

September 11, 2024

July 10, 2024, Meeting Minutes

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Chair Jonathan Frankel (Real Estate/Right-of-Way Acquisition) called the meeting of the TransNet Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee (ITOC) to order at 9:33 a.m.

1. Non-Agenda Public Comments/Member Comments

Public Comments: The Original Dra.

Member Comments: None.

Agency Updates: Chief Executive Officer Mario Orso.

Consent

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

The ITOC was asked to approve the minutes from its June 12, 2024, meeting and the June 21, 2024, ITOC Selection Committee meeting minutes.

3. Final 2024 ITOC Annual Report

The ITOC was asked to approve the 2024 ITOC Annual Report.

4. 2023 Regional Transportation Improvement Program: Amendment No. 14

This report provided an update on the Regional Transportation Improvement Program Amendment No. 14.

5. 2025 TransNet Local Street and Road Output and Outcome Report

This report provided an overview of the planned outputs for the TransNet Biennial period (FY 2025 – FY 2026), and the funds leveraged for upgrades and rehabilitation of local streets and roads.

Public Comments: The Original Dra.

Action: Upon a motion by Frank Rivera (Licensed Civil / Traffic Engineer), and a second by Sunnie House (CEO / Private Sector), the ITOC voted to approve the Consent Agenda.

The motion passed.

Yes: Chair Frankel, Lorraine Ahlquist (Biology / Environmental), Sunnie House, Maryam Babaki (Finance/Budgeting), Frank Rivera, and Les Hopper (Licensed Engineer).

No: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Contractor/Construction.

Reports

6. Annual Selection of ITOC Chair and Vice Chair

Financial Analyst Vanessa Leon presented the item.

Public Comments: The Original Dra.

Action: Upon a motion by Chair Frankel, and a second by Sunnie House, the ITOC voted appoint Maryam Babaki as Chair and Frank Rivera as Vice Chair for FY 2025.

The motion passed.

Yes: Chair Frankel, Lorraine Ahlquist, Sunnie House, Maryam Babaki, Frank Rivera, and Les Hopper.

No: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Contractor/Construction.

7. FY 2024 Proposed TransNet Agreed-Upon Procedures

Senior Accountant Marcus Pasqual and Shannon Ayala, Davis Farr LLP, presented the item.

Public Comments: The Original Dra.

Action: Upon a motion by Lorraine Ahlquist, and a second by Frank Rivera, the ITOC voted to approve the proposed FY 2024 TransNet Agreed-Upon Procedures.

The motion passed.

Yes: Chair Frankel, Lorraine Ahlquist, Sunnie House, Maryam Babaki, Frank Rivera, and Les Hopper.

No: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Contractor/Construction.

8. Acceptance of the FY 2023 TransNet Fiscal and Compliance Audits

Marcus Pasqual and Shannon Ayala presented the item.

Public Comments: The Original Dra.

Action: Upon a motion by Chair Frankel, and a second by Lorraine Alquist, the ITOC voted to accept the final FY 2023 TransNet Fiscal and Compliance Audit Reports, as prepared by the independent audit firm, Davis Farr LLP, in accordance with the Agreed-Upon Procedures.

The motion passed.

Yes: Chair Frankel, Lorraine Ahlquist, Sunnie House, Maryam Babaki, Frank Rivera, and Les Hopper.

No: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Contractor/Construction.

9. TransNet Grant Programs: Biannual Status Update and Smart Growth Incentive Program Amendment Request

Regional Planner Lauren Lee and Senior Grants Program Analyst Goldy Herbon presented the item.

Public Comments: The Original Dra.

Action: Upon a motion by Lorraine Alquist, and a second by Sunnie House, the ITOC voted to recommend that the Transportation Committee approve a 16-month time extension for the Escondido General Plan Amendments and Environmental Review Smart Growth Incentive Program project.

The motion passed.

Yes: Chair Frankel, Lorraine Ahlquist, Sunnie House, Maryam Babaki, Frank Rivera, and Les Hopper.

No: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Contractor/Construction.

10. 2024 ITOC Annual Report: Draft Report

Vanessa Leon and Senior Financial Programming and Project Control Analysts Zara Sadeghian and Adrian Paniagua presented an overview of progress made to date on recommendations from the FY 2015, FY 2018, FY 2021, and FY 2024 TransNet Triennial Performance Audit (third, fourth, fifth, and sixth Triennial Performance Audits).

Public Comments: The Original Dra.

Action: Discussion.

11. Draft 2025 Regional Transportation Improvement Program: Including the Draft Air Quality Conformity Determination

Associate Financial Analyst Richard Radcliffe presented the item.

The ITOC was asked to review and provide feedback on the draft 2025 Regional Transportation Improvement Program, focusing its review on the TransNet-funded projects.

Public Comments: The Original Dra.

Action: Discussion.

12. Regional Safety Planning Updates

Senior Regional Planner Samuel Sanford, Associate Regional Planner Jacqueline Sisk, and Associate Data Scientist Connor Vaughs presented an update on the Regional Vision Zero Action Plan and a new Traffic Safety Dashboard.

Public Comments: The Original Dra, Katheryn Rhodes.

Action: Information.

13. FY 2023 TransNet Local Streets and Roads Program Annual Status Report

This item provided the annual status report for the FY 2023 TransNet Local Streets and Roads Program.

Public Comments: Katheryn Rhodes, The Original Dra.

Action: Information.

14. Adjournment

The next ITOC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 11, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.

Chair Frankel adjourned the meeting at 12:13 p.m.

Confirmed Attendance at TransNet Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee Meeting

Jurisdiction	Name	Attend
Biology/Environmental	Lorraine Ahlquist	Yes
CEO/Private Sector	Sunnie House	Yes
Contractor/Construction	Vacant	N/A
Finance/Budgeting	Maryam Babaki	Yes
Licensed Civil/Traffic Engineer	Frank Rivera	Yes
Licensed Engineer	Les Hopper	Yes
Real Estate/Right-of-Way Acquisition	Jonathan Frankel, Chair	Yes
Advisory Members		
San Diego County Auditor's Office	Tracy Drager	Yes