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## Southwest Conference of MAYORS

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**Victoria A. Smith**  
Executive Director

### MEETING AGENDA

April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023 ~ Wednesday

5:30 P.M. – Refreshments

6:00 P.M. – Cal Sag WSPC Meeting

7:00 P.M. – SCM Business Meeting

Palos Hills City Hall

10335 South Roberts Road, Palos Hills, Illinois

- I. **Call to Order, Welcome & Approval of the May 24, 2023 Meeting Minutes**  
Mayor Bennett
- II. **Guest Speakers**  
Dr. Pam Haney – President Moraine Valley Community College  
Introduction
- III. **President's Report** Mayor Bennett
- IV. **Executive Director's Report** Vicky Smith
- V. **Committee Reports**
  - A. **Transportation Committee** President Brady
    - 1. IDOT Program Update *Handout*
    - 2. IDOT Local Roads Update *Handout*
    - 3. Local STP Report Brittany Matyas
    - 4. CMAP Report
    - 5. Cook County Highway Department Update Eva DeLaurentiis
    - 6. Illinois Tollway Kelsey Passi
    - 7. Planning Liaison Update Brittany Matyas
  - B. **Legislation Committee Report** Mayor Bennett
  - C. **Utilities Committee Report**
    1. Update Given by Utilities Companies' Representatives
  - D. **Public Works Committee Report** Brittany Matyas
  - E. **Cal Sag Watershed Planning Council Report** Vicky Smith

- VI. Other Business
  - A. CSCVB Update
  - B. MVCC
  - C. Pathlights
  - D. Miscellaneous Task Forces/Committee Updates

Jim Garrett  
Steve Pappageorge  
Elaine Grande

VII. Old Business /New Business

VIII. Next Meetings/Events

October 30th, 2023 - Monday  
*Cal-Sag WSPC/SCM Business Meetings*  
5:30 P.M. – Refreshments  
6:00 P.M. – Cal Sag WSPC Meeting  
7:00 P.M. - SCM Business Meeting  
**Location To Be Announced**

IX. Adjournment

**Southwest Conference of Mayors  
May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – Meeting Minutes  
Kefi Restaurant ~ Palos Hills, Illinois**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>REPRESENTING</b>
Bob Straz	Mayor	City of Palos Heights
Madeline Straz	Spouse	City of Palos Heights
Dave Brady	Mayor	Village of Bedford Park
Jerry Bennett	Mayor	City of Palos Hills
Christine Bennett	Spouse	City of Palos Hills
Brittany Matyas	Program Coordinator	Southwest Conference of Mayors
Jeff Smith	Spouse	Southwest Conference of Mayors
Vicky Smith	Executive Director	Southwest Conference of Mayors
Noreen Ligino-Kubinski	Guest	Southwest Conference of Mayors
Paul Kubinski	Guest	Southwest Conference of Mayors
Jack Lind	Trustee	Village of Chicago Ridge
Renee Lind	Spouse	Village of Chicago Ridge
Chuck Tokar	Mayor	Village of Chicago Ridge
Denise Tokar	Spouse	Village of Chicago Ridge
John Nelson	Staff	Senator John Curran
Andrew Pufundt	Engineer	Christopher B. Burke Engineering
Brian Spangle	Operations	Current NFP
Marie Arrigoni	Clerk	Village of Palos Park
John Mahoney	Former Mayor	Village of Palos Park
Mirella Mahoney	Spouse	Village of Palos Park
Rebecca Petan	Commissioner	Village of Palos Park
Joe Miller	Police Chief	Village of Palos Park
Keith Pekau	Mayor	Village of Orland Park
Sean Morrison	Cook County Commissioner	17 <sup>th</sup> District
Laura Shallow	Professor/Vice President	St. Xavier Univ/World Data Systems
Clare Nawrocki	Financial Advisor	Equitable
Stephen Binkowski	Financial Advisor	Equitable
Steve Pappageorge	Executive Director	Moraine Valley Community College
Beth McElroy Kirkwood	Chairman	Moraine Valley Community College
Elaine Grande	Executive Director	Pathlights
Tom Fagan	Sr. Marketing Executive	Azavar
Yohan Fernando	Sr. Mgr. Govt. & Reg. Affairs	Comcast
Michael Paulos	Government Affairs	Comcast
Pat Eaves Heard	Community Affairs	Nicor Gas
Cheryl Denton	Community Affairs	Nicor Gas
Lisa M. Aprati	External Affairs	ComEd
Adriana Carrasquillo	External Affairs	ComEd
Felicia Brown	Sales Manager	AT & T
Neil James	Executive Director	Metropolitan Mayors Caucus
Paul Mallo	Trustee-District 3	Village of Oak Lawn
Pam Mallo	Oak Lawn Park District	Village of Oak Lawn
Sami Alnadi	Director of Sales	GSI
Housam Haj Yousif	CTO	GSI/Viper Networks
Becky Smith		Village of Alsip
John Ryan	Mayor	Village of Alsip
Theresa Flynn	Commissioner	MWRD

Gordon Smith	Manager	Robinson Engineering
Matt Buerger	Engineer	Farnsworth Group
MaryJo Hacker	Clerk	City of Hometown
Frank Finnegan	Mayor	City of Hometown
Patricia Joan Murphy	Supervisor	Worth Township
Jim Garrett	President/CEO	CSCVB
Greg Stukel	President	Bowman Consulting
Brian McPartlin	Principal	Bowman Consulting
Tony Evans	Vice President	The Horton Group
Michael Wojick	Executive Vice President	The Horton Group
Matthew Stolspurt	Business Rep.	IBEW 134
John Doria	Dir. of Govern. Affairs	Christopher B. Burke Engineering
Kelsey Passi	Community Relations Mgr.	Illinois Tollway

*Attachments referred to in these minutes can be obtained by contacting the Southwest Conference of Mayors' office at (708)701-2232.*

Mayor Bennett called the meeting to order at 6:35 P.M

#### **President's Report**

Mayor Bennett welcomed everyone to the SCM's May Dinner Meeting. Mayor Bennett thank Comcast for sponsoring the dinner and acknowledged Yohan Fernando and Mike Paulos. Mayor Bennett thanked everyone for attending the dinner. Mayor Bennett acknowledged the Mayors/Presidents that were present at the meeting. Mayor Bennett recognized the SCM Associate Members and thanked for their support. Mayor Bennett recognized other dignitaries that were present at the meeting. Mayor Bennett gave a brief legislative update.

#### **Executive Director's Report**

Ms. Smith thanked all the Mayors for their effort on LGDF – it's greatly appreciated and we will be back at LGDF next year. Ms. Smith reminded everyone that the SCM Golf Outing will be held on August 30<sup>th</sup> at Cog Hill Country Club. She asked the Mayors to consider donating a basket for the silent auction and raffle prizes. Ms. Smith noted that Cog Hill has been great to work with.

#### **PL/STP/Public Works Committee**

Ms. Matyas noted that she'll be working over the summer to update the SCM's STP Project Selection Methodology to present to the SCM Transportation Committee in September. Ms. Reminded the Mayors to encourage their Public Works Directors to attend the SCM Public Works Committee.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

President Brady presented FY 2024 (July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024) Southwest Conference of Mayors. On a motion by President Brady and seconded by Mayor Finnegan the SCM FY 2024 budget was approved.

#### **Adjournment**

On a motion by Mayor Ryan and seconded by Mayor Brady the Southwest Conference of Mayors' Business Meeting was adjourned at 6:55 P.M.

\*\* Mayor Bennett acknowledged and thanked John Mahoney, former Mayor of Palos Park, for his years of service to the Village of Palos Park and the SCM.