



**MOBILE SOURCE AIR POLLUTION REDUCTION REVIEW COMMITTEE**  
**THURSDAY, AUGUST 16, 2018 MEETING MINUTES**  
21865 Copley Drive, Diamond, Bar, CA 91765 - Conference Room CC-8

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

(Chair) Larry McCallon, representing SBCTA  
(Vice-Chair) Greg Winterbottom, representing OCTA  
Brian Berkson (Alt.), representing RCTC  
Greg Pettis, representing RCTC  
Dolores Roybal Saltarelli (Alt.), representing Regional Rideshare Agency (via v/c)  
Mark Yamarone (Alt.), representing Los Angeles County MTA (via v/c)

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Ben Benoit, representing SCAQMD  
Jack Kitowski, representing California Air Resources Board  
Michele Martinez, representing SCAG  
Steve Veres, representing LA County MTA

**MSRC-TAC MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Nicholas Nairn-Birch, representing California Air Resources Board  
Rongsheng Luo, representing SCAG  
Kelly Lynn, representing SBCTA  
Vicki White, representing SCAQMD

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Nadeem Syed, City of San Bernardino  
Jason Lewis, SoCalGas  
Ric Teano, OCTA

**SCAQMD STAFF & CONTRACTORS**

Leah Alfaro, MSRC Contracts Assistant  
Naveen Berry, Asst. Deputy Executive Officer  
Penny Shaw Cedillo, MSRC Administrative Liaison  
Megan Lorenz, Principal Deputy District Counsel  
Matt MacKenzie, MSRC Contracts Assistant  
Fred Minassian, Asst. Deputy Executive Officer  
Cynthia Ravenstein, MSRC Contracts Administrator

**CALL TO ORDER**

- Call to Order

MSRC Chair Larry McCallon called to order at 2:00 p.m.

Roll call was taken at the start of the meeting. The following members and alternates were present: BRIAN BERKSON, LARRY MCCALLON, GREG PETTIS, DOLORES ROYBAL SALTARELLI, GREG WINTERBOTTOM, MARK YAMARONE.

- Opening Comments

Fred Minassian, Asst. Deputy Executive Officer, announced Naveen Berry, who was the Technology Demonstration Manager for the Technology Advancement Office, has been promoted to my current position of Assistant Deputy Executive Officer, as I'll be retiring three months. Our Board has approved that we overlap each other during the coming three months to basically transfer all the responsibilities. Starting next month, Naveen will take my place at this board meeting. MSRC Chair Larry McCallon congratulated Fred on his retirement and welcomed Naveen Berry.

- STATUS REPORT

Copies of the Clean Transportation Policy Update were distributed at the meeting.

**CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 1 through 7)**

MSRC Vice Chair Greg Winterbottom stated for the record that for Agenda Items #1 and #12, he does not have any financial interest, but is required to identify that he is a Member of the Board of Directors for the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (Metrolink), and for Agenda Items #11 that he is a Member of the Board of Directors for the Orange County Transportation Authority, which are involved in these items.

MSRC Alternate Dolores Roybal Saltarelli stated that she does not have any financial interest in Item #1, but is required to identify that she is employed by Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, which is involved in this item.

MSRC Alternate Mark Yamarone stated that he does not have any financial interest in Item #1, but is required to identify that he is employed by Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, which is involved in this item.

MSRC Member Greg Pettis stated for the record that for Agenda Item #4, he does not have any financial interest, but is required to identify that he is a Regional Councilmember for the

Southern California Association of Governments, and for Agenda Item #13, he recused himself because he was a former employee of California Consulting, which is involved in that item.

MSRC Chair Larry McCallon stated, for the record, that for Agenda Item #1 and #12 he doesn't have a financial interest in these items, but he is required to announce that he is a Board Member of the Southern California Regional Rail Authority, for Agenda Item #4 he is on the Transportation Committee for the South California Association of Governments and also for Agenda Items #6 and #10, he is the Mayor for the City of Highland, which is involved in these items.

## **Receive and Approve**

### **Agenda Item #1 – Summary of Final Reports by MSRC Contractors**

The MSRC received and approved four final report summaries this month, as follows:

1. Fullerton Joint Union High School District, Contract #MS14075, which provided \$300,000 for the Expansion of Existing CNG Infrastructure/Maintenance Facility Modifications;
2. Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LA Metro), Contract #MS16001, which provided \$1,350,000 to implement the 2015-16 Seasons of Dodgers Stadium Express service;
3. Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LA Metro), Contract #MS18001, which provided \$807,945 to implement 2017 Season of Dodgers Stadium Express service; and
4. Southern California Regional Rail Authority (Metrolink), Contract #MS18011, which provided \$239,565 for Special Train Service to the Festival of Lights.

ON MOTION BY MSRC MEMBER GREG PETTIS AND SECONDED BY MSRC VICE-CHAIR GREG WINTERBOTTOM, UNDER APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS #1 THROUGH #7, THE MSRC UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE FINAL REPORTS LISTED ABOVE.

AYES: MCCALLON, PETTIS, ROYBAL SALTARELLI, WINTERBOTTOM, YAMARONE.

NOES: NONE.

ACTION: MSRC staff will file the final reports and release any retention on the contracts.

## **Information Only - Receive and File**

### **Agenda Item #2 – MSRC Contracts Administrator's Report**

The MSRC AB 2766 Contracts Administrator's Report for May 31 through July 25, 2018 was included in the agenda package.

ON MOTION BY MSRC MEMBER GREG PETTIS AND SECONDED BY MSRC VICE-CHAIR GREG WINTERBOTTOM, UNDER APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS #1 THROUGH #7, THE MSRC UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE CONTRACTS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT FOR MAY 31 THROUGH JULY 25, 2018 WHICH WAS INCLUDED IN THE AGENDA PACKAGE.

AYES: MCCALLON, PETTIS, ROYBAL SALTARELLI, WINTERBOTTOM, YAMARONE.

NOES: NONE.

**ACTION:** Staff will include the MSRC Contracts Administrator's Report in the MSRC Committee Report for the September 7, 2018 SCAQMD Board meeting.

### **Agenda Item #3 – Financial Report on AB 2766 Discretionary Fund**

A financial report on the AB 2766 Discretionary Fund for July 2018 was included in the agenda package.

ON MOTION BY MSRC MEMBER GREG PETTIS AND SECONDED BY MSRC VICE-CHAIR GREG WINTERBOTTOM, UNDER APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS #1 THROUGH #7, THE MSRC UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING MAY 2018.

AYES: MCCALLON, PETTIS, ROYBAL SALTARELLI, WINTERBOTTOM, YAMARONE.

NOES: NONE.

**ACTION:** No further action is required.

### **For Approval – As Recommended**

#### **Agenda Item #4 – Consider Addition of Matching Projects and Six-Month Term Extension by Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), Contract #MS18002 (\$2,500,000 – Regional Active Transportation Partnership Program)**

In order to meet match funding requirements more expeditiously, SCAG requests to add a project by the Los Angeles Department of Transportation and SCAG's own "Go Human Loaner" program to the previously-approved list of projects. SCAG also requests a six-month no-cost contract term extension. The MSRC-TAC unanimously recommends approval.

ON MOTION BY MSRC MEMBER GREG PETTIS AND SECONDED BY MSRC VICE-CHAIR GREG WINTERBOTTOM, UNDER APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS #1 THROUGH #7, MSRC UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO APPROVE A MODIFIED SCOPE AND A SIX-MONTH TERM EXTENSION FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENT.

AYES: MCCALLON, PETTIS, ROYBAL SALTARELLI, WINTERBOTTOM,  
YAMARONE.  
NOES: NONE.

**ACTION:** MSRC Staff will amend the above contract accordingly.

**Agenda Item #5 – Consider Nine-Month Term Extension by City of Santa Monica, Contract #MS12060 (Implement Westside Bikeshare Program)**

The City requests a nine-month no-cost contract term extension due to the update of their travel demand forecasting model taking longer than anticipated. The MSRC-TAC unanimously recommends approval.

ON MOTION BY MSRC MEMBER GREG PETTIS AND SECONDED BY MSRC VICE-CHAIR GREG WINTERBOTTOM, UNDER APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS #1 THROUGH #7, MSRC UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO APPROVE A NINE-MONTH TERM EXTENSION FOR THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA.  
AYES: MCCALLON, PETTIS, ROYBAL SALTARELLI, WINTERBOTTOM, YAMARONE.  
NOES: NONE.

**ACTION:** MSRC Staff will amend the above contract accordingly.

**Agenda Item #6 – Consider Two-Year Term Extension by City of Highland, Contract #ML16071 (Implement Boulder Avenue “Complete Streets” Project)**

The City requests a two-year no-cost contract term extension due to the time consuming requirements associated with the project’s federal Projects of National and Regional Significance program co-funding. The MSRC-TAC unanimously recommends approval.

ON MOTION BY MSRC MEMBER GREG PETTIS AND SECONDED BY MSRC VICE-CHAIR GREG WINTERBOTTOM, UNDER APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS #1 THROUGH #7, MSRC UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO APPROVE A TWO-YEAR TERM EXTENSION FOR THE CITY OF HIGHLAND.  
AYES: MCCALLON, PETTIS, ROYBAL SALTARELLI, WINTERBOTTOM, YAMARONE.  
NOES: NONE.

**ACTION:** MSRC Staff will amend the above contract accordingly.

**Agenda Item #7 – Consider Contract Replacement by City of South Pasadena, Contract #ML14066 (Bicycle Trail Improvements)**

Due to the expiration of the City of South Pasadena's prior contract, the City requests a contract replacement to complete the scope of work for the contract. The MSRC-TAC unanimously recommends approval.

ON MOTION BY MSRC MEMBER GREG PETTIS AND SECONDED BY MSRC VICE-CHAIR GREG WINTERBOTTOM, UNDER APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS #1 THROUGH #7, MSRC UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO APPROVE A CONTRACT REPLACEMENT FOR THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA.

AYES: MCCALLON, PETTIS, ROYBAL SALTARELLI, WINTERBOTTOM, YAMARONE.

NOES: NONE.

**ACTION:** This item will be considered by the SCAQMD Governing Board at its September 7, 2018 meeting.

**ACTION CALENDAR (Items 8 through 13)**

**Agenda Item #8 – Consider FY 2018-19 Administrative Budget**

Fred Minassian, Asst. DEO/Science and Technology Advancement, reported the South Coast Air Quality Management District can be reimbursed for administration costs and in line with AB 2766 and the Moyer Program that is 6.25% of the entire fund. For FYs 2018-19, it's projected that the 6.25% is going to be \$1,012,500, but we are projecting the admin costs will be \$750,000. The remaining \$249,000 will remain unallocated. There's only about \$19,000 cost increase over the prior year due to labor negotiation and adjustments.

MSRC Chair Larry McCallon questioned under the contract administration and program support, who's the Staff Specialist? Mr. Minassian replied Cynthia Ravenstein. Mr. McCallon questioned who are the Contracts Assistants? Mr. Minassian replied Matt MacKenzie and Leah Alfaro. Mr. McCallon questioned who is the Senior Administrative Secretary? Mr. Minassian replied Penny Shaw Cedillo. AQMD provides all the administrative support for the MSRC.

ON MOTION BY MSRC MEMBER GREG PETTIS AND SECONDED BY MSRC VICE-CHAIR GREG WINTERBOTTOM, THE MSRC UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO APPROVE THE FY 2018-19 ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET.

AYES: MCCALLON, PETTIS, ROYBAL SALTARELLI, WINTERBOTTOM, YAMARONE.

NOES: NONE.

**ACTION:** This item will be considered by the SCAQMD Board at its September 7, 2018 meeting.

**Agenda Item #9 – Consider Potential Updates to MSRC Website and \$6,000 Contract Value Increase by Geographics, Contract #MS18003 (\$56,953 – Design, Host and Maintain MSRC Website)**

Cynthia Ravenstein, MSRC Contracts Administrator, reported the MSRC has its own website and Geographics is the company maintaining it. Part of their contract included some funding that wasn't specifically allocated to any task. We need to make a few modifications. A few meetings ago, MSRC Member Martinez had inquired whether it might be possible to add the Google translate service to the MSRC website; Geographics has informed us they can add that for about \$600. There was some concern if we spend that much, might we be left without enough balance if there's something critical that needs to be dealt with before we can come back to the Committee. The Subcommittee looked at that upgrade, as well as some other potential upgrades such as troubleshooting the test email functions and adding a feature to change the display order of the RFP postings. The MSRC-TAC recommended approval to make these changes and recommended a \$6,000 contract value increase so there would be some balance for other things that were identified that needed immediate attention.

ON MOTION BY MSRC VICE-CHAIR GREG WINTERBOTTOM AND SECONDED BY MSRC MEMBER GREG PETTIS, THE MSRC UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO APPROVE UPDATES TO THE MSRC WEBSITE AND A \$6,000 VALUE INCREASE TO GEOGRAPHICS' CONTRACT.

AYES: MCCALLON, PETTIS, ROYBAL SALTARELLI, WINTERBOTTOM, YAMARONE.

NOES: NONE.

ACTION: This item will be considered by the SCAQMD Board at its September 7, 2018 meeting.

**FYs 2016-18 WORK PROGRAM**

**Agenda Item #10 – Consider Funding for Applications Received under the Local Government Partnership Program**

Cynthia Ravenstein, MSRC Contracts Administrator, reported this is a snapshot of the Local Government Partnership Program status. This opportunity opened September 1, 2017 and the original closing date was March 2<sup>nd</sup>. But at your February meeting, the MSRC decided to extend the deadline to August 2<sup>nd</sup>. There were 162 eligible jurisdictions, that's the four counties and all of the cities that receive AB 2766 Funds. There are a few cities that have opted not to participate in that process and generally they're very small. The MSRC allocated \$21,180,650. Basically the amount allocated for each jurisdiction is the amount they get annually in AB 2766 Subvention Funds. The only deviations from that are for the City of Los Angeles, whose allocation is capped at \$3 million, otherwise, it would have been close to \$5 million, and the smaller jurisdictions who receive less than \$50,000 Subvention Funds per year were brought up to an allocation of \$50,000 each.

Now, this Program had an unprecedented level of outreach of any program that I've worked on for the MSRC for the last decade. There were the MSRC staff, SCAQMD's Transportation group and Public Affairs, your outreach coordinator The Better World Group, and MSRC-TAC members all involved in trying to get the word out on this. We did multiple direct electronic mailings and a webcast. We had it on the MSRC website including multiple articles in our electronic newsletter, there were presentations at COG meetings, and telephone calls to City Manager's offices. 121 applications were received. Those represented 109 unique applicants as several of them put in their applications in pieces for different departments. That's a participation rate of 67% of the funding that was reserved. The amount requested is about 72% percent of the funding that you reserved or \$15,640,897. On average, the jurisdictions that were requesting funding asked for 88.5% of their allocation. There has been a Local Government Match Program almost continuously since the late 1990s. There were 31 applicants who had not participated in any Local Match programs before, so this did certainly succeed in bringing in some new project partners. Of the total funding, the first-time first requests were 12% percent.

Public access EV charging stations were the most popular, second most popular were medium- and heavy-duty zero-emission vehicles. In numbers of vehicles, it's a lot less than the light-duty, but because they can be so much more expensive and the MSRC was offering to fund up to \$100,000 per vehicle not to exceed 50%, the funding for this subcategory was higher. For the small cities that were allocated \$50,000 each, participation was about even between Los Angeles, Riverside and San Bernardino counties and not as much in Orange County.

Regarding the application receipt pattern, there's always lots of concern as to why aren't we getting more applications. But we had quite a spike that came in at the last minute before the original deadline and then before the final deadline.

Here are some initial observations on lessons learned, although we're going to still be analyzing and talking about it as part of your next Work Program development process. There was a rush at the deadline to submit the applications. We know that there are still a few that didn't quite make it. The Program did allow for a high level of flexibility in terms of how they put their application together. We found the participants didn't really like that. They would rather have an application template where they fill in the boxes rather than a free form. There was some resistance from City staff to making a presentation to their City Councils. We're not sure those presentations were all that effective, so that might be something to think about next time. Some of the things we heard from people who weren't participating was that the categories didn't fit their needs or wants. There was a sense that they may be could have used more information on other available funding sources to help them make a project work. There was information available on our website, but that probably could have been highlighted more as to how to go about getting other funding for their projects. And one category, First Mile Last Mile, just had no interest at all. We are wondering if perhaps \$50,000 is just not enough to do a meaningful project.

The second-to-last last group of 19 applications is recommended for funding for a total of \$1,476,700. One of these, from the city of San Fernando, was previously not awarded funding because they were only asking for money for signal cabinets not for the synchronization itself. They were informed that just installing signal cabinets did not achieve emission reductions, and they did modify their application to include the signal synchronization. So now that is recommended for funding.

ON MOTION BY MSRC VICE-CHAIR GREG WINTERBOTTOM AND SECONDED BY MSRC MEMBER GREG PETTIS, THE MSRC UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO APPROVE AWARDS TO THE CITIES OF SAN FERNARDO, SOUTH EL MONTE, ORANGE, LOS ANGELES, MURRIETA, BIG BEAR LAKE, GLENDORA, SANTA CLARITA, TEMECULA, SOUTH PASADENA, MONTEREY PARK, LAGUNA WOODS, GARDENA, HIGHLAND, TEMPLE CITY, REDONDO BEACH, LAGUNA HILLS, BREA AND BURBANK FOR A TOTAL OF \$1,476,700.  
AYES: MCCALLON, PETTIS, ROYBAL SALTARELLI, WINTERBOTTOM, YAMARONE.  
NOES: NONE.

ACTION: This item will be considered by the SCAQMD Board at its September 7, 2018 meeting.

### **Agenda Item #11 – Consider Work Plan Received under the CTC Partnership Program**

Ray Gorski, MSRC Technical Advisor, reported this is under the 2016-18 County Transportation Commission (CTC) Partnership Program. The MSRC allocated a total of \$8 million, \$2 million for each CTC to implement projects that improve air quality as well as enhance mobility. To date, you have received applications from three of the CTCs, and this is the fourth request for funding. This is from OCTA and they're requesting consideration to apply their \$2 million allocation toward three specific projects: (1) a micro transit project called OC Flex, which will be implemented in the Laguna Niguel area, as well as Mission Viejo and Aliso Viejo; the specific amount of funding requested of the \$2M is \$1,146,000. They will be providing co-funding through their fare revenue in the amount \$135,000; (2) the installation of hydrogen detection system. OCTA has been demonstrating hydrogen fuel cell buses. They need to have facilities which are capable of maintaining the vehicles. Gaseous fuel vehicles need special accommodations for indoor maintenance because of the volatile nature of the fuel. They are requesting the use of their funding in the amount of \$642,000 to install a hydrogen detection system; and (3) implementation of a college transit fare subsidy program. College pass programs are implemented in many areas throughout the South Coast region. This would fund the initial part of that program, to allow the students to try this, with the expectation that it will be successful and that a future program would be funded by the students themselves through a referendum that would be held at the college. They're seeking \$212,000 to implement the College Transit Pass Program.

ON MOTION BY MSRC VICE-CHAIR GREG WINTERBOTTOM AND SECONDED BY MSRC MEMBER GREG PETTIS, THE MSRC UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO APPROVE AN AWARD TO ORANGE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY FOR \$2 MILLION.  
AYES: MCCALLON, PETTIS, ROYBAL SALTARELLI, WINTERBOTTOM, YAMARONE.  
NOES: NONE.

ACTION: This item will be considered by the SCAQMD Board at its September 7, 2018 meeting.

**Agenda Item #12 – Consider Applications Received under the Major Event Center Transportation Program**

Ray Gorski, MSRC Technical Advisor, reported there are two applications which have been received. I'd like to take them separately because the MSRC-TAC's recommendations are different for each. The first is a request by the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA) to fund special train service in support of the 2018 Festival of Lights, which is held in downtown Riverside. This program would operate three specific lines: Los Angeles to Riverside, Laguna Niguel to Riverside and Perris to Riverside. It offers service for Friday and Saturday nights, which are typically the peak periods for attendance at the Festival of Lights.

As you recall the MSRC funded this program in 2017. The Final Report for that program was received and it went through a staff analysis. Based upon the results of the 2017 program, the staff engaged both SCRRA as well as RCTC, first of all to identify the lessons learned from the prior service, and importantly to identify where MSRC investments could be made that would result in or maximize the air quality benefits which are attributable to this program. As a result of that discussion, there were changes made to the program for 2018, specifically to ensure that the MSRC investment would result in the air quality benefits that should result from the investment of air quality funds. These specific modifications to the original proposal were to align MSRC funding with those train trips which are expected to have the highest ridership.

We can ensure that it will in fact yield a positive air quality benefit. We also had a discussion to realign the service for the return trains. It was determined that in 2017 they had trains for the departure times were simply too close to each other and people would all hop on the first train and then no one would ride on the second train. We asked that they reconfigure that. The result is a reduction in the total amount of funding which is being requested. The current request is \$252,900. This is in keeping with your past award for the 2017 service. Every effort has been made to work directly with SCRRA and RCTC to ensure that the MSRC funding is utilized for those elements of the service which will yield the highest quality benefits.

ON MOTION BY MSRC MEMBER DOLORES ROYBAL SALTARELLI AND  
SECONDED BY MEMBER MARK YARAMONE, THE MSRC  
UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO APPROVE A \$252,696 AWARD TO  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGIONAL RAIL AUTHORITY (METROLINK)  
FOR THE FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS SERVICE.  
AYES: MCCALLON, PETTIS, ROYBAL SALTARELLI, WINTERBOTTOM,  
YAMARONE.  
NOES: NONE.

For the next request, the recommendation from your MSRC-TAC is to not fund the project. This is for transit service at the Rose Bowl in support of major events which are planned for the 2018-2019 season. The original funding request was \$788,082. This one probably could use some additional explanation. This project was submitted in a prior year also and at that time the MSRC did not provide funding. This would provide transportation services in addition to the regular services that they provide, for events such as the UCLA Bruin football games at the Rose Bowl. This would be for additional events such as the Arroyo Seco Music Festival, soccer matches

which are planned throughout the year, some anticipated concerts as well as one additional football game. The issues which were confronted both in the prior application are certainly in the one that's before you today. It's very clear that the Rose Bowl suffers from a parking issue and this service has been designed to alleviate the parking issues associated with these events. The issues that were confronted by your Technical Committees were that it's not being implemented in a way which would be necessarily beneficial towards air quality. This means that they have service which is very convenient in that they have a lot of buses running, but from analysis of the data which they were able to provide it appears that many of these buses are simply not near capacity.

Therefore, also factoring in the bus deadhead miles, it's very difficult to make a determination as to whether or not the passenger vehicle emission reductions would in fact be offsetting the emissions generated from those buses. For the service which has been proposed, they would not be using state-of-the-art buses, per se. They are natural gas, but they're 2010 vintage. We asked if it was feasible for them to use some of the new near-zero buses or some of the zero emission buses which are in the Foothill fleet and unfortunately at this time, they cannot make that guarantee. They are suggesting they will have cleaner fuel buses in a future year but for this application the buses would be 2010 vintage buses or at least certified to 2010 emission standard. There were also concerns expressed relative to the number of trips which are being eliminated. They are deploying these buses at parking lots, and the parking lots themselves are rather restricted as to the number of cars that could be there. In looking at how many cars could show up, and what the average vehicle occupancy would be, you can predict what the ridership is going to be. Looking at the data that they were able to provide we had difficulty quantifying a positive air quality benefit. This means that the number of people on the buses who were actually displacing a motor vehicle trip, probably would not offset the number of emissions that the bus would generate. Staff actually sat down across the table with representatives from the Rose Bowl; we had very cordial meetings. We felt that they were very productive. We had the General Manager of the Rose Bowl come in and sit down with us. We tried to walk through what some of the issues were, but more importantly, we communicated that the TAC and the Subcommittee had specific recommendations to improve the service to make it more of an air quality project as opposed to simply a project to mitigate a parking problem.

They received the recommendations, went back and submitted a revised or clarified proposal. The clarified proposal, however did not have any substantive changes from their original proposal. The only thing it did was reduce the request from a two-year request to a one-year request. There are no modifications in the method in which that transit would be deployed and there's a reason for that. It turns out that the service which they're proposing to utilize is for all intents and purposes contractually set in stone, meaning that they do not have the ability to make any modifications. So the proposal we have is what they are going to do. It also became apparent that the funding to implement that special transit service is already in place. The MSRC monies would be offsetting monies that they already have available to them. The rationale for the recommendation not to fund this project is the following: (1) in its current design, we feel that it would not guarantee the MSRC the ability to achieve a net air quality improvement; (2) we realize that they are unable to make any modifications to their service at this time because it's already in place; and (3) while they would of course, appreciate a contribution from the MSRC, the project is in fact fully funded and is going to take place irrespective of MSRC involvement.

The MSRC staff does have a good working relationship with the Rose Bowl. In the event they are able to acquire cleaner, more advanced technology near-zero buses, and then if they're potentially able to have closer coordination with other transit services including that operated by Metro, then there might be an opportunity for the Rose Bowl to come forth and participate in a potential future MSRC program.

ON MOTION BY MSRC VICE-CHAIR GREG WINTERBOTTOM AND  
SECONDED BY MSRC CHAIR LARRY MCCALLON, THE MSRC  
UNANIMOUSLY VOTED NOT TO AWARD FUNDING TO THE ROSE  
BOWL AND FOOTHILL TRANSIT FOR SPECIAL SHUTTLE SERVICE.  
AYES: MCCALLON, PETTIS, ROYBAL SALTARELLI, WINTERBOTTOM,  
YAMARONE.  
NOES: NONE

ACTION: This item will be considered by the SCAQMD Board at its September 7, 2018 meeting.

[At this time, MSRC Member Greg Pettis left the meeting at 2:45 p.m. to allow MSRC Alternate Brian Berkson to comment as the representative for Riverside County Transportation Commission on this item.]

### **Agenda Item #13 – Consider Applications Received under the Natural Gas Infrastructure Program**

Cynthia Ravenstein, MSRC Contracts Administrator, reported there were 20 additional applications received, requesting a total of \$3,926,680, since you last considered an application under the Natural Gas Infrastructure Program. Now, all of these applications have been reviewed and they meet the program requirements. There's \$2,843,500 remaining of the original \$4 million that was allocated. On superpage 105, Table One is the recommended awards going up to that remaining balance of what you had originally allocated. There's actually one project, LBA Realty, that's moved up ahead in the queue to meet the geographic minimum for San Bernardino County. That's why #25 comes before #24. The City of Redondo Beach application is right on the line, this would give them about half of the money that they were requesting. The TAC is further recommending that the MSRC allocate an additional \$1,083,180 to the Natural Gas Infrastructure Program to fund all the projects on the backup list. That's the remainder of Redondo Beach's request, as well as five other applications. There were quite a few who are proposing to use renewable natural gas and are thereby entitled to an additional \$100,000.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Jason Lewis, SoCalGas, commented last time I was here advocating for the continuation of the program. I am pleased my industry peers rose to the occasion. I'd also like to point out, SoCalGas is also building stations while we did not request funding for our Fontana station. It is open today. If you know any fleets who want some free natural gas, we've just been approved opening by San Bernardino County Weights and Measures and we're offering to get some heavy-duty fleets to come and test it out for us. I would also like to encourage any future consideration of a natural gas program with the 11.9 liter engine now reaching full production. Cummins Westport and SoCalGas are very happy to be supporting the industry and we would

hope that the industry's building stations will continue the nascent heavy-duty natural gas industry.

ON MOTION BY MSRC ALTERNATE BRIAN BERKSON AND SECONDED BY MSRC VICE-CHAIR GREG WINTERBOTTOM, THE MSRC UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO APPROVE 15 AWARDS TOTALING \$2,843,500 AS DESCRIBED IN THE ATTACHED STAFF REPORT. THE MSRC-TAC FURTHER RECOMMENDS \$1,083,180 BE ALLOCATED TO THE NATURAL GAS INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM AND THAT THE SEVEN APPLICATIONS ON THE BACKUP LIST APPROVED.

AYES: BERKSON, MCCALLON, ROYBAL SALTARELLI, WINTERBOTTOM, YAMARONE. GREG PETTIS ABSTAINED

NOES: NONE.

ACTION: This item will be considered by the SCAQMD Board at its September 7, 2018 meeting.

#### **Agenda Item #14 – Other Business**

Ray Gorski, MSRC Technical Advisor, commented we are looking to have the MSRC and your TAC have a joint Retreat. The current date is October 23<sup>rd</sup>. It will be approximately 1/2 day, probably starting around 10 a.m., having a luncheon and then having it adjourn no later than 2:00 - 2:30. We're thinking that it will be held here at the South Coast Air Quality Management District. It's going to be highly focused. We will come in, get to business and have you out the door before the traffic. If there's anything specific you'd like your staff or your TAC to address, by all means, let us know and we will ensure that that's on the agenda.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Public comments were allowed during the discussion of each agenda item. No comments were made on non-agenda items.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the MSRC meeting adjourned at 2:53 p.m.

#### **NEXTMEETING**

Thursday, September 20, 2018 at 2:00 p.m., Room CC8.