



**BORDERS COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 28, 2016**

ACTION REQUESTED - APPROVE

BORDERS COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS

SEPTEMBER 23, 2016

The Borders Committee was called to order by Vice Chair Minto (East County) at 12:37 p.m.

1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES (APPROVE)

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Ed Gallo (North County Inland), and a second by Mayor Serge Dedina (South County), the Borders Committee approved the minutes from the June 24, 2016, meeting. Yes – Chair Minto, Vice Chair Cox, Mayor Pro Tem Lorraine Wood (North County Coastal), Councilmember Gallo, and Mayor Serge Dedina (South County). No – None. Abstain – None. Absent – City of San Diego and Imperial County.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS

Juan Saldana, Tijuana Convention and Tourism Business Council, invited Borders Committee members to attend the 50th Anniversary event of the Tijuana Convention and Tourism Bureau in Tijuana scheduled on Friday, September 30, 2016. Mr. Saldana also announced the upcoming art festival and tequila events in Tijuana for the month of October.

REPORTS

3. SUBREGIONAL REPORTS FROM BORDERS COMMITTEE MEMBERS (INFORMATION)

Mayor Serge Dedina, South County, thanked and acknowledged the new Consul General of Mexico in San Diego, Marcela Celorio, and Heidy Salum, Binational Affairs, State of California, for working with authorities and managing the Tijuana River flow during the recent rain storm and additional support by its office and the State's Office of Binational Relations in San Diego.

Mark Baza, Executive Director, Imperial County Transportation Commission, announced that Supervisor Renison was unable to attend meeting and sent his regards to the Borders Committee members.

Action: This item was presented for information.

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

Rafael Laveaga, Deputy Consul General of Mexico, announced that the new Consul General, Marcela Celorio, was unable to attend the meeting due to a family emergency in Mexico. An updated report will be provided by the Consul General at the next meeting of the Borders Committee.

Action: This item was presented for information.

5. A FRESH LOOK AT IMPACTS OF BORDER DELAYS AT CALIFORNIA-BAJA CALIFORNIA PORTS OF ENTRY (INFORMATION)

Chair Minto introduced the item.

Elisa Arias, Principal Regional Planner, provided an update on the study initiated by SANDAG, in collaboration with Caltrans and the Imperial County Transportation Commission, to assess the economic and air quality/climate impacts of border delays at California-Baja California ports of entry (POEs).

Miguel Aguirre, Border Fusion Group, spoke in favor of the item and further commented on border wide benefits of border infrastructure and the impacts caused by border delays that affect the private sector and communities at the California-Baja California POEs.

Action: This item was presented for information.

6. CALIFORNIA SUSTAINABLE FREIGHT ACTION PLAN UPDATE (INFORMATION)

Chair Minto introduced the item.

Chris Schmidt, Caltrans, provided an overview of the California Sustainable Freight Action Plan (Action Plan) released by state agency leaders on July 29, 2016, in response to Governor Brown's Executive Order B-32-15. The Action Plan is a comprehensive document that serves as a blueprint for transforming the state's multi-billion-dollar freight transport system into one that is environmentally cleaner, more efficient, and more economically competitive than it is today.

Action: This item was presented for information.

7. 2016 TIJUANA INNOVADORA (INFORMATION)

Chair Minto introduced the item.

Laura Araujo, Tijuana Innovadora, provided an update and highlighted the program of the fourth Tijuana Innovadora event being held November 3-10, 2016, which will showcase three major themes of ecology, creativity, and fashion in the region.

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, October 28, 2016, at 12:30 p.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Minto adjourned the meeting at 2:11 p.m.

**CONFIRMED ATTENDANCE
 SANDAG BORDERS COMMITTEE MEETING
 SEPTEMBER 23, 2016**

JURISDICTION	NAME	MEMBER/ ALTERNATE	ATTENDING
South County	Serge Dedina	Member	Yes
	Bill Sandke	Alternate	Yes
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	Yes
	Ruth Sterling	Alternate	No
City of San Diego	David Alvarez	Member	No
	Mark Kersey	Alternate	No
County of San Diego	Greg Cox (Vice Chair)	Member	Yes
	Dianne Jacob	Alternate	No
Imperial County	John Renison	Member	No
	Maritza Hurtado	Alternate	No
ADVISORY MEMBERS			
County of Riverside	Marsha Swanson	Member	Yes
	Shellie Milne	Alternate	No
Republic of Mexico	Marcela Celorio	Member	No
	Rafael Laveaga	Alternate	Yes
Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association	Michael Garcia	Member	No
	Cody Martinez	Alternate	No
Caltrans	Laurie Berman	Member	Yes
	Bill Figge	Alternate	Yes
San Diego County Water Authority	Elsa Saxod	Member	Yes
	Ken Olson	Alternate	No
SCAG	Naresh Amatya	Member	No
	David C. Salgado	Alternate	Yes
County of Orange	Jim Ferryman	Member	Yes
	Jim Dahl	Alternate	Yes