

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

March 19, 2010

AGENDA ITEM NO.: **1**

Action Requested: APPROVE

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS MEETING OF MARCH 5, 2010

The meeting of the Transportation Committee was called to order by Vice Chair Matt Hall (North County Coastal) at 9:00 a.m. See the attached attendance sheet for Transportation Committee member attendance.

1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Jim Desmond (North County Inland) and a second by Tom Smisek (San Diego County Regional Airport Authority [SDCRAA]), the Transportation Committee approved the minutes from the February 19, 2010, meeting.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBER COMMENTS

There were no public or member comments.

REPORTS (3 through 8)

3. SMART GROWTH TRIP GENERATION STUDY (RECOMMEND)

Preparation of a smart growth trip generation study is called for as a strategic initiative of the Regional Comprehensive Plan. SANDAG has been working with a consultant team led by Fehr & Peers to prepare this study, with ongoing input from members of the San Diego Regional Traffic Engineers Council, the Cities/County Transportation Advisory Committee, and the Regional Planning Technical Working Group. The scope of work was presented to the Transportation Committee on June 20, 2008.

Christine Eary, Associate Regional Planner, presented the item.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Desmond and a second by Chairman Bob Campbell (North County Transit District [NCTD]), the Transportation Committee recommended that the Board of Directors accept *Trip Generation and Parking Strategies for Smart Growth: Planning Tools for the San Diego Region* (in substantially the same form as attached to the report) for inclusion into the *San Diego Traffic Generators Manual* as an appendix and as a resource in the SANDAG Smart Growth Toolbox.

4. SOUTH LINE RAIL FREIGHT CAPACITY PROJECT: FINAL MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION (ADOPT)

The Transportation Committee was presented with a status update on the project at its December 11, 2009, meeting. A draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) was circulated for a

30-day public review and comment period in January 2010. SANDAG received comments on the draft MND that have been incorporated into the final MND.

Pete d'Ablaing, Senior Transportation Engineer, presented the item.

Action: Upon a motion by Supervisor Ron Roberts (County of San Diego) and a second by Chairman Harry Mathis (Metropolitan Transit System [MTS]), the Transportation Committee adopted the final Mitigated Negative Declaration for the South Line Rail Freight Capacity Project.

5. TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM SCHEDULE AND FUNDING ISSUES

A. PILOT SMART GROWTH INCENTIVE PROGRAM SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT (APPROVE)

Four projects under this program have experienced delays that required action by the Transportation Committee under the Transportation Enhancement program's use-it-or-lose-it policy.

Stephan Vance, Senior Regional Planner presented the item.

Action: Upon a motion by Supervisor Roberts and a second by Chairman Campbell, the Transportation Committee approved schedule extensions for the University Avenue Mobility Project, Commercial Street Streetscape Improvements, 25th Street Renaissance Project, and Maple Street Promenade in substantially the same form as attached to the report.

B. PILOT SMART GROWTH INCENTIVE PROGRAM FUNDING OPTIONS (RECOMMEND)

The revised schedules recommended in Part A of this item would result in a loss of \$2.225 million to the region until the end of the next State Transportation Improvement Program period unless the funds can be used on an alternative project this fiscal year. A series of funding options have been explored and were presented for consideration. An exchange of funds with a Bayshore Bikeway project currently being developed by SANDAG is ultimately recommended as it preserves access to these funds in the current fiscal year and allows for an exchange with the delayed Pilot Smart Growth projects, should the Transportation Committee approve the schedule revisions in Part A of this item.

Stephan Vance presented this item.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Carrie Downey (South County) and second by Supervisor Roberts, the Transportation Committee recommended that the Board of Directors: (1) reprogram \$1.796 million in FY 2010 Transportation Enhancement funds for the Bayshore Bikeway project, which includes an FY 2010 project budget increase of \$718,300; (2) approve an amendment to the FY 2010 SANDAG Budget to add these funds to the Bayshore Bikeway project; and (3) reprogram \$1.078 million in *TransNet* Active Transportation funds for the Pilot Smart Growth Incentive Program in FY 2011.

6. LOS ANGELES-SAN DIEGO-SAN LUIS OBISPO (LOSSAN) RAIL CORRIDOR AGENCY JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT AND BYLAWS CHANGES (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 2008, LOSSAN and its member agencies have studied how to better integrate the corridor's three passenger rail services. As a result, the LOSSAN Board of Directors

recently approved an integrated corridorwide vision that necessitates several changes to the rail corridor agency's Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement and Bylaws, which need to be approved by each member agency.

Joe Kellijian, member of the LOSSAN Board of Directors, introduced the item.

Linda Culp, Principal Regional Planner, presented the item

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Desmond and a second by Mayor Pro Tem Downey, the Transportation Committee recommended that the Board of Directors approve the changes to the LOSSAN Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement and Bylaws in substantially the same form as attached to the report.

7. DRAFT 2050 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PLAN (DISCUSSION)

Staff presented an overview of the draft 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)/Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) Public Involvement Plan. The draft plan includes goals and objectives as well as strategies and tactics for conducting outreach throughout the RTP and SCS development process. The draft plan was presented to the Regional Planning Stakeholders Working Group on February 16, 2010. The draft plan also is being presented to the Regional Planning Committee for review and comment. The Transportation Committee is asked to review and comment on the draft plan.

Anne Steinberger, Communications Manager, presented the item.

Action: This item was presented for discussion.

8. INTERSTATE 15 VIOLATION ENFORCEMENT SYSTEM STUDY UPDATE (INFORMATION)

Staff provided a report on the Interstate 15 (I-15) Violation Enforcement System study. In conjunction with the construction of Managed Lanes and the development of FasTrak® value pricing on the I-15 corridor, SANDAG is assessing various state-of-the-art technologies and performing proof-of-concept testing of advanced vehicle occupancy applications for potential implementation. The report provided an overview of the project, described previous work tasks, and provided an update on the current testing phase.

Ellison Alegre, Associate Transportation Planner, presented the item.

Action: This item was presented for information.

9. UPCOMING MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Transportation Committee is scheduled for Friday, March 19, 2010, at 9 a.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Hall adjourned the meeting at 10:33 a.m.

Attachment: Attendance Sheet

**CONFIRMED ATTENDANCE
SANDAG TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING
MARCH 5, 2010**

GEOGRAPHICAL AREA/ ORGANIZATION	JURISDICTION	NAME	MEMBER/ ALTERNATE	ATTENDING
North County Coastal	City of Carlsbad	Matt Hall (Vice Chair)	Member	Yes
	City of Del Mar	Carl Hilliard	Alternate	Yes
North County Inland	City of San Marcos	Jim Desmond	Member	Yes
	City of Vista	Judy Ritter	Alternate	Yes
East County	City of Santee	Jack Dale (Chair)	Member	No
	City of La Mesa	Art Madrid	Alternate	Yes
South County	City of Coronado	Carrie Downey	Member	Yes
	City of Imperial Beach	Jim King	Alternate	Yes
City of San Diego	----	Anthony Young	Member	No
	----	Todd Gloria	Alternate	Yes
	----	Marti Emerald	Alternate	No
County of San Diego	----	Ron Roberts	Member	Yes
	----	Greg Cox	Alternate	No
	----	Pam Slater-Price	Alternate	Yes
Metropolitan Transit System	MTS	Harry Mathis	Member	Yes
	MTS	Jerry Rindone	Alternate	Yes
North County Transit District	NCTD	Bob Campbell	Member	Yes
	NCTD	Dave Roberts	Alternate	No
	NCTD	Carl Hilliard	Alternate	Yes
San Diego County Regional Airport Authority		Tom Smisek	Member	Yes
		Ramona Finnilla	Alternate	No
ADVISORY/LIAISON Caltrans	----	Laurie Berman	Member	Yes
	---	Bill Figge	Alternate	Yes
SCTCA	---	Albert Phoenix	Member	Yes
		Francine Kupsch	Alternate	No
		Denis Turner	Alternate	No