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TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE AGENDA

Friday, December 11, 2009
9 a.m. to 12 noon
SANDAG Board Room
401 B Street, 7th Floor
San Diego

AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

- **2008 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: AMENDMENT NO. 17**
- **PUBLIC HEARING: FINAL DRAFT 2009-2013 COORDINATED PUBLIC TRANSIT AND HUMAN SERVICES TRANSPORTATION PLAN**
- **NORTH COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT MOBILITY PLAN UPDATE**

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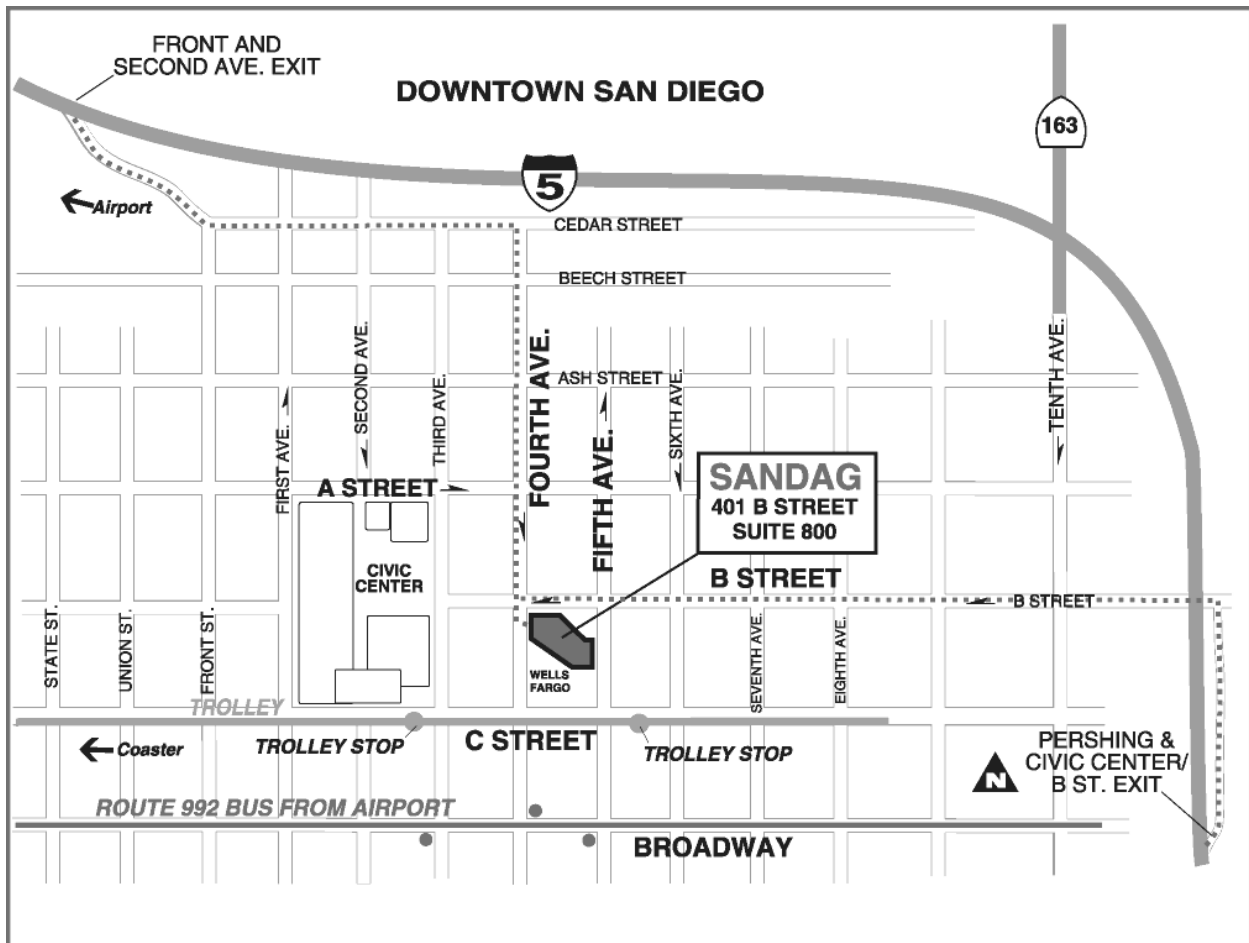


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TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Friday, December 11, 2009

ITEM #		RECOMMENDATION
+1.	APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 6, 2009, MEETING MINUTES	APPROVE
2.	PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBER COMMENTS	
	<p>Members of the public will have the opportunity to address the Transportation Committee on any issue within the jurisdiction of the Committee that is not on this agenda. Speakers are limited to three minutes each and shall reserve time by completing a "Request to Speak" form and giving it to the Clerk prior to speaking. Committee members also may provide information and announcements under this agenda item.</p>	
REPORTS (3 through 14)		
+3.	2008 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: AMENDMENT NO. 17 (Sookyung Kim)	APPROVE
	<p>At its meeting on July 25, 2008, the Board of Directors adopted the 2008 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP), the multiyear program of major transportation projects in the San Diego region. SANDAG processes amendments to the RTIP on a quarterly basis based on requests from member agencies and more frequently as circumstances arise. The Transportation Committee is asked to approve Amendment No. 17 to the 2008 Regional Transportation Improvement Program.</p>	
+4.	EXTENSION REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009 TDA AUDITS (Lisa Kondrat-Dauphin)	RECOMMEND
	<p>The Cities of Escondido, Oceanside, and San Diego, and SANDAG have requested an extension for their fiscal year 2009 Transportation Development Act (TDA) audits. The Transportation Committee is asked to recommend that the Board of Directors approve TDA audit extension requests for the Cities of Escondido, Oceanside, and San Diego, and SANDAG, until March 28, 2010, as permitted by the Public Utilities Code and the California Code of Regulations. This action would allow sufficient time for the completion of the TDA audits and submittal of the issued financial reports to the State Controller's office.</p>	
+5.	REVISION TO THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO <i>TransNet</i> MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT AUDIT (Lisa Kondrat-Dauphin)	RECOMMEND
	<p>The <i>TransNet</i> Extension Ordinance requires the setting of new Maintenance of Effort (MOE) levels. The City of San Diego requires an amendment to its previously approved base level to include a correction to the local discretionary funds used for transit pass subsidies. The Transportation Committee is asked to recommend that the Board of Directors approve the revised City of San Diego MOE base level, as shown in Attachment 1.</p>	

+6. PROPOSED MTS TRANSIT SERVICE CHANGES (Dan Levy) APPROVE

Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) is proposing a number of service reductions for implementation in February 2010 in response to declining sales tax revenues. MTS scheduled a public hearing at its December 10, 2009, Board meeting, and approval of the service changes is proposed for the January 2010 MTS Board meeting. Since the scope of the changes are regionally significant, under SANDAG Board Policy No. 018, SANDAG must conduct an analysis to determine whether the proposed changes are consistent with regional transportation and land use goals. The Transportation Committee is asked to make a finding of overriding considerations with regard to the proposed MTS service changes, which MTS plans to implement in February 2010.

+7. PUBLIC HEARING: FINAL DRAFT 2009-2013 COORDINATED PUBLIC TRANSIT AND HUMAN SERVICES TRANSPORTATION PLAN (Phil Trom) HOLD HEARING/RECOMMEND

A public hearing will be held on the Regional Short Range Transit Plan (RSRTP) and Coordinated Plan for 2009-2013. The Coordinated Plan provides a blueprint for the development of transit and human services transportation in the San Diego region for the next five years. The Draft Coordinated Plan was presented and circulated for public comment at the Transportation Committee on November 6, 2009. The Transportation Committee is asked to conduct a public hearing on the Final Draft 2009-2013 Coordinated Plan. After considering public comments, the Transportation Committee is asked to recommend that the Board of Directors approve the Plan, in substantially the same form as shown in Attachment 1.

+8. REVISED SANDAG PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN (Anne Steinberger) RECOMMEND

The agencywide SANDAG Public Participation Plan (PPP) has been updated following a six-month outreach and development process. The PPP guides SANDAG public outreach efforts for transit, highway, smart growth, environmental, planning, growth forecasts, binational planning, the Regional Transportation Plan, Regional Transportation Improvement Program, Tribal Consultation, and other initiatives. The update process for the SANDAG agencywide PPP began in June. Initial input on public participation was solicited at community events, SANDAG meetings, and through outreach to SANDAG interested stakeholders. The Stakeholders Working Group and all SANDAG Policy Advisory Committees provided input. The PPP was released for a 45-day public review and comment period that ended November 30, 2009. The PPP has been revised based on input obtained from the public and at committee and working group meetings. The Transportation Committee is asked to recommend that the Board of Directors approve the agencywide Public Participation Plan, in substantially the same form as shown in Attachment 1.

- +9. **LOS ANGELES-SAN DIEGO-SAN LUIS OBISPO (LOSSAN) RAIL CORRIDOR MEMBER AGENCY MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR RAIL SERVICE INTEGRATION (Linda Culp)** **RECOMMEND**

The LOSSAN Rail Corridor Agency seeks to increase ridership, revenue, capacity, reliability, and safety on the coastal rail line from San Diego to Los Angeles to San Luis Obispo. Known as Amtrak's Pacific Surfliner corridor, it is the second busiest intercity passenger rail corridor nationwide and Amtrak's fastest growing. Since August 2008, SANDAG, North County Transit District (NCTD), MTS, and the other LOSSAN member agencies have been working on ways to better integrate the corridor's three passenger rail services. The Transportation Committee is asked to recommend that the Board of Directors authorize the SANDAG Executive Director to sign the interagency Memorandum of Understanding at its December 18, 2009, meeting, in substantially the same form as shown in Attachment 1.

- +10. **NORTH COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT MOBILITY PLAN UPDATE (Tim McCormick, NCTD; Dan Levy)** **INFORMATION**

North County Transit District (NCTD) will provide an update to the Transportation Committee on the progress being made towards completion of the Mobility Plan. The Mobility Plan is a Comprehensive Operational Analysis, plus a wider look at the NCTD business model, and is being undertaken to ensure that there is a sustainable level of service in North County.

- +11. **URBAN CORE TRANSIT STRATEGY: LESSONS LEARNED FROM PEER REGIONS, TRANSIT MODE SHARE GOALS, AND TRANSIT NETWORK EVALUATION CRITERIA (Carolina Gregor)** **DISCUSSION**

The Urban Core Transit Strategy work program and project highlights were discussed with SANDAG working groups as well as the Transportation and Regional Planning Committees in November. This month, SANDAG staff is providing information on lessons learned from peer regions, and is asking the Transportation Committee to provide input on the methodology for the transit mode share goals and the criteria by which the transit network alternatives will be evaluated.

- +12. **SANDAG REVIEW OF THE DEL MAR FAIRGROUNDS MASTER PLAN PROJECT DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (Coleen Clementson)** **DISCUSSION/
POSSIBLE ACTION**

This project includes plans for maintenance and improvement to the current service condition of the Fairgrounds facilities, including renovation and modernization of several structures and parking areas, construction of new structures, demolition of structures, and relocation of a maintenance yard and fire station. The staff transmittal report and draft letter are provided for the Transportation Committee's review and input.

- +13. **SENATE BILL 375: CURRENT IMPLEMENTATION EFFORTS** **INFORMATION**
(Susan Baldwin)

Work is underway to implement the requirements of Senate Bill 375 (Steinberg). This report provides an overview of the key requirements of SB 375 as well as the process SANDAG plans to use to develop a greenhouse gas emissions target for the San Diego region. This item is being presented to the Transportation Committee for information.

- +14. **SOUTH LINE RAIL FREIGHT CAPACITY PROJECT STATUS REPORT** **INFORMATION**
(Pete d'Ablaing)

This report provides information on the South Line Rail Freight Capacity project including the status of the environmental document and other major project milestones. The project is funded through the Proposition 1B, Trade Corridor Improvement Fund (TCIF) program and will provide improved freight capacity between downtown San Diego and the San Ysidro freight yard.

15. **UPCOMING MEETINGS** **INFORMATION**

Due to the New Year's Day holiday schedule, the next meeting of the Transportation Committee will be held on Friday, January 15, 2010, at 9 a.m. This will be the only January meeting of the Transportation Committee.

16. **ADJOURNMENT**

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