



AGENDA/NOTICE OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
CAPITAL PROJECTS AND CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE



Monday, February 3, 2025 – 11:00AM
1333 S. Mayflower Avenue, Suite 360, Monrovia, CA 91016

CHAIR

Tim Hepburn
City of La Verne
SGVCOG President

VICE CHAIR

Ed Reece
City of Claremont
SGVCOG 1st Vice
President

MEMBERS

Becky Shevlin
City of Monrovia

Hon. Hilda Solis
LA County Supervisor
District 1

Cory Moss
City of Industry
ACE City
SGVCOG 2nd Vice
President

Ruth Low
City of Diamond Bar
ACE City

David Torres
City of Montebello
ACE City

Tim Sandoval
City of Pomona
ACE City

Margaret Clark
City of Rosemead

The San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG)'s Capital Project and Construction Committee (Committee) consists of up to 13 Committee members appointed by the SGVCOG's Governing Board. To be appointed a Committee member must be a member of a legislative body of a public agency which is a member of the SGVCOG. A quorum is 50% of the Committee's then current membership. Action taken by the Committee shall be by simple majority of the members present.

MEETINGS: *Regular Meetings of the Committee are held on the first Monday of each month at 11:00 AM at the SGVCOG board room, 1333 S. Mayflower Ave., Suite 360, Monrovia, CA 91016.* The agenda packet is available at the SGVCOG's Office, 1333 S. Mayflower Ave., Suite 360, Monrovia CA, and on the website, www.sgvkog.org. Copies of the agenda are available via email upon request (sgv@sgvkog.org). A copy of the agenda is also posted for public viewing at the entrance of the SGVCOG office. Any additional agenda documents that are distributed to a majority of the Committee after the posting of the agenda will be available for review in the SGVCOG office during normal business hours and on the SGVCOG website noted above.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Your participation is welcomed and invited at all Committee meetings. Time is reserved at each regular meeting for those who wish to address the Committee. SGVCOG requests that persons addressing the meeting refrain from making personal, slanderous, profane or disruptive remarks. A person who continues to disrupt the orderly conduct of the meeting, after being warned by the Board President or designee to cease the disruption, may be precluded from further participation in the meeting.

TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE: At a regular meeting, the public may comment: (i) on any matter within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee that is not on the agenda during the public comment period at the beginning of the agenda; (ii) on any item(s) that is on the Consent Calendar prior to action taken on the Consent Calendar; and (iii) on any other agenda item prior to the time it is considered by the Committee. At a special meeting, the public may only comment on items that are on the agenda. Members of the public are requested to state their name prior to speaking. Comments are limited to a maximum of three minutes per person. The Chair may impose additional time limits if comments become repetitious, an individual member of the public seeks to speak on numerous items, or a large number of members of the public seek to speak on an item. Except in limited situations, the Committee may not take action on items not appearing on the agenda and/or discuss them at length.

AGENDA ITEMS: The Agenda contains the regular order of business of the Committee. Items on the Agenda have generally been reviewed and investigated by the staff in advance of the meeting so that the Committee can be fully informed about a matter before making its decision.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Items listed on the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be acted upon by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Committee member so requests. In this event, the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered after the Consent Calendar.



In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the SGVCOG office at (626) 962-9292. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the SGVCOG to make reasonable arrangement to ensure accessibility to this meeting.



TELECONFERENCE LOCATIONS: State law allows Committee Representatives to teleconference from remote locations as long as certain conditions are met, including listing the teleconference location in the agenda. The following location is hereby noticed as teleconference location, which are accessible to the public for the purposes of observing this meeting and/or addressing the Committee.

City of Pomona Chuck Bader Conference Room 505 S. Garey Ave. Pomona, CA 91767	City of Claremont City Hall 207 Harvard Ave. Claremont, CA 91711	County of Los Angeles 500 W Temple St Suite 856 Los Angeles, CA 90012
---	--	---

Instructions for Public Comments: For those wishing to make public comments on agenda and non-agenda items, but within the Committee’s subject matter jurisdiction, you may submit written comments via email or provide a verbal comment.

- Written Comments (Email): If you wish to submit written public comments to be distributed to the Committee members prior to or during the meeting, please submit these materials via email to Esmeralda Yzguerra at eyzguerra@sgvcog.org at least 1 hour prior to the scheduled meeting time. Please indicate in the Subject Line of the email “FOR PUBLIC COMMENT” and the agenda item number to which the public comment is addressed. Written public comments may include, but are not limited to letters, reports, and presentations.
- Verbal Comments (In Person): If you would like to make a public comment at a noticed off-site Committee meeting location, please fill out a public comment card. Comment cards will be made available to you by staff at the entrance to the off-site meeting room.
- Verbal Comments (Zoom): If you would like to participate by teleconference from a private location, please email Esmeralda Yzguerra (eyzguerra@sgvcog.org) to request an attendee Zoom link at least 24 hours before the meeting. Through Zoom, you may provide a verbal comment by using the web interface “Raise Hand” feature when the agenda item upon which you wish to speak is to be considered. You will then be called upon to provide your verbal comments.

For questions related to accessing the available teleconference locations, please contact Esmeralda Yzguerra at eyzguerra@sgvcog.org or (626) 824-3315.

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. Public Comment

CONSENT CALENDAR

4. Capital Projects and Construction Committee Meeting Minutes of October 7, 2024 *(Pages 4-6)*
Recommended Action: Adopt Capital Projects and Construction Committee meeting minutes from October 7, 2024.
5. Capital Projects and Construction Committee Meeting Minutes of October 15, 2024 *(Pages 7-8)*
Recommended Action: Adopt Capital Projects and Construction Committee meeting minutes from October 15, 2024.

ACTION ITEMS

6. Approval of Additional Contingency Authorization for the Fullerton Road Grade Separation Project *(Pages 9-10)*
Recommended Action: Authorize the Executive Director to execute and approve future change orders of up to \$16,219,798 with Skanska USA for the completion of the Fullerton Road Grade Separation Project, resulting in a maximum contract value of \$124,789,798.

PRESENTATION

7. ACE III and RCE Grant Update: Kevin Lai, Director of Capital Projects
Recommended Action: For information only.

UPDATE ITEMS

8. Director of Capital Projects Monthly Report *(Pages 11-15)*
9. Chair's Report
10. General Counsel's Report
11. Announcements/ Member Comments

ADJOURNMENT

SGVCOG Capital Projects & Construction Committee Unapproved Meeting Minutes

October 7, 2024

11:00 AM



Capital Projects & Construction Committee Unapproved Meeting Minutes

Date: October 7, 2024

Time: 11:00 am

Location: 1333 S. Mayflower Avenue, Suite 360, Monrovia, CA 91016

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Pledge of Allegiance
Mayor of the City of Industry Cory Moss led the pledge of allegiance.

2. Roll Call

Members Present:

Tim Hepburn, Chair, La Verne
Ed Reece, Vice Chair, Claremont
Becky Shevlin, Monrovia
Ruth Low, Diamond Bar
Cory Moss, Industry
David Torres, Montebello
Tim Sandoval, Pomona
Margaret Clark, Rosemead
Hilda Solis, LA County Dist. #1

Staff:

Marisa Creter, Executive Director
David DeBerry, General Counsel
Kevin Lai, Director of Capital Projects
Rene Coronel, Senior Project Manager
Martin Moreno, Senior Project Manager
Carrie Inciong, Senior Project Manager
Steph Wong, Principal Management Analyst
Yanin Rivera, Management Analyst
Esmeralda Yzguerra, Management Analyst
Joan Powe, Principal Management Analyst
Vanessa Guerra, Management Analyst
Jois Talla, Management Analyst

Guests:

Sam Pedroza, ACM, City of Industry
Joshua Nelson, City of Industry
Gary Cardamone, ENTRUST Solutions
D. DeBerry, Woodruff & Smart
Natasha DeBenon, Ghirardelli Associates
Michael Grossman, Member of the Public
Ashley Kaiser, Member of the Public
Tanya Moreno, Member of the Public

October 7, 2024

11:00 AM

3. Public Comment

There was no public comment at this meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR

4. Capital Projects and Construction Committee Meeting Minutes of August 12, 2024

Action: Adopt Capital Projects and Construction Committee meeting minutes from August 12, 2024.

5. Adopt Quit Claim Resolution 24-22

Action: Adopt Quit Claim Resolution 24-22 authorizing execution of a Quitclaim Deed to the County of Los Angeles for Drainage Easements located on portions of Assessor Parcel No. 's 8717-001-911, 8717-002-906, and 8717-002-910.

6. Adopt Quit Claim Resolution 24-23

Action: Adopt Quit Claim Resolution 24-23 authorizing execution of a Quitclaim Deed to the City of Industry for Drainage Easements located on portions of Assessor Parcel No. 's 8717-001-271 and 8717-002-270.

There was a motion to approve the Consent Calendar.

(M/S: C. Moss, M. Clark) [Motion Passed]

AYES:	T. Hepburn, E. Reece, R. Low, C. Moss, B. Shevlin, D. Torres, T. Sandoval, H. Solis
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	

ACTION ITEMS

7. Approval of Award of Construction Contract to Griffith Company for the Montebello At-Grade Safety Improvements Project

There was an amended motion to:

1. **Waive the bid irregularity in Griffith's bid as described below and approve award of Contract 24-08 to Griffith Company (Griffith) for construction of the Montebello At-Grade Railroad Safety Crossing Improvements Project (Vail Ave., Maple Ave., and Greenwood Ave.);**
2. **Authorize the Executive Director to execute Contract 24-08 (Attachment A) in the amount of \$4,377,000; and,**
3. **Negotiate and execute any future amendments up to 10 percent of the original contract amount related to budget and scope.**

Amended:

4. **Provide a report on the SGVCOG's Small Business Enterprise (SBE) and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goals for the Governing Board.**

(M/S: H. Solis, T. Hepburn) [Motion Passed]

AYES:	T. Hepburn, E. Reece, R. Low, C. Moss, B. Shevlin, D. Torres, T. Sandoval, M. Clark, H. Solis
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	

SGVCOG Capital Projects & Construction Committee Unapproved Meeting Minutes

October 7, 2024

11:00 AM

UPDATE ITEMS

8. Director of Capital Projects Monthly Report
SGVCOG Director of Capital Projects Kevin Lai provided a report. SGVCOG Project Managers provided an update on current projects, including the 57/60 confluence project, the Fullerton Road Grade Separation, the Montebello Grade Separation, and the Turnbull Canyon Grade Separation.

9. Chair's Report
T. Hepburn provided an update on the submission of a USDOT grant application through the Railroad Crossing Elimination Program to study the feasibility of constructing grade separations at four at-grade crossings located in the Cities of Industry, Diamond Bar and Walnut. T. Hepburn also announced SGVCOG's 30th anniversary and provided an invitation to the event.

10. General Counsel's Report
There was no General Counsel report.

11. Announcements/ Member Comments
Principal Management Analyst Steph Wong highlighted the ongoing SGVCOG City Council Roadshow.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 12:11 pm.

SGVCOG Capital Projects & Construction Committee Unapproved Meeting Minutes

October 15, 2024

1:00 PM



Capital Projects & Construction Committee Unapproved Meeting Minutes

Date: October 15, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM

Location: 1333 S. Mayflower Avenue, Suite 360, Monrovia, CA 91016

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

T. Hepburn called the meeting to order at 1:04 PM.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

City of Montebello Councilmember David Torres led the pledge of allegiance.

2. Roll Call

Members Present:

Tim Hepburn, Chair, La Verne

Ruth Low, Diamond Bar

Cory Moss, Industry

Becky Shevlin, Monrovia

David Torres, Montebello

Members Absent:

Ed Reece, Vice Chair, Claremont

Hilda Solis, L.A. County District #1

Tim Sandoval, Pomona

Margaret Clark, Rosemead

Staff:

John Beshay, Senior Project Manager

Maria Cano, Outreach Coordinator

Marisa Creter, Executive Director

David DeBerry, General Counsel

Vanessa Guerra, Management Analyst

Kevin Lai, Director of Capital Projects

Aurelio Marquez, Outreach Coordinator

Martin Moreno, Senior Project Manager

Yanin Rivera, Management Analyst

Victoria Urenia, Management Analyst

Katie Ward, Administrative Services Manager

Stephanie Wong, Principal Management Analyst

Esmeralda Yzguerra, Management Analyst

Guests:

Joshua Nelson, City of Industry

Ben Feldman, LA County

3. Public Comment

There was no public comment at this meeting.

CLOSED SESSION

4. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2). One potential case.

D. DeBerry indicated there was nothing to report from the closed session.

ACTION ITEMS

5. Approve Indemnity Agreement with City of Industry for the Fullerton Road Grade Separation Project

Recommended Action: Authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and execute Indemnity Agreement with City of Industry.

There was a motion to authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and execute Indemnity Agreement with City of Industry.

(M/S: B. Shevlin, D. Torres) [Motion

Passed]

AYES:	La Verne, Monrovia, Diamond Bar, Industry, Montebello
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	Claremont, Pomona, Rosemead, L.A. County District #1

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 pm

REPORT

DATE: February 3, 2025

TO: Capital Projects & Construction Committee

FROM: Marisa Creter, Executive Director

RE: **APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL CONTINGENCY AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FULLERTON ROAD GRADE SEPARATION PROJECT**

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Authorize the Executive Director to execute and approve future change orders of up to \$16,219,798 with Skanska USA for the completion of the Fullerton Road Grade Separation Project, resulting in a maximum contract value of \$124,789,798.

BACKGROUND

In July 2021, the Board authorized a contract with Skanska USA for the Fullerton Road Grade Separation Project in the City of Industry (“Project”) in the amount of \$108,570,000. Notice to proceed was given in August 2021.

Throughout the course of the Project, there have been numerous design revisions and delays. First, Union Pacific Railroad (“UPRR”) required that the Project adhere to current design standards (2021) as opposed to the 2004 standards that were in effect when the Project contract was first awarded in July 2021. As you may recall, that contract was awarded to Shimmick Construction, which ultimately suspended work on the Project in the spring of 2020 in a dispute with the SGVCOG on change orders. That contract was ultimately mutually terminated and then awarded to Skanska to complete the Project on July 2021. Application of the new design standards has resulted in several change orders and claims from Skanska.

In addition, in February of 2024, Kinder Morgan informed SGVCOG of its contention that the Project caused additional loading on its pipeline and casing that jeopardized their integrity and would require mitigation. Kinder Morgan’s contention was made after the new mainline track had been reconstructed and was ready for UPRR to cutover from the temporary shoofly track. Although the SGVCOG disagreed with Kinder Morgan’s contention and performed an engineering analysis showing no significant additional loading, UPRR refused to perform the cutover to the new mainline track without a mitigation plan in place to protect the pipeline. In response, SGVCOG’s design team developed a concept for a concrete pad that was reviewed and approved by both Kinder Morgan and UPRR and installed in January 2025.

The change in UPRR design standards and construction of the Kinder Morgan concrete protection slab have significantly delayed the project and has resulted in additional change orders and claims for delay costs from Skanska. The CPCC has been kept apprised of the ongoing status of the Project via monthly status updates. Due to the various delays and design changes, the change order claims were anticipated. The Project is 70% complete and most of the 10% contingency amount

REPORT

has been exhausted. The Project is now expected to be completed in March 2026. Additional funds are being requested to fund the delay costs and anticipated change orders.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for the additional contingency are available through the sale of surplus property and the Metro Loan. The surplus property was acquired as part of the Project and funds from the sale thereof will go towards the Project. The preliminary estimate of value for the surplus property is approximately \$9,000,000 to \$10,000,000. The SGVCOG has entered into a loan agreement with Metro and secured an advance on future Measure M fund distributions. Funds are designed to be flexible and eligible for several projects, including this Project. The existing contingency built into the Loan, together with the surplus land sale, will cover the funding need. The Loan contingency is expected to grow as staff is successful in acquiring additional grant funding for other eligible projects.

Prepared by: Melissa Romero
Melissa Romero
Management Analyst

Reviewed by: Martin Moreno
Martin Moreno
Senior Project Manager

Approved by: Marisa Creter
Marisa Creter
Executive Director

REPORT

DATE: February 3, 2025

TO: Capital Projects and Construction Committee

FROM: Marisa Creter, Executive Director

RE: **DIRECTOR OF CAPITAL PROJECTS' MONTHLY REPORT**

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Receive and file.

BACKGROUND

Each month committee members receive an update on key programs. Committee members may contact staff for clarifications on any of the reported items prior to the scheduled meeting. The following are items of note since the last meeting:

I. PROJECTS

Montebello Corridor Project

The contractor is continuing roadway work on Greenwood Avenue and Montebello Way. Utility relocations are underway along the future alignment of the West and East Frontage Roads. Additionally, work in preparation for the retaining walls and shoo-fly has commenced. SGVCOG received the full execution of the Construction and Maintenance Agreement for the three at-grade crossings at Vail Avenue, Maple Avenue, and Greenwood Avenue. The Agreement was approved at the Montebello City Council on December 5, 2024. The temporary detour through surrounding jurisdictions is in place and Montebello Boulevard/Montebello Way have closed as of July 8, 2024. Staff provided a verbal update to the Montebello City Council on November 13, 2024, and will continue to update the community and City Council as construction continues.

Fullerton Road Grade Separation Project

KM required the City of Industry to execute an Encroachment Agreement to allow the construction of the protection slab to move forward. This has been signed by all parties.

Work has commenced on the concrete slab. Concrete was poured in January 2025. An official date for the cutover has not been provided by UPRR.

La Verne Gold Line Pedestrian Bridge Project

Staff continues to actively work on finalizing the NEPA documents in compliance with Caltrans requirements. Utilities potentially impacted by the project area have been notified through mail and direct communication with them has been initiated. Meanwhile, discussions regarding the Fairplex easement and easements on the Metro Parking station are ongoing.

Turnbull Canyon Grade Separation Project

Utility relocation work is ongoing, including efforts by SCE and Frontier. SGVWC designs for Phase 1 and 2 have been finalized and are now out for bid. Meanwhile, SS formwork installation for the manhole is progressing steadily. Temporary Construction Easements notices have been mailed to affected properties, and SGVCOG staff continues to actively notify businesses and property owners on these ongoing activities.

State Route 57/60 Interchange Improvements Project

Construction for the SR 57/60 Interchange Improvements continues. Contractor is currently working on construction of Golden Springs Drive undercrossing bridge stem and soffit, retaining wall foundations and footings along eastbound SR-60, storm drain relocations at various locations, roadway work on Grand Avenue, and utility relocations along Grand Avenue.

II. COMMUNITY OUTREACH UPDATE

The following project outreach activities were conducted:

- **Public Inquiries**
 - **Fairway Drive Grade Separation**
 - **Total: 7**
 - 7 from property/business owners about pending work
 - 0 from community stakeholders requesting project updates
 - **Fullerton Road Grade Separation**
 - **Total: 19**
 - 5 from local property/business owners with property-related issues
 - 14 from community stakeholders requesting project updates
 - **Montebello Corridor Grade Separation**
 - **Total: 18**
 - 8 from local property/business owners with property-related issues
 - 10 from community stakeholders requesting project updates
 - **Turnbull Canyon Road Grade Separation**
 - 6 from local property/business owners with property-related issues
 - 0 from community stakeholders requesting project updates
 - **State Route 57/60 Interchange Improvements Project**
 - **Total: 9**
 - 9 from local property/business owners with property-related issues
 - 0 from community stakeholders requesting project updates
- **Construction Alert Notices**
 - **Montebello Corridor Grade Separation: *Temporary Lane Closures Along W Olympic Blvd for Utility Relocation Starting December 2nd; No Parking or Pedestrian Access***
 - Over 375 emails were sent to residents, businesses, emergency personnel, County Supervisor's office, Community-Based Organizations, Montebello Unified School District PIO and other District staff, faith-based organizations, Project staff, City of Montebello Department Directors and PIO, Montebello Transportation, Parks, Senior Center, and other staff.

- Over 250 construction notices were hand-distributed to local residents and businesses within the project area.
 - Construction notices were posted on the ACE Project website and on social media.
 - Approximately 20 to 25 follow-up calls were made to ensure the targeted audience within the project area received the notice.
 - Approximately 4 onsite meetings were held with residents and business owners who requested individual site visits.
- **Business Support**
 - **Montebello Corridor Grade Separation**
 - **Total:** 21 businesses were contacted regarding further ongoing business support
 - **Fullerton Road Grade Separation**
 - **Total:** 31 businesses were contacted regarding further ongoing business support
 - **State Route 57/60 Interchange Improvements Project**
 - **Total:** Approximately 75-100 businesses were notified weekly regarding upcoming road closures; weekly emails sent to project stakeholders (Ayres Suites, Holiday Inn)
- **Community and Stakeholder Engagement**
 - **Fullerton Road Grade Separation**
 - Monthly regular staff briefing with Los Angeles County Supervisor Hilda Solis' Office (SD1).
 - Provided Rowland Heights Community Coordinating Council with the latest project progress/update information for their reference
 - **Montebello Corridor Grade Separation**
 - Monthly regular staff briefing with Los Angeles County Supervisor Hilda Solis' Office (SD1). Attended the Montebello Heritage Festival on October 11, 2024 and provided attendees with the current Montebello Blvd closure construction notice and project fact sheet. Attended the Montebello City Council on November 13, 2024 for the annual SGVCOG Council Roadshow presentation and project update.
 - Provided monthly updates and progress photos to the City of Montebello for inclusion on their website, newsletter, and social media channels
 - **State Route 57/60 Interchange Improvements Project**
 - Weekly social media posts seen on average by over 2,000 people
 - Provided updates to targeted affected communities posted on NextDoor
 - Produced news release for Caltrans distribution
 - Provided weekly updates on upcoming closures to LA County Sheriff, LA County Fire
 - Provided weekly updates to Walnut Valley Unified School District, Pomona Unified School District

- Provided weekly updates to Foothill Transit, City of Diamond Bar, City of Pomona
- Provided weekly updates on road closures to Trucking Association in Southern California
- Provided monthly updates for inclusion in the City of Diamond Bar newsletter and The Windmill Magazine

III. MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS PROGRESS REPORTS – FY24/25 Q1 and Q2

The attached project progress reports are prepared by the Project Managers for each respective active project and provide a one-page summary of expenditures, schedules, work completed, and when to be done, as well as any areas of concern for the period between July 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024:

- Major Activities Completed
- Construction and Design Progress
- Current Project Schedules
- Current Project Cost Estimates
- Project Funding

IV. QUARTERLY ENVIRONMENTAL MITIGATION MONITORING REPORTS – FY24/25 Q1 and Q2

The attached environmental mitigation monitoring and public contact reports are prepared for each ACE project currently in construction. The monitoring reports track compliance during construction with environmental mitigations and best management practices, as well as a summary of third part complaints and our response between July 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024.

Prepared by: Kevin Lai
Kevin Lai, PE
Director of Capital Projects

Approved by: Marisa Creter
Marisa Creter
Executive Director

REPORT

ATTACHMENT

Attachment A: Major Capital Projects Progress Report – FY24/25 Q1 and Q2

Attachment B: Environmental Mitigation Monitoring Reports – FY24/25 Q1

Attachment C: Environmental Mitigation Monitoring Reports – FY24/25 Q2