EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

January 11, 2008

AGENDA ITEM NO.: 1

Action Requested: APPROVE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS
DECEMBER 7, 2007

Chair Mary Sessom (East County) called the Executive Committee meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. The attendance sheet for the meeting is attached.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Supervisor Ron Roberts (County of San Diego) and a second by Second Vice Chair Jerome Stocks (North County Coastal), the minutes of the November 9, 2007, Executive Committee meeting were unanimously approved.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBERS COMMENTS

There were no public comments, communications, or member comments.

CONSENT (3)

3. FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE STATUS REPORT (INFORMATION)

This status report provides an update on federal legislative activities.

Action: Upon a motion by Second Vice Chair Stocks and a second by Supervisor Roberts, the Executive Committee voted to approve Consent Item No. 3.

REPORTS (4 through 7)

4. FINAL 2008 LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM (RECOMMEND)

Genevieve Morelos, Senior Legislative Analyst, reported that at the November 19 Executive Committee meeting the draft legislative program was reviewed, and Committee members requested several revisions. This version has incorporated those revisions.

Supervisor Roberts asked that item 3a, pursue amendments to statutes authorizing SANDAG to issue bonds and/or other funding mechanisms with voter approval for any tax measure to finance projects that implement the Regional Comprehensive Plan (RCP), be separated out for voting purposes. He does not support any extension of SANDAG taxation authority.
Mayor Mickey Cafagna (North County Inland) asked about the Supervisor’s concern. Supervisor Roberts said that this item asks for expansion of what this Board can put on the ballot in the form of a new tax.

Gary Gallegos, Executive Director, said that when the Board asked staff to look at quality of life issues, it was the opinion of legal counsel that unless you have a direct nexus to transportation SANDAG does not have taxing authority. This goal would seek legislation to add this authority to SANDAG to implement the RCP.

Supervisor Roberts said he doesn’t think the SANDAG Board needs this additional authority as there are a number of ways to get a measure on the ballot.

Mayor Cafagna clarified that this legislative solution would give SANDAG the authority to place a measure on the ballot directly. Mr. Gallegos agreed this would expand the authority to do things that are in the RCP.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Cafagna, and a second by Second Vice Chair Stocks, the Executive Committee voted to recommend that the Board of Directors approve the 2008 Legislative Program at its December 21, 2007, meeting; Supervisor Roberts voted in opposition.

5. ANNUAL PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO BOARD POLICIES (RECOMMEND)

Julie Wiley, General Counsel, stated that at the November 9 Executive Committee meeting, proposed revisions to Board Policies Nos. 003, 004, and 016 were reviewed, and she would not review them again. This review will start with Board Policy No. 023, Procurement and Contracting - Equipment and Supplies. She also reviewed proposed changes to Board Policy No. 024, Procurement and Contracting – Construction. She noted that the changes proposed for this policy relate to having on-call contractors for small repair contracts under $2 million. Both the City of San Diego and County of San Diego already have this provision.

Second Vice Chair Stocks noted that they have done this in Encinitas.

Supervisor Roberts reiterated that the County has been doing this for some time, and the Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) uses this process as well.

Ms. Wiley added that this change would allow our member agencies to use our Job Order Contracting program.

Ms. Wiley continued her review of Board policy changes with Policy No. 025, Public Participation/Involvement. She introduced Sookyung Kim, Financial Programming Manager.

Ms. Kim indicated that that what is being proposed is already in practice at SANDAG; this change will formalize the existing process. She also reviewed proposed changes to Board Policy No. 027, Transportation Development Act (TDA). A number of changes reflect prior Board actions and have already been incorporated and are in practice.
Ms. Kim described proposed changes to Policy No. 031, TransNet Ordinance and Expenditure Plan Rules. Ms. Wiley reviewed draft revisions to Rules #18 and #20.

Mayor Cafagna asked if the change to Rule #18 is in fact a change. Ms. Wiley replied that it is not a change, merely a clarification.

Action: Upon a motion by Second Vice Chair Stocks, and a second by First Vice Chair Lori Holt Pfeiler (North County Coastal), the Executive Committee voted to recommend that the Board of Directors approve the proposed amendments to the Board Policies.

6. FY 2008 BUDGET AMENDMENTS: CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING GRANTS (APPROVE)

Tim Watson, Budget Program Manager, reported that Caltrans allocates funds from several different planning grant programs. SANDAG submitted seven applications in 2006 and received funding for four of them. This amendment requests authority to accept these grants which are aligned with SANDAG goals and priorities. SANDAG has two years to complete the work. These grants require either a 10 percent or 11.47 percent local match in order to obtain the release of the grant funds. The required local match in FY 2008 totals $25,800 and will come from TDA funds. He reviewed the four grants. The first two grants are pass-through grants; one to MTS and one to the City Heights Community Development Corporation. The third grant will implement the third phase of the Interstate 15 Interregional Partnership with Riverside County. The fourth grant will continue the internship program for two graduate level students per year from San Diego State University.

Mayor Cafagna asked if this was a competitive program. Mr. Watson responded affirmatively, and said it was a statewide program with several different categories. There were $600 million to $700 million available statewide.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Ron Morrison (South County), and a second by First Vice Chair Pfeiler, the Executive Committee voted to approve Resolution No. 2008-11 to amend the FY 2008 Budget and Overall Work Program to accept Caltrans Transportation Planning Grant Funds totaling $387,186.

7. REVIEW OF DECEMBER 21, 2007, DRAFT BOARD AGENDA (APPROVE)

Diane Eidam, Chief Deputy Executive Director, reviewed the draft agenda for the December 21, 2007, Board of Directors meeting.

First Vice Chair Pfeiler asked to add an item to this agenda related to open space and buffer zones. The management of open space has been recently discussed with the various resource agencies.

Mayor Cafagna said he wrote a letter to Mr. Gallegos asking that this subject be added to the Board’s agenda. We have a short timeframe to deal with buffer zones, and we need to have this discussion with the resource agencies. We should work with the resource agencies together as a countywide body.
Councilmember Matt Hall (North County Coastal) asked if the idea is to purchase more open space in buffer areas? Mayor Cafagna said that’s what we need to discuss. The current amount of buffer area is not adequate in some areas as evidenced by the recent wildfires. We need to figure out what we need to do to protect homes during these firestorms. The areas of concern will be different for each community.

First Vice Chair Pfeiler agreed that the topographical situation is different in each area.

Mayor Cafagna stated that we need to do a better job of clearing those areas.

Mr. Gallegos said that in terms of timing, we have been making some slow but steady progress on the Environmental Mitigation Program master agreement with the resource agencies. We are not far from having a draft master agreement come to the Board. We might already have a forum to discuss this with them.

Mayor Cafagna commented that the idea is to clear fire breaks in the East County so we can actually make a stand against such firestorms. We don’t have that anywhere now.

Second Vice Chair Stocks noted that winds going at 70-90 miles per hour are hard to control. He reminded everyone that the fire crossed Interstate 5. However, fuel management is critical.

First Vice Chair Pfeiler stated that we should get an update on what we’ve done.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Morrison, and a second by First Vice Chair Pfeiler, the Executive Committee voted to approve the agenda for the December 21, 2007, Board of Directors meeting with the addition of an item related to open space/buffer zone clearance.

8. UPCOMING MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Executive Committee is scheduled for Friday, January 11, 2008, at 9 a.m.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Sessom adjourned the meeting at 9:38 a.m.

Attachment: Attendance Sheet
## CONFIRMED ATTENDANCE
### SANDAG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
### DECEMBER 7, 2007

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Other attendees: Marilyn Dailey, San Diego County Regional Water Authority