



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
JULY 24, 2009**

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 09-07-1A
ACTION REQUESTED - APPROVE**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS

JUNE 12, 2009

Chair Lori Holt Pfeiler (Escondido) called the meeting of the SANDAG Board of Directors to order at 10:04 a.m. The attendance sheet for the meeting is attached.

1. **PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBER COMMENTS**

Don Stillwell, a member of the public, spoke in opposition to the rerouting of Route 14 from Old Town to Kaiser Hospital (on Zion Avenue). He also suggested timing changes he felt would improve bus connections at the Rio Vista and Mission San Diego Green Line Trolley Stations.

Jim Schmidt, a member of the public, provided historical information related to tolls on the San Diego-Coronado Bay Bridge, and spoke in opposition to a proposal by the Coronado City Council to charge a \$10 round-trip bridge toll.

Chair Pfeiler stated that the California Transportation Foundation announced the winners of this year's "Tranny" awards and SANDAG was a big winner. The Interstate 15 (I-15) Express Lanes received the "Freeway Project of the Year." We partnered on this project with Caltrans, Flatiron, Coffman Specialties, HNTB, and Transcore. The Smart Corner Transit-Oriented Development won a "Tranny" award for "Transit Project of the Year." SANDAG's partners on this project were the Centre City Development Corporation and Nasland Engineering. Further, the National Association of Regional Councils (NARC) handed out awards this week and the I-15 Express Lanes won the "Major Metro General Achievement" award.

REPORTS (2 through 7)

2. **2050 REGIONAL GROWTH FORECAST (ACCEPT)**

In preparation for the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), work is underway to develop the 2050 Regional Growth Forecast. This report provided an overview of the process to develop the forecast and progress to date. Additionally, the report presented draft alternative regional growth strategies that have been developed in collaboration with the Regional Planning Technical Working Group.

Imperial Beach Mayor and Regional Planning Committee (RPC) Chair Jim Janney introduced this item and indicated that the Regional Planning and Transportation Committees recommended that the Board of Directors accept and distribute the draft land use scenarios for public review and use in upcoming public workshops.

Beth Jarosz, Associate Research Analyst, provided the staff report.

Clint Daniels, Principal Research Analyst, responded to Board member questions.

Action: Mayor Mary Sessom (Lemon Grove) moved to approve the staff recommendation to accept and distribute the draft land use scenarios for public review and use in upcoming public workshops. Mayor Jim Desmond (San Marcos) seconded the motion. Yes – 8 (weighted vote, 23%). No – 10 (weighted vote, 77%). Abstain – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Absent – National City. This motion failed.

Further discussion ensued about the use of vehicle miles traveled (VMTs) as the basis for the models used to develop the 2050 Regional Growth Forecast. Board members requested additional information on other factors that could have an impact on the levels of greenhouse gas other than VMTs. Concern also was expressed about the context in which this information will be presented to the public at the proposed workshops. Gary Gallegos, Executive Director, agreed to come back at the July 10 Policy Board meeting with more scenarios and more options to existing scenarios that indicate other factors that might have an impact on the VMT figures including transit demand measures (TDM), increased intensification of existing scenarios, more transit investment, buildup in existing high transit services areas, and the Smart Growth Concept Map.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Lesa Heebner (Solana Beach) and second by Supervisor Pam Slater-Price (County of San Diego), the Board of Directors directed staff to report back with additional information, including possible transportation and transportation demand management measures to be included in the 2050 RTP, and the proposed format and topics for the upcoming public workshops. Yes – 18 (weighted vote, 100%). No – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Abstain – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Absent – National City.

3. SUSTAINABLE REGION PROGRAM ACTION PLAN AND TOOLKIT (ACCEPT)

As part of the California Energy Commission partnership, SANDAG developed transferable tools and guides based on its Sustainable Region Program for local governments in collaboration with the California Center for Sustainable Energy and San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E). The Sustainable Region Program helps member agencies benchmark their energy usage and integrate energy-saving measures at municipal buildings and in local planning. The Sustainable Region Program Action Plan and Toolkit can be used by other regional governments in the state to develop energy management plans (energy road maps) for local governments.

RPC Chair Janney introduced this item and indicated that the RPC recommended the Board of Directors accept the Sustainable Region Program Action Plan and Toolkit for distribution.

Susan Freedman, Senior Planner, presented the staff report.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Heebner and second by Mayor Janney, the Board of Directors accepted the Sustainable Region Program Action Plan and Toolkit for distribution. Yes – 17 (weighted vote, 100%). No – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Abstain – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Absent – Escondido and National City.

4. SAN DIEGO GAS AND ELECTRIC REGIONAL ENERGY INITIATIVES AND SUMMER ENERGY OUTLOOK (INFORMATION)

This item was postponed to a future meeting.

5. REGIONAL ALTERNATIVE FUELS, VEHICLES, AND INFRASTRUCTURE DRAFT REPORT (ACCEPT)

As part of the California Energy Commission partnership, SANDAG has developed a report on available alternative fuel vehicles and infrastructure for government fleet applications, sample ordinances and procurement policies local governments can use, funding opportunities to accelerate deployment of alternative fuel vehicles, and specific areas in the region where fueling infrastructure could be sited.

RPC Chair Janney introduced this item and reported that the RPC recommended that the Board of Directors accept the Regional Alternative Fuels, Vehicles, and Infrastructure draft report for public distribution and comments.

Andrew Martin, Associate Planner, provided the staff report.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Jim Wood (Oceanside) and second by Mayor Sessom, the Board of Directors accepted the Regional Alternative Fuels, Vehicles, and Infrastructure draft report (Attachment 1 to the agenda report) for public distribution and comment. Yes – 16 (weighted vote, 100%). No – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Abstain – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Absent – Escondido, National City, and Santee.

6. PROPOSED COMMENTS ON SAN YSIDRO LAND PORT OF ENTRY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT: DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION)

The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) released the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the San Ysidro Land Port of Entry Improvements Project on May 8, 2009, for a 45-day public review and comment period. This item provides an overview of the Draft EIS alternatives and possible SANDAG comments for Board review and discussion.

Imperial Beach Councilmember and Borders Committee Chair Patricia McCoy introduced this item.

Rachel Kennedy, Senior Planner, provided an overview of the Draft EIS alternatives and initial Borders Committee and staff comments.

Anthony L. Kleppe, Asset Manager - Portfolio Management Division, GSA, was in attendance and responded to Board questions.

Action: Upon a motion by Supervisor Pam Slater-Price (County of San Diego) and second by Mayor Sessom, the Board of Directors approved the transmittal to GSA of SANDAG comments on the Draft EIS for the San Ysidro Land Port of Entry Improvements Project. Yes – 15 (weighted vote, 100%). No – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Abstain – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Absent – Escondido, National City, Santee, and Vista.

7. COMPASS CARD UPDATE (INFORMATION)

Mr. Gallegos reported that due to software difficulties, and in conjunction with staffs of the regional transit operators, we request that the Board of Directors approve a delay in the transition of regional paper passes to the Compass Card. NCTD staff also would like to delay the conversion of the SPRINTER/BREEZE pass until after the conversion of Regional Passes is complete.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Janney and a second by Supervisor Slater-Price, the Board of Directors approved the alternate recommendation to delay the transition of Regional paper passes to the Compass Card until the system migration is complete and the software is confirmed as working properly. In addition, the conversion of the SPRINTER/BREEZE passes would occur shortly after the Regional Passes, and staff would continue to bring progress updates to the Board on a regular basis. Yes – 16 (weighted vote, 100%). No – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Abstain – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Absent – Escondido, National City, and Santee.

8. UPCOMING MEETINGS (INFORMATION)

The next Business meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for Friday, June 26, 2009, at 9 a.m. The next Policy meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for Friday, July 10, 2009, at 10 a.m.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:57 a.m.

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ATTENDANCE
SANDAG BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
JUNE 12, 2009

JURISDICTION/ ORGANIZATION	NAME	ATTENDING
City of Carlsbad	Matt Hall (Member)	Yes
City of Chula Vista	Cheryl Cox (Primary)	Yes
City of Coronado	Al Ovrom (1st Alt.)	Yes
City of Del Mar	Crystal Crawford (Primary)	Yes
City of El Cajon	Mark Lewis (Primary)	Yes
City of Encinitas	Jerome Stocks, 1st Vice Chair (Primary)	Yes
City of Escondido	Lori Holt Pfeiler, Chair (Primary)	Yes
City of Imperial Beach	Jim Janney (Primary)	Yes
City of La Mesa	Dave Allan (1st. Alt.)	Yes
City of Lemon Grove	Mary Sessom (Primary)	Yes
City of National City	Ron Morrison (Member)	No
City of Oceanside	James Wood (Member)	Yes
City of Poway	Don Higginson (Primary)	Yes
City of San Diego – A	Anthony Young (1st Alt.)	Yes
City of San Diego - B	Marti Emerald (1st Alt.)	Yes
City of San Marcos	Jim Desmond (Member)	Yes
City of Santee	Jack Dale (2nd Vice Chair)	Yes
City of Solana Beach	Lesa Heebner (Primary)	Yes
City of Vista	Judy Ritter (Primary)	Yes
County of San Diego - A	Dianne Jacob (Primary, Seat A)	Yes
County of San Diego - B	Pam Slater-Price (Primary, Seat B)	Yes
Caltrans	Pedro Orso-Delgado (1st. Alt.)	Yes
MTS	Ron Roberts (1st. Alt.)	Yes
NCTD	Bob Campbell (Primary)	Yes
Imperial County	Victor Carrillo (Member)	No
US Dept. of Defense	CAPT Steve Wirshing (Member)	No
SD Unified Port District	Scott Peters (Member)	Yes
SD County Water Authority	Mark Muir (Primary)	Yes
Baja California/Mexico	Remedios Gómez-Arnau (Member)	No
Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association	Robert H. Smith (Member)	Yes