



BORDERS COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS

JANUARY 22, 2016

With the absence of both the Borders Committee Chair and Vice Chair, the meeting of the Borders Committee was called to order by Kim Kawada, Chief Deputy Executive Director, at 12:30 p.m. See the attached attendance sheet for Borders Committee member attendance.

Action: Upon a motion by Supervisor John Renison (Imperial County), and a second by Councilmember Ed Gallo (North County Inland), the Borders Committee elected Mayor Serge Dedina (South County) as Chair Pro Tempore to preside over the meeting. Yes – Chair Pro Tempore Dedina, Supervisor Renison, Councilmember Lorraine Wood (North County Coastal), Councilmember Gallo, and Councilmember Ruth Sterling (East County). No - None. Abstain – None. Absent – City of San Diego and County of San Diego.

1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES (APPROVE)

Action: Upon a motion by Supervisor Renison, and a second by Councilmember Wood, the Borders Committee approved the minutes from the October 23, 2015, and November 20, 2015, meetings. Yes – Chair Pro Tempore Dedina, Supervisor Renison, Councilmember Wood, Councilmember Gallo, and Councilmember Sterling. No - None. Abstain – None. Absent – City of San Diego and County of San Diego.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS

A.A. Tony LoBue, Chair of the Arts Committee, Veterans Museum, asked the Borders Committee to develop a cross-border art working group/committee.

REPORTS

3. SUBREGIONAL REPORTS FROM BORDERS COMMITTEE MEMBERS (INFORMATION)

Bill Figge, Deputy District Director, Caltrans District 11, shared that Caltrans hosted a binational meeting to discuss border infrastructure funding opportunities.

Mark Baza, Executive Director, Imperial County Transportation Commission, spoke about the construction underway at the Calexico West Port of Entry.

Chair Pro Tempore Dedina spoke in favor of the Cross Border Xpress Pedestrian Bridge, and also spoke about the World Surf Leagues Competition held in Ensenada.

Action: This item was presented for information.

4. REPORT FROM THE CONSUL GENERAL OF MEXICO (INFORMATION)

Remedios Gómez-Arnau, Consulate General of Mexico in San Diego, provided a report on the Bilateral Executive Steering Committee for the 21st Century Border Management Initiative.

Action: This item was presented for information.

5. MINUTE 320, A UNITED STATES-MEXICO AGREEMENT FOR BINATIONAL COOPERATION ON TRANSBOUNDARY ISSUES IN THE TIJUANA RIVER BASIN (INFORMATION)

Steve Smullen, U.S. International Boundary and Water Commission, San Diego Office, provided an overview of the recent binational agreement, Minute 320, titled "General Framework for Binational Cooperation on Transboundary Issues in the Tijuana River Basin," signed by the International Boundary and Water Commission, United States, and Mexico.

Action: This item was presented for information.

6. VEHICLE IDLING EMISSIONS STUDY AT CALEXICO EAST AND CALEXICO WEST PORTS OF ENTRY (INFORMATION)

Tom Kear, T. Kear Transportation Planning and Management, Inc., provided an update on a study completed by the Imperial County Air Pollution Control District to estimate emissions at the Calexico East and Calexico West Ports of Entry due to idling vehicles waiting to cross into Imperial County.

Action: This item was presented for information.

7. COMPETITIVE BORDER COMMUNITIES: MAPPING AND DEVELOPING UNITED STATES-MEXICO TRANSBORDER INDUSTRIES (INFORMATION)

Rick Van Schoik, North American Research Partnership, provided an overview of the study, which identifies, maps, and analyzes key industries operating within five binational subregions along the United States-Mexico border.

Kevin Swanson, Syntropic Systems, spoke about a street-addressing and data mapping system to address cross-border issues.

Mario Lopez, Mexican Entrepreneur Association (AEM), spoke about economic impacts from Mexico to San Diego.

Action: This item was presented for information.

8. CONTINUED PUBLIC COMMENT (INFORMATION)

There were no additional public comments.

9. UPCOMING MEETINGS (INFORMATION)

The next meeting of the Borders Committee is scheduled for Friday, February 26, 2016, at 12:30 p.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Pro Tempore Dedina adjourned the meeting at 1:39 p.m.

**CONFIRMED ATTENDANCE
 SANDAG BORDERS COMMITTEE MEETING
 JANUARY 22, 2016**

JURISDICTION	NAME	MEMBER/ ALTERNATE	ATTENDING
South County	Serge Dedina	Member	Yes
	Bill Sandke	Alternate	No
North County Coastal	Lorraine Wood	Member	Yes
	Al Corti	Alternate	No
North County Inland	Ed Gallo	Member	Yes
	Jim Cunningham	Alternate	No
East County	John Minto (Chair)	Member	No
	Ruth Sterling	Alternate	Yes
City of San Diego	David Alvarez	Member	Yes
	Mark Kersey	Alternate	No
County of San Diego	Greg Cox (Vice Chair)	Member	No
	Dianne Jacob	Alternate	No
Imperial County	John Renison	Member	Yes
	VACANT	Alternate	---
ADVISORY MEMBERS			
County of Riverside	Marsha Swanson	Member	Yes
	Shellie Milne	Alternate	No
Republic of Mexico	Remedios Gomez-Arnau	Member	Yes
	Rafael Laveaga	Alternate	No
Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association	Michael Garcia	Member	No
	Cody Martinez	Alternate	No
Caltrans	Laurie Berman	Member	No
	Bill Figge	Alternate	Yes
San Diego County Water Authority	Elsa Saxod	Member	Yes
	Ken Olson	Alternate	No
SCAG	Naresh Amatya	Member	No
	VACANT	Alternate	---
County of Orange	Jim Ferryman	Member	Yes
	Jim Dahl	Alternate	Yes