EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS  
APRIL 11, 2008

Chair Mary Sessom (East County) called the Executive Committee meeting to order at 8:05 a.m. The attendance sheet for the meeting is attached.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by First Vice Chair Lori Pfeiler (North County Inland) and a second by Councilmember Jim Madaffer (City of San Diego), the minutes of the March 14, 2008, Executive Committee meeting were unanimously approved.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBERS COMMENTS

There were no public comments, communications, or member comments at this time.

REPORTS (3 through 5)

3. PROPOSED FY 2008 BUDGET AND OVERALL WORK PROGRAM AMENDMENT: FAIR SHARE METHODOLOGY STUDY FOR REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS (APPROVE)

Heather Werdick, Senior Planner, reported that the 2030 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) identified new or additional potential funding sources to complete funding of the $50 billion Reasonably Expected plan. One of the recommended actions was to pursue those funding sources. The Fair Share Methodology Study will develop a consistent methodology to identify the likely impact of future growth due to proposed developments on the regional transportation network. The Study will identify measures for different types of development to mitigate impacts and recommended methods for calculating regional fair share contributions for both highway and transit impacts. Contingency reserves in the amount of $100,000 are proposed to fund this effort. She indicated that this request falls within the qualifying uses of the contingency reserve. An ad hoc working group is proposed to help guide the development of this study. The ad hoc group would include representatives from existing SANDAG working groups, partner agencies, and other community stakeholders. A consultant is proposed to be hired for the preparation of the study.

Councilmember Madaffer asked for justification for spending $100,000; he asked whether staff could conduct the work rather than spending the funds on a consultant to conduct the study.
Ms. Werdick said that current practice at SANDAG is to assess regional transportation impacts of proposed developments on a project-by-project basis using the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This can be problematic and lead to time-consuming negotiations, inconsistent mitigation requirements, poor coordination with other agencies, lack of adequate assessment of regional impacts, and ultimately greater traffic congestion.

Gary Gallegos, Executive Director, added that a standardized and coordinated methodology would streamline the regional project development review process and improve quality of life by ensuring that adequate funding is provided for capital and operational transportation improvements related to public and private sector development projects. It also would reduce the time and effort involved in determining appropriate mitigation requirements for development projects.

Supervisor Greg Cox (County of San Diego) indicated the County’s interest in participating on the ad hoc working group.

Bob Leiter, Director of Land Use and Transportation Planning, stated that the purpose of the $100,000 in requested funding would be to hire a municipal financial consultant to provide expertise to ensure that we are developing an appropriate methodology. Councilmember Madaffer agreed with the hiring of a consultant with specific expertise.

First Vice Chair Pfeiler asked if this new methodology would help with projects such as the expansion of the Westfield North County Fair Shopping Center. Mr. Leiter responded affirmatively and noted that we also would use this study to assist with identifying mitigation requirements for a new transit center at Westfield’s University Towne Centre development. If we had such a methodology in place, negotiations could be more cost-effective and timely.

Mr. Gallegos stated that this process would lay out the groundwork at the beginning of a project, and all parties would know the rules of engagement from the start.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Madaffer and a second by First Vice Chair Pfeiler, the Executive Committee voted to approve the use of $100,000 of contingency reserve funds and an amendment to the FY 2008 Budget and Overall Work Program for the development of a Fair Share Methodology Study for Regional Transportation Projects.

4. STATE LEGISLATIVE STATUS REPORT (DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION)

Genevieve Morelos, Senior Legislative Analyst, stated that SANDAG has been asked to support Assembly Bill (AB) 1954, introduced by Assemblymember Kevin Jeffries (R-Riverside). This bill is sponsored by the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) and is scheduled for hearing on Monday, April 14, 2008, at the Assembly Transportation Committee. The bill would authorize a value pricing and transit development program involving high-occupancy-toll (HOT) lanes to be conducted, administered, and operating on Interstate 15 (I-15) in Riverside County from the San Bernardino County line to the San Diego County line. The implementation of I-15 HOT lanes in Riverside County would provide a significant link in the Southern California network of HOT lanes and other public
toll facilities. When fully built, this facility would provide connectivity and continuity with proposed HOT lane/toll facilities in the I-15 corridor in San Diego County. She recommended that the Executive Committee approve a support position on this bill.

Councilmember Madaffer asked if there were any objections from Riverside County. Ms. Morelos replied negatively.

**Action:** Upon a motion by Councilmember Madaffer, and a second by First Vice Chair Pfeiler, the Executive Committee voted to approve a support position on AB 1954.

Ms. Morelos said that there have been no changes to Senate Bill (SB) 375 since the last Executive Committee meeting. On April 21, 2008, staff will have discussions with the California Transit Association (CTA) on its position on this bill. Staff also met with the California Building Industry Association (CBIA) to discuss its alternative proposal. Staff will keep the Executive Committee and Board updated on these efforts.

Kim Kawada, Policy and Legislative Affairs Program Manager, stated that our two SANDAG-sponsored bills—SB 1486 for the State Route (SR) 11 toll road and Otay Mesa East Port of Entry, and SB 1685, which would allow SANDAG to spend sales tax revenues for habitat conservation, water quality, beach sand replenishment, and public transit—are going to the Senate Transportation and Housing Committee on April 15, 2008. There does not appear to be issues with SB 1685. Our recent amendments to SB 1685 included adding specific requirements in the bill that would apply if grant funding were provided to other governmental agencies or qualified nonprofit organizations.

The Senate Transportation and Housing Committee staff raised concerns with SB 1486. These include a concern about creating another separate legal entity (the Otay Mesa East Toll Authority) and imbuing it with broad powers to enter into potential public/private partnerships. She said that while the committee staff understood that the Toll Authority would be governed by the SANDAG Board of Directors, they preferred that SANDAG be the entity with the tolling authority for the project. Ms. Kawada said that we will be offering amendments to SB 1486 that respond to those concerns. We will try to get those amendments included prior to the committee hearing on Tuesday.

First Vice Chair Pfeiler asked if there are limitations that would constrain us. Ms. Kawada responded negatively.

Julie Wiley, General Counsel, said that we were initially looking at a long-term plan with flexibility so we wouldn’t have to go back and revisit the authority issue. However, Senator Ducheny would support limited authority related to a port of entry and suggested that we come back at a later time for more authority related to future improvements to the facility.

Ms. Gallegos said the concern was that greater flexibility would give SANDAG more authority than absolutely needed, and that authority would go beyond its initial focus of developing the SR 11 toll road and Otay Mesa East Port of Entry.
5. REVIEW OF APRIL 25, 2008, DRAFT BOARD AGENDA (APPROVE)

Diane Eidam, Chief Deputy Executive Director, reviewed the draft agenda for the April 25, 2008, SANDAG Board of Directors meeting. She suggested the following changes: add an information item under Consent Items on regional habitat and fire safety from the Regional Planning Committee (RPC); remove Item No. 9, Tribal Nations Overview by Chairman Anthony Pico; move Item No. 14, TransNet Environmental Mitigation Program: FY 2008 Land Management Grant, to the beginning of the Reports section for the convenience of RPC Chair Jerry Jones, who would be making the presentation; and add another item under Reports related to a request from the City of National City to use $4.5 million in short-term debt from our TransNet Commercial Paper program.

Ms. Eidam noted that there would be an SR 905 groundbreaking event on Friday, April 25, 2008, at approximately 11:30 a.m. that same morning.

Mr. Gallegos said there is a possibility that Governor Schwarzenegger and the head of Caltrans would be attending this event. We are working with Caltrans to ensure that we will be able to have some Board representatives attend that event. It might require moving some of our agenda items to be able to conclude the Board meeting in time to attend that event. He acknowledged that it will be a challenge for us to finish our work and be at the event by 11:30 a.m.

Mr. Gallegos suggested the deferral of Item No. 16, Report on Completion of the Original TransNet Program, to the next meeting if needed.

Mayor Cheryl Cox (South County) suggested that if we don’t hold an Executive Committee meeting on April 25, would the Board be wiling to move the meeting time to 8 a.m..

Second Vice Chair Jerome Stocks was not in support of making that time change.

Chair Sessom stated that someone from the SANDAG Board will be at the SR 905 ceremony.

Action: Upon a motion by Supervisor Cox, and a second by Councilmember Madaffer, the Executive Committee voted to approve the agenda for the April 25, 2008, SANDAG Board of Directors as revised.

6. UPCOMING MEETINGS

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

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Sessom adjourned the meeting at 8:30 a.m.

Attachment: Attendance Sheet
## CONFIRMED ATTENDANCE
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