

December 3, 2021, Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Chair Catherine Blakespear (City of Encinitas) called the meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 9:01 a.m.

Action: Approve

The Board of Directors is asked to approve the minutes from its December 3, 2021, meeting.

1. Public Comments/Communications

Mike Bullock, member of the public, provided feedback on the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the 2021 Regional Plan.

Nastassia Patin, member of the public, spoke in support of the 2021 Regional Plan.

Lori Saldaña, member of the public, spoke regarding Community Benefit Agreements and urged the Board to allow time for further community input.

Shane Harris, member of the public, spoke in support of the Black Contractors Association.

Bee Mittermiller, member of the public, spoke in support of the 2021 Regional Plan.

Steve Gelb, member of the public, spoke in support of the 2021 Regional Plan.

Rita Clement, member of the public, spoke in support of the 2021 Regional Plan.

Carla Ruiz, member of the public, spoke in support of the 2021 Regional Plan.

Nicole Burgess, member of the public, spoke in support of the 2021 Regional Plan.

A member of the public spoke regarding low bus ridership and in opposition to a mileage tax.

Alex Wong, member of the public, spoke in opposition to a mileage tax.

Pamela Heatherington, member of the public, spoke in support of the 2021 Regional Plan.

Matt Schalles, member of the public, spoke in support of the 2021 Regional Plan.

David Grubb, member of the public, spoke in support of a mileage tax for Electric Vehicles.

Reports

2. 2021 Regional Plan: Response to Late Comments (Discussion)

Director of Regional Planning Coleen Clementson provided an update on responses to late comments on the 2021 Regional Plan and its Environmental Impact Report, including the project description.

Bill Tippets, member of the public, spoke in support of the 2021 Regional Plan.

Courtney Ransom, member of the public, spoke in support of the 2021 Regional Plan.

Noah Harris, Climate Action Campaign, member of the public, spoke in support of the 2021 Regional Plan and in opposition to removal of any potential future funding sources.

Will Rhatigan, member of the public, spoke in support of the 2021 Regional Plan.

Lori Saldaña spoke in support of public transit and the need for amenities such as restrooms.

Karinna Gonzalez, member of the public, spoke in support of the 2021 Regional Plan.

Mike Bullock spoke in support of implementation of a mileage tax before 2030 to replace the gas tax.

Action: Discussion only.

3. *TransNet* Extension Ordinance Funding Overview (Discussion)

Ray Major presented an update on *TransNet* Extension Ordinance funding.

Lori Saldaña spoke regarding her concern over ridership numbers, and Blue Line Trolley first and last mile improvements.

Nicole Burgess spoke regarding concerns over forecasting errors.

Mike Bullock spoke regarding the Blue Line Trolley, farebox return, and parking management.

Action: Discussion only.

4. Update on Airport Transit Connectivity and Central Mobility Hub Project (Information)

Ryan Kohut and Omar Atayee provided an update on a transit connection to the San Diego International Airport and the Central Mobility Hub project.

Colin Parent, Circulate SD, spoke in support of the staff presentation.

Noah Harris spoke in opposition to plans that do not account for sea level rise.

Alex Wong spoke regarding alternatives to Trolley extensions, such as automated people movers, and in support for plans that involve the Port.

Mike Bullock spoke regarding reduction of Vehicle Miles Travelled (VMT).

Lori Saldana spoke regarding coastal erosion and risk assessments.

Nicole Burgess urged the Board to consider ways to capitalize on existing infrastructure.

Josh Coyne, Downtown San Diego Partnership, spoke in support of the staff presentation.

Tim Bilash inquired about transit ridership numbers.

Action: Information only.

5. *TransNet* Regional Bike Early Action Program (Discussion)

The Board of Directors is asked to discuss proposals to expedite the delivery of *TransNet* Regional Bike Early Action Program projects.

Deborah Knight, member of the public, spoke in opposition to the alignment along the Coastal Rail Trail in Rose Canyon.

Laura Keenan spoke regarding the need for safety improvements for cyclists after the death of her brother.

Colin Parent spoke in support of the Program.

Andy Hanshaw, member of the public, spoke regarding needed safety improvements and cyclist fatalities.

Alex Wong spoke regarding bike lanes in dense urban areas vs. suburban areas.

Noah Harris spoke in support of expediting bike projects and community engagement.

Chris Nielsen, member of the public, spoke in opposition to the Rose Canyon alignment.

Matt Schalles

Lori Saldana

Nevo Magnesi, member of the public, spoke in support of the Program.

Mike Bullock spoke regarding VMT reduction.

Nicole Burgess spoke in support of the Program and regarding bike safety measures.

Action: Discussion only.

6. Del Mar Bluffs Project Update (Information)

This item was continued to a future meeting.

7. Chief Executive Officer's Report (Discussion)

This item was continued to a future meeting.

8. Upcoming Meetings

A Special meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for Friday, December 10, 2021, at 8:30 a.m.

9. Adjournment

Chair Blakespear adjourned the meeting at 12:21 p.m.

Confirmed Attendance at Board of Directors Meeting

December 3, 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)	Yes
City of Del Mar	Mayor	Terry Gaasterland (Primary)	Yes
City of El Cajon	Councilmember	Bill Wells (Primary)	Yes
City of Encinitas	Mayor	Catherine Blakespear (Primary)	Yes
City of Escondido	Mayor	Paul McNamara (Primary)	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	Councilmember	Steve Vaus (Primary)	Yes
City of San Diego	Vice Chair	Todd Gloria (Primary)	Yes
City of San Diego	Council President	Jennifer 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		Gil Cabrera (Primary)	Yes
Mexico	Consul General	Carlos González Gutiérrez (Primary)	No
SCTCA	Chairman	Cody Martinez	No