

California Road Charge Technical Advisory Committee Member Biography

Pam O'Connor – Councilmember, City of Santa Monica Regional Transportation Agency Representative

Throughout nearly two decades, Mayor Pam O'Connor has championed policies and partnerships that enhance community livability and wellbeing. She is particularly interested in issues that advance mobility, transportation and sustainability. Mayor O'Connor serves on the Los Angeles County Metro Board where she leads Metro's Sustainability Committee and chairs its Planning and Programming Committee. Pam O'Connor is also Chair of the Exposition Metro Line Construction Authority Board that oversees building of the light rail line that extends from Downtown Los Angeles to Santa Monica. In 2012 as President of the Southern California Association of Governments, the nation's largest metropolitan planning organization, she led the 84-member Regional Council in the unanimous adoption of the region's first Sustainable Communities Strategy.

She holds Masters' degrees in Planning and in Technology Management from Eastern Michigan University and a B.S. in Communications from Southern Illinois University. Mayor O'Connor views community wellbeing as the natural next step in the evolution of local government, as well as a way to advance the connection between mobility and sustainability issues by looking at their impact through the lens of human flourishing.