1. **WELCOME & SELF-INTRODUCTIONS** – Co-chairs

2. **Presentations**
   The Future of Transportation Planning in California
   - **Avital Barnea**
     *Deputy Secretary for Transportation Planning, California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA)*
     In July 2019, Avital Barnea was appointed Deputy Secretary for Transportation Planning at the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA). At CalSTA she plays a key advisory role to Secretary David Kim on transportation planning, including sustainability programs, mass transit, rail, ports, and freight. She’ll discuss CalSTA’s the future of transportation planning in California under Secretary Kim.
     - Q&A
   - **Built Your Dream (BYD) Skyrail Proposal**
   - **Ben Jurjevich**
     *Product Manager, BYD*
     Jurjevich will BYD’s SkyRail proposal for the Sepulveda Pass Transit Corridor, which features a monorail/rubber-tire rapid transit system for the most congested corridor in the region. The system is one of the six concepts Metro is evaluating for the alignment of the Valley-Westside section of the corridor.
     - Q&A

3. **UPCOMING EVENTS**
   - State of Infrastructure: 11/6
   - Business After Hours Mixer: 11/7
   - Southern California Leadership Network’s Visionary Awards: 11/20
   - Accenture’s Pancake & Politics: 12/13
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Prior to her appointment, Avital most recently served as Program Manager for Freight at the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO), a nonprofit, nonpartisan association representing transportation departments in the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. Before joining AASHTO, Avital worked as a Policy Analyst & Grants Manager in the Office of the Secretary at the US Department of Transportation and as a Community Planner with the Federal Transit Administration, first joining the federal workforce as a Presidential Management Fellow (PMF). On behalf of the PMF program, she also served on Capitol Hill in the US Senate Committee on Finance, where she worked on and witnessed the passage of MAP-21. Avital began her career in transportation working in bus operations for Metro Transit in Minneapolis.

Avital holds a Master of Urban and Regional Planning degree from the Hubert H. Humphrey School of Public Affairs at the University of Minnesota and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Geography from the University of Minnesota.

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