

October 1, 2021

## July 16, 2021, Meeting Minutes

Chair Nora Vargas (County of San Diego) called the meeting of the Transportation Committee to order at 9:01 a.m.

Action: **Approve**

The Transportation Committee is asked to approve the minutes from its July 16, 2021, meeting.

1. **Public Comments/Communications/  
Member Comments**

None.

2. **Chief Executive Officer's Report**

Chief Executive Officer Hasan Ikhtrata provided an update on key programs, projects, and agency initiatives.

Barry Bernstein, member of the public, spoke regarding the Tijuana river sewage issue. Chair Vargas provided an update on the County's recent efforts to resolve the issue.

### Consent

3. **Approval of Meeting Minutes (Approve)**

The Transportation Committee was asked to review and approve the minutes from its June 18, 2021, meeting.

There were no public comments on this item.

4. **Specialized Transportation Grant Program: Quarterly Status Update (Information)**

This report provided an update on progress made by Specialized Transportation Grant Program recipients from January 1, 2021, through March 31, 2021.

There were no public comments on this item.

Action: Information only.

5. **TransNet Smart Growth Incentive Program and Active Transportation Grant Program: Quarterly Status Update (Information)**

This report provided an update on the *TransNet* Smart Growth Incentive Program and Active Transportation Grant Program from January 1, 2021, through March 31, 2021.

There were no public comments on this item.

Action: Information only.

6. **2021 Regional Transportation Improvement Program: Amendment No. 3 (Adopt)**

The Transportation Committee is asked to adopt Resolution No. 2022-02 approving Amendment No. 3 to the 2021 Regional Transportation Improvement Program.

There were no public comments on this item.

Action: Upon a motion by Commissioner Garry Bonelli (Port of San Diego), and a second by Vice Chair Raul Campillo (City of San Diego), the Transportation Committee approved Consent Item Nos. 3 and 6.

The motion passed.

Yes: Chair Vargas, Vice Chair Campillo, Councilmember Jennifer Mendoza (East County), Councilmember Monica Montgomery Steppe (Metropolitan Transit System [MTS]), Councilmember David Zito (North County Coastal), Mayor Paul McNamara (North County Inland), Councilmember Jewel Edson (North County Transit District), and Commissioner Bonelli.

No: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: San Diego Regional Airport Authority and South County.

## **Reports**

### **8. Social Equity Early Action Transit Pilots (Information)\***

*\*This item was taken out of order*

Senior Regional Planner Brian Lane discussed the opportunities for piloting projects included in the draft 2021 Regional Plan that serve historically marginalized communities.

Belen Hernandez, Mid-City CAN, spoke in support of Youth Opportunity Passes.

Laura, EHC, spoke regarding the future of the transportation system.

Stephanie Hernandez, City Heights EDC, spoke in support of the pilot programs.

Sally Smull, Choyas Community Planning Group, spoke in support of the pilot programs.

Franco, EHC, spoke in support of the pilot programs.

Kyle Heiskala, member of the public, spoke in support of the pilot programs.

Dionne Nguyen, Urban Collaborative Project, spoke in support of the pilot programs.

Keara Pina, member of the public, spoke in support of the pilot programs and short-term solutions to help communities of concern while capital projects are being built.

Maria Cortez, City Heights Development Corporation, spoke in support of the pilot programs.

Cheyenne Martinez, member of the public, spoke in support of the pilot programs.

Ariana Frederico, Mid-City CAN, spoke in support of the pilot programs.

Denisse Lopez, UC San Diego student, spoke in support of Youth Opportunity passes and 24-hour bus service.

Scott Anglim, member of the public, spoke in support of the pilot programs, the 10 Big Moves to Transportation Justice, and the Regional Plan's 5 Big Moves.

### **7. Public Hearing: Draft 2021 Regional Plan (Discussion)**

The Transportation Committee conducted a public hearing to receive public comment on the draft 2021 Regional Plan, including its Sustainable Communities Strategy.

Toshi Ishihara, member of the public, spoke regarding greenhouse gas reduction, and urged the Board to take more aggressive action on climate stabilization efforts.

Rocina Lizarraga, member of the public, spoke regarding amenities for seniors and the disabled, such as restrooms, at transit stations.

Scott Anglim spoke in support of the 2021 Regional Plan.

Stephanie Hernandez spoke in support of the 10 Big Moves to Transportation Justice and beach access for transit riders and in opposition to freeway expansion.

Maria Cortez, member of the public, spoke in support of amenities for seniors and the disabled, such as restrooms, at transit stations; in opposition to freeway expansions; transit frequency; and MTS security improvements.

#### **9. Regional Bikeway Program Status Update (Information)**

Chris Kluth provided a status report on the Regional Bike Plan Early Action Program and the City of San Diego approval process.

Andy Hanshaw, SD Bike Coalition, spoke in support of the bikeway program.

Stephanie Hernandez spoke in support of the bikeway program for family riding safety.

Maria Cortez spoke in support of improvements along the Orange Avenue bikeway for family riding safety.

David Grubb, member of the public, urged the Board to find ways to better integrate biking with transit ridership.

#### **10. SANDAG 2021 Federal Transit Administration Title VI Program Update (Recommend)**

Social Equity Analyst Sally Goodman presented the item.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Edson and a second by Councilmember Zito, the Transportation Committee recommended that the Board adopt Resolution No. 2022-01, approving the SANDAG 2021 Title VI Program.

The motion passed.

Yes: Chair Vargas, Vice Chair Campillo, Councilmember Mendoza, Councilmember Montgomery Steppe, Councilmember Zito, Mayor McNamara, Councilmember Edson, and Commissioner Bonelli.

No: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: San Diego Regional Airport Authority and South County.

#### **11. Upcoming Meetings**

The next Transportation Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, July 2, 2021, at 9 a.m.

#### **12. Adjournment**

Chair Vargas adjourned the meeting at 11:11 a.m.

## Confirmed Attendance at SANDAG Transportation Committee Meeting

July 16, 2021

Jurisdiction	Name	Member/ Alternate	Attend Virtually
North County Inland	Mayor Paul McNamara	Member	Yes
	Mayor Judy Ritter	Alternate	Yes
South County	Councilmember Bill Sandke	Member	No
	Mayor Mary Salas	Alternate	No
City of San Diego	Vice Chair Raul Campillo	Member	Yes
	Councilmember Vivian Moreno	Alternate	No
County of San Diego	Chair Nora Vargas	Member	Yes
	Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer	Alternate	No
	Supervisor Joel Anderson	Alternate	Yes
East County	Councilmember Jennifer Mendoza	Member	Yes
	Mayor Bill Wells	Alternate	No
North County Coastal	Councilmember David Zito	Member	Yes
	Councilmember Joe Mosca	Alternate	Yes
Metropolitan Transit System	Councilmember Monica Montgomery Steppe	Member	Yes
	Councilmember Paloma Aguirre	Alternate	No
North County Transit District	Councilmember Jewel Edson	Member	Yes
	Mayor Pro Tem Sharon Jenkins	Alternate	No
	Councilmember Corinna Contreras	Alternate	No
San Diego County Regional Airport Authority	Gil Cabrera	Member	No
	Bob Lloyd	Alternate	No
Port of San Diego	Commissioner Garry Bonelli	Member	Yes
	Commissioner Sandy Naranjo	Alternate	No
<b>Advisory Members</b>			
Caltrans	Gustavo Dallarda	Member	No
	Ann Fox	Alternate	No
Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association	Erica Pinto	Member	Yes
	James Hill	Member	No
Other Attendees	Matt Tucker	NCTD	No
	Sharon Cooney	MTS	Yes