

## **September 27, 2024, Board of Directors Minutes**

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Chairwoman Nora Vargas (County of San Diego) called the meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 9:02 a.m.

#### **1. Non-Agenda Public Comments/Member Comments**

Public Comments: Tijuana Mayor Elect Ismael Burgueno Ruiz, Truth, Purita Javier, Cesar Javier, Robert Germann, and Mary Davis.

Member Comments: Councilmember Melanie Burkholder (Carlsbad) and Deputy Mayor Jewel Edson (NCTD).

#### **2. Chief Executive Officer Agency Report**

##### **2A. Chief Executive Officer Strategic Assessment Update**

Chief Executive Officer Mario Orso presented an update on the agency's activities.

Action: Information.

##### **2B. Administration Budget Amendment**

Senior Director of Organizational Effectiveness Melissa Coffelt presented the item.

The Board of Directors was asked to approve the transfer of funds within the FY 2025 Administration Budget as outlined in this report; and authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute a lease extension agreement for the 401 B Street office space.

Public Comments on 2A and 2B: Kathryn Rhodes, Truth, Consuelo, The OriginalDra, Blair Beekman, and Paul the Bold.

Action: Upon a motion by Chairwoman Vargas, and a second by Second Vice Chair Lesa Heebner (Solana Beach), the Board voted to approve the transfer of funds within the FY 2025 Administration Budget as outlined in this report; and authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute a lease extension agreement for the 401 B Street office space.

The motion passed.

Yes: Chairwoman Vargas, Second Vice Chair Heebner, Councilmember Burkholder, Councilmember Carolina Chavez (Chula Vista), Councilmember John Duncan (Coronado), Deputy Mayor Terry Gaasterland (Del Mar), Mayor Bill Wells (El Cajon), Mayor Tony Kranz (Encinitas), Mayor Dane White (Escondido), Councilmember Mitch McKay (Imperial Beach), Councilmember Jack Shu (La Mesa), Mayor Racquel Vasquez (Lemon Grove), Councilmember Luz Molina (National City), Mayor Steve Vaus (Poway), Councilmember Raul Campillo (City of San Diego), Mayor Rebecca Jones (San Marcos), Councilmember Ronn Hall (Santee), and Councilmember Dan O'Donnell (Vista).

No: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Oceanside.

## **Consent**

### **3. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

The Board of Directors was asked to approve the minutes from its September 13, 2024, meeting.

### **4. Chief Executive Officer Delegated Actions\***

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

### **5. Overview of Developments in the Financial Markets, Quarterly Finance Report as of June 30, 2024\***

This report provided an update on the latest developments in the financial markets, economy, sales tax revenues, and strategies being explored and implemented to minimize possible impacts to the TransNet Program.

### **6. Quarterly Project Progress and Budget Update, FY 2024, Quarter 4\***

This quarterly report provided an update on the status of the agency's projects as approved in the FY 2024 Program Budget through June 2024 (Quarter 4).

### **7. Master Agreement for State-Funded Transit Projects with Caltrans**

The Transportation Committee recommended that the Board of Directors adopt Resolution No. 2025-04, authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to execute the Master Agreement for State-Funded Transit Projects with Caltrans.

### **8. Regional Active Transportation Program Call for Projects**

This report provided an update on the Cycle 7 Regional Active Transportation Program Call for Projects.

### **9. Final 2025 Regional Transportation Improvement Program\***

The Transportation Committee recommended that the Board of Directors, acting as the San Diego County Regional Transportation Commission, adopt Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) Resolution No. RTC-2025-03, adopting the final 2025 Regional Transportation Improvement Program, including its air quality conformity analysis and air quality conformity redetermination of the revenue constrained Amended San Diego Forward: The 2021 Regional Plan.

### **10. Proposed Program Budget Amendment and Approval of Contract Award for the Uptown Bikeways: Eastern Hillcrest Bikeway Project**

The Board of Directors was asked to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to approve the acceptance of additional funds from the City of San Diego in the amount of \$12,243,000, and award a contract to the vendor for construction of the Uptown Bikeways: Eastern Hillcrest Bikeway Project.

### **11. 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.

Public Comments: Truth, Nos. 3-11; Mary Davis, No. 10; Mark, Nos 3-11; Kathryn Rhodes, No. 7; Consuelo, Nos. 3-11; Gerrie Trussell, No. 10; Blair Beekman, Nos. 3-11; The OriginalDra, Nos. 3-11; and Paul the Bold, Nos. 6, 10, & 11.

Action: Upon a motion by Councilmember Burkholder, and a second by Councilmember Shu, the Board voted to approve the Consent Agenda.

The motion passed.

Yes: Chairwoman Vargas, Second Vice Chair Heebner, Councilmember Burkholder, Councilmember Chavez, Councilmember Duncan, Deputy Mayor Gaasterland, Mayor Wells, Mayor Kranz, Mayor White, Councilmember McKay, Councilmember Shu, Mayor Vasquez, Councilmember Molina, Mayor Vaus, Councilmember Campillo, Mayor Jones, Councilmember Hall, and Councilmember O'Donnell.

No: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Oceanside.

## **Reports**

### **12. 2025 Regional Plan Update**

Senior Director of Regional Planning Antoinette Meier and Manager of Regional Models Bhargava Sana presented an overview of the preliminary modeling, proposed updates to the initial concept, and next steps for developing the 2025 Regional Plan.

Public Comments: Truth, Mary Davis, Rosa Padilla, Bee Mittermiller, Esperanza Gonzales, Maritza Garcia, Mark, Kathryn Rhodes, Cesar Javier, Corinna Contreras, Craig Jones, Paul the Bold, The OriginalDra, I.r., Blair Beekman, Phone #672/Consuelo, and sd.

Action: Discussion.

Closed Session Public Comments: Truth, Kathryn Rhodes, Blair Beekman, The OriginalDra, Paul the Bold, and Consuelo/Phone #672.

Chairwoman Vargas recessed to closed session at 12:46 p.m.

## **Closed Session**

### **13. Conference with Legal Counsel – Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (D)(2) (One Potential Case)**

Second Vice Chair Heebner reconvened to open session at 1:29 p.m.

Board Counsel Alfred Smith reported the following out of closed session: The Board met in closed session on Agenda Item No.13, and there was no reportable action.

Continued Non-Agenda Public Comments: Mark, Kathryn Rhodes, Consuelo, Blair Beekman, The OriginalDra, and Phone #415/Paul the Bold.

### **14. Adjournment**

The next Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 11, 2024, at 10 a.m.

Second Vice Chair Heebner adjourned the meeting at 1:39 p.m.

**Confirmed Attendance at SANDAG Board of Directors Meeting**

<b>Board of Directors</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Attend</b>
Carlsbad	Councilmember	Melanie Burkholder (Primary)	Yes
Chula Vista	Councilmember	Carolina Chavez (Primary)	Yes
Coronado	Councilmember	John Duncan (Primary)	Yes
County of San Diego	Chairwoman	Nora Vargas (Primary)	Yes
County of San Diego	Supervisor	Joel Anderson (Primary)	Yes
Del Mar	Deputy Mayor	Terry Gaasterland (Primary)	Yes-virtual
El Cajon	Mayor	Bill Wells (Primary)(9-12:41pm)	Yes
Encinitas	Mayor	Tony Kranz (Primary)(9-17-1:39pm)	Yes
Escondido	Mayor	Dane White (Primary)	Yes
Imperial Beach	Councilmember	Mitch McKay (Alternate)	Yes
La Mesa	Councilmember	Jack Shu (Primary)	Yes
Lemon Grove	Mayor	Racquel Vasquez (Primary)(9-15-1:39pm)	Yes
National City	Councilmember	Luz Molina (Primary)	Yes
Oceanside	Deputy Mayor	Ryan Keim (Primary)	No
Poway	Mayor	Steve Vaus (Primary)(9-11:10am)	Yes
City of San Diego	Councilmember	Raul Campillo (Alternate)(9am-12pm)	Yes
City of San Diego	Councilmember	Vivan Moreno (Alternate)(9-10:49am)(12:05-1:39p)	Yes
San Marcos	Mayor	Rebecca Jones (Primary)(9am-12:43pm)	Yes
	Councilmember	Ed Musgrove (Alternate)(12:43-1:39pm)	Yes
Santee	Councilmember	Ronn Hall (Alternate)(9-11:05am)	Yes
Solana Beach	Second Vice Chair	Lesa Heebner (Primary)	Yes
Vista	Councilmember	Dan O'Donnell (Alternate)(9:18-11:32am)	Yes
Caltrans	Director	Everett Townsend	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	Yes
U.S. Department of Defense	Executive Director	Dennis Keck (Primary)	Yes
Port of San Diego	Commissioner	Dan Malcolm (Primary)	Yes
SD County Water Authority	Director	Mel Katz (Primary)	No
SDCRAA	Director	James Sly (Alternate)	Yes
Mexico	Consul General	Alicia Kerber (Primary)	Yes
SCTCA	Chairwoman	Erica Pinto (Primary)	No
Association of Planning Groups	Boardmember	Eileen Delaney	Yes-virtual