TRANSPORTATION & GOODS MOVEMENT COUNCIL MEETING
January 22, 2018
10-11:30 a.m.

1. WELCOME & SELF-INTRODUCTIONS – Steve Finnegan

2. Updates
   • State Transportation Budget Update – Senate Transportation Staff
   • AV Test track acquisition – Northern California Auto Club – Steve Finnegan
   • 2019 Advocacy Agenda
   • State legislative items
   • ACCESS DC

3. Presentations
   Growing Los Angeles Transit and Rebuilding America
   • Therese McMillan
     Chief Planning Officer, Metro
     Therese McMillan is Metro’s chief planning officer for countywide planning and development, and oversees key planning, grant funding, and real estate issues at the agency. Her role is pivotal Measure M’s implementation. McMillan will discuss development updates to Twenty-Eight by ‘28 initiative, and Metro’s Rebuilding America principles.
       o Q&A

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS
   • Pancakes and Politics: 1/25
   • Inaugural Dinner: 1/31
   • ACCESS DC: 3/11-3/13

Next Transportation & Goods Movement Council In-person
March 5
Ad-hoc Legislative Update Call TBD – Contact Kendal Asuncion at kasuncan@lachamber.com for details
Therese W. McMillan
Chief Planning Officer
Metro

Therese W. McMillan assumed the position of Chief Planning Officer for LA Metro in April 2016. Prior to joining LA Metro, Therese served as the Acting Administrator for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) of the US Department of Transportation. During her almost 7 years at FTA, Therese led reforms in transit safety, emergency response and resiliency investment; capital planning and oversight, and civil rights program development and oversight, including Title VI and ADA. Before her career at FTA, Therese was Deputy Executive Director of Policy at the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), the regional planning and funding agency for the nine-county San Francisco Bay area. During her time with MTC, Therese was an instructor in transportation funding and finance at the Mineta Transportation Institute, San Jose State University.

Therese attended UC Davis originally to become a veterinarian! After reconsidering her performance in organic chemistry, she switched majors and a UC Davis internship with the California Transportation Commission ignited her passion for transportation policy. In 1981, she earned her B.S. in environmental planning and management and then went to UC Berkeley, where she became the first student to complete its dual degree program in transportation and received master’s degrees in city planning and civil engineering.

At LA Metro, Therese provides executive leadership for the Countywide Planning and Development Department that is responsible for the agency’s long-range and regional planning, grant funding, and real estate development. Setting a vision and alternative paths to achieve that vision is one of the many exciting and challenging responsibilities in the planning portfolio.
2019 TGM Policy Priorities

The Transportation & Goods Movement Council addresses all issues related to our region’s mobility — highway, rail, air, shipping, transit, cycling, walking, roads and arterials. The Council advocates for federal, state and local policies and programs that provide system-wide, regional solutions. The Council also emphasizes the importance of transportation and goods movement to the region and nation’s economy, while encouraging balanced approaches to improving environmental sustainability.

**Support expanding and improving Southern California’s multi-modal transportation systems**

The region’s network of roads, transit lines, goods movement corridors, and ports of entry (both air and sea) provide the mobility and accessibility foundation that support L.A.’s economy. The Chamber supports adequate funding for implementation of effective infrastructure investments and operational improvements to improve mobility and safety within the region. As part of this effort, the Chamber supported SB1 and its implementation, it successfully helped defeat efforts to repeal the critical funding source.

*Build on transportation funding successes*

The Chamber partnered with fellow stakeholders to help pass Measure M, which combined with Measure R, will secure local funding for a generation for projects. The next step is to explore state and federal funding sources to expand and improve our regional transportation systems and to accelerate the construction of planned transportation projects.

**Metro Measure M Implementation**

The Chamber will work with Metro and the Federal government to expedite transportation projects that require United State Department of Transportation (USDOT) and National Environmental Policy Act approval, while supporting Metro in their project proposals to USDOT. With the ambitious goal to complete 28 projects by 2028, when the world’s eyes will be on the City for the Olympic Games it is important that monitor our progress towards the goal. The Chamber will work with Metro and stakeholders to advocate for efficient allocation of funding and accountability in project implementation.

**Federal Administration Infrastructure Plan**

The Chamber successfully advocated for the five-year FAST Act, which was passed by Congress at the end of 2015. The Chamber will track and work closely with federal leadership on any future transportation infrastructure funding plan, while advocating for the continuation of existing policies and programs that have benefitted the region.

**Support investment in goods movement infrastructure and pro-job policies at the ports**

The Panama Canal Widening Project, now completed, provides shippers an option to bypass west coast ports; modernizing the Ports of L.A. and Long Beach is essential to maintaining our region’s competitiveness in the global economy. The Chamber will advocate for terminal improvement projects, the construction of on and near-dock rail facilities, investment in our national and state freight plans, and pro-jobs policies at the Ports.

In 2017, the Port of L.A. and Port of Long Beach adopted the 2017 Clean Air Action Plan, the Chamber will continue to advocate for cost-effective measures and a balance between economic competitiveness and
emissions reduction during the implementation of the Plan. This includes ensuring that regional and state air quality plans and programs focusing on “sustainable” freight include economic sustainability as a value and do not negatively impact the economic competitiveness of our goods movement sector and regional economy.

**Advance LAX modernization**

LAX is the fifth busiest airport in the U.S. and the number one origin and destination airport in the world. Serving 84 million passengers and generating more than $40 billion in regional economic activity annually, the airport is undergoing nearly $14 billion in critical landside, terminal and airside infrastructure investments. Vital to its continued success is reducing traffic congestion in the Central Terminal Area and surrounding streets, improving connectivity to transit, and improving the overall passenger traveling experience, which are all goals of the Landside Access Modernization Program (LAMP). The Chamber will work with Los Angeles World Airports and local leadership to secure funding for these projects on a pace to meet a 2028 Olympic timeline, while engaging our membership in the procurement process and other related business opportunities.

**Support policies to increase mobility and relieve congestion**

Transportation planning is a powerful tool to develop 21st Century sustainable communities and enable economic development. The Chamber supports transportation policies at all levels that increase mobility, relieve congestion and expand alternative commute options. The Chamber will work with policy makers to ensure that the region engages the business community and ensures a balanced implementation of the 2016 Regional Transportation Plan. As Metro implements its strategic plan, Vision 2028, the Chamber will continue to engage with policy makers to ensure the business community is represented in its implementation. The Chamber will also work with the City of L.A. to implement the General Plan Mobility Element and LADOT’s Strategic Plan to ensure that future transportation investment will support greater mobility, reduce gridlock and encourage sustainable economic growth. In coordination with the Chamber’s Land Use, Construction and Housing Council, the Chamber will promote policies that address the transportation, housing, and jobs imbalance in the region.

In addition, the Chamber will closely monitor air quality regulation and requirements as it pertains to the goods movement and transportation sectors, advocating that both the environmental and the economic needs of the South Coast Air Basin are balanced.

**Advocate for alternative transportation financing and alternative project delivery methods**

With limited federal and state funding available for transportation, it is imperative that cities and counties be allowed to explore innovative, alternative mechanisms to fund, deliver goods and more efficiently build necessary infrastructure projects. The Chamber urges the City and County to evaluate and utilize Enhanced Infrastructure Financing Districts (EIF), Tax Increment Financing, and private sector investment in transportation infrastructure and operations through the full range of innovative mechanisms for public-private partnerships, including the expansion of Metro ExpressLanes into a regional network. The Chamber will also work with the City, County and State to develop policies that expand the use of design-build project delivery systems and evaluate P3 opportunities to ensure they provide public benefits and are structured for accountability and results.
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Develop sustainable funding for transportation

While the 2015 FAST Act helped to address our rapidly aging infrastructure, our transportation system requires more investment and long-term funding certainty. Our region stands ready to leverage federal funds with state and local funds from California’s Senate Bill 1 and LA County’s Measure M financing measures.

- Support development of National Infrastructure Package to improve transportation infrastructure
  - Provide direct funding to state and local governments
  - Promote development of transportation technologies and congestion mitigation management tools
  - Funding and financing tools to leverage public/private partnerships for regional and national significant projects, such as America Fast Forward Transportation Bonds

- Funding critical federal transportation programs that support transportation and infrastructure projects:
  - Full Funding Grant Agreements for Purple Line Extension Section 3
  - Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grants
  - Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Improvement Act (TIFIA)
  - Fully fund submitted regional DOT INFRA Grants, including jointly submitted grants like that submitted by Metro and the Port of LA
  - Develop and implement a sustainable funding source that will grow our nation’s transportation programs beyond 2021

Invest in Los Angeles International Airport

Modernize the second busiest airport in the U.S. by providing federal support for the construction of an automated people mover system that would reduce traffic congestion by connecting passengers to our regional light rail system and a planned consolidated rental car center and intermodal transit facilities. To meet a 2028 Summer Olympic timeline, L.A. will be looking to the DOT to expedite NEPA approvals and for funding support for roadway improvements, including the 405.

Funding for freight programs and development of a national freight strategic plan

Our federal partners should reassert themselves to play a strong role in supporting the nation’s goods movement system. Any future package should ensure increased funding for multimodal freight infrastructure. Priorities include:

- Increased funding and enhanced accessibility to existing programs to help ports modernize and accommodate ever larger container vessels through land-side and water-side terminal improvements, development of on-dock rail, and projects that enhance terminal efficiency.
• Ensure eligibility and prioritization of digital infrastructure as a cost-effective means of delivering freight capacity in the nation’s maritime gateways.
• Support comprehensive Harbor Maintenance Tax (HTM) reform that supports the competitiveness of the nation’s maritime gateways through full use of annual HMT revenues while providing for an equitable return of funds to ports that have been high net contributors to the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund (such as the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach).
• Support development of regional goods movement infrastructure to reduce congestion and impacts on local communities, including air pollution. This includes support for “America’s Global Freight Gateway: Southern California Rail Program” a regional rail project that will take trucks off the road and move freight through the region with greater efficiency.
• Support streamlining the environmental review and permitting process to accelerate project approvals, without sacrificing environmental protections.
• Support deployment of alternative fuel infrastructure, including chargers, in major freight corridors.
• Support continued development of a National Freight Strategic Plan that recognizes the multimodal national freight network and supports efforts to enhance maritime competitiveness and reduce congestion at the nation’s major gateways and corridors. This should also entail the identification of critical transportation projects within these key gateways/corridors.
• Promote development of zero-emission or near-zero emission equipment and vehicles, transportation technologies, and congestion mitigation management tools.
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