TRANSPORTATION & GOODS MOVEMENT COUNCIL MEETING
May 7, 2018
10-11:30 a.m.

1. WELCOME & SELF-INTRODUCTIONS – Steve Finnegan

2. Presentations
   Metrolink’s New Leadership
   • Stephanie Wiggins
     Chief Executive Officer, Metrolink
     In December 2018, Metrolink announced Stephanie Wiggins as its new CEO. She began leading the organization in January of this year. Metrolink is Southern California’s commuter rail network, and serves six counties in the region. Wiggins plays a critical role delivering on Metrolin’s vision to deliver an integrated inter-city rail system, with a customer-first approach to address congestion and provide mode choice in the region.
     o Q&A
   
   Metro’s Mobility On-Demand Pilot Update
   • Dr. Joshua Schank
     Chief Innovation Officer, LA Metro’s Office of Extraordinary Innovation
     Dr. Joshua Schank is the Chief Innovation Officer at LA Metro’s Office of Extraordinary Innovation. In 2018, the OEI decided to embark on a mobility on-demand project. It launched last summer as the Mobility on Demand Sandbox demonstration project. Dr. Schank will discuss the pilot to date and its potential impact for Metro.
     o Q&A

3. UPDATES
   • ACCESS Sacramento Advocacy Agenda

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS
   • ACCESS Sacramento: 5/14-5-15
   • OurCounty Draft Plan Review Session: 5/17

Next Ad-hoc Call June 4th – Contact Kendal Asuncion (kasuncan@lachamber.com) for details
Next Transportation & Goods Movement Council In-person
July 7th
Stephanie Wiggins was named chief executive officer of Metrolink by a unanimous vote of the board of directors in December 2018. Wiggins assumed leadership in January 2019 and leads the 275-employee strong commuter railroad with a budget of $793 million.

As CEO, Wiggins directs an agency that operates a commuter rail network on seven routes across a six-county, 538 route-mile system. Wiggins has held high-level positions at three of the five-member agencies that comprise Metrolink and is well-known as a customer-focused leader who finds solutions from a regional perspective.

Wiggins’ vision for the agency is to create value and exceed expectations by prioritizing a customer-first orientation with three pillars to provide an outstanding customer experience: safety and security, an integrated system, and modernizing business practices.

Prior to leading Metrolink, Wiggins was Deputy CEO of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LA Metro) where she assisted the CEO in providing leadership and formulating and achieving strategic public transportation objectives, including the passage of Measure M. During her tenure at LA Metro, Stephanie also served as the Executive Director of Vendor/Contract Management. Prior to that role, Stephanie was the Executive Officer and Project Director of the Congestion Reduction/ExpressLanes Program where she launched the first high occupancy toll lanes in LA County, the I-10 and I-110 Express Lanes, which improved travel times and travel reliability on two of the County’s most congested freeway corridors.

Prior to Metro, she served as Regional Programs Director for the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) and oversaw transit, commuter rail, rideshare, goods movement and rail capital projects.

Wiggins began her career in transportation when she accepted a temporary assignment at the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority and fell in love with the mission of the agency. The six-month temporary assignment turned into more than four years. She then accepted a policy analyst position with the RCTC where she worked for an additional nine and a half years in management and senior management roles.

Feeling the need for personal and academic growth, Wiggins earned a Master of Business Administration from the USC Marshall School of Business in 2007. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration from Whittier College in 1992.

Wiggins is the founding president of the Inland Empire Chapter of Women’s Transportation Seminar. She is the recipient of many awards including the Conference of Minority Transportation Officials 2018 Women Who Move the Nation Award. She is a Board Member of the Los Angeles Chapter of Friends of the Children.
Joshua Schank
Chief Innovation Officer
Metro

Joshua L. Schank is the first-ever Chief Innovation Officer for the Los Angeles County Metro and former President and CEO of the Eno Center for Transportation a non-profit foundation with the mission of improving transportation policy and leadership. Dr. Schank, who is an urban planner, has worked on federal and state transportation policy over a decade.

Dr. Schank was Transportation Policy Advisor to Senator Hillary Clinton during the development of the last six year transportation authorization bill (SAFETEA-LU). He has also worked as a Consultant with PB Consult and Senior Associate at ICF International in Washington, D.C., as well as the Office of the Inspector General’s in the U.S. Department of Transportation, and with the Permanent Citizens Advisory Committee of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority in New York City.

Dr. Schank’s extensive work in transportation policy and planning is well documented in his publications, including “All Roads Lead to Congress: The $300 Billion Fight Over Highway Funding,” co-authored with Costas Panagopoulos and published by CQ Press in 2007. He holds a Ph.D. in urban planning from Columbia University, a Master of City Planning from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and a B.A. in urban studies from Columbia University.

He lives in Los Angeles with his wife Lindsey and his sons, Max and Jonah.
TRANSPORTATION AND GOODS MOVEMENT INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT
California's critical transportation infrastructure moves residents, visitors, and goods throughout the fifth largest economy in the world. It is one of our biggest assets that directly affects our local and state economy, as well as quality of life. This delegation supports continued transportation investments to address congestion and mobility issues that impact the flow of people and goods in our region.

Support SB 1 implementation and funding- Californians demonstrated their commitment to maintaining and improving their transportation system when voters defeated Proposition 6 in 2018. It is critical that those funds continue to be distributed in an equitable manner, and in a way that can expedite critical transportation projects. Cities and localities that receive funding deserve spending discretion to best address regional congestion issues. This includes support for discretionary transit funding to enhance and build commuter and fixed rail lines.

Support State Rail Plan- In 2018, Caltrans completed its State Rail Plan, the guiding document for optimized statewide rail service that will enhance passenger and freight rail. Diversifying and building out alternate forms of transportation, including commuter rail, is critical to increasing commuter choice in transportation. The Southern California Railroad Authority, SCRRRA, developed its Southern California Optimized Rail Expansion (SCORE) to deliver on the State Rail Plan. This delegation supports delivering the improvements included in the State Rail Plan for Southern California, a critical tool to keeping the region's economies and communities moving.

Protect transit funding in Green House Gas Reduction Fund- Green House Gas Reduction Funds are an opportunity to fund capital improvements in transit that will help the State and Los Angeles region achieve its GHG reduction goals and address air quality concerns. It is critical that the legislature maintains and protects GHGRF funding for regional and local transit projects that can increase commuter choice.

California Freight Mobility Plan- With the Los Angeles region serving as the port gateway to the United States, the state should ensure that National Highway Freight Program Funds enhance our multimodal freight system to efficiently and effectively ease the movement of goods. A critical portion of this is to ensure the California Freight Mobility Plan 2019 is completed on time. The mobility plan should incorporate the State Rail Plan's goods movement findings and recommendations. This Chamber supports funding that assist LA's ports implement is Clean Air Action Plan, by funding technology-neutral, clean equipment demonstration projects, technology development, and deployment.

Support AB 1262 (O'Donnell): California Clean Trucks, Bus, and Off-Road Vehicle and Equipment Fund. Would enable the California Air Resources Board to create market-based mechanism with Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund monies to fund incentives to develop zero-emission and near-zero emission technologies to address emissions issues in non-passenger vehicles market. This bill would provide incentives that would assist the Ports implement the Clean Air Action Plan

Support AB 371 (Frazier): Requires Go-Biz, CARB, CTC, and Caltrans to prepare a statewide economic assessment of the freight industry. The assessments findings are to be incorporated into the State Freight Plan, and address the industry's resiliency, growth, and prospects, as well document progress to implement the plan's goals and recommendations. By developing a baseline assessment and outlining recommendations to maintain and improve LA region as a freight gateway for the world.
CONFIRMED SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, MAY 14
6 p.m. Opening Reception & Dinner
With L.A. County delegation members and California Labor & Workforce Development Agency Secretary Julie A. Su.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15
8 – 9 a.m. Breakfast & Program
Featuring members of the Gavin Newsom administration
10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Advocacy Meetings
No-host lunch
3 – 4 p.m. Conversation with Gov. Newsom’s Chief of Staff Ann O’Leary
4 – 5:30 p.m. Closing Reception

CONFIRMED SPEAKERS

ANEESH RAMAN
Senior Advisor, Strategy and External Affairs, Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development

JAMIE CALLAHAN
Deputy Cabinet Secretary, Office of Governor Newsom

JOHN “BUD” COLLIGAN
Senior Advisor, International Affairs and Trade, Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development

ISABEL GUZMAN
Director, Office of Small Business Advocacy, Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development

KRIS PERRY
Deputy Secretary, Health and Human Services Agency for Early Childhood Development and Senior Advisor to the Governor on Implementation of Early Childhood Development Initiatives

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