

February 23, 2024, Meeting Minutes

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Chairwoman Nora Vargas (County of San Diego) called the meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 9 a.m.

1. Non-Agenda Public Comments/Member Comments

Public comments: Rita Clement, Truth, AJ Estrada, Robert Germann, and Michael Brando.

Member comments: Deputy Mayor Katie Melendez (City of Vista).

Chairwoman Vargas presented brief agency updates.

Chief Executive Officer Coleen Clementson presented brief agency updates.

Consent

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

The Board of Directors was asked to approve the minutes from its February 9, 2024, meeting.

3. Policy Advisory Committee Actions

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

4. FY 2025 to FY 2029 TransNet Program and Transit-Related Revenues

The Transportation Committee recommended that the Board of Directors approve the FY 2025 to FY 2029 estimates and apportionments for Transportation Development Act, Federal Transit Administration, and TransNet funds.

5. Proposed 2024 Legislative Program

The Executive Committee recommended that the Board of Directors approve the proposed 2024 Legislative Program.

6. TransNet Regional Transportation Congestion Improvement Program Proposed Fee Adjustment*

The Board of Directors was asked to approve a 4.9% adjustment to the Regional Transportation Congestion Improvement Program, raising the fee from \$2,741.97 to \$2,875.06 beginning July 1, 2024.

7. FY 2024 Program Budget Amendment: San Ysidro Mobility Hub

The Board of Directors was asked to approve an amendment to the FY 2024 Program Budget, accepting \$785,400 in funding from the Federal Transit Administration to support the San Ysidro Mobility Hub project (Overall Work Program Element No. 3322300).

8. Chief Executive Officer Delegated Actions*

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

9. Approval of Proposed Solicitation: Freeway Service Patrol Project

The Board of Directors was asked to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to conduct a solicitation for Freeway Service Patrol services.

Public comments: Truth, Paul the Bold, Consuelo, Mark, Corinna Contreras, Mike, and Mark.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Carolina Chavez (City of Chula Vista), and a second by Chairwoman Vargas, the Board voted to approve the Consent Agenda including an amendment to Item No. 5, to add a goal under the support section that would read: efforts assisting and implementation of SANDAG Resolution No. 2023-11, to eliminate the debt and toll only operations on the SR 125 by 2027.

The motion passed.

Yes: Chairwoman Vargas, Councilmember Melanie Burkholder (City of Carlsbad), Councilmember David Zito (City of Del Mar), Councilmember Chavez, Councilmember John Duncan (City of Coronado), Mayor Dave Druker (City of Del Mar), Councilmember Steve Goble (City of El Cajon), Mayor Tony Kranz (City of Encinitas), Mayor Dane White (City of Escondido), Councilmember Jack Fisher (Imperial Beach), Councilmember Jack Shu (City of La Mesa), Councilmember Alysson Snow (City of Lemon Grove), Councilmember Luz Molina (City of National City), Deputy Mayor Ryan Keim (City of Oceanside), Councilmember Raul Campillo (City of San Diego), Mayor Rebecca Jones (City of San Marcos), Mayor John Minto (City of Santee), and Deputy Mayor Melendez.

No: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: City of Poway.

Reports

10. Otay Mesa East Port of Entry Update Hearing Reauthorizing Stated Public Use for Property Acquired for The Inland Rail Trail Project

Chairwoman Vargas opened the public hearing at 9:50 a.m.

The Board of Directors was asked to receive public testimony and adopt Resolution Nos. 2024-15 and 2024-16, by a two-thirds vote to reauthorize the stated use for property previously acquired for Phases 3 and 4 of the Inland Rail Trail project.

Public comments: Rita Clement, Bee Mittermiller, Truth, Mark, Paul the Bold, Consuelo, Angelina Neglia, Steve Gelb, The Original Dra, and Leif Gensert.

Chairwoman Vargas closed the public hearing at 10:14 a.m.

Action: Upon a motion by Mayor Jones, and a second by Councilmember Burkholder, the Board voted to adopt Resolution Nos. 2024-15 and 2024-16, to reauthorize the stated use for property previously acquired for Phases 3 and 4 of the Inland Rail Trail project.

The motion passed.

Yes: Chairwoman Vargas, Councilmember Burkholder, Councilmember Zito, Councilmember Chavez, Councilmember Duncan, Mayor Druker, Councilmember Goble, Mayor Kranz, Mayor White, Councilmember Fisher, Councilmember Shu, Councilmember Snow, Councilmember Molina, Deputy Mayor Keim, Councilmember Campillo, Mayor Jones, Mayor Minto, and Deputy Mayor Melendez.

No: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: City of Poway.

11. Airport Transit Connection

Regional Planning Program Managers Keith Greer and Jennifer Williamson presented an update on the Airport Transit Connection project and the steps being taken to prepare the project for future environmental analysis.

Public comments: Rita Clement, Truth, Robert Germann, Bee Mittermiller, AJ Estrada, Cori Schumacher, Francisco Peña, Christopher Allen, Paul the Bold, Mark, Corinna Contreras, Suhas Ketkar, Paul Ceci, Bill Rogers, Monica Thrasher, Janet Rogers, Ancel Thompson, Elizabeth Geisse, Consuelo, Jeremy Bloom, Paul Herstein, Mike, Alex Wong, Leif Gensert, Shaquille Adams, The Original Dra, Connor, and Gessayan.

Action: Information.

Continued non-agenda comments: Cori Schumacher, Bee Mittermiller, Paul, Consuelo, Mark, Camilla Rang, Angelina Neglia, and The Original Dra.

Closed session public comments: Truth, Mark, Michael Brando, and The Original Dra.

Chair Vargas appointed Councilmember Zito to Chair the remainder of the meeting.

Councilmember Zito recessed the meeting to closed session at 11:42 a.m.

Councilmember Zito reconvened the meeting to open session at 12:07 p.m.

12. Closed Session - Conference with Legal Counsel Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (D) (4): Initiation of Litigation (One Potential Case)

Deputy General Counsel Amberlynn Deaton reported out of closed session: the Board of Directors met in closed session on Item 12, and there was no reportable action.

13. Adjournment

The next Board of Directors meeting is a Board Retreat scheduled for March 8, 2024, to be held at Salt Drift Pointe, 536 13th Street, Imperial Beach, CA 91932.

Councilmember Zito adjourned the meeting at 12:15 p.m.

Confirmed Attendance at Board of Directors Meeting

Board of Directors	Title	Name	Attend
City of Carlsbad	Councilmember	Melanie Burkholder (Primary)	Yes
City of Chula Vista	Councilmember	Carolina Chavez (Primary)	Yes
City of Coronado	Councilmember	John Duncan (Primary)	Yes
County of San Diego	Chairwoman	Nora Vargas (Primary)	Yes
County of San Diego	Supervisor	Joel Anderson (Primary)	Yes
City of Del Mar	Mayor	Dave Druker (Alternate)	Yes
City of El Cajon	Councilmember	Steve Goble (Alternate)	Yes
City of Encinitas	Mayor	Tony Kranz (Primary)	Yes
City of Escondido	Mayor	Dane White (Primary)	Yes
City of Imperial Beach	Councilmember	Jack Fisher (Primary)	Yes
City of La Mesa	Councilmember	Jack Shu (Primary)	Yes
City of Lemon Grove	Councilmember	Alysson Snow (Alternate)	Yes
City of National City	Councilmember	Luz Molina (Primary)	Yes
City of Oceanside	Deputy Mayor	Ryan Keim (Primary)	Yes
City of Poway	Mayor	Steve Vaus (Primary)	No
City of San Diego	Councilmember	Raul Campillo (Alternate)	Yes
City of San Diego	Councilmember	Vivian Moreno (1st Alt)	Yes
City of San Marcos	Mayor	Rebecca Jones (Primary)	Yes
City of Santee	Mayor	John Minto (Primary)	Yes
City of Solana Beach	Councilmember	David Zito (Alternate)	Yes
City of Vista	Deputy Mayor	Katie Melendez (Primary)	Yes
Caltrans	Acting Director	Roy Abboud (Alternate)	Yes
Metropolitan Transit System	Deputy Mayor	Matthew Leyba-Gonzalez (Primary)	Yes
North County Transit District	Deputy Mayor	Jewel Edson (Primary)	Yes
Imperial County	Supervisor	Jesus Eduardo Escobar	No
U.S. Department of Defense	Executive Director	Anna Shepherd (Alternate)	Yes
Port of San Diego	Commissioner	Dan Malcolm (Primary)	No
San Diego County Water Authority	Director	Mel Katz (Primary)	No
SDCRAA	Director	Gil Cabrera (Primary)	Yes
Mexico	Consul General	Alicia Kerber (Primary)	No
SCTCA	Chairwoman	Erica Pinto (Primary)	No
Association of Planning Groups	Chair	Robin Joy Maxson	Yes