



Transportation Committee

Meeting Minutes

**July 18, 2025, 9 a.m.
SANDAG Board Room
1011 Union Street, First Floor
San Diego, CA 92101**

Voting Members Present: Chair David Zito (North County Coastal)
Vice Chair Sean Elo-Rivera (City of San Diego)
Supervisor Monica Montgomery Steppe (County of San Diego)
Mayor Pro Tem Jennifer Mendoza (East County)
Councilmember Cesar Fernandez (Metropolitan Transit System)
Mayor Dane White (North County Inland)
Deputy Mayor Eric Joyce (North County Transit District)
Mayor John Duncan (South County)

Voting Members Absent: Commissioner Michael Zucchet (Port of San Diego)
Mayor Esther Sanchez (San Diego County Regional Airport Authority)

Other Members Present: Danielle Weizman (Association of Planning Groups)
Melina Pereira (Caltrans)
Deputy Mayor Joy Lyndes (North County Coastal, Alternate)
Chairman Eric LaChappa (Southern California Tribal Chairman's Association)

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1. Call to Order

Chair Zito called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

2. Non-Agenda Public Comments/Member Comments

Public Comments: Purita Javier, Cesar Javier, Alex Wong.

3. Consent

Public Comments: Cesar Javier, Steve Linke.

Motioned by: Councilmember Elo-Rivera
Seconded by: Supervisor Montgomery Steppe

To approve the consent agenda.

For (8): Chair Zito, Councilmember Elo-Rivera, Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza, Councilmember Fernandez, Mayor White, Deputy Mayor Joyce, and Mayor Duncan

Absent (2): Commissioner Zucchet and Mayor Sanchez

The motion passed. (8 to 0)

3.1 Approval of Meeting Minutes

The Transportation Committee approved the minutes from its June 20, 2025, meeting.

3.2 Federal Performance Management Targets

The Transportation Committee approved the regional asset condition estimates, as outlined in the staff report.

3.3 2025 Regional Transportation Improvement Program Amendment No. 8

The Transportation Committee recommended that the Board of Directors adopt Resolution No. RTC-2026-01, approving Amendment No. 8 to the 2025 Regional Transportation Improvement Program.

5. FY 2026 Transit Agency Operating Budgets

This item was taken out of order.

Director of Financial Planning, Budgets & Grants Susan Huntington; Mike Thompson, Metropolitan Transit System; and Eun Park-Lynch and Mary Dover, North County Transit District; presented the item.

Public Comments: Cesar Javier, Blair Beekman.

Motioned by: Mayor White
Seconded by: Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza

To approve the North County Transit District and the Metropolitan Transit System's FY 2026 operating budgets for funding.

For (8): Chair Zito, Councilmember Elo-Rivera, Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza, Councilmember Fernandez, Mayor White, Deputy Mayor Joyce, and Mayor Duncan

Absent (2): Commissioner Zucchet and Mayor Sanchez

The motion passed. (8 to 0)

4. Draft 2025 Regional Plan: Public Hearing

Deputy Director of Regional Planning Tuere Fa'aola presented the item. The Transportation Committee was asked to conduct a public hearing to receive public comment on the draft 2025 Regional Plan and its Sustainable Communities Strategy.

Chair Zito opened the public hearing at 9:52 a.m.

Public Comments: Cesar Javier, Chris Roberts, KC Gupta, Kirena Godwin, Kaylee Tichenor, Elena Grilli, Felix Lopez, Diego Sandoval, Steve Linke, Kina Bramlette.

Chair Zito adjourned the public hearing at 10:43 a.m.

6. 2024 State of Commute Report

Senior Researcher and Modeler Joaquin Ortega presented findings from the 2024 State of the Commute report.

Public Comments: Cesar Javier.

7. Adjournment

The next Transportation Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, September 5, 2025, at 1 p.m.

Chair Zito adjourned the meeting at 11:07 a.m.