

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

April 16, 2010

AGENDA ITEM NO.: **1**

Action Requested: APPROVE

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS MEETING OF APRIL 2, 2010

The meeting of the Transportation Committee was called to order by Chair Jack Dale (East County) 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 Vice Chair Matt Hall (North County Coastal) and a second by Mayor Jim Desmond (North County Inland), the Transportation Committee approved the minutes from the March 19, 2010, meeting.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBER COMMENTS

Jim Schmidt, a member of the public, spoke regarding his opposition to potential new tolls for the Coronado Bridge.

CONSENT (3 through 5)

3. 2050 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN PUBLIC OUTREACH WORKSHOPS (INFORMATION)

As part of the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Public Involvement Plan, SANDAG will be conducting public workshops the week of April 26, 2010, to solicit input on the initial transportation concepts and provide an update on the greenhouse gas emissions target-setting process.

4. CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED TRAIN SYSTEM: LOS ANGELES TO SAN DIEGO VIA INLAND EMPIRE SECTION QUARTERLY UPDATE (INFORMATION)

The California High-Speed Rail Authority (CHSRA) is the state agency responsible for planning, constructing, and operating a high-speed train system serving California's major metropolitan areas. The proposed system stretches over 800 miles and would connect San Diego, Los Angeles, the Central Valley, San Francisco, and Sacramento using a state-of-the-art, electrified system capable of speeds in excess of 200 miles per hour. SANDAG continues to monitor the work on the CHSRA. This report is the regular quarterly update to the Transportation Committee.

5. URBAN AREA TRANSIT STRATEGY: PERFORMANCE MEASURES AND CORRIDORS/ COMMUNITIES FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF MODE SHARE GOALS (INFORMATION)

Last month, staff provided an overview of the three transit concepts being coded and modeled as alternative transit scenarios in the development of the 2050 RTP. Modeling is underway, and the

performance of the networks will need to be assessed. The attached report summarizes the most recently updated performance measures and delineates a methodology for developing mode share goals for identified geographic markets. The performance of the transit networks, along with initial cost estimates, will be presented to the Transportation Committee at its April 16 meeting.

Clive Richard, a member of the public, spoke in favor of Item No. 5.

Nathan Batchelder, Move San Diego, spoke in favor of Item No. 5, but presented some comments and areas of concern from his organization regarding this project and its relationship to the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan.

REPORTS (6 through 9)

6. SENIOR MINI-GRANT REVIEW AND PROPOSED REVISIONS TO AWARD PROCESS (APPROVE)

This update provided the Transportation Committee with a report on the success of the Senior Mini-Grant program in its first two years of operation. The report also provided recommendations on proposed amendments for the competitive process for grant awards for the next round of Senior Mini-Grants which is anticipated for later this year. The presentation included representatives from a sample of Senior Mini-Grant recipients.

Oswaldo Perez, Regional Planner I, presented the item.

Judy Stern, Human Services Manager, City of La Mesa, presented the details of its Senior Mini-Grant program.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Anthony Young (City of San Diego) and a second by Vice Chair Hall, the Transportation Committee approved changes to the competitive process for the award of Senior Mini-Grants as outlined in this report and as reflected in the proposed revised project evaluation criteria as shown in Attachment 2.

7. SOUTH BAY BUS RAPID TRANSIT UPDATE (APPROVE)

This report provided an update on the environmental and outreach phase of the South Bay Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) service.

Jennifer Williamson, Senior Regional Planner, presented the item.

Councilman Steve Castaneda, City of Chula Vista, spoke in favor of the project and thanked SANDAG for being responsive to the community.

Bob Gonzales, representing the Treviana Homeowners Association, spoke in opposition to the project.

Clive Richard, a member of the public, spoke in favor of this project.

Kate Donahue, a member of the public, spoke in opposition to the project.

Dan Atwell, a member of the public, spoke in opposition to the project.

Alexis Kubista, a member of the public, spoke in opposition to the project.

Francisco Gomez, a member of the public, spoke in opposition to the project.

David Peters, a member of the public, spoke in opposition to the project.

Jim Sandoval, City of Chula Vista City Manager, spoke in favor of the project.

Action: Upon a motion by Chairman Bob Campbell (North County Transit District [NCTD]) and a second by Supervisor Ron Roberts (County of San Diego), the Transportation Committee approved the revised milestone schedule for the South Bay Bus Rapid Transit project as shown in Attachment 4, which will allow staff to do a thorough analysis of alternatives.

9. INDEPENDENT TAXPAYER OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE REPORT: INITIAL FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FY 2009 *TransNet* FISCAL AND COMPLIANCE AUDITS (INFORMATION)

In accordance with the *TransNet* Ordinance and Board Policy No. 031, " *TransNet* Ordinance and Expenditure Plan Rules," the Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee (ITOC) is required to share the initial findings and recommendations of the independent fiscal and compliance audits with the Transportation Committee 60 days prior to their release to resolve inconsistencies and technical issues related to the draft report and recommendations.

Hamid Bahadori, ITOC Chair, presented the item.

Action: This item was presented for information.

8. COMPREHENSIVE FREIGHT GATEWAY STUDY: FINAL REPORT (RECOMMEND)

This report highlighted the findings of the San Diego and Imperial Valley Gateway Study, including forecast freight volumes to the year 2050 for both counties. On February 26, 2010, the Borders Committee discussed the final report.

Christina Casgar, Goods Movement Policy Manager, presented the item.

Action: Upon a motion by Supervisor Roberts and a second by Vice Chair Hall, the Transportation Committee recommended that the Board of Directors accept the Comprehensive Freight Gateway Study for planning purposes in substantially the same form as attached.

10. UPCOMING MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Transportation Committee is scheduled for Friday, April 16, 2010, at 9 a.m.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Dale adjourned the meeting at 10:57 a.m.

Attachment: Attendance Sheet

**CONFIRMED ATTENDANCE
SANDAG TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING
APRIL 2, 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	No
North County Inland	City of San Marcos	Jim Desmond	Member	Yes
	City of Vista	Judy Ritter	Alternate	No
East County	City of Santee	Jack Dale (Chair)	Member	Yes
	City of La Mesa	Art Madrid	Alternate	No
South County	City of Coronado	Carrie Downey	Member	No
	City of Imperial Beach	Jim King	Alternate	Yes
City of San Diego	----	Anthony Young	Member	Yes
	----	Todd Gloria	Alternate	Yes
	----	Marti Emerald	Alternate	No
County of San Diego	----	Ron Roberts	Member	Yes
	----	Greg Cox	Alternate	No
	----	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	No
San Diego County Regional Airport Authority		Tom Smisek	Member	Yes
		Jim Panknin	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