



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
DECEMBER 17, 2010**

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 10-12-1B
ACTION REQUESTED - APPROVE**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS

NOVEMBER 19, 2010

Chair Lori Holt Pfeiler (Escondido) called the meeting of the SANDAG Board of Directors to order at 9:03 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 Jim Janney (Imperial Beach), the Board of Directors approved the minutes from the October 8, 2010, Board Policy and the October 22, 2010, Board Business meetings.

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

Chuck Lungerhausen, a member of the public, expressed concern about the lack of public transit service to Kaiser Permanente Hospital on Blueridge Avenue in San Diego.

Marco Gonzalez, representing the Coastal Environmental Rights Foundation (CERF), spoke about the difficulties in obtaining SANDAG modeling data with regard to the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

Adam Gosney, a student at the University of California, San Diego (UCSD), and California Public Interest Group (CALPIRG), requested to speak on Item No. 13; Chair Pfeiler said she would call him back for public testimony as part of that item.

Duncan McFetridge, representing Save Our Forests and Ranchlands (SOFAR) and the Cleveland National Forest Foundation (CNFF), stated that the Board and public do not have adequate information to analyze the 2050 RTP.

Mayor Janney recognized Imperial Beach Councilmember Patricia McCoy for her service to the City of Imperial Beach and to SANDAG as Chair of the Borders Committee.

Chair Pfeiler recognized Executive Director Gary Gallegos for his 50th birthday.

First Vice Chair Jerome Stocks (Encinitas) recognized Vista Councilmember Bob Campbell's elected service in the North County as well as Chair of the North County Transit District (NCTD).

3. ACTIONS FROM POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEES (APPROVE)

This item summarized the actions taken by the Executive Committee on November 5 and the Transportation Committee on November 12, 2010.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Carrie Downey (Coronado) and second by Mayor Wood, the Board of Directors approved the actions taken by the Policy Advisory Committees at the meetings noted above. Yes – 17 (weighted vote, 100%). No – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Abstain – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Absent – La Mesa and National City.

CONSENT ITEMS (4 through 10)

4. QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2010 (INFORMATION)

The SANDAG Investment Policy requires that the Board of Directors be provided a quarterly report of investments held by SANDAG. This report included all money under the direction or care of SANDAG as of September 30, 2010.

5. QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT ON TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS - JULY TO SEPTEMBER 2010 (INFORMATION)

This quarterly report summarized the current status of major highway, transit, arterial, traffic management, and transportation demand management (TDM) projects in the SANDAG five-year Regional Transportation Improvement Program for the period July to September 2010.

6. 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.

7. 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.

8. 2010 SAN DIEGO REGIONAL TRIBAL SUMMIT PROCEEDINGS (ACCEPT)

The Board of Directors and the Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association held a regional policy summit on April 9, 2010. The Board of Directors was asked to accept the 2010 San Diego Regional Tribal Summit Proceedings for distribution.

9. ANNUAL REVIEW AND PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO BOARD POLICIES AND BYLAWS (APPROVE)

The draft of amendments to current Board Policies proposed by staff over the past year or that are appropriate for updating purposes were presented. The Executive Committee recommended that the Board of Directors approve the proposed amendments and renew the delegation of authority to the Executive Director pursuant to Board Policy No. 003: Investment Policy. Additionally, an annual review by the Board is required of Board Policy Nos. 003: Investment Policy, and 032: San Diego County Regional Transportation Commission Interest Rate Swap Policy.

10. PROPOSED 2011 LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM (APPROVE)

Each year, the Executive Committee recommends a legislative program in a priority order to the Board of Directors for the next calendar year. Consistent with past programs, the draft Legislative Program includes policies and proposals for possible federal and state legislation, and local activities. The Executive Committee recommended that the Board of Directors approve the 2011 Legislative Program.

For Agenda Item No. 9, Mayor Cheryl Cox (Chula Vista) asked staff to reevaluate the *TransNet* 30 percent fund balance rule in Board Policy No. 031.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Wood, and a second by First Vice Chair Stocks, the Board of Directors approved Consent Items Nos. 4 through 10. Yes - 17. No - 0. Abstain - 0. Absent - La Mesa and National City.

REPORTS (12 through 21)

Chair Pfeiler took item No. 17 out of order at this time.

17. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE 2010 BINATIONAL SEMINAR (APPROVE)

Borders Committee Chair Patricia McCoy presented highlights from the 2010 binational seminar on Crossborder Climate Change Strategies and recommendations from the Borders Committee on possible next steps. The Borders Committee recommended that the Board of Directors approve the recommendations from the 2010 binational seminar.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Downey and second by Mayor Janney, the Board of Directors approved the recommendations from the 2010 binational seminar. Yes - 18 (weighted vote, 100%). No - 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Abstain - 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Absent - La Mesa.

CHAIR'S REPORT (11)

11. REPORT FROM NOMINATING COMMITTEE ON SLATE OF BOARD OFFICERS FOR 2011 (INFORMATION)

In September, Chair Pfeiler appointed a six-person Nominating Committee for Board officers, with Mayor Ron Morrison (National City) as Chair.

Mayor Morrison reported that after consideration of the applications, the Nominating Committee recommended the following slate of nominees for 2011 SANDAG Board Officers: Encinitas Councilmember Jerome Stocks, Chair; Santee Councilmember Jack Dale, First Vice Chair, and Imperial Beach Mayor Jim Janney, Second Vice Chair.

He noted that in accordance with SANDAG Bylaws, the election of officers is scheduled for the December Board meeting. Additional nominations from the floor also may be made at the December meeting.

Action: This item was presented for information only.

REPORTS (12 through 21) (Continued)

12. 2050 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN: PROPOSED METHODOLOGY FOR CONDUCTING THE AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY DETERMINATION (APPROVE)

Second Vice Chair Jack Dale (Santee), Transportation Committee Chair, introduced this item.

Rachel Kennedy, Senior Planner, reported that SANDAG is currently developing the 2050 RTP along with its air quality conformity determination. Both the current version of the emissions model approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EMFAC 2007) and the new version of the model (EMFAC 2010), currently under development by the California Air Resources Board, only contain emissions factors to 2040, earlier than the 2050 RTP horizon year. The draft methodology for conducting the air quality conformity determination for the 2050 RTP was released for a 30-day public comment period on September 17, 2010, and a public hearing was held on October 15, 2010. The Transportation Committee recommended that the Board of Directors approve shortening the timeframe and the proposed methodology for conducting the regional emissions analysis for the 2050 RTP.

Action: Upon a motion by Second Vice Chair Dale and second by Mayor Morrison, the Board of Directors approved shortening the timeframe and the proposed methodology for conducting the regional emissions analysis for the 2050 RTP. Yes – 18 (weighted vote, 100%). No – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Abstain – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Absent – La Mesa.

13. 2050 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN: REVENUE CONSTRAINED TRANSPORTATION NETWORK SCENARIOS (DISCUSSION)

Second Vice Chair Dale introduced this item.

Heather Adamson, Senior Planner, reviewed the four Revenue Constrained Transportation Network Scenarios (Scenarios) developed for the 2050 RTP. Staff summarized input received on the four Scenarios and draft performance results, including preliminary greenhouse gas emissions targets. The Board of Directors was asked to discuss the four Scenarios and provide input and feedback for a preferred Revenue Constrained Scenario. The Board of Directors will be asked to select a preferred Revenue Constrained Transportation Network Scenario at its December 17, 2010, meeting for use in the Draft 2050 RTP.

Marney Cox, Chief Economist, provided the preliminary results of the Economic Impact Analysis, including the cost-benefit ratio for each of the four scenarios.

Heather Adamson, Senior Planner, reviewed the greenhouse gas preliminary results, reiterated comments received from prior Board input, and reviewed next steps.

Board discussion ensued.

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

Adam Gosney, UCSD student and CALPIRG, expressed concern about our economy and indicated how public transportation can help; asked that the Board invest in transit, and better bicycle and pedestrian options; and expressed support for extension of the Trolley line from downtown San Diego to University Towne Centre.

Pamela Epstein, Sierra Club, San Diego Chapter, spoke in support of mass transit. She stated that the Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) will be attainable if we are willing to do the work.

Elyse Lowe, Executive Director, Move San Diego, stated that we need to shift our dependence from automobiles to public transportation, expressed support for the Transit Emphasis Scenario, asked for more information about trip times for corridors for specific projects, and requested a focus on reducing transit trip times.

Kathy Keehan, San Diego County Bicycle Coalition, spoke in favor of the Transit Emphasis Scenario, especially the bicycle and pedestrian projects. She thanked SANDAG for including maximum funding for Active Transportation in all four Scenarios. She asked the Board to make a policy decision to push the Active Transportation projects first.

Duncan McFetridge, SOFAR, said that the conclusions in the different Scenarios are based on information we are not sure about. He stated that what are missing are a "no-highway build-out" scenario and a "full transit build-out" scenario. He stated that the Scenarios have transit routes but do not have a transit network. He said that highways don't produce higher economic results than transit.

Jaafar Rizui, CALPIRG, spoke in favor of the Transit Emphasis scenario. He said that public transit needs to serve people where they live, work, and learn.

Tanja Herrera, CALPIRG, urged the Board to approve the Transit Emphasis Scenario. She provided a personal story with regard to using public transit to get to/from school and an internship.

Steve Goetsch, Citizens Against Freeway Expansion, stated that we should reduce the demand for highways, take trucks off the road during peak periods, build an intermodal freight facility at San Ysidro, and charge a user fee to commuters originating outside of San Diego County.

Hannah Cohen, Sustainable San Diego, stated that we need supporting details to share with the public, and the list of projects that will be implemented by 2020 and 2035 with vehicle miles traveled data, and data from other transportation modes such as bicycle and pedestrian. She also asked about data for telecommuting assumptions and other TDM strategies. She asked staff to come back with a scenario that will provide us with what we want to achieve.

Nicole Burgess, a member of the public, commented that tourism is a huge impact on San Diego, so sustainability is a huge issue. Highways are not the answer. She suggested providing cars to bicyclers for when they get off of transit to get to their final destination. She supported more bicycle/pedestrian improvements.

Jim Schmidt, a member of the public, said that he is a public transit supporter but he also supported local roads. He suggested that we need to stop eliminating local connecting roads.

Marco Gonzalez, a member of the public, questioned why staff did not present a preferred scenario to the Board. He thought that the lack of data prevents the Board from making an informed decision. The social equity presentation should have provided information on how to serve various categories of people. There are evolving social considerations regarding density in our urban centers. The allocation of dollars in *TransNet* should be changed to fund transit.

Board discussion continued and provided input to staff on aspects of the various scenarios.

Action: This item was presented for discussion only.

14. 2050 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN: DRAFT POLICY OPTIONS TO SUPPORT THE TRANSIT NETWORK (DISCUSSION)

Mayor Janney, Regional Planning Committee Chair, introduced this item.

Carolina Gregor, Senior Planner, stated that at a joint meeting on October 15, 2010, the Regional Planning and Transportation Committees provided input on draft policy options to support the transit network. The Committees reached a general consensus that the policy options be considered in the future update of the Regional Comprehensive Plan. Staff summarized the policy options, which focused on potential parking, land use, and funding policies.

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

Duncan McFetridge, SOFAR, wondered if this plan is a policy for cars or people. If we are going to get out of our cars we have to have a new plan. He stated that funding is not a problem, leadership is a problem.

Dan Allan, Regional Planning Stakeholders Working Group member, stated that there is no consideration of remote parking for the Mid-Coast Corridor Transit Project.

Bob Campbell, NCTD Chair, acknowledged that there is an issue with parking at transit stations. We need to do a better job of managing parking for transit users.

Mayor Mary Sessom (Lemon Grove) stated that this item rates a full discussion, and asked that it be placed on a future agenda to allow further discussion.

The Board agreed to continue this item to the December 3, 2010, Board meeting.

Action: This item was presented for discussion only.

15. PROPOSED SANDAG COMMENTS ON INTERSTATE 5 NORTH COAST CORRIDOR PROJECT DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT/ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (APPROVE)

First Vice Chair Stocks stated that at the November 5, 2010, Board of Directors meeting, staff was directed to develop a letter with proposed SANDAG comments on the Caltrans Interstate 5 (I-5) North Coast Corridor Project Draft Environmental Impact Report/Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIR/DEIS). The public comment period on the project's environmental document closes on November 22, 2010. The Board of Directors was asked to consider approval of the draft comment letter on the I-5 North Coast Corridor Project DEIR/DEIS for submittal to Caltrans prior to the close of the public comment period. He said that the first question to be addressed is whether SANDAG should submit comments.

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

Marion Dodson, a member of the public, opposed the taking of private property for the I-5 expansion. She was not in favor adding any lanes other than the high occupancy vehicle lanes.

Pamela Epstein, Sierra Club, San Diego Chapter, stated that not sending a letter is problematic. SANDAG needs to take an active stance on this project.

Duncan McFetridge, SOFAR, said that by investing in transit we could take advantage of population mode shifts to solve traffic problems.

Linda Woolcott, a member of the public, spoke in favor of SANDAG taking a stand. She expressed concern that mitigation measures will only partially mitigate the impacts of this project. She urged the Board to adopt a "no build" scenario.

Elizabeth Rudee, San Diego Audubon Society, expressed concern about the air quality impact of any I-5 expansion project. She said that this project will permanently degrade our coastal communities.

Gordon Lutes, San Diego Highway Development Association, urged the Board to support a "10+4" lane proposal.

Robert Cotton, a member of the public, stated that this project fails to comply with the environmental requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act and the National Environmental Protection Act.

Motion Made: Second Vice Chair Dale moved and Mayor Sessom seconded a motion that the Board of Directors not send the draft comment letter on the I-5 North Coast Corridor Project DEIR/DEIS for submittal to Caltrans prior to the close of the public comment period.

Substitute Motion Made: Deputy Mayor Lesa Heebner (Solana Beach) moved and Councilmember Crystal Crawford (Del Mar) seconded a substitute motion to submit comments on the I-5 North Coast Corridor Project DEIR/DEIS prior to the close of the public comment period.

Action Taken on the Substitute Motion: Yes – 4 (weighted vote, 49%). No – 11 (weighted vote, 51%). Abstain – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Absent – El Cajon, La Mesa, Oceanside, and Poway. The motion failed.

16. 2050 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN: PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT AND OUTREACH UPDATE (INFORMATION)

This item was continued.

18. ANNUAL UPDATE ON THE ACTIVITIES OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE RESEARCH AND CLEARINGHOUSE (INFORMATION)

This item was continued.

19. FINANCIAL MARKET STATUS (INFORMATION)

This item was continued.

20. QUALITY OF LIFE FUNDING STRATEGY UPDATE (INFORMATION)

This item was continued.

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

This item was continued.

22. UPCOMING MEETINGS

The next Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for Friday, December 3, 2010, at 10 a.m. The next Board of Directors Business meeting is scheduled for Friday, December 17, 2010, at 9 a.m. **Please note that the December Board meetings will be held respectively on the first and third Fridays of the month due to the holiday schedule.**

23. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:16 p.m.

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ATTENDANCE SANDAG BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING NOVEMBER 19, 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	Jillian Hanson-Cox (Alternate)	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	Sherri Lightner (2nd Alt.)	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	Lesa Heebner (Primary)	Yes
City of Vista	Judy Ritter (Primary)	Yes
County of San Diego - A	Pam Slater-Price (Primary, Seat B)	No
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	Sup. Louis Fuentes (Primary)	No
US Dept. of Defense	CAPT Keith Hamilton (Member)	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