

Technical Advisory Committee

Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the WRCOG Technical Advisory Committee was called to order by Chair Jeff Van Wagenen at 9:31 a.m. on March 17, 2022, on the Zoom platform.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Committee member Al Zelinka led members and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

- City of Calimesa - Bonnie Johnson
- City of Canyon Lake - Chris Mann
- City of Corona - Jacob Ellis
- City of Eastvale - Marc Donohue
- City of Hemet - Chris Lopez
- City of Jurupa Valley - Rod Butler
- City of Moreno Valley - Mike Lee*
- City of Murrieta - Ivan Holler
- City of Norco - Andy Okoro
- City of Perris - Clara Miramontes
- City of Riverside - AL Zelinka
- City of San Jacinto - Travis Randel
- City of Temecula - Aaron Adams
- City of Wildomar - Dan York*
- County of Riverside - Jeff Van Wagenen (Chair)
- Eastern Municipal Water District (EMWD) - Danielle Coats
- March JPA - Dr. Grace Martin

*Arrived after Roll Call

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR – (Canyon Lake / Norco) 17 yes; 0 no; 0 abstention. Items 5.A through 5.E were approved.

A. Summary Minutes from the February 17, 2022, Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

Action:

1. Approved the Summary Minutes from the February 17, 2022, Technical Advisory Committee meeting.

B. Finance Department Activities Update

Action:

1. Received and filed.

C. SCAG Activities Update

Action:

1. Received and filed.

D. Cal Cities Activities Update

Action:

1. Received and filed.

E. ICMA Activities Update

Action:

1. Received and filed.

6. REPORTS / DISCUSSION

A. SB 1383 Activities Update

Mei Wu, WRCOG Staff Analyst, provided an update surrounding the SB 1383 Local Assistance Grant application to assist local jurisdictions with their compliance efforts and the coordinated discussions with member agencies regarding potential WRCOG support with SB 1383. The top considerations include capacity planning and a software application that establishes connections between Tier 1 and Tier 2 food generators and food recovery services. The Grant is a one-time, non-competitive grant with a baseline of \$20,000, with many WRCOG member agencies eligible for more. Staff informed the Solid Waste Committee (SWC) members of the grant and surveyed jurisdictions on their intent to apply. Most of the SWC members indicated they plan to apply for grant funds. By April 1, 2022, local jurisdictions will need to report to CalRecycle on its implementation and compliance for SB 1383. CalRecycle released the Initial Jurisdiction Compliance Reporting Tool and webinar to assist jurisdictions with this report. The tool and webinar can be accessed via the following link under the CalRecycle Reporting Resources section: <https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp/reporting>.

Action:

1. Received and filed.

B. TUMF Nexus Study Activities Update

Cameron Brown, WRCOG Program Manager, shared that WRCOG is currently working on the TUMF Nexus Study update. Staff have met with each TUMF-participating member agency to determine the status of the existing TUMF Network and collect requests for new projects to be added to the Network.

As part of the TUMF Nexus Study, staff is working on a potential VMT Mitigation Program. Staff will present this study at a future Committee meeting. A concurrent effort is also being done for a Fee Comparison Study to show the type and scale of development impact fees on land-use and overall development costs.

An analysis on the relationship between travel behavior and residential unit size will also be conducted. This Study is required by AB 602, which requires agencies to have a valid method to establish reasonable relationships between fee and the burden of new developments. This will help determine if WRCOG should continue to base TUMF fees per unit, or a cost based on size of unit. The question was asked regarding how the Nexus Study will address funded projects. The Nexus Study will remove spent TUMF reimbursements, and committed funding from external sources from the program's project costs. This will ensure that there is no overlap in the Nexus Study between fee calculations and funding allocations.

Action:

1. Received and filed.

C. Commercial PACE Activities Update

Casey Dailey, WRCOG Director of Energy & Environmental Programs, reported that since 2018, the Commercial PACE (C-PACE) Program grew rapidly throughout the country. WRCOG's authorized C-PACE Program Administrators include Nuveen Green Capital, CleanFund Commercial PACE Capital, and Twain Financial Partners Holding. During Fiscal Year (FY) 2020/2021, WRCOG's C-PACE Program financed 11 projects for \$79 million, covering various energy efficiency, renewable systems and refinance projects. Of this amount, \$8 million was used in local projects in the Cities of Corona and Murrieta.

In FY 2021/2022, through the month of February, 10 projects have been financed with an additional seven projects scheduled to close by the end of the Fiscal Year, totaling over \$143 million. One of the seven closed projects is located in the City of Temecula.

Action:

1. Received and filed.

7. REPORT FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dr. Kurt Wilson reported that attached to the Executive Committee Agenda is an extensive written update for those that would like a detailed Executive Director report. WRCOG is entering the budget season and taking a different approach than in the past, which will be more similar to how the cities prepare theirs. General Assembly is scheduled for June 23, 2022, at Pechanga Resort Casino, featuring Steve Wozniak as the guest speaker.

Additionally, the nomination period is open for the 2022 Community Service Awards.

8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

There were no items for future agendas.

9. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no general announcements.

10. NEXT MEETING

The next Technical Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 21, 2022, at 9:30 a.m., on the Zoom platform with the option to attend in-person at the WRCOG office.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee adjourned at 9:57 a.m.