

November 19, 2021, Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

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

Action: Approve

The Board of Directors is asked to approve the minutes from its November 19, 2021, meeting.

1. Public Comments/Communications

Rich Martendell, member of the public, spoke in opposition to a road usage tax.

Mike Bullock, member of the public, spoke regarding Proposition 26, road usage taxes, and the gas tax.

Nicole Burgess, member of the public, spoke regarding active transportation.

Brian Hoffman, member of the public, spoke regarding the uptown bikeway.

Consent

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes (Approve)

The Board of Directors was asked to approve the minutes from its October 22 and October 29, 2021, meetings.

There were no public comments on this item.

4. TransNet Environmental Mitigation Program: FY 2022 Annual Funding (Approve)

The Transportation and Regional Planning Committees recommend that the Board of Directors approve the allocation of \$4 million in funding for FY 2022 for regional land management and biological monitoring.

There were no public comments on this item.

5. Approval of Solicitation for the Development of a Resource Management Plan and Ownership and Management of the Rancho Lilac Property (Approve)

The Board of Directors was asked to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to conduct a solicitation for the development of a Resource Management Plan and Ownership and Management of Rancho Lilac.

There were no public comments on this item.

6. Approval of Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 Vehicles in Continued Non-Use Status (Approve)

The Board of Directors was asked to approve waivers of Board Policy No. 035 to authorize staff to grant requests for non-use status for three grantees' vehicles.

There were no public comments on this item.

7. Policy Advisory Committee Actions (Approve)

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

There were no public comments on this item.

8. 2022 Board of Directors and Policy Advisory Committee Annual Meeting Calendar (Approve)

The Board of Directors was asked to approve the calendar of meetings of the Board and Policy Advisory Committees for the upcoming year.

There were no public comments on this item.

9. Continuation of Teleconferenced Meetings (Adopt)

In accordance with recent amendments to the Brown Act open meetings law (Assembly Bill 361), the Board of Directors was asked to adopt Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) Resolution No. RTC-2022-03, allowing for continued remote teleconferenced public meetings for all SANDAG legislative bodies based upon a continued state of emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic as well as recommendations from state or local officials regarding social distancing.

There were no public comments on this item.

10. State Route 94/State Route 125 South to East Connector Project Update (Information)

This report provided an update on the progress and status of the State Route 94/State Route 125 South to East Connector project.

There were no public comments on this item.

11. Chief Executive Officer Delegated Actions (Information)

In accordance with various SANDAG Board Policies, this report summarized certain delegated actions taken by the Chief Executive Officer since the last Board meeting.

There were no public comments on this item.

12. Meetings and Events Attended on Behalf of SANDAG (Information)

Board members provided brief reports on external meetings and events attended on behalf of SANDAG since the last Board meeting.

There were no public comments on this item.

Action: Upon a motion by Vice Chair Alejandra Sotelo-Solis (City of National City), and a second by Vice Chair Todd Gloria (City of City of San Diego), the Board voted to approve Consent Item Nos. 3 through 9.

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), Mayor Richard Bailey (City of Coronado), Mayor Bill Wells (City of El Cajon), Mayor Paul McNamara (City of Escondido), Councilmember Paloma Aguirre (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: County of San Diego and City of Del Mar.

2. Chief Executive Officer's Report (Discussion)*

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

Action: Discussion only.

**This item was taken out of order*

Reports

13. 2022 State Transportation Improvement Program (Approve)

Senior Financial Programming and Project Control Analyst Sue Alpert presented the item.

There were no public comments on this item.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Shu and a second by Second Vice Chair Sotelo-Solis, the Board of Directors approved the submission of the proposed 2022 State Transportation Improvement Program to the California Transportation Commission per the recommendation of the Transportation Committee.

The motion passed.

Yes: Chair Blakespear, Vice Chair Gloria, Second Vice Chair Sotelo-Solis, Mayor Hall, Mayor Salas, Mayor Bailey, Mayor Wells, Mayor McNamara, Councilmember Aguirre, Councilmember Shu, Mayor Vasquez, Councilmember Rodriguez, Mayor Vaus, Mayor Jones, Mayor Minto, Mayor Heebner, and Mayor Ritter.

No: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: County of San Diego and City of Del Mar.

14. SANDAG Housing and Smart Growth Funding (Approve)

Mayor Salas, Regional Planning Committee Chair, introduced the item.

Principal Regional Planner Tuere Fa'aola and Grants Program Manager Jenny Russo presented the item.

14A. Housing Incentive Program Overview and Housing Acceleration Program Call for Projects

The Regional Planning Committee recommended that the Board of Directors approve:

1. The evaluation criteria, in substantially the same form as attached, and release the calls for projects for the 2021 Housing Acceleration Program (HAP).
2. The proposed applicability and waivers of certain requirements in Board Policy Nos. 033 and 035 for this cycle of the HAP.

14B. TransNet Smart Growth Incentive Program Call for Projects

The Regional Planning Committee recommended that the Board of Directors approve:

1. The evaluation criteria, in substantially the same form as attached, and release the call for projects for the 2021 TransNet Smart Growth Incentive Program – Planning.
2. The proposed waiver of certain requirements in Board Policy No. 033 for this cycle of SGIP.

14C. On-Call Sustainable Communities Solicitation

The Board of Directors was asked to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to conduct a solicitation for On-Call sustainable communities services.

Mike Bullock, member of the public, spoke in support of the item recommendations.

Action: Upon a motion by Second Vice Chair Sotelo-Solis, and a second by Vice Chair Gloria, the Board voted to approve the Regional Planning Committee and staff recommendations for Items 14A through 14C.

The motion passed.

Yes: Chair Blakespear, Vice Chair Gloria, Second Vice Chair Sotelo-Solis, Mayor Salas, Mayor McNamara, Mayor Serge Dedina (City of Imperial Beach), Councilmember Shu, Mayor Vasquez, and Mayor Heebner.

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

Abstain: None.

Absent: County of San Diego and City of Del Mar.

15. Potential *TransNet* Extension Ordinance Amendments (Discussion)

The Board of Directors was asked to discuss draft concepts for potential *TransNet* Extension Ordinance amendments.

Noah Harris, Climate Action Campaign, spoke in support of Bike Program funding.

Mike Bullock spoke in support of the item.

Tim Bilash, member of the public, spoke in support of the item.

Nicole Burgess, member of the public, spoke in support of the item.

Action: Discussion only.

16. Member Comments

Gil Cabrera, San Diego Regional Airport Authority, provided an update on the Terminal 1 Groundbreaking.

Caltrans District 11 Director Gustavo Dallarda provided an update on awards received at the Build San Diego Awards.

Councilmember Aguirre, Metropolitan Transit System (MTS), announced the reappointment of Nathan Fletcher as the MTS Board Chair for a term of two years, and a COVID response award that MTS received from APTA.

NCTD Chair Tony Kranz provided an update on COASTER service expansion.

Mayor Jones asked for a follow up on her written inquiries to staff.

Mayor Hall requested an overview of the gas tax being phased out.

Mayor Gaasterland expressed concerns regarding the sea wall.

Mayor Heebner requested that an update on the Del Mar Bluffs be added to a future agenda.

17. Upcoming Meetings

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Friday, December 3, 2021, at 9 a.m.

18. Adjournment

Chair Blakespear adjourned the meeting at 11:49 a.m.

Confirmed Attendance at Board of Directors Meeting

November 19, 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)	No
County of San Diego	Supervisor	Joel Anderson (Primary)	No
City of Del Mar	Mayor	Terry Gaasterland (Primary)	Yes ¹
City of El Cajon	Mayor	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	Mayor	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

¹ The City of Del Mar was absent for voting but was in attendance from 11:30 a.m. until adjournment