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July 19, 2011

TO: Members of the MAG Regional Council

FROM: Mayor Hugh Hallman, City of Tempe, Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Meeting - 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, July 27, 2011
Tempe Center for the Arts
700 W. Rio Salado Parkway
Tempe, Arizona (please see enclosed map)

Passing of the Gavel Ceremony and Reception
Immediately following the Regional Council meeting

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE MEETING WILL BE HELD OFFSITE

The next MAG Regional Council meeting will be held at the time and place noted above. Members of the Regional Council may attend either in person or by telephone conference call. Members who wish to remove any items from the Consent Agenda are requested to contact the MAG office. Supporting information is enclosed for your review. MAG will host a passing of the gavel ceremony and reception following the meeting.

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If you have any questions, please call the MAG office.

c: MAG Management Committee

A Voluntary Association of Local Governments in Maricopa County

City of Apache Junction ▲ City of Avondale ▲ Town of Buckeye ▲ Town of Carefree ▲ Town of Cave Creek ▲ City of Chandler ▲ City of El Mirage ▲ Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation ▲ Town of Fountain Hills ▲ Town of Gila Bend
Gila River Indian Community ▲ Town of Gilbert ▲ City of Glendale ▲ City of Goodyear ▲ Town of Guadalupe ▲ City of Litchfield Park ▲ Maricopa County ▲ City of Mesa ▲ Town of Paradise Valley ▲ City of Peoria ▲ City of Phoenix
Town of Queen Creek ▲ Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community ▲ City of Scottsdale ▲ City of Surprise ▲ City of Tempe ▲ City of Tolleson ▲ Town of Wickenburg ▲ Town of Youngtown ▲ Arizona Department of Transportation

**MAG REGIONAL COUNCIL
TENTATIVE AGENDA
July 27, 2011**

COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

1. Call to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Call to the Audience

An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Regional Council on items not scheduled on the agenda that fall under the jurisdiction of MAG, or on items on the agenda for discussion but not for action. Citizens will be requested not to exceed a three minute time period for their comments. A total of 15 minutes will be provided for the Call to the Audience agenda item, unless the Regional Council requests an exception to this limit. Please note that those wishing to comment on agenda items posted for action will be provided the opportunity at the time the item is heard.

4. Executive Director's Report

The MAG Executive Director will provide a report to the Regional Council on activities of general interest.

5. Approval of Consent Agenda

Council members may request that an item be removed from the consent agenda. Prior to action on the consent agenda, members of the audience will be provided an opportunity to comment on consent items. Consent items are marked with an asterisk (*).

3. Information.

4. Information and discussion.

5. Approval of the Consent Agenda.

ITEMS PROPOSED FOR CONSENT*

MINUTES

*5A. Approval of the June 29, 2011, Meeting Minutes

5A. Review and approval of the June 29, 2011, meeting minutes.

TRANSPORTATION ITEMS

*5B. Federal Fiscal Year 2011 Program of Projects for Federal Transit Administration Funds

On May 20, 2011, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) published the FY 2011 Apportionments, Allocations, and Program Information. The Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2011 apportionments for 5307 Urbanized Area are higher than expected for the Phoenix-Mesa UZA, and slightly lower for the Avondale UZA. The FFY 2011 apportionment for 5309 Fixed Guideway Modernization (FGM) is lower than expected, and the Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds that were flexed from the DOT to MAG for transit are slightly higher than what was programmed. Additionally, there are projects requested to be deleted, mainly related to the ample stock of fleet in the region. After reconciling the lower amount available for 5309-FGM, there is an additional \$3.7 million of 5307 funds. The Transit Committee recommended programming these funds for preventative maintenance based on the approved formula for distributing funds for FY 2011. This item was recommended for approval by the Transportation Review Committee on June 30, 2011, and by the Management Committee on July 13, 2011. Since the Management Committee recommended approval of this item, Glendale contacted MAG and the Regional Public Transportation Authority (RPTA) regarding the fleet purchase for 2011. Two of the four bus/dial-a-ride purchases are not needed, yet two 30-foot bus purchases are needed. The funds have been consolidated to purchase the two buses, and the other two purchases are deleted. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*5C. Project Changes – Amendment and Administrative Modification to the FY 2011-2015 MAG Transportation Improvement Program

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2011-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) 2010 Update were approved by the MAG Regional Council on July

5B. Approval to amend and modify the FY 2011-2015 MAG TIP for projects to be funded with federal transit funds in 2011 for the 2011 Program of Projects.

5C. Approval of amendments and administrative modifications to the FY 2011-2015 MAG TIP, and as appropriate, to the Regional Transportation Plan 2010 Update.

28, 2010, and have been modified seven times with the last modification approved by the Regional Council on June 29, 2011. Since then, there is a need to modify projects in the programs. This item was recommended for approval by the Transportation Review Committee on June 30, 2011, and by the Management Committee on July 13, 2011. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*5D. MAG Environmental Justice and Title VI Plan

Title VI and Environmental Justice activities are mandated by the federal government to ensure that people of all races, income levels, ages, and abilities have an equal voice in the planning process and receive equal benefit from the results of such planning. MAG is actively engaged in Title VI and Environmental Justice activities as a subrecipient of federal funding. In order to facilitate a thorough understanding of these activities, a Title VI Plan has been developed. The Plan reflects activities that fulfill the responsibilities assigned to Metropolitan Planning Organizations as set forth by the Federal Transit Administration circular FTA C 4702.1A under chapter seven. This item was recommended for approval by the Transportation Review Committee on June 30, 2011, and by the Management Committee on July 13, 2011. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*5E. Multimodal Transit System Tour Travel Costs - MAG Region Peer Cities

MAG has compiled information for the upcoming transit tour of Salt Lake City, Utah, on October 13-14, 2011. The trip is for leaders and representatives from the MAG Region to gather information and investigate the benefits of the multimodal connectivity between bus transit, light rail, and commuter rail in Utah Transit Authority's transit system along the Wasatch Front Range. An agenda and draft itinerary have been prepared by MAG staff with gracious assistance from Utah Transit Authority (UTA). For those MAG member agency staff who plan to participate in the tour, please contact the hotel directly to make

5D. Approval of the draft MAG Environmental Justice Title VI Plan.

5E. Information and discussion.

reservations. Additionally, MAG member agencies are responsible for booking their own airfare and ground transportation. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*5F. FY 2011 Federal Discretionary Grants

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) recently released five (5) discretionary grant programs related to planning, transit facilities and bus replacements for Fiscal Year (FY) 2011. Discretionary grants are expected to replace federal earmark funds. MAG scheduled a meeting on July 6, 2011, with the transit stakeholders to discuss strategies and eligible projects in the region. The group identified a list of projects to submit collaboratively as a region, as well as individual agencies discussed projects they may submit separately. On July 13, 2011, the MAG Management Committee recommended to support and forward the list of collaborative projects to the Executive Committee. The members also included in the list an I-10 direct connection ramp project submitted by METRO rail, which was not discussed by stakeholders at the meeting. This list of projects was forwarded to the Executive Committee to meet the short deadline for projects to be submitted to the FTA. On July 18, 2011, the Executive Committee approved supporting the list of collaborative projects and forwarding it to the FTA. Please refer to the enclosed material.

5F. Information.

AIR QUALITY ITEMS

*5G. Status of Remaining MAG Approved PM-10 Certified Street Sweeper Projects That Have Not Requested Reimbursement

A status report is being provided on the remaining PM-10 certified street sweeper projects that have received approval, but have not requested reimbursement. To assist MAG in reducing the amount of obligated federal funds carried forward in the MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget, MAG is requesting that street sweepers be purchased and reimbursement be

5G. Information and discussion.

requested by the agency within one year plus ten calendar days from the date of the MAG authorization letter. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*5H. Conformity Consultation

The Maricopa Association of Governments is conducting consultation on a conformity assessment for an amendment and administrative modification to the FY 2011-2015 MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The amendment and administrative modification involve several projects, including projects to be funded with federal transit funds in 2011 for the 2011 Program of Projects, and Arizona Department of Transportation projects at various locations. The amendment includes projects that may be categorized as exempt from conformity determinations. The administrative modification includes minor project revisions that do not require a conformity determination. Comments are requested by July 22, 2011. Please refer to the enclosed material.

5H. Consultation.

GENERAL ITEMS

*5I. 9-1-1 Budget Limitations

On May 13, 2011, a letter was sent from the Arizona Department of Administration explaining that the FY 2012 State 9-1-1 budget would cover only the day to day operations costs for 9-1-1 service and that new capital equipment purchases would be deferred. These shortages are attributed to the \$2.2 million in fund transfers made in the overall state FY 2012 budget from designated 9-1-1 monies. The impact to the MAG region for deferred equipment purchases totals \$1.55 million. At its June 27, 2011, meeting, the MAG 9-1-1 Oversight Team discussed the potential impact on the Maricopa Region 9-1-1 system. This item was on the July 13, 2011, Management Committee agenda for information and discussion. Please refer to the enclosed material.

5I. Information and discussion.

*5J. Approval of the Draft July 1, 2010 Maricopa County and Municipality Resident Population Updates

On December 8, 2010, the MAG Regional Council approved the Draft Provisional July 1, 2010 Maricopa County and Municipality Resident Population Updates that were prepared using the 2005 Census Survey as the base. In March 2011, the Census Bureau released the final county and place level population counts from the April 1, 2010 Decennial Census. Utilizing the 2010 Census results, MAG staff has prepared draft July 1, 2010 Maricopa County and Municipality Resident Population Updates. The Updates were prepared using the April 1, 2010 Census counts as the base and then accounting for population change to July 1, 2010 using birth and death data by jurisdiction. Any changes in population that occurred due to annexations from April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2010 also were included in the updates. These updates are used to prepare budgets and set expenditure limitations. This item was recommended for approval by the MAG Population Technical Advisory Committee on June 28, 2011, and the MAG Management Committee on July 13, 2011. Please refer to the enclosed material.

5J. Approval of the Draft July 1, 2010 Maricopa County and Municipality Resident Population Updates.

ITEMS PROPOSED TO BE HEARD

AIR QUALITY ITEMS

6. Update on the MAG Five Percent Plan for PM-10

An update will be provided on the MAG Five Percent Plan for Plan for PM-10 and the activities to prevent PM-10 exceedances at the monitors and throughout the region. On June 29, 2011, the Maricopa County Farm Bureau invited the Mayors in the Southwest Valley to their annual policy meeting to discuss PM-10 issues. In addition, comments were submitted by MAG, the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, and the Western States Air Resources Council on the Draft Guidance Documents on the Implementation of the Exceptional Events Rule

6. Information and discussion.

issued by the Environmental Protection Agency.
Please refer to the enclosed material.

GENERAL ITEMS

7. Appointment of the MAG Economic Development Committee Member Agency Positions

On October 27, 2010, the MAG Regional Council approved the composition of the MAG Economic Development Committee (EDC). The composition includes twelve MAG member agency positions that have one-year terms with possible reappointment by recommendation of the Executive Committee and approval of the MAG Regional Council. Due to the prescribed seats, such as the Transportation Policy Committee chair and vice chair in June each year, appointments of the EDC member agency positions will occur annually at the July MAG Regional Council meeting. On June 30, 2011, a memorandum was sent to the MAG Regional Council members soliciting nominations for the member agency positions on the EDC. On July 18, 2011, the MAG Executive Committee recommended reappointing the current EDC non-prescribed member agency positions and adding representatives from the cities of Chandler and Glendale to the EDC. Please refer to the enclosed material.

8. 2011 Heat Relief Network

The Maricopa Association of Governments has developed two maps of resources to help make water and refuge available to vulnerable populations during the hot summer months. This activity supports regional heat relief activities. The first map shows where water hydration stations and refuge locations are located throughout the county, or where people in need can go for water and refuge locations. The second map shows water collection and donation sites in the region. Many heat-relief efforts have been implemented over the past six years to prevent people from dying from heat-related illnesses. This item is presented to alert member agencies

7. Approval of the appointments of the Economic Development Committee (EDC) member agency positions.

8. Information and discussion.

to resources available throughout the summer months and to solicit assistance in making these resources available. Please refer to the enclosed material.

9. Formation of a Process to Explore Establishing a 3-1-1 System for the MAG Region

Several metropolitan regions have deployed a 3-1-1 system to handle calls for non-emergency services. Recently, some cities along with Maricopa County, have discussed deploying a 3-1-1 system for this region. The purpose of the 3-1-1 number is to handle non-emergency services and to streamline citizen interactions while lowering costs. The preliminary discussions have envisioned a system with a simple Interactive Voice Recognition service that will allow callers to be redirected to the appropriate agency. Each agency would have the option of directing calls to their own 3-1-1 call center, switchboard, or recorded message directing callers to a website. This would be a carrier provided service and would not rely on 9-1-1 infrastructure or operational activities. To explore initiating a 3-1-1 system on a regionwide basis, additional planning on the proposed business model and the technology that would be used is required. On July 13, 2011, the Management Committee voted to form a 3-1-1 Business Plan Committee. To examine the technical issues, it was recommended that the existing MAG Technology Advisory Group (MAGTAG) report to the 3-1-1 Business Plan Committee. To ensure coordination with the MAG 9-1-1 committees, it was recommended that a representative from the MAG 9-1-1 Oversight Team serve on the 3-1-1 Business Plan Committee and a representative from the MAG 9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Point Managers Group serve on the MAGTAG. A report will be made to the Regional Council on the purpose and proposed framework for a 3-1-1 system and the potential benefits to MAG member agencies. Please refer to the enclosed material.

9. Information and discussion.

10. Update on the MAG Economic Development Committee

An update will be provided on recent activities of the MAG Economic Development Committee, including the creation of a joint website with the Greater Phoenix Economic Council and the status of the Brookings Metropolitan Business Planning Initiative.

11. Request for Future Agenda Items

Topics or issues of interest that the Regional Council would like to have considered for discussion at a future meeting will be requested.

12. Comments from the Council

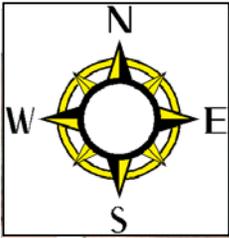
An opportunity will be provided for Regional Council members to present a brief summary of current events. The Regional Council is not allowed to propose, discuss, deliberate or take action at the meeting on any matter in the summary, unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action.

Adjournment

10. Information, discussion and input.

11. Information and discussion.

12. Information.



Building Entrance

Parking lot

Street Access off W. Rio Salado Pkwy

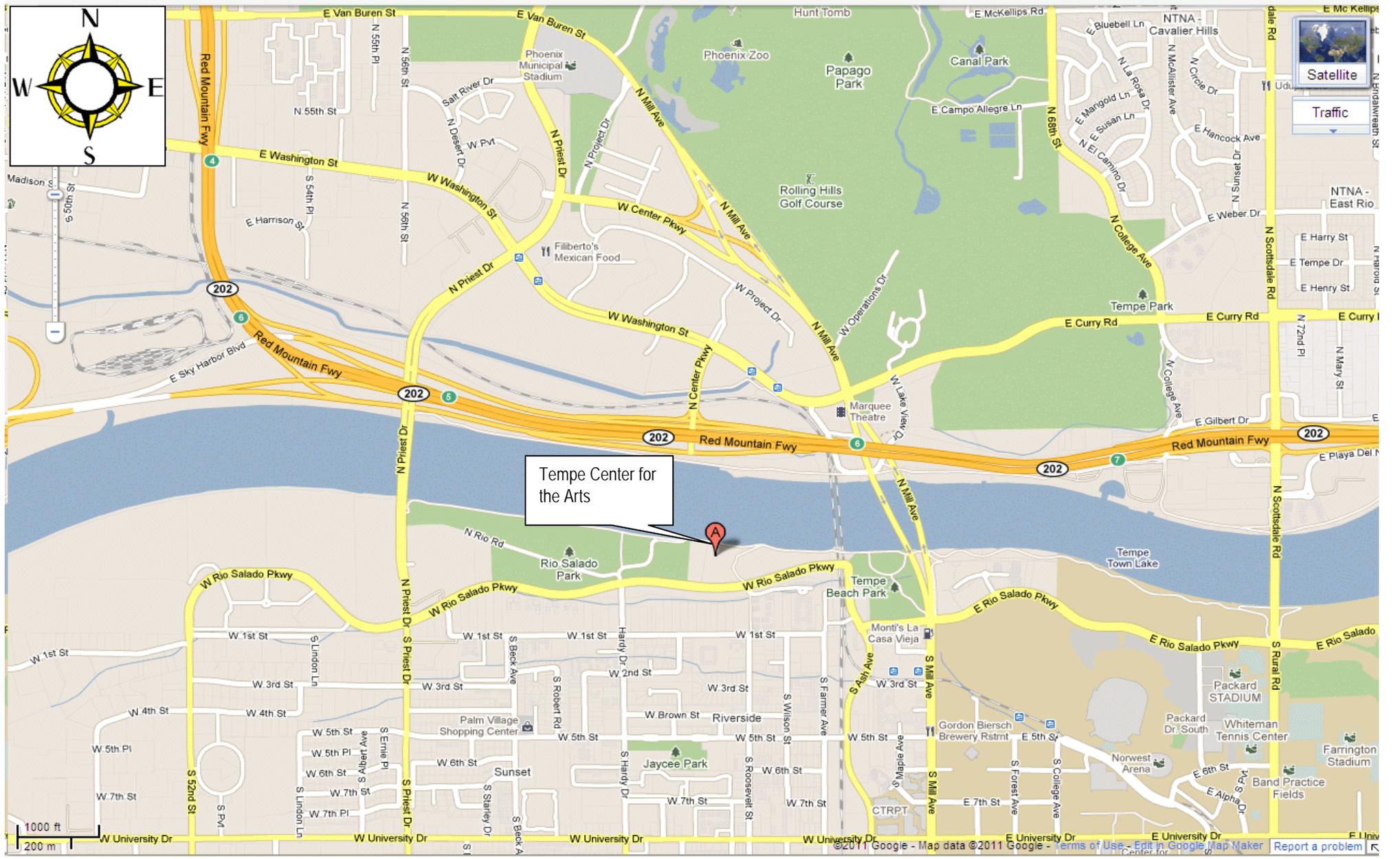
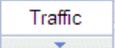
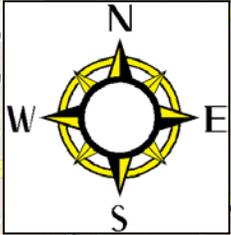
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