



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MAY 28, 2010**

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 10-05-1B
ACTION REQUESTED - APPROVE**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS

APRIL 23, 2010

Chair Lori Holt Pfeiler (Escondido) called the meeting of the SANDAG Board of Directors to order at 9:01 a.m. The attendance sheet for the meeting is attached.

1. **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES (APPROVE)**

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Jim Wood (Oceanside), and a second by Mayor Mark Lewis (El Cajon), the SANDAG Board of Directors approved the minutes from the March 12 and 26, 2010, meetings.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBER COMMENTS**

Linda Lewis, a member of the public, said she opposed the elimination of Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) Route 3 from City College to the University of California, San Diego (UCSD) Medical Center on Sundays.

3. **ACTIONS FROM POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEES (APPROVE)**

This item summarized the actions taken by the Borders Committee on March 26, 2010, the Transportation and Regional Planning Committees on April 2, 2010, the Executive Committee on April 9, 2010, and the Transportation and Public Safety Committees on April 16, 2010.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Wood and second by Supervisor Pam Slater-Price (County of San Diego), the SANDAG Board of Directors approved the actions taken by the Policy Advisory Committees at the meetings noted above. Yes – 15 (weighted vote, 100%). No – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Abstain – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Absent – Coronado, La Mesa, Lemon Grove, and National City.

CONSENT ITEMS (4 through 5)

4. **REPORTS ON MEETINGS AND EVENTS ATTENDED ON BEHALF OF SANDAG (INFORMATION)**

Board members provided brief reports orally or in writing on external meetings and events attended on behalf of SANDAG since the last Board of Directors meeting.

5. REPORT SUMMARIZING DELEGATED ACTIONS TAKEN BY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (INFORMATION)

In accordance with SANDAG Board Policy Nos. 003 (Investment Policy), 017 (Delegation of Authority), and 024 (Procurement and Contracting-Construction), this report summarized certain delegated actions taken by the Executive Director since the last Board of Directors meeting.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Jim Desmond (San Marcos), and a second by Mayor Don Higginson (Poway), the SANDAG Board approved Consent Items Nos. 4 and 5. Yes -15. No - 0. Abstain - 0. Absent – Coronado, La Mesa, Lemon Grove, and National City.

CHAIR’S REPORT (6 though 9)

6. RECOGNITION OF SANDAG MOBILITY MANAGEMENT AND PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION DIRECTOR JACK BODA ON HIS RETIREMENT (INFORMATION)

Chair Pfeiler presented Jack Boda, retiring Director of Mobility Management and Project Implementation, with a proclamation honoring his service to SANDAG.

Laurie Berman, Director, Caltrans, District 11, expressed her appreciation to Mr. Boda for his efforts in working with Caltrans on various projects.

Mr. Boda provided comments on the accomplishments and partnerships made during his tenure with SANDAG.

MTS Chair Harry Mathis expressed his appreciation for Mr. Boda’s partnership with MTS.

7. SANDAG REGIONAL VANPOOL PROGRAM: EXCELLENCE IN ENERGY AWARD (INFORMATION) (Continued)

Chair Pfeiler announced that the SANDAG Regional Vanpool Program recently received an Excellence in Energy award for its success in eliminating approximately 130 million vehicle miles traveled in the region during 2009. The California Center for Sustainable Energy selected the Regional Vanpool Program, operated by the SANDAG iCommute team, to receive the award for Special Achievement in Transportation. The program’s 662 vanpools carried more than 5,400 passengers an average of 110 miles a day, removed more than 4,600 vehicles from the road, eliminated nearly 46,000 metric tons of CO₂ emissions, and saved more than 5 million gallons of gas in 2009.

Action: This item was presented for information only.

6. RECOGNITION OF SANDAG MOBILITY MANAGEMENT AND PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION DIRECTOR JACK BODA ON HIS RETIREMENT (INFORMATION) (Continued)

Clive Richard, a member of the public, recognized Mr. Boda for all of his efforts to improve transportation for the region.

8. QUALITY OF LIFE FUNDING STRATEGY UPDATE (INFORMATION)

Chair Pfeiler stated that the Quality of Life Ad Hoc Steering Committee and the Quality of Life Stakeholders Working Group have been meeting monthly to provide input to the SANDAG Board of Directors on the development of a Quality of Life funding strategy.

Del Mar Councilmember Crystal Crawford provided an update on the work that has been accomplished to date. She invited other members of the Board to join the Ad Hoc Steering Committee.

Action: This item was presented for information only.

9. UPDATE ON FEDERAL SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE (INFORMATION)

As part of the FY 2010 Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development and Related Appropriations Act (HR 3288), the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) was provided \$150 million to fund the Administration's proposed Sustainable Communities Initiative. The City of San Diego, SANDAG, and the San Diego Housing Commission have jointly submitted recommendations about the proposed funding program to HUD and its federal partner agencies. This item summarized the Sustainable Communities Initiative and provided copies of the joint letters.

Mayor Jerry Sanders (City of San Diego) provided a brief report on his recent trip to Washington, D.C., and the discussions he had with federal government representatives on this subject.

Action: This item was presented for information only.

REPORTS (10 through 17)

10. MID-COAST CORRIDOR TRANSIT PROJECT: DRAFT COMPARATIVE EVALUATION OF ALTERNATIVES REPORT AND PROJECT SCOPING (APPROVE)

SANDAG and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) are preparing a Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement/Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (SEIS/SEIR) for the Mid-Coast Corridor Transit Project. At its March 26, 2010, meeting, the Board of Directors received an overview of the project's Draft Comparative Evaluation of Alternatives Report, including its findings. The Transportation Committee recommended that the Board of Directors approve light rail transit Alternatives 1 (combines 1, 4, and 5), 3, and 6 to be carried forward for consideration at scoping for the Mid-Coast Corridor Transit Project Draft SEIS/SEIR.

Second Vice Chair and Transportation Committee Chair Jack Dale (Santee) introduced the item.

Supervisor Ron Roberts, Chair of the Mid-Coast Corridor Transit Project Working Group, said that this is a milestone today. He noted that he and the Executive Director have met with numerous groups on this project. Virtually every group they visited supported Light Rail

Transit (LRT) Alternative 1. He stated that this project will have a great impact on the region, and access to UCSD will be greatly enhanced with this transportation component.

Leslie Blanda, Project Development Program Manager, provided the staff report.

Chair Pfeiler noted that there were several requests to speak on this item.

Everett DeLano, Friends of Rose Canyon, expressed a concern about the impacts that the project would have if it went through Rose Canyon Park. He wanted to remind the Board that this is a real concern, and that the Working Group's recommendation included eliminating LRT Alternative 3 from further scoping. He said that regardless of what the Board does today, it should think about the impacts that the rest of this project would have and how they might be mitigated.

Deborah Knight, Executive Director, Friends of Rose Canyon, stated that Rose Canyon Park is a regional park, and we bring many school kids to the park to expose them to nature. April is "Children in Nature" month. She stated that even if LRT Alternative 1 is chosen, the alignment along Rose Creek would have significant impacts on the park. Some type of mitigation to enhance the protection of this park would be wonderful. There are an increasing number of organizations supporting LRT Alternative 1 and opposing LRT Alternative 3. She reminded everyone that Rose Canyon is a core area set aside for the City of San Diego's Multiple Species Conservation Plan (MSCP).

David Wax, immediate past president of the Jewish Community Center, provided information on the activities of this facility. He noted that this trolley service is very important to them, and they support the LRT Alternative 1 alignment. They feel this route will best serve the population and overall San Diego community. They do not support alignments LRT Alternative 3 and LRT Alternative 6.

Gary Matthews, Vice Chancellor, UCSD, said that they are excited about the light rail extension that will serve students, faculty, and employees. They have been working with SANDAG, Caltrans, MTS, and the North County Transit District (NCTD) for many years to improve transportation alternatives to/from the campus. They have been a leader in providing transportation with vanpools. The light rail line will further enhance those opportunities. They are interested in reducing their carbon footprint. What is important about this project is that it will reduce in a significant way the number of single-occupant vehicles coming to the campus. It also will reduce the number of those vehicles on adjacent streets and highways. Light rail will enhance access to advanced health care at the La Jolla campus. They support the LRT Alternative 1 alignment as they feel it will be least disruptive.

Second Vice Chair Dale provided the Transportation Committee's recommendation.

Action: Upon a motion by Second Vice Chair Dale and second by Mayor Jim Janney (Imperial Beach), the SANDAG Board of Directors approved LRT Alternatives 1 (combining 1, 4, and 5), 3, and 6 to be carried forward for consideration at scoping for the Mid-Coast Corridor Transit Project Draft SEIS/SEIR. Yes – 17 (weighted vote, 100%). No – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Abstain – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Absent – La Mesa and National City.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBER COMMENTS (Continued)

Chair Pfeiler announced that WalkSanDiego hosts the Golden Footprint Awards to recognize contributions by individuals, community organizations, and local jurisdictions that make our communities more walkable. She noted that Lemon Grove Mayor Mary Sessom received a Special Achievement Award for her many years of support both at SANDAG and in Lemon Grove to policies and capital projects that improve walkability. She recognized Mayor Sessom for her receipt of this award.

REPORTS (10 through 17) (Continued)

11. 2050 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN: PUBLIC OUTREACH (DISCUSSION)

First Vice Chair Jerome Stocks (Encinitas) introduced this item.

Anne Steinberger, Communications Manager, reported that public outreach is underway for the development of the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and its Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS). She presented an overview of the 2050 RTP/SCS Public Involvement Plan (Plan) and upcoming outreach activities. The Plan is an element of the agencywide Public Participation Plan approved by the Board of Directors in December 2009. It includes specific goals and objectives as well as strategies and tactics for conducting outreach throughout the RTP/SCS development process. The Board of Directors is asked to review and comment on the Plan, which includes input received from the Regional Planning Stakeholders Working Group and Transportation and Regional Planning Committees.

Action: This item was presented for discussion only.

12. FY 2011 TRANSIT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (APPROVE/ADOPT)

MTS and NCTD have developed their Capital Improvement Programs (CIPs) for FY 2011, which are the basis for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 Urbanized Area formula fund grant, the FTA Section 5309 Rail Modernization formula fund grant, and the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) amendment for the CIP projects. SANDAG is responsible for programming these funds and approving these grants.

Second Vice Chair Dale introduced this item and provided the Transportation Committee's recommendation.

Kim York, Project Control Manager, provided the staff report.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Cheryl Cox (Chula Vista) and second by Councilmember Carrie Downey (Coronado), the SANDAG Board of Directors: (1) approved the FY 2011 CIPs for the San Diego region (MTS and NCTD); (2) approved the submittal of FTA Sections 5307 and 5309 applications for the San Diego region (SANDAG, MTS, and NCTD); and (3) adopted Resolution No. 2010-09, approving Amendment No 20 to the 2008 RTIP. Yes – 17 (weighted vote, 100%). No – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Abstain – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Absent – La Mesa and National City.

13. FINANCIAL MARKET STATUS (INFORMATION)

This monthly briefing is intended to keep the Board of Directors informed about the latest developments in the financial markets, the economy, and revenues, and the strategies we are exploring and implementing to minimize possible impacts to SANDAG.

Marney Cox, Chief Economist, provided an update on recent economic trends.

Lauren Warrem, Director of Finance, briefed the Board on the status of SANDAG debt service costs.

Action: This item was presented for information only.

14. COMPASS CARD STATUS UPDATE (INFORMATION)

James Dreisbach-Towle, Principal Technology Program Analyst, provided an update on recent Compass Card project activities.

Action: This item was presented for information only.

Chair Pfeiler called the meeting into a closed session at 10:22 a.m. to discuss the following items.

15. CLOSED SESSION-CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(a) – EXISTING LITIGATION: SANDAG V. BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY (CASE NO. 37-2007-00083768-CU-TT-CTL)

16. CLOSED SESSION-CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(c): INITIATION OF LITIGATION – ONE POTENTIAL CASE

17. CLOSED SESSION-CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL IN ANTICIPATION OF LITIGATION - PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(B) - ONE POTENTIAL CASE

Chair Pfeiler reconvened the meeting back into open session at 10:33 a.m.

Julie Wiley, General Counsel, provided the following report out of closed session: there was no action needed on items 15 and 16. On Item 17, the Board voted to reject or deny the claim of Lawrence Smith.

18. UPCOMING MEETINGS

Please note the new meeting time for the next Board Policy meeting, which is scheduled for Friday, May 14, 2010, **starting at 9 a.m.** The next Board Business meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 28, 2010, at 9 a.m.

19. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:34 a.m.

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ATTENDANCE
SANDAG BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
APRIL 23, 2010

JURISDICTION/ ORGANIZATION	NAME	ATTENDING
City of Carlsbad	Matt Hall (Member)	Yes
City of Chula Vista	Cheryl Cox (Primary)	Yes
City of Coronado	Carrie Downey (Primary)	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	Art Madrid (Member)	No
City of Lemon Grove	Mary Sessom (Primary)	Yes
City of National City	Ron Morrison (Member)	Yes
City of Oceanside	James Wood (Member)	Yes
City of Poway	Don Higginson (Primary)	Yes
City of San Diego - A	Jerry Sanders (Primary, Seat A)	Yes
City of San Diego - B	Ben Hueso (Primary, Seat B)	Yes
City of San Marcos	Jim Desmond (Primary)	Yes
City of Santee	Jack Dale (2nd Vice Chair)	Yes
City of Solana Beach	Dave Roberts (1st Alt.)	Yes
City of Vista	Judy Ritter (Primary)	Yes
County of San Diego - A	Pam Slater-Price (Primary, Seat B)	Yes
County of San Diego - B	Bill Horn (Primary, Seat A)	Yes
Caltrans	Laurie Berman (1st. Alt.)	Yes
MTS	Harry Mathis (Member)	Yes
NCTD	Bob Campbell (Primary)	Yes
Imperial County	Wally Leimgruber (Member)	No
US Dept. of Defense	CMDR Glenn Shephard (Alternate)	Yes
SD Unified Port District	Scott Peters (Member)	Yes
SD County Water Authority	Mark Muir (Primary)	Yes
Baja California/Mexico	Martha Rosas (Alternate)	Yes
Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association	Allen Lawson (Member)	No
	Edwin Romero (Member)	Yes