



**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE MSRC
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2019 MEETING MINUTES
21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765 - Room CC8**

MSRC-TAC MEMBERS PRESENT:

MSRC-TAC Chair Dan York, Cities of Riverside County
MSRC-TAC Vice-Chair Anthony (AJ) Marquez, Orange County Board of Supervisors
Martin Buford, Regional Rideshare Agency
Adriann Cardoso, Orange County Transportation Authority
Jenny Chan (Alt.), Riverside County Transportation Commission
Steven Hillman, City of Los Angeles
Jaime Lai, Cities of Orange County
Steven Lee, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
Rongsheng Luo, Southern California Association of Governments
Kelly Lynn, San Bernardino County Transportation Authority
Sean O'Connor, Cities of San Bernardino County
Tim Olson, California Energy Commission (via conference call)
Vicki White, South Coast Air Quality Management District

OTHERS PRESENT:

John Beshay, City of Baldwin Park
Harvey Edger, PVBUC Solar Power Coalition
Susan Kim, Cities of Orange County
Hal Suetsugu, City of Baldwin Park
Rick Teebay

SCAQMD STAFF & CONTRACTORS

Leah Alfaro, Contracts Assistant
Penny Shaw Cedillo, MSRC Liaison
Marjorie Eaton, Secretary
Daphne Hsu, Senior Deputy District Counsel
Cynthia Ravenstein, MSRC Contracts Administrator

CALL TO ORDER

- Call to Order
MSRC-TAC Chair Dan York called the meeting to order at 1:33 p.m.
- Opening Comments
MSRC-TAC Chair Dan York announced the retirement of Rick Teebay, formerly MSRC-TAC Alternate for the County of Los Angeles.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 1 through 3)

Receive and Approve

Agenda Item #1 – Summary of Final Report by MSRC Contractors

Two final reports were submitted for MSRC-TAC review and approval during September:

- City of Santa Monica, MS12060 (\$500,000 – Implement Westside Bikeshare Program)
- Los Angeles County MTA, MS16113 (\$1,875,000– Repower 125 Transit Buses with Near-Zero Natural Gas Engines)

ON MOTION BY MSRC-TAC VICE-CHAIR AJ MARQUEZ AND
SECONDED BY MSRC-TAC MEMBER STEVEN LEE, UNDER APPROVAL
OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS #1 – #3, THE MSRC-TAC
UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE FINAL
REPORTS SUMMARIES LISTED ABOVE.

ACTION: The final report summaries will be included on the MSRC's next agenda for final action.

Information Only – Receive and File

Agenda Item #2 – MSRC Contracts Administrator's Report

The Contracts Administrator's Report for July 25 through August 28, 2019 was included in the agenda package.

ON MOTION BY MSRC-TAC VICE-CHAIR AJ MARQUEZ AND
SECONDED BY MSRC-TAC MEMBER STEVEN LEE, UNDER APPROVAL
OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS #1 – #3, THE MSRC-TAC
UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE CONTRACTS
ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT FOR JULY 25 THROUGH AUGUST 28, 2019.

ACTION: The Contracts Administrator's Report will be included on the MSRC's next agenda for final action.

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

The Financial Report on the AB 2766 Discretionary Fund for August 2019 was distributed at the meeting.

ON MOTION BY MSRC-TAC VICE-CHAIR AJ MARQUEZ AND
SECONDED BY MSRC-TAC MEMBER STEVEN LEE, UNDER APPROVAL
OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS #1 – #3, THE MSRC-TAC
UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE FINANCIAL
REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2019.

ACTION: No further action is required.

ACTION CALENDAR (Items 4 through 6)

Agenda Item #4 – Consider Substitution of Five Level II Charging Stations for Two Level III Charging Stations and Term Extension to June 30, 2020 for the City of Bellflower, Contract #ML12091 (\$100,000 – Install EV Charging Infrastructure

Cynthia Ravenstein, MSRC Contracts Administrator, reported this request comes from the City of Bellflower. This is from the FY 2011-12 Local Government Match Program; this item has a bit of a long history. They were originally going to do 15 Level II charging stations for \$270,000. Over the course of various actions this was modified to \$100,000 for two fast charging stations. No work has been completed and nothing has been paid to date on the contract. The City indicates that the power supply at their new parking structure will not accommodate the specified Level III charging stations. The City requests to substitute the installation of 5 Level II charging stations for the 2 Level III stations, with no change to the contract value. Two of these stations would be installed at the parking structure, and three would be installed at a separate City parking lot, these will be publicly accessible. The City further requests that the contract term be extended to June 30, 2020. Because there will only be two weeks between the September MSRC meeting and the contract termination date, a three-month contract term extension is being processed administratively to allow enough time for the MSRC to consider the remainder of the extension request as well as the other changes.

MSRC-TAC Member Tim Olson asked, are these the full costs including make ready and the equipment or just part of the total cost? Ms. Ravenstein replied, it's part of the total cost. The MSRC's Local Match Program under this Work Program year does not pay more than 50% of the cost. It does include installation and equipment. Mr. Olson asked, is there a utility involved in the project too? Ms. Ravenstein replied, I would imagine so, yes. Mr. Olson commented, if the whole reason for the change is power capacity of the site, that won't justify a Level III, that's usually prepaid service. Investor-owned utilities and LADWP, and some publicly owned utilities, have made commitments and put up money for these kinds of projects. So maybe in looking forward, one of the factors is getting them signing on to a commitment that the MSRC is co-funding a project with a commitment from utility.

ON MOTION BY MSRC-TAC MEMBER ADRIANN CARDOSO AND
SECONDED BY MSRC-TAC VICE-CHAIR AJ MARQUEZ, THE MSRC-TAC
UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO RECOMMEND TO APPROVE FOR THE CITY
OF BELLFLOWER, CONTRACT #ML12091, SUBSTITUTION OF
CHARGING STATIONS AND TERM EXTENSION TO JUNE 30, 2020.

ACTION: MSRC staff will include this contract modification on the next MSRC agenda for approval.

[MSRC-TAC Member Kelly Lynn arrived during the discussion of item #5]

Agenda Item #5 – Consider Three-Year Term Extension for the City of Baldwin Park, Contract #ML12045 (\$400,000 – Install CNG Station)

Cynthia Ravenstein, MSRC Contracts Administrator, reported this request comes from the City of Baldwin Park. They were awarded \$400,000 under the MSRC's FYs 2011-12 Local Government Match Program to install a new CNG station. After they originally had executed the contract, they undertook the partnership with the County of Los Angeles on building the station. The County is putting in some of the money too and they're located adjacent to the City. The City had previously received an 18-month contract term extension as result of some of the coordination needed in forging that partnership. But there have been some additional delays associated with the third-party review and approval of the construction plans. There were also issues with sound mitigation and utilities relocation to the County, and there were some last-minute relocations of gas lines and electric panel requests from the Gas Company and Southern California Edison which also contributed to the delays. The City has now broken ground, they're expecting construction to be complete in October, with the station open to the public in December. To allow for fulfillment of the five-year operational requirement with a small contingency for any further unanticipated delays, the City's requesting a three-year contract term extension.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Hal Suetsugu and John Beshay, City of Baldwin Park, distributed a handout that showed the progress made including comments about groundbreaking. Mr. Suetsugu commented we started off with the timeline and there's a big gap between 2018-2019. The designs were already completed some time ago. However, the utilities including Southern California Edison and the Gas Company requested some changes to the relocation of the utilities. We've prevented the foundation from going in until we resolve that issue. We're having it completed in October and operations to start in December. We've already done our grading. On the last page are the CNG units we have in storage; they're already here. Once the foundation is laid and all the ground work has been done, within a matter of days or weeks we could install the unit. We're hoping that this committee could grant us an additional extension. The extension to 2025 is the MSRC's requirement to have the operations for five-years.

MSRC-TAC Member Vicki White asked, could you provide us a little more information on what type of City vehicles you think will be using the station and whether there will be any public access?

PUBLIC COMMENT: Hal Suetsugu replied, the reason why we entered into an agreement with the County of LA is they have a mandate to go to clean vehicles by 2020. Adjacent to this CNG station is their San Gabriel Valley maintenance yard. One of the things that attracted them was their ability to connect to the CNG station for slow fill, but in addition to that they plan to have several CNG vehicles such as sweepers and fleet vehicles that will share in the usage. In addition, Baldwin Park has CNG transit vehicles that they can utilize for this. The station will be open to the public. Southland Transit has a maintenance yard maybe about a block away. Although they do have their own CNG refueling system, they also have an option to come to this facility to fill up if there's a demand for that. The City anticipates it being well used.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Harvey Eder, Public Solar Power Coalition commented, I've been coming around South Coast AQMD for over 30 years talking about solar getting into the Air Quality Management Plan but not getting responded too. The law for the State of California has recited those administrative committee to the board at 10 o'clock on the 8th of February of this year to Dr. Burke, that there's the unanimous decision of the state's supreme court says that BART's best available retrofit control technology is technology forcing and this is the unanimous decision by the state supreme court and applies to solar technologies and has not been implemented and is going to litigation now. The 2016-17 plan is out, and it's been reviewed by EPA. They didn't do any review for the 18 months. The Sierra Club, EarthJustice and others have been given notice and now litigation is going. There was a \$10 trillion proposed yesterday from the Solar Climate New Deal by Warren and response basically to \$16 trillion by Bernie a week before. We are the epicenter of this now, we must quit this, this stops fossil fuels, it's against the law and it violates the state health and safety code 50.2003. 90% of natural gas is important to the state and its fracked. The real numbers on this, the district and the state has used 25 and 25 and 20 global warming potential. The AR5 and the IPCC says the real number is 86. There's been a study done ten years ago done by Cornell that says the real number for fracking is 105. What we did was based on 20, so that that 86 number must be multiplied more than five, so we've got another 400 parts per million CO2 just from methane. We have a big problem with nitrogen oxide. This is the real world, and this is what must be done. Both Warren and the leaders from the Democrats said they're phasing out fossil fuels. By 30 for transportation and electricity and nationalizing the energy system. It's been difficult to get the South Coast AQMD to go into hybrids for 10-20 years and then the try to get them to do zero- elective. We've been talking to the major manufacturers and trying to get low income and the state into an equity position for many manufacturers like BYD and Tesla instead of deal with the Saudis for billions of dollars. We got to do things differently.

ON MOTION BY MSRC-TAC MEMBER SEAN O'CONNOR, AND
SECONDED BY MSRC-TAC MEMBER MARTIN BUFORD, THE MSRC-
TAC UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO RECOMMEND TO APPROVE FOR CITY
OF BALDWIN PARK, CONTRACT #ML12045, A THREE-YEAR TERM
EXTENSION.

ACTION: MSRC staff will include this contract modification on the next MSRC agenda for approval.

MSRC-TAC Chair Dan York presented Rick Teebay with a certificate of retirement of serving as an MSRC-TAC Alternate.

2018-21 WORK PROGRAM

Agenda Item #6 – Consider Option to Extend the Technical Advisor’s Contract for Another Two-Year Term or Initiate Request for Proposals

Dan York, MSRC-TAC Chair, reported the Administrative Subcommittee met last month to talk about our Technical Advisor, Ray Gorski’s contract which is due to expire December 31, 2019. However, in that contract, we have an option for a two-year term extension. The Administrative Subcommittee agreed that for the services that Ray has provided, we felt that he has satisfactorily exceeded every one of the criteria. It’s the Subcommittee’s recommendation to the TAC to extend Ray Gorski’s contract for another two-year term.

ON MOTION BY MSRC-TAC MEMBER MARTIN BUFORD, AND
SECONDED BY MSRC-TAC MEMBER RONGSHENG LUO, THE MSRC-
TAC UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO RECOMMEND TO EXERCISE THE
TWO-YEAR OPTION TO EXTEND RAYMOND GORSKI’S CONTRACT
TERM AS TECHNICAL ADVISOR.

ACTION: This award will be included on the next MSRC agenda for final action.

OTHER BUSINESS

Agenda Item #7 – Other Business

MSRC-TAC Member Jaime Lai introduced her alternate, Susan Kim.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Harvey Eder, Public Solar Power Coalition asked are you aware of the Clean Power Alliance of Southern California? That is the LA County and Ventura County Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) which was authorized when Enron ripped off the state and the investor owned utilities first went bankrupt 18 years ago. Back then we were going to buy out the T and D Power System from PG&E for a \$1 and Governor Davis negotiated for under \$3 billion to get the same for Edison in San Diego. We subsidize directly out of water resources and the general fund, \$30-\$40 billion and more tens of billions of dollars in state subsidies and now we’re talking about bonds. The political stuff is changing on this. They’re putting this on us for climate change instead of on oil companies, integrals and what not. And this is being challenged in the national election. We’ve got CCA’s and public power right here in River City and most of it in California. Los Angeles is the largest public utility union in the country, 29 cities and the unincorporated areas of all of LA and Ventura counties, that’s the fifth largest electric utility in the state. We’re in positions in cities and local government to put in district heating and cooling.

ADJOURNMENT

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MSRC-TAC MEETING
ADJOURNED AT 2:04 P.M.

NEXT MEETING: Next meeting: Thursday, October 3, 2019, 1:30 p.m., at the South Coast Air
Quality Management District.

(Minutes prepared by Penny Shaw Cedillo)

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