

CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE INFORMATION

California Contract Cities Association (CCCA)

CCCA is comprised of 75 member cities. The objective of the organization is to assist member cities by advocating and advancing the benefits of the contracting model, protecting local control, embracing public/private partnerships and providing educational opportunities for members. Annual events include a Municipal Seminar in May, a Fall Conference, and a Sacramento Legislative Tour in January. Board members meet the second Thursday of each month.

Independent Cities Risk Management Association (ICRMA)

The ICRMA is comprised of 20 member cities located in the Los Angeles and Orange counties of Southern California. Members pool their resources under a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) to support their individual self-insurance programs. The JPA allows but does not require a Councilmember to represent the City on the ICRMA Governing Board, and the City Council has appointed staff members to serve as delegate and alternate (as many other member cities have done) since specific risk management expertise is desirable and the bi-monthly meetings occur during the day.

League of California Cities – Los Angeles County Division

The League of California Cities, comprised of several geographical divisions throughout the State, provides legislative advocacy on behalf of cities, specifically on matters of good government and maintaining local control. The League's annual conference in September rotates between northern and southern California.

The Los Angeles County Division, encompassing the 86 cities of Los Angeles County, holds meetings at 6 p.m. on the first Thursday of the month (OR during the months of January, March and May) in the Los Angeles metropolitan area (locations vary), providing members with the opportunity to exchange ideas/information and share the advantages of cooperative advocacy.

Any Division member may also apply for a one-year appointment to one of eight policy committees, meeting a maximum of four times per year, to help set League priorities and policies.

Los Angeles County/City Selection Committee

This organization is comprised of mayors of Los Angeles County cities. Its function is to appoint city representatives to Boards/Commission/Agencies (as required by law) such as South Coast Air Quality Management District, LAFCO, L.A. City Hazardous Waste Management Advisory Committee, L.A. County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, and to nominate for appointment members to the California Coastal Commission.

Meetings take place as called. Unlike other committees that have both an assigned delegate and alternate, the mayor must separately appoint an alternate to attend each meeting that he or she is unable to attend.

Metropolitan Transportation Authority/City Selection Committee

The MTA is charged with conducting hearings and setting fares for established operating organizational units and the approval of transportation zones, final rail corridor selections, and approval of contracts for construction and transit equipment acquisition. The 14-member agency (which meets at 9:30 a.m. on the 4th Thursday of the month at the MTA, One Gateway Plaza, 3rd floor, L.A.) includes four city councilmembers.

Each city within four sectors of the County (defined by the League of California Cities, L.A. County Division), may vote to nominate one or more candidates from that particular sector for consideration for appointment to the MTA by the L.A. County City Selection Committee (see above). This committee meets on an “on called” basis.

South Bay Cities Council of Governments and Steering Committee

The SBCCOG is a joint powers authority of 16 cities and L.A. County of that provides a forum for local government efforts to work collaboratively on programs and studies directed at improving the environment, preserving natural resources, advocating for regional efforts to expand transportation alternatives, and increasing awareness for effective policies for a sustainable community and economic development. Meetings are at 6 p.m. on the 4th Thursday of each month, at 20285 Western Avenue in Torrance.

The Steering Committee serves as the executive committee of SBCCOG – its members are the officers and committee chairs, as well as the chairs of the working groups and a representative from the South Bay City Managers’ group. Meetings take place on the 2nd Monday of each month at 12 noon, at the South Bay Environmental Services Center, 20285 S. Western Avenue, Suite 100, Torrance.

South Bay Cities Sanitation District (County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles)

The Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles are a partnership of special districts formed to protect public health and the environment through innovated cost-effective wastewater/solid waste management and to convert waste into resources such as recycled water/materials and energy. The South Bay Sanitation District board meetings take place at 1:30 p.m. on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at Torrance City Hall.

Southern California Associations of Government

SCAG is a joint powers authority established to provide a network for members to identify and address common community problems – the region encompasses six counties and 191 cities, covering more than 38,000 square miles. The agency develops long-range regional transportation plans including sustainable community strategy and

growth forecast components, transportation improvement programs, regional housing needs allocation, and a portion of the South Coast Air Quality management plans. A general assembly is convened at least once a year (usually in April or May).

Watershed Advisory Council of Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission

The Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission was established by the California Legislature in 2002 to monitor, assess, coordinate and advise the activities of state programs, and to oversee funding that affects the beneficial uses, restoration and enhancement of Santa Monica Bay and its watersheds.

The Watershed Advisory Council serves as an advisory body to the Governing Board of the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission. Representatives serving on the Council include local, state and federal elected officials, public agencies responsible for protecting the resources and water quality of the Bay, the business community, along with environmental and other community groups.

The Watershed Advisory Council meetings take place in the afternoon (usually 1-4 p.m.) at least once per year, as called (usually February, March or April), at Dockweiler Youth Center, 12505 Vista del Mar, Los Angeles.

West Basin Water Association

This Association is concerned the problems associated with the existing deficiency in the supply of groundwater in the West Basin – its purpose is to investigate problems, formulate and disseminate factual and educational data in order to provide the West Basin inhabitants with a dependable supply of water to meet present and future needs. Meetings take place at 11:30 a.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Carson Community Center.

Sister City Association, Inc.

In 1967 the City of Hermosa Beach formed a “sister city” relationship with the City of Loreto, Baja California, Mexico – Council action on 3/21/67 initiated contact with Loreto government officials to establish a Sister City Program. The City Council adopted Resolution N.S. 2744 on 11/7/67, which welcomed Loreto, noted the official visit to Loreto by the Hermosa Beach City Council and Sister City Committee, and stipulated that an elected City official be appointed as a representative to help carry out the Program, which now includes a student exchange and paramedic training.

Meetings take place at 7 p.m. on the first Monday of the month in Room 9 of the Community Center.