Meeting Call to Order - Chair

Chair & Executive Committee Report

**ACTION ITEMS:**

1. Adopt Minutes of Meeting – 08/11/2017  
   Attachment A

2. Formally Approve Formation of the  
   Following Four Subcommittees:
   
   A. **Sustainability Partners** – Chair,  
      Ghina Yamout
   
   B. **Resource Management** – Chair,  
      Belinda Faustinos
   
   C. “**Metro 27**” focus on Visionary and  
      Emerging Technologies  
      Infrastructure – Chair, Dominique  
      Hargreaves
   
   D. **Electrification** – Chair, Joel Levin  
      Attachment B

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

2. Green Construction Policy &  
   Sustainability Plan
3. Overview of & Workshop on Rail to River  
   Project

Upcoming Council Meeting Dates:

- **October** .......... 13, 2017
- **November** ........ 17, 2017
- **December** .......... 8, 2017

Future Agenda Item Recommendations

**Q&A**
Sustainability Council Meeting # 4
August 11, 2017

Meeting Minutes

Agenda was reviewed and one request by a member of the Council to include follow-up items to the Action Items reported in the meeting minutes. Minutes are approved, with the friendly amendment.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Meeting minutes- June 2017 meeting minutes were reviewed. Councilmember Emily Freund made a motion to approve and was seconded by Councilmember Belinda Faustinos. Minutes were unanimously approved by the Council.

2. Subcommittee Discussion Submitted for Approval - Councilmembers had the opportunity to submit their ideas for Subcommittees, as follows:

   Transportation Electrification

   Water Quality or Water Resources Sustainability

   Urban Solutions

   Block Chain Technology

   Economic Metrics

   • The Chair recommended the following subcommittees for consideration:
     o Economic Metrics – TBL
     o RAMP + something else
     o Resource Management
     o Sustainability Partners
     o Transportation Electrification
     o Emerging Issues

   • The Council broke out into Subcommittee discussion sessions, and the collective agreement by the Council were to consider the following Subcommittees;
     o Sustainability Partners – Chair, Ghina Yamout
     o Resource Management – Chair, Belinda Faustinos
     o "Metro 27" (Visionary and Emerging Technologies Infrastructure – Chair, Dominique Hargreaves
     o Electrification – Chair, Joel Levin
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT SUBCOMMITTEE
The RAMP committee meeting was attended by: Belinda Faustinos, Dan Silver, Roy Thun, Steven Johnson, John Ko, Steve Kuhlman and James Okazaki. Chris Liban did not attend the meeting but indicated that he will be a member of the committee.

Notes:
- Review the work of other organizations on this topic including SCAG
- Committee workplan should look at carbon mitigation and soil sequestration on natural lands including the forest.
- Need an update from Metro staff on RAMP plan ASAP.
- Establish a committee which includes interested parties such as The Nature Conservancy, Audubon, etc.
- Request that Metro provide a mapping tool showing projects with an overlay of habitat areas.

Next Steps:
- Establish meeting date for Metro update on plan development
- Invite committee members

METRO 27 SUBCOMMITTEE:

Goal: Identify emerging technologies as opportunities for innovation at LA Metro.
Description: Emerging Cleantech solutions and disruptive innovations are changing the landscape of what is possible for the future of sustainable transportation. This visionary subcommittee will identify issues and solutions to propel LA Metro to become the most advanced leader among transportation agencies by 2027. This date marks the culmination of many projects supporting mobility for the Olympic Games which will transform the city and bring the world to Los Angeles.

Tag line: Sustainability Scouts

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ELECTRIFICATION SUBCOMMITTEE
Here is a list of people who signed up for the Electrification Subcommittee. You should double check spelling and emails. Some of them were hard to read.

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Mission is to focus on rolling out the electrification of the Metro fleet and non-revenue vehicles, charging infrastructure and supportive county-wide policies on vehicle electrification.
As a first step, we would like to set up a meeting with Metro staff who focus on these areas and understand the work that they are currently doing.

Thanks,
Joel Levin

SUSTAINABILITY PARTNERS SUBCOMMITTEE

Chair: Ghina Yamout

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Hi subcommittee members!

I am writing you this email to summarize the today’s discussion at Sustainability Council meeting at Metro. This summary is specific to the breakout conversation, when council members took part of different subcommittee conversations, including ours, the Sustainability Partnerships sub-committee (herein for convenience SPS or SPSC). I will be brief and will mention the topics or issues raised, but not those of us who mentioned them. Feel free to do so if you would like; please add your comments, additions, and edits in a different color. I will produce a word document in the future for the summary if that is the preference (we can make use of the header and logo! Thanks Dilara!). Here are the main points:

- The overarching conversation pertained to defining the ultimate role and objective of the SPS, its long term goals and short term metrics. What is our goal, how do we measure it, what kind of impact do we want to have been some of the questions.

- Being the diverse group that we are, and bringing into the table our different professional backgrounds and knowledge of the Los Angeles County issues and opportunities, several proposals were put out. They were generally divided into three categories: impacting policy, impacting specific projects under development, and generating guidelines, frameworks, and papers. The topics included:

  * Long range transportation plan: this is the ideal time to have our input into the plan; there is opportunity for coordination with the various agencies as they develop their plans.

  * CAPs: this is an ideal time to support coordination as these plans are being created. It is noted that agencies are already communicating among each other and sharing ideas. As such, there is interest in having the SPS and SC support; how to do that is to be determined.

  * SPS can have a role in specific projects of interest to Metro by getting involved in early design stages and identifying opportunities for coordination with different agencies to accomplish the optimal potential multiple benefits to the agencies and the communities they represent. One proposed project was in Culver City. Other projects include Purple Line 3. The framework to approach a project will be defined in accordance with Metro’s operation and schedule, which will guide our schedule. Opportunities for coordination in such projects include complete streets, active transportation, air quality, equity analysis, water quality, recharge, and many others.

  * Triple bottom line analysis and environmental benefits quantification; this is of interest to multiple agencies who are facing constraints in incorporating the social, environmental, and health benefits into their projects justification and funds requests, allocation and budgeting, and when incorporated, these are not quantified.

  * Supporting partnerships for securing funding including grants.
Last but not least, opportunity identification should be pertinent to Metro's interest and priorities. A conversation with Metro staff is warranted to find out more about their priorities upon which we will be able to direct our efforts. In accordance we can collectively agree on the task forces that we can create.
INFORMATIONAL ITEM 3