

## April 9, 2021, Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Chair Catherine Blakespear (Encinitas) called the meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 9:02 a.m.

**Action: Approve**

The Board of Directors is asked to approve the minutes from its April 9, 2021, meeting.

### 1. Public Comments/Continued Public Comments

Jesse O'Sullivan, Circulate San Diego, asked the Board to consider adopting a Vision Zero policy with the goal of reducing the number of street traffic fatalities and serious injuries to zero.

Lori Saldaña, former Assemblymember, spoke regarding the memorialization of more women and people of color on public highways and bridges.

Nicole Burgess, member of the public, asked the Board to consider adopting a Vision Zero policy with the goal of reducing the number of street traffic fatalities and serious injuries to zero.

Noah Harris, Climate Action Campaign and Quality of Life Coalition, asked the Board to consider adopting a Vision Zero policy with the goal of reducing the number of street traffic fatalities and serious injuries to zero.

Mike Bullock, member of the public, spoke regarding climate stabilization targets and the Regional Transportation Plan.

Karina Gonzalez, member of the public, asked the Board to consider adopting a Vision Zero policy with the goal of reducing the number of street traffic fatalities and serious injuries to zero.

Councilmember Paloma Aguirre, Metropolitan Transit System, spoke regarding the new PRONTO system and changes to the fare ordinance.

Mayor Rebecca Jones, City of San Marcos, spoke regarding stakeholder involvement in planning Class 3 and 4 bike lanes, as well as the process for members requesting to add an item to the agenda.

Mayor Serge Dedina, City of Imperial Beach, spoke regarding sewage issues in the border region and Imperial Beach.

### 2. Executive Director's Report (Discussion)

Executive Director Hasan Ikhata presented an update on key programs, projects, and agency initiatives.

There were no public comments on this item.

### 3. 2021 Regional Plan: Role of Technology (Discussion)

A panel of SANDAG staff and industry leaders discussed the technology trends that have disrupted transportation, and opportunities to leverage technology in support of our goals for fast, fair and clean mobility.

Councilmember Dan Quirk, City of Del Mar, asked if key technological trends are converging to create a new form mass transit; and asked SANDAG to consider whether or not light rail was a good investment given continuing technological advances and low ridership.

Gretchen Newsome, IBW569 and the Quality of Life Coalition, spoke regarding policies to ensure socially equitable outcomes from the Regional Plan.

David Grubb, Quality of Life Coalition, spoke regarding climate change and ending reliance on fossil fuels.

Bee Mittermiller, Quality of Life Coalition, spoke regarding the inequitable impacts of the digital divide.

Noah Harris spoke regarding equitable access to transportation technologies, and climate change impacts on communities of concern.

Deborah Knight, Friends of Rose Canyon and Quality of Life Coalition, spoke in opposition to highway widening and the addition of additional HOV lanes.

Carolina Martinez, Environmental Health Coalition, spoke regarding the transition to electric buses.

Jesse O'Sullivan spoke regarding actions the agency can take now in support of safety and combating climate change.

### **Consent**

#### **4. Approval of Meeting Minutes (Approve)**

The Board of Directors was asked to approve the minutes from its March 26, 2021, meeting.

There were no public comments on this item.

#### **5. Policy Advisory Committee Actions (Approve)**

The Board of Directors was asked to ratify the delegated actions taken by the Policy Advisory Committees.

There were no public comments on this item.

#### **6. Executive Director Delegated Actions (Information)**

In accordance with various Board Policies, this report summarized delegated actions taken by the Executive Director.

There were no public comments on this item.

#### **7. Audit Committee Public Member Screening Committee (Approve)**

The Board of Directors was asked to approve Lauren Warrem, Chief Deputy Treasurer for the County of San Diego, as a member of the SANDAG Audit Committee Public Member Screening Committee.

There were no public comments on this item.

Action: Upon a motion by Second Vice Chair Sotelo-Solis and a second by Vice Chair Todd Gloria (City of San Diego) the Board of Directors voted to approve Consent Item Nos. 4 through 7.

The motion passed.

Yes: Chair Blakespear, Vice Chair Gloria, Second Vice Chair Sotelo-Solis, Mayor Matt Hall (City of Carlsbad), Mayor Mary Salas (City of Chula Vista), Councilmember Mike Donovan (City of Coronado), Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer (County of San Diego), Mayor Terry Gaasterland (City of Del Mar), Mayor Bill Wells (City of El Cajon), Councilmember Consuelo Martinez (City of Escondido), Mayor Serge Dedina (City of Imperial Beach), Councilmember Jack Shu (City of La Mesa), Mayor Racquel Vasquez (City of Lemon Grove), Councilmember Christopher Rodriguez (City of Oceanside), Mayor Steve Vaus (City of Poway), Mayor Rebecca Jones (City of San Marcos), Mayor John Minto (City of Santee), Mayor Lesa Heebner (City of Solana Beach), and Mayor Judy Ritter (City of Vista).

No: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

## Reports

### 8. 2021 Regional Plan: Supporting Considerations Resolution (Adopt)

Councilmember Shu presented the item.

Gretchen Newsome spoke in support of the Resolution.

Lori Saldaña spoke regarding historically marginalized groups and asked the board to consider delaying the vote to gather additional public input if the Resolution does not align with the agency's equity statement.

Shane Harris, member of the public, asked the Board to amend the Resolution to include any state-approved apprenticeship programs.

Craig Jones, member of the public, recommended a language change to the Resolution that would include the elimination of land use sprawl.

Eric Christen, member of the public, spoke in opposition to Project Labor Agreements (PLA) and asked that all state-approved apprenticeship programs be included.

Brad Barnum, Association of General Contractors (AGC), spoke in opposition to PLAs, and asked the Board to meet with stakeholders for their input before approving a Resolution.

Aasiyah Hameed, member of the public spoke in support of amending the Resolution to include the Black Contractors Association.

Dustin Steiner, AGC, spoke in opposition to the PLA language and asked that stakeholders be included in discussions about how to amend the Resolution.

Tom Lemmon, member of the public, spoke in support of the Resolution and joint labor management apprenticeship programs.

Mike Bullock, member of the public, spoke in support of the Resolution and vehicle miles traveled and greenhouse gas reductions.

Eddie Sprecco, AGC, spoke in support of the Regional Plan and in opposition to the PLA language in the Resolution.

Abdure-Rahim Hameed, Black Contractors Association, spoke in opposition to the PLA language and asked that all state-approved apprenticeship programs be included.

Francisco Pena, member of the public, spoke regarding apprenticeship opportunities.

Ricardo Flores, member of the public, urged the Board to provide apprenticeship opportunities for women and communities of color who have been underrepresented.

Carol Kim, member of the public, spoke in support of the Resolution.

Action: A motion was by Mayor Jones, and seconded by Mayor Hall, to allow stakeholders who will be directly affected, including the Black Contractors Association, be allowed to provide input on an augmented resolution, and that that augmented resolution be presented to the Transportation and Regional Planning Committees for recommendation prior to coming back to the Board for approval, no later than July 2021.

A substitute motion was made by Mayor Sotelo-Solis, and seconded by Mayor Gloria, to amend the last paragraph of the first page of the Resolution to include the Black Contractors Association.

A motion was made by Mayor Minto, and seconded by Councilmember Rodriguez, to vacate the substitute motion on the floor.

The motion failed.

Yes: Mayor Hall, Mayor Richard Bailey (City of Coronado), Mayor Gaasterland, Mayor Wells, Councilmember Rodriguez, Mayor Vaus, Mayor Jones, Mayor Minto, and Mayor Ritter.

No: Chair Blakespear, Vice Chair Gloria, Second Vice Chair Sotelo-Solis, Mayor Salas, Supervisor Lawson-Remer, Councilmember Martinez, Councilmember Paloma Aguirre (City of Imperial Beach), Councilmember Shu, and Mayor Heebner.

Abstain: None.

Absent: City of Lemon Grove.

The Board voted on the substitute motion on the floor.

The motion failed.

Yes: Chair Blakespear, Vice Chair Gloria, Second Vice Chair Sotelo-Solis, Mayor Salas, Supervisor Lawson-Remer, Councilmember Martinez, Councilmember Aguirre, Councilmember Shu, and Mayor Heebner.

No: Mayor Hall, Mayor Bailey, Mayor Gaasterland, Mayor Wells, Councilmember Rodriguez, Mayor Vaus, Mayor Jones, Mayor Minto, and Mayor Ritter.

Abstain: None.

Absent: City of Lemon Grove.

Councilmember Shu and Supervisor Lawson-Remer called for a weighted vote on the substitute motion.

The motion passed.

Yes: Chair Blakespear, Vice Chair Gloria, Second Vice Chair Sotelo-Solis, Mayor Salas, Supervisor Lawson-Remer, Councilmember Martinez, Councilmember Aguirre, Councilmember Shu, Council President Jennifer Campbell (City of San Diego – Seat B), and Mayor Heebner.

No: Mayor Gaasterland.

Abstain: None.

Absent: City of Carlsbad, City of Coronado, County of San Diego – Seat B, City of El Cajon, City of Lemon Grove, City of Oceanside, City of Poway, City of San Marcos, City of Santee, and City of Vista.

#### 9. Upcoming Meetings

The next Board Policy meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 23, 2021, at 9 a.m.

#### 10. Adjournment

Chair Blakespear adjourned the meeting at 12:50 p.m.

## Confirmed Attendance at Board of Directors Meeting

April 9, 2021

Board of Directors	Title	Name	Attend Virtually
City of Carlsbad	Mayor	Matt Hall (Primary)	Yes
City of Chula Vista	Mayor	Mary Salas (Primary)	Yes
City of Coronado	Mayor	Richard Bailey (Primary)	Yes
County of San Diego	Supervisor	Terra Lawson-Remer (Primary)	Yes
County of San Diego	Supervisor	Joel Anderson (Primary)	No
City of Del Mar	Mayor	Terry Gaasterland (Primary)	Yes
City of El Cajon	Mayor	Bill Wells (Primary)	Yes
City of Encinitas	Chair	Catherine Blakespear (Primary)	Yes
City of Escondido	Mayor	Consuelo Martinez (2nd Alt.)	Yes
City of Imperial Beach	Mayor	Serge Dedina (Primary)	Yes
City of La Mesa	Councilmember	Jack Shu (Primary)	Yes
City of Lemon Grove	Mayor	Racquel Vasquez (Primary)	Yes
City of National City	Second Vice Chair	Alejandra Sotelo-Solis (Primary)	Yes
City of Oceanside	Councilmember	Christopher Rodriguez (Primary)	Yes
City of Poway	Mayor	Steve Vaus (Primary)	Yes
City of San Diego	Vice Chair	Todd Gloria (Primary)	Yes
City of San Diego	Council President	Jen Campbell (Primary)	Yes
City of San Marcos	Mayor	Rebecca Jones (Primary)	Yes
City of Santee	Mayor	John Minto (Primary)	Yes
City of Solana Beach	Mayor	Lesia Heebner (Primary)	Yes
City of Vista	Mayor	Judy Ritter (Primary)	Yes
Caltrans		Gustavo Dallarda (1st Alt.)	Yes
Metropolitan Transit System	Councilmember	Paloma Aguirre (Primary)	Yes
North County Transit District	NCTD Chair	Tony Kranz (Primary)	Yes
Imperial County	Supervisor	Sup. Jesus Escobar (Primary)	No
U.S. Department of Defense	Executive Director	Dennis Keck (Primary)	Yes
Port of San Diego	Commissioner	Garry Bonelli (Primary)	Yes
San Diego County Water Authority	Councilmember	Mel Katz (Primary)	Yes
San Diego County Regional Airport Authority		Johanna Schiavoni (Primary)	Yes
Mexico	Consul General	Natalia Figueroa (Alternate)	Yes
SCTCA	Chairman	Cody Martinez	Yes