Board Member's questions.*

*Member Springer asked how will Metro incorporate received concerns from constituents. Mr. Hartwell stated Metro will go through the concerns and work to address and understand received concerns.*

*Member Springer asked why did the mix flow option go away. Mr. Hartwell stated it was never an option in the EIR.*

*Member Springer asked if Burbank may have a price difference for enhanced improvements along their Center running portion, asking if it is possible to widen sidewalk to implant trees. Mr. Hartwell stated cost estimates are being updated, and are looking into allowing space for potential landscaping.*

*Member Springer asked what does the 30% diversion do to the Burbank and Alameda roadways, will Metro mitigate. Mr. Hartwell stated they do not anticipate additional congestions on those roadways.*

*Member Springer asked how the land use evolved on the Orange line with the installation of the Orange line. Mr. Hartwell stated the Orange line was done on Metro right of way owning Metro stations with some parking areas. Mr. Corona stated Metro is in the process of working on improvements to the Orange line.*

*Member Wilson asked Member Springer what is Burbank's community preference. Member Springer stated there are concerns about losing parking.*

*Member Wilson asked what would be the sidewalk width cut back in Burbank. Mr. Hartwell stated the width may come down from 15-16 foot range to 14.*

*Member Wilson asked how the connection goes from the BRT to the airport, also asking if this would increase transit access for residents to the airport. Mr. Hartwell explained the process, stating it would increase access to the airport.*

*Vice Chair Perry stated this is a very unique project being the first BRT in Measure M, thanking the Board, Metro and staff for their support and input.*

*Chair Brotman Does the choice Burbank is making between the curb running and the side running, impact travel times from end to end. Mr. Hartwell stated there is minimal impact, explaining the times and similarities in travel time.*

## **B. First/Last Mile Guidelines**

Presenter (Staff): Laura Rubio-Cornejo, Executive Director

Presenter (Metro): Metro staff will present item

Staff Recommendation: Receive and File

*Mr. Lieb and Mr. Moorman provided an overview of the First/Last Mile Guidelines project, including planning basics, project and policy background, purpose and key points, and next steps. Mr. Lieb answered Board Member's questions.*

*Member Springer asked if the Measure M finding is over and above the actual BRT. Mr. Lieb responded yes, stating funding should be looked at coordinated but parallel efforts.*

*Member Primuth asked there is an equivalent parallel program for existing rail, as they do not have a bus route. Mr. Lieb responded yes, guidelines are focused on or exclusively focused on the new projects.*

*Member Wilson supports Member Primuth's inquiry.*

*Chair Brotman inquired regarding a first/last mile project presented to Glendale and the support from Metro. Mr. Leib would be happy to discuss this with Glendale City staff.*

### **C. Metro Fareless System Initiative Update**

Presenter (Staff): Laura Rubio-Cornejo, Executive Director

Presenter (Metro): Metro staff will present item

Staff Recommendation: Receive and File

*Ms. Deming provided an update on the Metro Fareless System Initiative and Metro's Board support, including background, program goals, status on district partnerships, testing phase, costs, objective, administrative strategies and next steps. Ms. Deming answered Board Member's questions.*

*Member Springer asked what does one this program means to Burbank and how will the transition work. Ms. Deming stated Burbank can participate in the fareless program explaining the process for the Burbank transit and Burbank Unified School District.*

*Member Wilson asked there were schools in session available to participate in this program, expressing there may not be enough data. Ms. Deming confirmed schools were in session and are participating, explaining the current school district participation and upcoming data.*

*Member Wilson asked if the program is available to independent schools. Ms. Deming stated yes, Metro currently has independent charter school registered in the program.*

*Chair Brotman asked if physical cards are needed to participate in the program. Ms. Deming stated if students do need a physical card and are seeking to use phones for virtual cards in the future.*

## **V. CONSENT CALENDAR**

### **A. Approval of the Arroyo Verdugo Subregion Minutes for the Meeting of August 5, 2021**

#### **MOTION**

*Member Wilson moved and Member Springer seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the August 5, 2021 meeting, Member Walker abstained.*

Staff Recommendation: To Approve Minutes of August 5, 2021

**B. Treasurer's Report through September 30, 2021**

Staff Recommendation: Receive and file

**C. Check Warrant**

Presenter: Alex Hernandez, Treasurer, AVCJPA

Staff Recommendation: Receive and File

**MOTION**

*Member Wilson moved and Member Springer seconded a motion to approve the Minutes Consent Calendar. Roll call was made, the motion passed unanimously.*

**VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None**

**VII. OTHER BUSINESS – None**

**A. Consideration of a Resolution to Allow the Arroyo Verdugo Communities**

**Joint Powers Authority Governing Board and All of Its Subordinate Bodies, to Meet Remotely Pursuant to the Brown Act As Amended By AB 361**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt Resolution 22-2 of the Governing Board of The Arroyo Verdugo Communities Joint Powers Authority Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings of the Governing Board and All Joint Power Authority Subordinate Bodies, for the Period October 7-November 6, 2021

*Executive Director Laura Rubio-Cornejo presented the staff report.*

**MOTION**

*Member Wilson moved and Member Springer seconded a motion to approve item. Roll call was made, the motion passed unanimously.*

**VIII. REPORTS – INFORMATION ONLY**

**A. Reports from AVCJPA Appointees**

1. SCAG Energy & Environment Committee (EEC)
2. SCAG Community, Economic & Human Development Committee
3. League of California Cities – L.A. County Division – No Report

Staff Recommendation: To receive and file

*Diana Mahmud provide an oral update on the League of California Cities.*

**B. Report from AVCJPA TAC Representative**

Presenter: David Kriske

Staff Recommendation: To receive and file

*Mr. Kriske summarized items considered at recent TAC meetings.*

**C. Report from AVCJPA Executive Director (Oral)**

Presenter: Laura Rubio-Cornejo, Executive Director

Staff Recommendation: To Receive and File

*Executive Director Laura Rubio-Cornejo presented the staff report.*

**IX. REMAINING PUBLIC COMMENTS – IF ANY – None**

**X. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS (For written or oral reports by Members; no discussion or action to be taken) - None**

**XI. ADJOURN**

*On the Order of Chair Brotman, Member Wilson supported the motion and Member Springer seconded, the motion passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:11 p.m.*