

INDEPENDENT TAXPAYER OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

February 12, 2014

AGENDA ITEM NO.: **1**

Action Requested: APPROVE

MEETING SUMMARY FOR THE JANUARY 8, 2014,
INDEPENDENT TAXPAYER OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING

File Number 1500100

Attendance

Committee Members:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Jonathan Tibbitts, Chair▪ Kai Ramer, Vice Chair▪ Brad Barnum▪ Tracy Drager	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Paul Fromer▪ Stewart Halpern▪ Carolyn Lee▪ Dick Vortmann
Absent:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Tracy Sandoval	
Staff:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Gary Gallegos▪ Kim Kawada	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Ariana zur Nieden

The meeting of the *TransNet* Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee (ITOC) was called to order by Chair Jonathan Tibbitts at 9:32 a.m.

1. APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARY

Action: Upon a motion by Carolyn Lee, and a second by Paul Fromer, the ITOC approved the November 13, 2013, meeting summary. Yes – Vice Chair Kai Ramer, Brad Barnum, Mr. Fromer, Ms. Lee, and Dick Vortmann. No – None. Abstain – Chair Tibbitts. Absent – Stewart Halpern.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBER COMMENTS

Richard Cardulla, a member of the public, submitted documents and presented his concerns regarding the Imperial Avenue and Commercial Street Corridor Master Plan.

Chair Tibbitts recognized Kim Kawada for being selected as the new Chief Deputy Executive Director for SANDAG.

CONSENT (3 through 5)

3. *TransNet* ENVIRONMENTAL MITIGATION PROGRAM: LAND MANAGEMENT GRANT PROGRAM QUARTERLY STATUS UPDATE (INFORMATION)

The SANDAG Board of Directors has awarded grants for six cycles of the *TransNet* Environmental Mitigation Program Land Management Grant Program. This report provided information to the ITOC on the quarterly status of active projects.

5. PROGRESS REPORT ON *TransNet* EARLY ACTION PROGRAM PROJECTS (INFORMATION)

This report provided an overview of the *TransNet* Early Action Program projects in terms of cost control and schedule adherence based on data provided through the Dashboard reporting system. This item relates to the required reporting process specified under Paragraph 10 of the *TransNet* Extension Ordinance.

Action: Consent Item Nos. 3 and 5 were presented for information.

Chair Tibbitts pulled Agenda Item No. 4 from the Consent Agenda and requested that staff present the item.

4. *TransNet* SENIOR MINI-GRANT PROGRAM STATUS UPDATE (INFORMATION)

Danielle Kochman, Associate Regional Planner, provided an overview of the progress made to date by each grant recipient for the Senior Mini-Grant program.

ITOC members requested that for the Senior Mini-Grant Program grantee, North County Transit District (NCTD), the next status update include the total number of persons trained, how many times training was provided per individual, and how many individuals use NCTD services once they receive the training.

Action: This item was presented for information.

REPORTS (6 through 10)

10. STATE ROUTE 125 STATUS REPORT (INFORMATION)

Scott Koblenz, Senior Business Operations Analyst, provided a status report on South Bay Expressway traffic and revenue performance.

Clint Daniels, Manager of Regional Models, provided study results of achieving SANDAG goals for mitigating congestion growth on Interstate 805.

ITOC members requested that the next regular State Route 125 (SR 125) report be presented in late spring and early fall.

Samantha Ollinger, Bike San Diego, requested information regarding the air quality impact as a result of the purchase and use of SR 125. Samuel Johnson, Director of Operations, addressed her concerns.

Action: This item was presented for information.

6. SUMMARY OF TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACTIONS ON *TransNet*-RELATED AGENDA ITEMS (INFORMATION)

Ariana zur Nieden, Associate Regional Planner, provided this briefing to keep the ITOC informed about relevant SANDAG actions taken on *TransNet*-related projects and programs.

Ms. zur Nieden provided a summary of Transportation Committee and Board of Directors actions on agenda items that the ITOC has reviewed: Proposed FY 2014 Program Budget Amendments: Regional Bike Early Action Program Projects; San Diego Forward: The Regional Plan: Draft Network Performance Measures; *TransNet* Environmental Mitigation Program: Land Management Grant Program Quarterly Status Update; and SR 125 Status Report.

Action: This item was presented for information.

7. 2012 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: AMENDMENT NO. 12 (DISCUSSION)

On September 28, 2012, the Board of Directors adopted the 2012 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP), the multiyear program of proposed major transit, highway, arterial and bikeway projects in the San Diego region covering the period FY 2013 to FY 2017. SANDAG processes amendments to the RTIP on a quarterly basis based on requests from member agencies. This amendment represents a regular quarterly amendment to the 2012 RTIP and reflects changes as requested by member agencies.

Sookyung Kim, Financial Programming Manager, presented the item. The ITOC was asked to review and discuss the 2012 RTIP Amendment No. 12, focusing on the *TransNet* Program of Projects.

ITOC members asked staff to include in future RTIP reports the amount by which the programmed funds for a project increased/decreased.

Action: This item was presented for discussion.

8. *TransNet* SMART GROWTH INCENTIVE PROGRAM AND ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION GRANT PROGRAM: STATUS UPDATE AND PROPOSED GRANT AMENDMENT (RECOMMEND)

Suchi Mukherjee, Regional Planner I, provided an overview of the progress made through September 30, 2013, for projects awarded through the *TransNet* Smart Growth Incentive Program and Active Transportation Grant Program.

Marnell Gibson, Deputy Director, Right-of-Way Design Division, City of San Diego Public Works Department, expressed the City of San Diego's appreciation to the ITOC for their previous support for the city's request for a time-only, no-cost schedule extension for their Kelton Road Pedestrian Improvements project. She presented an update of the status of the completed project.

Jeff Graham, President, Civic San Diego, spoke regarding the request for the extension for the City of San Diego Park Boulevard/City College/San Diego High Pedestrian and Transit Access Improvements Smart Growth Incentive Program project.

Richard Seges, Assistant Vice President, Neighborhood Investment, Civic San Diego, spoke regarding the request for the project extension and current construction schedule and conditions.

Action: Upon a motion by Mr. Barnum, and a second by Mr. Fromer, the ITOC recommended that the Regional Planning Committee approve a no-cost, time-only schedule extension for the City of San Diego Park Boulevard/City College/San Diego High Pedestrian and Transit Access Improvements Smart Growth Incentive Program project. Yes – Chair Tibbitts, Vice Chair Ramer, Mr. Barnum, Mr. Fromer, Mr. Halpern, Ms. Lee, and Mr. Vortmann. No – None. Abstain – None. Absent – None.

9. PROPOSED FY 2014 PROGRAM BUDGET AMENDMENTS: REGIONAL BIKE EARLY ACTION PROGRAM PROJECTS (DISCUSSION)

On September 27, 2013, the Board of Directors approved the Regional Bike Plan Early Action Program (Regional Bike Plan EAP), which calls for the implementation of high-priority bikeway projects. The ITOC was asked to review the proposed budget amendments for consistency with the *TransNet* Extension Ordinance.

Chris Kluth, Senior Regional Planner, presented the item.

Action: This item was presented for discussion.

11. FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

The next regular ITOC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 12, 2014, at 9:30 a.m.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Tibbitts adjourned the meeting at 11:20 a.m.