

MINUTES OF THE  
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS  
MAG REGIONAL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
November 15, 2010  
MAG Offices, Cholla Room  
302 N. 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona

MEMBERS ATTENDING

#Mayor Thomas L. Schoaf, Litchfield Park,  
Chair  
#Mayor Hugh Hallman, Tempe, Vice Chair  
#Mayor Marie Lopez Rogers, Avondale,  
Treasurer

#Mayor Jim Lane, Scottsdale  
#Mayor Michael LeVault, Youngtown  
\*Councilwoman Peggy Neely, Phoenix  
#Mayor Scott Smith, Mesa

\* Not present

# Participated by video or telephone conference call

1. Call to Order

The Executive Committee meeting was called to order by Chair Schoaf at 11:00 a.m. Chair Schoaf stated that public comment cards were available for those members of the public who wish to comment. Transit tickets were available from Valley Metro for those using transit to come to the meeting. Parking validation was available from MAG staff for those who parked in the parking garage.

2. Call to the Audience

Chair Schoaf stated that, according to the MAG public comment process, members of the audience who wish to speak are requested to fill out the public comment cards. He stated that there is a three-minute time limit. Public comment is provided at the beginning of the meeting for items that are not on the agenda that are within the jurisdiction of MAG, or non-action agenda items that are on the agenda for discussion or information only. Chair Schoaf noted that no public comment cards had been received.

3. Consent Agenda

Chair Schoaf noted that prior to action on the consent agenda, members of the audience are provided an opportunity to comment on consent items that are being presented for action. Following the comment period, Committee members may request that an item be removed from the consent agenda. Chair Schoaf noted that no public comment cards had been received.

Chair Schoaf requested a motion to approve the consent agenda. Vice Chair Hallman moved to approve items #3A through #3F. Mayor Lopez Rogers seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

3A. Approval of the October 11, 2010 and October 18, 2010 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

The Regional Council Executive Committee, by consent, approved the October 11, 2010 and October 18, 2010 Executive Committee meeting minutes.

3B. On-Call Consulting Services Selection for Regional Traffic Data Collection and Data Management

The Executive Committee, by consent, approved a list of on-call consultants for the Area of Expertise A (Traffic Data Collection): Jacobs Engineering, Lee Engineering, Midwestern Software Solutions, Traffic Research and Analysis and United Civil Group, and for Area of Expertise B (Commercial Traffic Data Purchase and Traffic Data Management Services): American Digital Cartography, Berkeley Transportation Systems, Jacobs Engineering, Midwestern Software Solutions and Works Consulting, for the MAG Regional Traffic Data Collection and Data Management, for a total amount not to exceed \$400,000. The Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget, approved by the MAG Regional Council in May 2010, includes \$400,000 for On-call Consulting Services for Regional Traffic Data Collection and Data Management. The purpose of the project is to facilitate numerous dataset updates to support transportation planning needs. A request for qualifications was advertised on August 20, 2010, for technical assistance in two areas of expertise: (A) Traffic Data Collection and (B) Commercial Traffic Data Purchase and Traffic Data Management Services. Eight proposals were received by the September 22, 2010 deadline. On October 5, 2010, a multi-agency evaluation team recommended to MAG the selection of consultants to perform the technical assistance.

3C. MAG Managed Lanes Network Development Strategy - Phase I

The Executive Committee, by consent, approved the amendment to the FY 2011 Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget for up to \$500,000 to provide for the MAG Managed Lanes Network Development Strategy - Phase I project. In addition, the Executive Committee approved the amendment to the FY 2011 Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget for up to \$50,000 to provide for a public opinion survey on the potential for tolling in the MAG region. At its October 20, 2010, the Transportation Policy Committee recommended the development of the first phase of the MAG Managed Lanes Network Development Strategy - Phase I and to conduct a public opinion survey on the potential for tolling in the MAG region. In this phase, a System-Wide Managed Lanes Feasibility Study will be developed, assessing existing and future HOV lane use, identifying critical gaps in the HOV system, assessing the basic soundness of a system-wide managed lanes network in the MAG region, formulation recommendations for MAG policy on managed lanes, and selecting pilot managed lane corridors.

3D. MAG Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities Design Assistance Program On-Call Consultant List

The Executive Committee, by consent, approved the selection of the following consultants for the MAG Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities Design Assistance Program On-Call Consultant List: AECOM Technical Services, Inc.; Coffman Studio, LLC; Drake & Associates; e group, Inc.; EPG, Inc.; Gannett Fleming, Inc.; J2 Engineering & Environmental Design, LLC; Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc.; Logan Halperin Landscape Architecture LLC; Loris & Associates, Inc.; Olsson Associates; Otak, Inc.; PBSJ; Sherman Group, Inc.; Stanley Consultants, Inc.; Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.; The Moore/Swick Partnership; Y.S. Mantri & Associates, LLC. The FY 2011 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget, approved by the MAG Regional Council in May 2010, includes \$300,000 for the Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities Design Assistance Program. The MAG Pedestrian and Bicycle

Facilities Design Assistance Program On-Call Consultant List provides member agencies with a pre-approved consultant list to provide assistance for their design projects. A request for consultants to submit Statements of Qualifications was published on July 22, 2010. Eighteen submittals were received on August 31, 2010. A multi-agency evaluation team reviewed the applications and recommended all eighteen qualified consultants be selected for the list.

3E. Professional Services Selection for the MAG Protocol Evaluation Project

The Executive Committee, by consent, approved the selection of MGT of America, Inc., to conduct the evaluation professional services for the MAG Protocol Evaluation project for an amount not to exceed \$21,500. The FY 2011 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget, approved by the MAG Regional Council in May 2010, includes \$194,568 to conduct the MAG Protocol Evaluation project that will assess the protocols used to arrest and prosecute misdemeanor domestic violence cases. The budget for this project includes \$21,500 for services to evaluate current protocols, analyze existing data collection elements, evaluate promising practices, and conduct an overall project evaluation. A Request for Proposals was advertised on August 19, 2010, and six proposals were received. A multi-agency proposal evaluation team reviewed the proposal documents and held three interviews. On October 7, 2010, the proposal evaluation team recommended to MAG the selection of MGT of America, Inc., to complete the evaluation professional services for an amount not to exceed \$21,500.

3F. Update on the EPA Proposed Partial Approval and Disapproval of the MAG 2007 Five Percent Plan for PM-10

On September 3, 2010, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) signed a notice to propose partial approval and disapproval of the MAG 2007 Five Percent Plan for PM-10 based on the timetable in the consent decree with the Arizona Center for Law in the Public Interest. The notice was published in the Federal Register on September 9, 2010, and comments were due by October 20, 2010. If EPA finalizes the partial disapproval on January 28, 2011, a conformity freeze on the MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) would occur in approximately thirty days; only projects in the first four years could proceed. If the problem is not corrected within eighteen months, tighter controls on major industries would be imposed. If the problem is still not corrected within twenty-four months of the disapproval, the loss of federal highway funds (\$1.7 billion) and a federal implementation plan would be imposed. Conformity would also lapse, which would place the \$7.4 billion TIP at risk. On October 20, 2010, MAG, ADEQ, Maricopa County, and Gila River Indian Community submitted comments into the public record. Other comments were also submitted. In addition, EPA has responded to some of the questions from MAG, ADEQ, and Maricopa County regarding a Revised Five Percent Plan for PM-10.

4. MAG Committee Chair and Vice Chair Appointments ending December 31, 2010

Denise McClafferty reported that on July 22, 2009, the MAG Regional Council approved the MAG Committee Operating Policies and Procedures. She noted that officer appointments for technical and other policy committees, with exception of the MAG Regional Council, Transportation Policy Committee, and Management Committee, will be made by the MAG Executive Committee and are eligible for one-year terms, with possible reappointment to serve up to one additional term by consent of the respective committee. These appointments will be staggered to assist with continuity, appointing approximately half of the committee officers in June each year and the remainder in January, unless a vacancy occurs.

Ms. McClaffery noted that the chart in the agenda packet shows that all MAG Committees listed recommended to reappoint the chairs and vice chairs, except for the Standard Specifications & Details Committee. She stated that the current chair of the Specifications & Details Committee could not make the time commitment to continue as chair. According to the policies and procedures, the vice chair ascends to chair and letters of interests are solicited for the vice chair position. Ms. McClafferty stated that one letter of interest was received for the vice chair position - Thomas Wilhite, Principal Civil Engineer, City of Tempe. She noted that this item was on the agenda for approval of appointments of the technical and policy committee chairs and vice chairs ending December 31, 2010. Ms. McClafferty thanked the Executive Committee and offered to address any questions. There were no questions or comments.

Vice Chair Hallman moved to approve the appointments of the technical and policy committee chairs and vice chairs ending December 31, 2010 as listed on the enclosed table. Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

5. Annual Performance Review of the MAG Executive Director

Dennis Smith stated that the MAG Executive Director's employment agreement provides that the Executive Committee conduct an annual performance review in consultation with the Regional Council. He noted that the agreement states that an outside consultant could be obtained to complete this evaluation. This would cost approximately \$15,000. Mr. Smith suggested foregoing the cost of a consultant evaluation and use the same evaluation process that has been used in the past. The Executive Committee agreed.

Vice Chair Hallman moved to approve proceeding with the process for the performance review for the MAG Executive Director. Mayor Lane seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

6. Request for Future Agenda Items

Chair Schoaf asked if there were any requests for future agenda items. There were no requests.

7. Comments from the Committee

Chair Schoaf asked if there were any comments for the committee members. There were no comments.

Adjournment

Vice Chair Hallman moved to adjourn the Executive Committee meeting. Mayor Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. There being no further business, the Executive Committee adjourned at 1:06 p.m.

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Chair

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Secretary