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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

November 21, 2003

Chairman Ron Morrison called the meeting of the SANDAG Board of Directors to order at 9 a.m. The attendance sheet for the meeting is attached.

1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Action: A motion and second were made to approve the minutes as presented from the October 24, 2003, Board of Directors meeting. Yes – 14 (weighted vote, 94%), No – 0 (weighted vote, 2%), Abstain – 1 (City of Encinitas), Absent – 5 (Cities of Coronado, Oceanside, San Diego, Santee, and the County of San Diego).

2. ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

None.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS/MEMBERS COMMENTS

Mayor Dick Murphy (City of San Diego) introduced to the Board San Diego's recently appointed Police Chief, Bill Lansdowne. Chief Lansdowne was the Chief of Police for San Jose, California, prior to accepting his post in San Diego. Chief Lansdowne thanked Mayor Murphy for the introduction, and stated that he looks forward to associating with SANDAG in the future.

Mayor Joe Kellejian (City of Solana Beach) stated that Solana Beach, in an unprecedented decision, has banned smoking on its 1.4 miles of public beach.

Deputy Mayor Maggie Houlihan (City of Encinitas) reported that there will be a dedication ceremony for the new Veteran's War Memorial at Cottonwood Park, Encinitas, on December 7, 2003, at 1:00 p.m. The ceremony will include a 21-gun salute and live music. Members of the Board and public were encouraged to attend.

Councilmember Patricia McCoy (City of Imperial Beach) related her recent experiences while riding the Trolley last week from South County to attend SANDAG's U.S. Visit meeting. She stated that she found the conditions on the Trolley to be very bad with regard to safety, cleanliness, timeliness, seat space, and comfort. Councilmember McCoy explained how during her trip she waited over an hour for the Trolley to arrive, therefore arriving quite late for her meeting. She experienced much discomfort due to the narrow, ill-padded seating. She also experienced having a large individual who was involved in a physical conflict with another individual fall onto her lap while she was seated. She then nearly sat in filth left

behind on a seat by a previous passenger. She stated that taking the Trolley is unusual for her, so consider what the worker who rides it daily must experience. Improving the quality of Trolley ridership needs to remain a top priority.

Chair Morrison commented on two items he wished to share with the Board and the public:

- First, an invitation to a train tour of the Carrizo Gorge and Goat Canyon Trestle to celebrate the reopening of the San Diego and Arizona Eastern rail link. The train tour will be held December 6, 2003, beginning at 12:30 p.m.
- Second, a letter thanking Jeff Tayman, SANDAG's Technical Services Director, from Incident Commander John R. Hawkins of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. The letter thanked Mr. Tayman and SANDAG staff for providing outstanding GIS and mapping support to Command Team 5 during the Cedar Fire.

Chuck Lungerhausen, a resident of San Diego County, representing disabled transit users, stated that more funding is needed for wheelchair/disabled transit access.

#### 4. CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9 CONCERNING STATE ROUTE (SR) 76 CONSTRUCTION CLAIMS

Conference with Legal Counsel – Pending Litigation, C.A. Rasmussen, Inc., v. California Department of Transportation (Case No. A-0035-00)

Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation, Potential initiation of litigation against C.A. Rasmussen, Inc. (one case)

Chair Morrison called the meeting into closed session at 9:40 a.m. The meeting was reconvened into open session at 10:30 a.m.

General Counsel reported out of closed session that the Board has given settlement authority within a specified range to the Executive Director for the upcoming mediation with Rasmussen. The Board has authorized staff to pursue legal action against Rasmussen under the False Claims Act.

### **CONSENT ITEMS (5 through 13)**

#### 5. ACTIONS BY POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEES

#### 6. ANNUAL MEETING CALENDAR

The Board of Directors was presented with the meeting calendars for the Board and the Policy Advisory Committees for the upcoming year.

#### 7. FY 2004 OWP/BUDGET AMENDMENTS

The Executive Committee has recommended that the Board of Directors approve the following budget amendments:

(1) Accept \$130,000 from the U.S. Department of Education, (2) increase the Highway Development Plan by \$650,000 to conduct the value pricing study for the Interstate 5 (I-5) North Coast/high occupancy vehicle (HOV) Managed Lane Project, (3) increase Regional Transportation Performance Monitoring by \$200,000 to expand the capabilities of the Regional Performance Monitoring system, and (4) increase Transportation Planning for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities by \$141,750.

#### 8. FY 2005 BUDGET CALENDAR

Staff reported that the Executive Committee has recommended to the Board of Directors that the SANDAG Bylaws be changed to require budget adoption by June 30, instead of the current July 1 date.

#### 9. FY 2004 DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) PROGRAM

Federal regulations require all recipients of funds from the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) to develop DBE programs with specific project goals. The draft program is pending approval by Caltrans and, with Board approval, will be distributed for public comment.

#### 10. PROPOSED NEW BOARD POLICIES

Over the last two months, staff has provided six proposed policies to the Transportation Committee for review and comment. The Transportation Committee recommended approval of all six policies. If approved by the Board, they will become new SANDAG Board Policies.

#### 11. SAN DIEGO AND ARIZONA EASTERN (SD&AE) RAILWAY REOPENING ACTIVITIES (RESOLUTION #2004-07)

The Carrizo Gorge Railway is completing repairs to reopen the rail link between San Diego and Imperial Valley. To assist in the reopening and to prepare a business plan for the Railway, the Transportation Committee recommends to the SANDAG Board that it authorize the Executive Director to accept up to \$1.6 million of Transportation Equity Act for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (TEA-21) demonstration funds, amend the FY 2004 Overall Work Program and Budget, and contract for consultant services related to reopening the SD&AE Railway.

#### 12. PROGRESS REPORT ON TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS (INFORMATION)

Staff presented a report on the current status of major highway, transit, arterial, traffic management, and Transportation Demand Management (TDM) projects in SANDAG's five-year Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP). The *TransNet* one-half percent local sales tax and other local, state, and federal sources fund these projects.

#### 13. QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT — PERIOD ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2003

As required by State law, the Board was presented with a quarterly report of investments held by SANDAG.

Action: A motion and second was made to approve Consent Items 5 through 13. Yes – 17. No – 0. Abstain - 0. Absent – 2 (County of San Diego and City of Santee).

### CHAIR'S REPORT

#### 14. FINAL 2030 CITIES/COUNTY GROWTH FORECAST

Staff reported that the Final 2030 Cities/County Growth Forecast is the baseline view of the future for the first Regional Comprehensive Plan (RCP). It shows an increase for the San Diego region of one million persons, 439,000 jobs, and 314,000 housing units. The forecast reflects the likely distribution of this growth to jurisdictions and other areas within the region based on the currently adopted land use plans and policies of the 18 cities, and the most recent information from the County of San Diego's general plan update (GP2020) for unincorporated areas. This final forecast updates the Preliminary 2030 Regional Growth Forecast approved by the Board in October 2002. This update incorporates an extensive review by local agencies, recent releases of 2000 census information, and a revised national economic forecast. The Final 2030 Regional Growth Forecast will be brought back for Board approval at next month's meeting.

Gail Goldberg (City of San Diego) commented about the process of planning for 2030. Ms. Goldberg expressed her gratitude for the excellent work done to date on the project.

Mayor Phil Monroe (City of Coronado) presented a chart on the job/housing ratio of individual areas.

#### 15. PRESENTATION OF AWARD OF RECOGNITION TO SENATOR DENISE MORENO DUCHENY FOR PASSAGE OF SB 491

This activity was postponed until the next meeting.

#### 16. ASSOCIATION OF METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (AMPO) NATIONAL PLANNING AWARD (INFORMATION)

Mayor Mary Sessom (City of Imperial Beach) reported that during the AMPO annual conference last month, she was honored to accept on behalf of SANDAG the AMPO Award for Technical Merit in Metropolitan Planning for the publication, *Planning and Designing for Pedestrians*. Mayor Sessom circulated the award for the Board's review.

#### 17. Chair Morrison introduced and welcomed to the Board of Directors the new SANDAG Board Member, Barry Jantz. Mr. Jantz will represent the City of La Mesa as its regular member.

## REPORTS

### 18. 2004 ANNUAL RETREAT

Staff reported that the Executive Committee has scheduled the 2004 Annual Retreat for Wednesday afternoon, all day Thursday, and Friday morning, January 28, 29, and 30, 2004, in the desert community of Borrego Springs. The primary objective of the retreat is to afford participants the opportunity to discuss strategies for some of the agency's regional policies and programs. From these retreat discussions, participants can develop ideas for the future direction of the agency.

The Executive Committee is recommending three major topics to serve as the foundation of the retreat: agency consolidation, funding for *TransNet*, and the draft Regional Comprehensive Plan, with extra focus on public transit. Invitations for the Retreat will be sent out in Mid-December.

Action: A motion and second was made to approve the 2004 Annual Retreat. Yes – 18 (weighted vote, 100%). No – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Abstain – 0 (0%). Absent – 1 (County of San Diego).

### 19. COBRO ANNUAL REPORT AND CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATIONS

Elsa Saxod, Chair of the Committee on Binational Regional Opportunities (COBRO), presented to the Board the annual report of COBRO and the recommendations from the 2003 Summer Conference. She stated that the next conference will most likely be held in July 2004.

Action: A motion and second was made to approve the COBRO Annual Report and Conference Recommendations. Yes – 18 (weighted vote, 100%). No – 0 (weighted vote, 0%). Abstain – 0 (0%). Absent – 1 (County of San Diego).

### 20. DRAFT FINAL ARJIS/SANDAG CONSOLIDATION PLAN

Mayor Art Madrid, Chair of the ARJIS Board, reported that since April 2003 the consolidation of the Automated Regional Justice Information System (ARJIS) into SANDAG has been pursued by the ARJIS/SANDAG Consolidation Committee. The specific working group is composed of members from the ARJIS Board and the Chief's/Sheriff's Management Committee. The Draft Final Consolidation Plan has been reviewed by the Consolidation Committee, the ARJIS Board, and the SANDAG Executive Committee. Significant modifications to the ARJIS joint powers agency (JPA) include the creation of a SANDAG Public Safety Policy Advisory Committee (PSPAC) that will replace the current ARJIS Board and Executive Committee. ARJIS consolidation also requires changes to a SANDAG Policy Advisory Committee policy to allow voting rights to nonelected officials serving on the PSPAC. The final plan will be brought back for Board approval at next month's meeting. The Board is being asked to direct staff to docket for approval the new ARJIS JPA on the agenda of each city council and the County Board of Supervisors. In addition, the Board is being asked to work with the law enforcement agencies, which will appoint representatives to the proposed Public Safety Policy Advisory Committee subject to Board approval, and on approval of the revised ARJIS JPA by member jurisdictions.

He stated that on Page 21, Section 3.1, the last sentence, a modification was made on the issue of subcommittees, to read: "The management subcommittee may now appoint advisory members."

Mayor Madrid congratulated Board members and SANDAG staff on their excellent work to date, and thanked them for their participation.

## 21. RESULTS OF COMMUNITY BASED OUTREACH, REGIONAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Mayor Lori Holt Pfeiler (City of Escondido) reported on the five local low-income, minority, and disabled community-based organizations who received grants from SANDAG to conduct outreach and secure input for the Regional Comprehensive Plan (RCP). The input received from these communities has been incorporated into the draft RCP, which will be presented to the Board at its December 19, 2003, meeting.

Mayor Holt Pfeiler introduced representatives from three of the outreach grant recipient organizations, who presented the following comments:

Ms. Irene Linayo Putman of the Union of Pan Asian Communities stated that the outreach grants greatly helped to increase the number and diversity of Asian groups participating in the public process. She expressed her gratitude that the Pan Asian community was able to contribute its voice to this cause.

Mr. Bob Eagleman of Able-Disabled Advocacy stated that he and his organization took pride in being involved with the focus group process on behalf of the disabled and tribal communities. The process was very helpful in providing input to SANDAG on the difficulty persons with disabilities and those in remote communities have in accessing transit to get into the city, specifically for job interviews.

Mr. Rob Howard, Chairman of the North San Diego County Chapter of the NAACP stated that the outreach program was aligned with the issues of underserved communities. His chapter was able to solicit input from African-American and Hispanic residents during community events and at other regularly scheduled community events. The organization made hundreds of phone calls to encourage participation at the SANDAG public workshop in Oceanside. He urged the SANDAG Board to continue to strengthen the connection between larger, better-funded organizations and smaller community organizations.

## 22. UPCOMING MEETINGS

The next business meeting of the Board of Directors will take place on Friday, December 19, 2003, immediately followed by the Board's holiday luncheon and annual photos. There will be no Policy Board meeting on December 5, 2003.

Chair Morrison also mentioned that the first two weeks of January is the time for selection of Board and Policy Advisory Committee members. There will be a letter going out this week to the Board to explain the selection process.

23. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

GARY L. GALLEGOS  
Secretary

Attachment: Attendance Sheet

**ATTENDANCE**  
**SANDAG BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING**  
**NOVEMBER 21, 2003**

JURISDICTION/ ORGANIZATION	NAME	ATTENDING	COMMENTS
City of Carlsbad	Ramona Finnila (Member)	Yes	
City of Chula Vista	Steve Padilla (Member)	Yes	
City of Coronado	Phil Monroe (Member)	Yes	
City of Del Mar	Richard Earnest (Alternate)	Yes	
City of El Cajon	Mark Lewis (Member)	Yes	
City of Encinitas	Maggie Houlihan (Alternate)	Yes	
City of Escondido	Lori Holt Pfeiler (Member)	Yes	
City of Imperial Beach	Patricia McCoy (Member)	Yes	
City of La Mesa	Barry Jantz (Member)	Yes	
City of Lemon Grove	Mary Sessom (Member)	Yes	
City of National City	Ron Morrison, Chair (Member)	Yes	
City of Oceanside	Jack Feller (Member)	Yes	
City of Oceanside	Terry Johnson (Alternate)	Yes	
City of Poway	Mickey Cafagna, Vice Chair (Me	Yes	
City of San Diego – A	Dick Murphy (Member)	Yes	
City of San Diego - B	Jim Madaffer (Member)	Yes	
City of San Marcos	Corky Smith (Member)	Yes	
City of Santee	Jack Dale (Alternate)	Yes	
City of Solana Beach	Joe Kellejian (Member)	Yes	
City of Vista	Morris Vance (Member)	Yes	
County of San Diego	Ron Roberts (Alternate)	Yes	
<b>ADVISORY MEMBERS LISTED BELOW (ATTENDANCE <b>NOT</b> COUNTED FOR QUORUM PURPOSES)</b>			
Caltrans	Bill Figge (Alternate)	Yes	
MTDB	Leon Williams (Member)	Yes	
NCTD	Judy Ritter (Member)	Yes	
Imperial County	Victor Carrillo (Member)	No	
US Dept. of Defense	CAPT Christopher Schanze (Men	Yes	
SD Unified Port District	Jess Van Deventer (Member)	Yes	
SD County Water Authority	Bud Lewis (Alternate)	Yes	
Baja California/Mexico	Rodulfo Figueroa Aramoni	No	