



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MAY 23, 2014**

AGENDA ITEM NO. 14-05-1A

ACTION REQUESTED - APPROVE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS

APRIL 11, 2014

Chairman Jack Dale (Santee) called the meeting of the SANDAG Board of Directors/Tribal Summit to order at 10 a.m. The attendance sheet for the meeting is attached.

1. NETWORKING AMONG ELECTED OFFICIALS

Members of the Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association (SCTCA) and the SANDAG Board of Directors participated in an informal networking forum.

2. WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS (INFORMATION)

Tribal Elder "Boxie" Phoenix led the assembly in a blessing.

Chairman Clifford LaChappa, Barona Band of Mission Indians, welcomed the assembly to the Barona Resort and the Tribal Summit.

Chairman Dale welcomed the assembly and introduced the program.

Chairman Robert Smith, Pala Band of Mission Indians (SCTCA), welcomed the assembly.

Action: This item was presented for information.

3. SOVEREIGNTY AND TRIBAL NATIONS IN THE SAN DIEGO REGION (INFORMATION)

The United States Constitution and treaties recognize Native American communities as sovereign nations within the territorial boundaries of the United States. In the San Diego region, there are 17 federally recognized tribal governments, with jurisdiction over 18 reservations - the most in any county in the United States.

Chairman Anthony Pico, Viejas Band of the Kumeyaay Nation (SCTCA), briefed the assembly regarding the background of tribal sovereignty and on the tribal nations in the San Diego region.

Action: This item was presented for information.

4. SAN DIEGO FORWARD: THE REGIONAL PLAN – VIDEO (INFORMATION)

San Diego Forward: The Regional Plan will combine a big-picture vision for how our region will grow over the next 35 years, with an implementation program to help make that vision a reality. Working in close partnership with the region's 18 cities and the county government, SANDAG will seek to create an innovative plan for our growing community that fuels our economy, protects our environment, and maintains our quality of life. A video introduction to San Diego Forward: The Regional Plan was shared.

First Vice Chair Jim Janney (Imperial Beach) introduced the item.

Action: This item was presented for information.

5. REVIEW OF POLICY AREAS FOR DISCUSSION (DISCUSSION)

A. Policy Areas Identified by Tribes

As part of the tribal consultation process for San Diego Forward: The Regional Plan, the SCTCA and SANDAG conducted a survey of tribal nations to determine what areas within San Diego Forward: The Regional Plan were of interest to the tribes.

Deputy Mayor Lesa Heebner (Solana Beach), SANDAG Regional Planning Committee Chair, introduced the item.

Chairwoman LaVonne Peck, La Jolla Band of the Luiseño Indians (SCTCA), briefed the assembly on the topic areas to set the context for dialogue. The areas identified were cultural resources, economic development, energy, and environmental conservation.

B. Group Discussion on Policy Areas of Mutual Interest

Using an interactive tool, the SCTCA and SANDAG Boards reviewed the previously identified policy areas, and with the assistance of a facilitator, determined those of mutual interest for further discussion.

Lewis Michaelson, Facilitator, led the assembly in a word cloud exercise designed to focus the discussion on areas of mutual interest. The areas that appeared as most often selected were economy, energy, transportation, water quality, infrastructure, traffic, environment, cultural resources, education, jobs, sustainability, and prosperity. The assembly discussed the word cloud exercise results and expressed their concerns and priorities.

Action: This item was presented for discussion.

6. LUNCHEON

7. GROUP DISCUSSION: PRIORITIZE STRATEGIC POLICY AREAS (INFORMATION)

SCTCA and SANDAG Board members discussed policy areas related to San Diego Forward: The Regional Plan to include economy, energy, transportation, water quality, infrastructure, traffic,

environment, cultural resources, education, jobs, sustainability, and prosperity. The assembly identified collaborative opportunities and prioritized strategic actions of mutual concern.

Mr. Michaelson led the discussion.

Action: This item was presented for discussion.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS

Kevin Swanson, a member of the public, spoke regarding the upcoming San Diego 2015 celebration.

9. NEXT STEPS AND CLOSING REMARKS

Chairman Smith and Chairman Dale provided closing remarks.

The next SANDAG Board Business meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 25, 2014, at 9 a.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Dale adjourned the meeting at 2:03 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE
 SANDAG BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
 APRIL 11, 2014**

JURISDICTION/ ORGANIZATION	NAME	ATTENDING OPEN SESSION
City of Carlsbad	Matt Hall (Primary)	Yes
City of Chula Vista	Cheryl Cox (Primary)	Yes
City of Coronado	Michael Woiwode (Primary)	No
City of Del Mar	Terry Sinnott (Primary)	Yes
City of El Cajon	Bill Wells (Primary)	No
City of Encinitas	Teresa Barth (1st Alt.)	Yes
City of Escondido	Sam Abed (Primary)	Yes
City of Imperial Beach	Jim Janney, 1st Vice Chair (Primary)	Yes
City of La Mesa	Kristine Alessio (Primary)	Yes
City of Lemon Grove	Mary Sessom (Primary)	Yes
City of National City	Ron Morrison (Primary)	No
City of Oceanside	Jack Feller (Primary)	Yes
City of Poway	Don Higginson, 2nd Vice Chair (Primary)	Yes
City of San Diego - A	Kevin Faulconer (Primary, Seat A)	No
City of San Diego - B	Todd Gloria (Primary, Seat B)	Yes
City of San Marcos	Chris Orlando (Primary)	Yes
City of Santee	Jack Dale, Chair (Primary)	Yes
City of Solana Beach	Lesa Heebner (Primary)	Yes
City of Vista	Judy Ritter (Primary)	Yes
County of San Diego - A	Ron Roberts (Primary, Seat A)	Yes
County of San Diego - B	Dianne Jacob (Primary, Seat B)	Yes
Caltrans	Laurie Berman (1st. Alt.)	Yes
MTS	Harry Mathis (Primary)	No
NCTD	Bill Horn (Primary)	Yes
Imperial County	Sup. John Renison (Primary)	No
US Dept. of Defense	CAPT Darius Banaji (Primary)	No
SD Unified Port District	Bob Nelson (Primary)	Yes
SD County Water Authority	David Barnum (Alt.)	Yes
Mexico	Remedios Gómez-Arnau (Primary)	Yes
Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association	Allen Lawson (Primary)	Yes