CALL TO ORDER:

Board Member Sessom called the Ad Hoc Airport Regional Policy Committee meeting to order at 7:17 a.m., Thursday, November 20, 2008 at the San Diego International Airport, 3225 N. Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92101.

ROLL CALL:

City of San Diego
PRESENT: Alternate: Councilmember Jim Madaffer
ABSENT: Committee Members: Mayor Jerry Sanders, Steve Peace

San Diego County Regional Airport Authority
PRESENT: Committee Member: Board Member Jim Desmond, Alternate: Board Member Bruce Boland
ABSENT: Committee Member: Board Member Alan Bersin, Alternate: Board Member Charlene Zettel

San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG)
PRESENT: Committee Members: Board Member Mary Sessom, Board Member Jack Dale
ABSENT: None

Port of San Diego
PRESENT: Committee Members: Commissioner Michael Bixler, Alternate: Commissioner Steve Cushman
ABSENT: Alternate: Commissioner Dukie Valderrama

County of San Diego
PRESENT: Committee Member: Supervisor Greg Cox
ABSENT: Committee Member: Supervisor Ron Roberts

Metropolitan Transit System
PRESENT: Committee Member: Board Member Harry Mathis, Alternate: Board Member Jerry Rindone
ABSENT: None

North County Transit District
PRESENT: Alternate: Board Member Julianne Nygaard
ABSENT: Committee Member: Board Member Bob Campbell
United States Department of Defense
PRESENT: Committee Member: Colonel Chris O’Connor
ABSENT: Alternate: Lt. Colonel Jeffrey Koffel

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT:
SUHAIL KHALIL, SAN DIEGO, Peninsula Community Planning Board, spoke in opposition to a proposed second runway at SDIA.

DISCUSSION ITEMS AND REPORTS:

ITEM – 1: Discussion Item – Continuation of Discussion of Intermodal Transportation Center (ITC) Activity Levels, including: Forecast Change in Regional Transit Use with ITC; Forecast Change in Airport-Related Transit Use Without ITC (Airport Transit Plan)
Mike Zdon, SANDAG, provided a presentation on Transit Forecasts, which included Follow Up Questions from the Workshop, Daily Transit Ridership With and Without ITC, and ITC 2030 New Daily Transit Trips – Summary.

Board Member Dale questioned if there would be enough transit riders to justify the expenditure of building the ITC. He further questioned if passengers would select high speed rail over a commuter flight.

Board Member Nygaard stated that the current public transportation system is too difficult to use for most residents. She stated that making the system more accessible and easier to use should be part of the planning.

Commissioner Cushman expressed concern at the projected number of transit riders, and stated that it would be difficult to make a financial case based on the projections.

Councilmember Madaffer stated that more information is needed, and it is important to not send the wrong message to the public. He stated that more justification for the ITC is needed besides ridership. He stressed the importance of fiscal considerations for all agencies involved.

ITEM – 2: Discussion Item – Traffic Analysis and Results
Brian Mohr, Jacobs Consultancy, provided a presentation on Traffic Analysis and Results, which included Assumptions, 2030 Traffic for North Harbor Drive, 2030 Traffic – Key Roads, Traffic Analysis Findings, and I-5 Considerations.
In response to Board Member Dale regarding why B1 options are still being presented despite that option being put on-hold at the November 8 Workshop, Holland Young, Jacobs Consultancy, stated that B1 has been placed on hold, and the statistics provided are informational only.

Board Member O’Connor stated that the U.S. Secretary of Navy has made it clear that the Marine Corps Recruit Depot is not available now or in the future. He stated that resources should not be expended on any analysis involving the acquisition of MCRD property.

Board Member Sessom requested that future meeting presentations focus on the A family of options only and omit B1.

Councilmember Madaffer stated that the goal of the Committee should be to find the greatest efficiency on ingress and egress to the airport.

ITEM – 3: Discussion Item – Proposed Alternatives Evaluation Method Criteria and Process

In response to Councilmember Madaffer regarding who filed the paperwork to place the impacted properties on the historic register, Mr. Young stated he would find out and distribute the information to Committee members through the Chair.

In response to Board Member Sessom regarding how a revenue evaluation can be completed when a financial feasibility study has not been done, Mr. Young stated that it is a qualitative look based on his experience with concession programs at other airports.

Board Member Sessom, with concurrence from Committee members, requested that the aesthetics, potential community controversy, and revenue criteria be removed.

ITEM – 4: Discussion Item – Conclusion and Next Steps
Holland Young, Jacobs Consultancy, provided a presentation on Conclusions and Next Steps, which included the Schedule and Next Steps.

Mr. Young stated that he had the following action items from today’s meeting: Regarding the transit activity levels, his team will bring back the amount of passengers needed to justify the construction of an ITC; he stated that he will research how all the agencies fit together in financial terms, as well as individual missions.
Regarding the traffic analysis, Mr. Young stated that A2 represents the best of the traffic cases, and he stated that India Street presented problems under all the alternatives. He stated that he will review the historic properties and find out who placed them on the historic register. He further stated that the aesthetics, potential community controversy and revenue criteria will be removed.

Mr. Young stated that he will present an option that is a merger of the best of options A2 and A3 at the next meeting. He stated that as much financial information as possible will be provided at the next meeting, but he stated that by January, the Committee should have enough financial information to make a decision.

Board Member Rindone expressed his opinion that the Committee should continue to focus on High Speed Rail.

Councilmember Madaffer emphasized the importance of a cost benefit analysis on the ITC for the region. He noted that a Joint Powers Authority or alternative fiscal model should be considered. He further stressed the importance of all the agencies involved being made fiscally whole.

In response to Board Member Dale regarding the impacts of the proposed gates and parking structure, Board Member Sessom stated that she would consult with the three parties to the MOA and report back.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:49 a.m. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, December 11, 2008, at 7:15 a.m., at the San Diego International Airport, Board Room, 3225 N. Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92101.