

September 9, 2013

TO: Members of the MAG Regional Council Executive Committee

FROM: Mayor Scott Smith, City of Mesa, Chair

SUBJECT: TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL
OF TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR THE MAG REGIONAL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE

Monday, September 16, 2013- 12:00 Noon
MAG Office, Suite 200 - Ironwood Room
302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

A telephone conference call meeting of the MAG Regional Council Executive Committee has been scheduled for the time and place noted above. Members of the Committee may attend the meeting either in person or by telephone conference.

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If you have any questions regarding the Executive Committee agenda items, please contact me at 480-644-2388. For MAG staff, please contact Dennis Smith, MAG Executive Director, or Denise McClafferty, Regional Program Manager, at (602) 254-6300.

MAG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
TENTATIVE AGENDA
SEPTEMBER 16, 2013

COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

1. Call to Order

The meeting of the Executive Committee will be called to order.

2. Call to the Audience

An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Executive Committee 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. Members of the public 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 Executive Committee requests an exception to this limit. Please note that those wishing to comment on action agenda items will be given an opportunity at the time the item is heard.

2. Information and discussion.

ITEMS PROPOSED FOR CONSENT*
BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

*3A. Approval of the August 12, 2013 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

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*3B. Amendment to the Bicycle Count Contract for Additional Bicycle Count Locations

In May 2012, the Regional Council approved the MAG FY 2013 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) and Annual Budget, which included a Bicycle Count Study. On November 12, 2012, the Regional Council Executive Committee selected Chen Ryan to conduct the study for an amount not to exceed \$96,000. It is requested to amend the contract with Chen Ryan in the amount of \$3,750 for work on an additional eight bicycle count locations. This funding will allow the consultant to conduct bicycle counts at Apache Junction, Florence, Fort McDowell-Yavapai Nation, Fountain Hills, Gila Bend, City of

3B. Approval to amend the Chen Ryan contract in the amount of \$3,750 for work on an additional eight bicycle count locations for the Bicycle Count Study.

Maricopa, Paradise Valley and Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. This item is on the September 11, 2013 Management Committee agenda for recommended approval. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*3C. Don't Trash Arizona Litter Prevention and Education Contract Amendment

It costs our region more than \$3 million every year to pick up litter from our regional freeway system. Proposition 400 includes funding for a litter prevention and education program designed to increase awareness of the health, safety, environmental and economic consequences of freeway litter and ultimately change the behavior of offenders. The Don't Trash Arizona Litter Education and Prevention program is implemented by MAG in cooperation with the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT). On October 17, 2011, the Regional Council Executive Committee approved the selection of Olson Communications, Inc. as the consultant to design and implement the FY 2012 Litter Prevention and Education Program, with the ability to extend the contract up to two additional years based on performance and funding availability. The contract was amended for one additional year in October 2012. Staff recommends amending the consultant contract with Olson for the second additional year for the Litter Prevention and Education Program and to include the \$300,000 budgeted in the FY 2014 Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget for litter prevention and education efforts. This item is on the September 11, 2013 Management Committee agenda for recommended approval. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*3D. Federal Fiscal Year 2013 Year End Closeout Report: September Update

Federal Fiscal Year 2013 Year End Closeout Report: September Update On August 21, 2013,

3C. Approval to amend the consultant contract with Olson Communications, Inc. for one additional year for the Litter Prevention and Education Program to include \$300,000 budgeted in the MAG FY 2014 Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget for litter prevention and education.

3D. Approve the ALCP project advancements to address FHWA funding at risk, general project changes, and to authorize staff to make any necessary project changes to address additional outstanding federal funds at risk during FFY 2013,

the MAG Regional Council approved the advancement of the Mesa Drive to Gilbert Road light rail extension project to close out Federal Fiscal Year 2013. Staff noted at the Regional Council meeting that additional flexibility may be needed due to additional information that may come from the Arizona Department of Transportation indicating that additional federal funds may be available from closing out federal funds. Since then, sixty one FY 2013 projects have completed federal authorization and an additional balance of FFY 2013 federal funds needs to be addressed. MAG has been informed that the balance of projects and project phases expected to authorize in FFY 2013 did not utilize the fully programmed amount as listed in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The amount is \$12.1 million of FHWA funding that is at risk. To address the un-programmed federal funds, MAG staff contacted member agencies that had potentially federally eligible project phases scheduled in the phase II and III areas of the Arterial Life Cycle Program (ALCP). Of the federally eligible projects, and based on current work schedules, and ADOT project management approvals, the attached list of ALCP projects are being advanced to address the federal funds that are at risk. This item is on the September 11, 2013 Management Committee agenda for recommended approval. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*3E. Appointments of the New MAG Economic Development Committee Member Positions

The composition of the Economic Development Committee (EDC) was approved by the MAG Regional Council on October 27, 2010. On August 21, 2013, the Regional Council approved changes to the MAG Committee Operating Policies and Procedures that included changes to the composition of the EDC. The Regional Council approved adding additional West Valley, East Valley and Pinal County member agency elected official seats to the MAG EDC. In addition,

and of the related amendments to the FY 2011-2015 MAG Transportation Improvement Program, FY 2014 Arterial Life Cycle Program, and Regional Transportation Plan 2010 Update.

3E. Recommendation to approve the appointments of the new Economic Development Committee (EDC) member positions.

the Regional Council approved adding Arizona State University as a Business Member position under education. On August 26, 2013, a memorandum was sent to the MAG Regional Council soliciting letters of interest for the new EDC positions. The Executive Committee is requested to recommend approval of the new EDC member agency positions. Please refer to the enclosed material.

ITEMS PROPOSED TO BE HEARD
BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

4. Clarifications to the MAG Committee Operating Policies and Procedures

On May 13, 2013, the MAG Executive Committee requested that the Executive Committee Governance Subcommittee meet to discuss changes to the MAG Committee Operating Policies and Procedures to provide for the new members. On June 7, 2013, the Governance Subcommittee met and discussed the composition of the MAG committees, including quorum issues. On August 21, 2013, the Regional Council approved changes to the MAG Committee Operating Policies and Procedures. Since that time, two clarifications are needed prior to distribution of the updated MAG Committee Operating Policies and Procedures. The first clarification is the need of a quorum to begin a meeting, and the second is the Continuum of Care Committee on Homelessness will have two co-chairs, one elected official and one representative from the non-profit sector, and no vice chair position. Please refer to the enclosed material.

5. Request for Future Agenda Items

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

4. Information, discussion and recommended approval of the clarifications to the MAG Committee Operating Policies and Procedures.

5. Information and discussion.

6. Comments from the Committee

An opportunity will be provided for the Executive Committee members to present a brief summary of current events. The Executive Committee 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

6. Information.

MINUTES OF THE
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
MAG REGIONAL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

August 12, 2013

MAG Offices, Ironwood Room
302 N. 1st Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Mayor Scott Smith, Mesa, Chair
Mayor Michael LeVault, Youngtown, Vice Chair
Mayor W.J. “Jim” Lane, Scottsdale, Treasurer

Mayor Gail Barney, Queen Creek
Mayor Marie Lopez Rogers, Avondale
#Mayor Lana Mook, El Mirage
Mayor Greg Stanton, Phoenix

* Not present

Participated by video or telephone conference call

1. Call to Order

The Executive Committee meeting was called to order by Chair Smith at 12:13 p.m.

2. Call to the Audience

Chair Smith 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 Smith stated no comment cards had been received.

3. Approval of Executive Committee Consent Agenda

Chair Smith 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 Smith requested a motion to approve the consent agenda. Mayor Barney moved to approve items #3A through #3F. Mayor Lane seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

3A. Approval of the June 17, 2013 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

The Regional Council Executive Committee, by consent, approved the June 17, 2013 Executive Committee meeting minutes.

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

The Regional Council Executive Committee, by consent, approved the selection of the following consultants for the MAG Pedestrian and Bicycle Design Assistance Facilities Program On-Call Consultant List: Coffman Studio, PLLC; Environmental Planning Group; Gavan & Barker, Inc.; Harrington Planning Design; J2 Engineering & Environmental Design, LLC; Lee Engineering, LLC; Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc.; Kittelson & Associates, Inc.; Logan-Halperin Landscape Architecture LLC; Olsson Associates; Otak, Inc.; Stanley Consultants, Inc.; Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.; and Wilson & Company, Inc.

The FY 2014 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget, approved by the MAG Regional Council in May 2013, includes \$300,000 for the Pedestrian and Bicycle Design Assistance program. As part of this program, MAG develops a qualified consultant on-call list. On May 30, 2013, MAG published a Request for Qualifications. On June 27, 2013, MAG received 14 consultant proposals. On July 11, 2013, a multi-jurisdictional evaluation panel met to review the consultant proposals and recommended to MAG the selection of the 14 consultants. On July 16, 2013, the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee voted to recommend the 14 consultants for approval.

3C. Approval to Enter into an Agreement with the Town of Wickenburg to provide Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Assistance

The Regional Council Executive Committee, by consent, approved to enter into an agreement and to accept up to \$10,000 from the Town of Wickenburg for assistance in developing the town's GIS for a period of one year, and to approve a budget amendment to the FY 2014 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to add this funding for an increase to the overall budget of \$10,000.

MAG staff maintains a number of regional GIS data sets that are utilized to conduct analysis and mapping. In 2013, MAG staff was approached by the Town of Wickenburg to explore the possibility of providing assistance in developing the town's new GIS. Working with the Town of Wickenburg, staff has developed a scope of work for a one-year GIS assistance project. The tasks include compiling, organizing, and updating the town's GIS datasets, creating new datasets, training town staff, and creating an internal map viewer and online mapping application. This agreement would be in effect for one year.

3D. Accept Funding from Partners for Livable Communities to Support Aging Services Planning

The Regional Council Executive Committee, by consent, approved to accept funding from the Partners for Livable Communities grant to support the City Leaders Institute on Aging in Place

and approval of the budget amendment to the FY 2014 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to add this grant award for an increase to the overall budget of \$3,000.

The FY 2014 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget (UPWP) was approved on May 22, 2013. On June 20, 2013, a \$3,000 grant from Partners for Livable Communities was awarded to Regional Community Partners (RCP) for work on the City Leaders Institute on Aging in Place. This region was selected as one of five communities in the country to participate in this national pilot project. The MetLife Foundation is providing \$3,000 grants to each of the communities selected. As part of the Institute, the region will develop strategies to meet the transportation needs of older adults in pilot project areas in Phoenix, Tempe, Scottsdale, and the Northwest Valley.

3E. Consultant Selection for the MAG Regional Transportation Plan On-Call Consultant Services Program

The Regional Council Executive Committee, by consent, approved the selection of the list of consultants to participate in the On-Call Transportation Planning Consultant Services Program for a three-year period, and for an amount not to exceed \$500,000.

The fiscal year (FY) 2014 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget, approved by the MAG Regional Council in May 2013, includes \$500,000 to conduct the MAG Regional Transportation Plan On-Call. The purpose of a Regional Transportation Plan On-Call program is for expediting the delivery of consultant services at MAG. Qualified consultants were sought to assist staff in the following six services areas: (1) Civil Engineering, (2) Transportation Planning, (3) Transportation Operations, (4) Policy and Finance, (5) Public Involvement, and (6) Economic Development. A Request for Statements of Qualifications was issued on May 30, 2013, with a due date of June 28, 2013 for response. A total of 27 Statements of Qualifications were received. An internal team of MAG staff reviewed the Statements of Qualifications and on July 29, 2013, recommended to MAG the selection of 15 consultants for participation in the MAG Regional Transportation Plan On-Call.

3F. Amendment to the FY 2014 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget for the Interstate 10/Interstate 17 Corridor Master Plan

The Regional Council Executive Committee, by consent, approved amending the FY 2014 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget (UPWP) to add the Interstate 10/Interstate 17 Corridor Master Plan project and to increase the FY 2014 UPWP by \$2,500,000 with Regional Area Road Funding (RARF) for this related work from the MAG Regional Freeway and Highway Program

At the May 15, 2013, Transportation Policy Committee (TPC) meeting, a presentation was made on the status of planning for Interstates 10 and 17 between the SR-101L/Agua Fria-Pima "North Stack" and SR-202L/Santan-South Mountain "Pecos Stack" traffic interchanges. During this presentation, the TPC was presented with the recommendation for establishing a corridor master plan in response to the 2012 suspension of environmental impact statements for both corridors. The decision for suspending these environmental efforts was to take time and identify whether

the studies were consistent with the planning efforts identified in the Regional Transportation Plan, as well as with recent conclusions from MAG's continuing planning efforts through the Southeast Corridor Major Investment Study and the Managed Lanes Network Development Strategy project. Staff from the Arizona Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, MAG, and Valley Metro, as well as the Cities of Chandler, Phoenix, and Tempe, met in a workshop to study this consistency and through discussion identified a path forward that includes establishing a corridor master plan for improving this central interstate route that represents the transportation Spine of the Valley.

4. Recommendations from the Executive Committee Governance Subcommittee on the MAG Committee Operating Policies and Procedures and the MAG By-Laws

Denise McClafferty, MAG Regional Program Manager, stated at the May 13, 2013 Executive Committee meeting, it was recommended that the Executive Committee Governance Subcommittee meet to discuss changes to the MAG Policies and Procedures and MAG By-Laws to provide for the new members. She added that the Subcommittee met on June 7, 2013 and the recommended changes and additions were sent to the members. Ms. McClafferty went through the recommended changes in the policies and procedures document which included wording that would add a Pinal County seat to the Regional Council. Under the Nominating Process and Elections of Officers, language was revised to read “maintaining a reasonable balance between east, west north and south valley communities and the Central City shall be considered by the nominating committee when nominating officers.”

Ms. McClafferty stated other proposed language changes included adding Pinal County to the Management Committee and on the Transportation Policy Committee, the two at large members language was changed to read from “geographically balanced” to “regionally balanced”. She stated the Subcommittee also recommended adding the City of Florence, City of Maricopa, and Pinal County to the list to be chosen from and removed Yavapai County on the Transportation Policy Committee.

Under the Technical and Policy Committees, regarding the appointment of Chair and Vice Chair the committee recommended an elected official preference for the policy committees. The Subcommittee also recommended that on the Continuum of Care on Homelessness that there be two Co-Chairs, one elected official and one from the non-profit sector. The Subcommittee felt that this committee could not do the work without the non-profit sector so it made sense to have them in a leadership role. Under the Economic Development Committee it was requested that the committee add one West Valley seat, one East Valley seat, and one Pinal County member agency seat. The Pinal County seat would be chosen from Apache Junction, Florence, City of Maricopa or Pinal County. Under the Business Members of this committee, under Education, it was recommended to add Arizona State University.

Fredda Bisman, MAG Legal Counsel, stated a provision was added to address a situation whereas if a member is absent for three or more consecutive meetings of the Regional Council or any other committee, it provides that this member position shall no longer be considered a member for the purposes of counting a quorum. Once that member attends a meeting, that member will immediately again be considered as a member for purposes of calculating quorum.

She stated the only intended purpose of this provision is to reduce the quorum by one for a member who has not attended three consecutive meetings.

Chair Smith thanked Ms. McClafferty and Ms. Bisman and asked the committee members if there were any questions or comments. Mayor Stanton asked that once the member attends a meeting, is it the Chair's options to allow them to participate or would it be mandatory that they would not be able to participate. Ms. Bisman stated the way the provision is worded, when the member does show up, they would be counted, so there is no discretionary action.

Chair Smith added this provision has nothing to do with the ability to participate in the meeting, but rather an attendance issue. He noted this language only allows the committee to continue to conduct business and go on with the meeting. Ms. Bisman added it does not affect any rights of that committee member. Chair Smith stated that some other organizations even remove a member from the committee, once they have missed three consecutive absences, but this language is more lenient. Mr. Smith added that this is similar to the language that the Central Arizona Governments uses and stated the real issue is why are the committee members not attending meetings. He noted that attendance sheets are available if the committee wanted further details. Chair Smith stated that he can remember times that a committee meeting had to be cancelled because they could not reach quorum and this is very frustrating for the members who do show up.

Mayor Stanton stated while he sees that this is well intentioned, he asked if MAG has the authority to define their own quorum. Ms. Bisman stated they have looked at this issue and found that they can change the quorum but that quorum cannot be less than one-third of the members of MAG. Mayor Lane suggested including that language into the By-Laws. Chair Smith stated in his experience, this would not be an issue because the committee was usually only short one or two members to reach quorum.

Mayor LeVault asked if these changes are adopted when would this quorum change go into effect. Ms. Bisman stated if it is approved by Regional Council, it could either be effective immediately or the following month. She recommended it begin the following month so it applies to the committees that meet monthly. Mr. Smith stated another option could be to have this apply to all committees except the Regional Council because they are the ultimate decision making authority. He also suggested sending out a letter from the Chair of MAG to all the members indicating how important it is to attend these meetings and revisit the issue in a few months. Chair Smith stated this recurring quorum issue is mostly with the technical committees and is a good suggestion. Mayor Barney asked if all the committee members have the ability to call in to the meetings. Mr. Smith stated that all the meetings do have teleconferencing as an option and that it is available.

Mayor Stanton agreed with Mr. Smith's suggestion and motioned to approve the amendment and approval of the changes to the MAG Committee Operating Policies and Procedures and the MAG By-Laws with the quorum changes applying to all committees except Regional Council. Mayor Lane seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

5. Appointments of the MAG Economic Development Committee Member Agency Positions

Denise McClafferty, MAG Regional Program Manager, stated the elected official member agency positions on the Economic Development Committee (EDC) are one year terms. She added that the prescribed seats are a direct result of the appointments at the Annual Regional Council meeting and that the Central City and Maricopa County have dedicated seats. She noted that the remaining positions are reappointed and/or appointed each year.

Ms. McClafferty stated that this year there were two vacant positions, one for the East Valley seat and one for the West Valley seat. On July 1, 2013, a memorandum was sent to the Regional Council members soliciting nominations for the member agency positions on the EDC. She added that staff had received one letter for the West Valley seat from Mayor Schoaf, Litchfield Park, and three letters for the East Valley seat from Mayor Kavanagh, Fountain Hills, Mayor Lane, Scottsdale, and Vice Mayor Barker, Apache Junction. Staff requested that the Executive Committee recommend and approve the appointments of the EDC member agency positions to move forward to the Regional Council.

Chair Smith thanked Ms. McClafferty and asked the committee members if there were any questions or comments.

Chair Smith stated Mayor Schoaf would be an appropriate member and asked staff if they had heard of any conversations that had taken place in regards to the East Valley nominees. Mr. Smith stated that he was not aware of any conversations that may have taken place and believes all three are still interested in the seat. Mayor Lane stated that he was also unaware of any conversations and that he had been out of town. Mayor Stanton suggested that the fairest way to go about this is to give the East Valley nominees an opportunity to discuss this nomination prior to a decision being made. Mr. Smith stated that this committee could recommend all three to Regional Council and give the nominees time to talk prior to the next Regional Council meeting. Mayor Lane stated that he agreed and that it makes sense to take it to Regional Council.

Mayor Lopez Rogers motioned to recommend Mayor Schoaf for the West Valley position and to advance to Regional Council Mayor Kavanagh, Mayor Lane, and Vice Mayor Barker, for the East Valley position. Mayor Stanton seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

6. MAG Transportation Review Committee Vice Chair Appointment

Denise McClafferty, MAG Regional Program Manager, stated in May 2013, the Chair of the Transportation Review Committee (TRC), Dave Meinhart from the City of Scottsdale, retired. According to the MAG Committee Operating Policies and Procedures, the Vice Chair, David Fitzhugh from the City of Avondale, will ascend to the Chair position.

On July 15, 2013, MAG staff sent a notice to the Management Committee, the MAG Transportation Review Committee, and the Intergovernmental Representatives to solicit letters of interest for the Transportation Review Committee Vice Chair position. A copy of the letters received requesting consideration for the Vice Chair position included Daniel Cook, City of

Chandler, Vincent Lorefice, Town of Wickenburg, and Rick Naimark, City of Phoenix. Staff requested that the Executive Committee appoint the Vice Chair of the Transportation Review Committee.

Chair Smith thanked Ms. McClafferty and asked the committee members if there were any questions or comments. Mayor Barney asked about balance between the East, West and Central City. Chair Smith stated the TRC has had an East Valley Vice Chair and then a West Valley Vice Chair. Mr. Smith stated they have had two officers from the City of Phoenix in the whole history of the TRC.

Mayor Lopez Rogers moved to approve Rick Naimark, City of Phoenix, as Vice Chair of the Transportation Review Committee. Mayor Stanton seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

THE NEXT AGENDA ITEM WAS TAKEN OUT OF ORDER AND IS AN ADDENDUM TO THE AGENDA.

9. Amendment to the FY 2014 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget

Eric Anderson, Transportation Director, stated an amendment to the FY 2014 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget is being requested to add a public opinion survey on transportation issues for an amount not to exceed \$50,000. He indicated that the purpose of the survey will be to gauge public attitudes and opinions in the MAG Regional Transportation System, future needs, and alternative funding options. He added a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) would be issued for the survey. The overall plan would be to get the RFQ and convene a work group to begin getting the public's ideas on what they would like to see in the survey. This information would then be provided to the consultant.

Chair Smith asked the committee members if there were any questions or comments. Mayor Stanton asked if a consultant had already been chosen. Mr. Anderson stated that they do not have a consultant and that an RFQ would go out. Once the firm is chosen, that firm would go out and conduct the surveys.

Mayor Barney recommended approval of amending the FY 2014 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to add a public opinion survey on transportation issues for an amount not to exceed \$50,000. Mayor LeVault seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

7. Request for Future Agenda Items

Chair Smith asked if there were any requests for future agendas items.

Mayor Stanton asked how often does the Continuum of Care Regional Committee on Homelessness have a chance to appear before Regional Council. Mr. Smith stated the Continuum of Care Regional Committee on Homelessness was just heard at the last Management Committee meeting and is the first agenda item to be heard at the next Regional

Council meeting. Mayor Stanton requested to have ongoing updates of this committee be put on the Regional Council agenda on a regular basis. Mr. Smith stated MAG will continue to highlight their work.

8. Comments from the Committee

Chair Smith asked if there were any comments from the committee. There were none.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the Executive Committee adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Chair

Secretary

MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

INFORMATION SUMMARY... for your review

DATE:

September 9, 2013

SUBJECT:

Amendment to the Bicycle Count Study Contract for Additional Bicycle Count Locations

SUMMARY:

In May 2012, the Regional Council approved the MAG FY 2013 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) and Annual Budget, which included a Bicycle Count Study. The data that will be collected in the Study will provide information on bicycle volumes, be used to develop better measures of safety and health impacts associated with cycling, be integrated into planning efforts, and help member agencies with their bike plans. On November 12, 2012, the Regional Council Executive Committee selected Chen Ryan to conduct the Bicycle Count Study for an amount not to exceed \$96,000. It is requested to amend the contract with Chen Ryan in the amount of \$3,750 for work on an additional eight bicycle count locations in MAG member agencies that are not in the urban core: Apache Junction, Florence, Fort McDowell-Yavapai Nation, Fountain Hills, Gila Bend, City of Maricopa, Paradise Valley and Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community.

PUBLIC INPUT:

No public input has been received concerning the specific requested change.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: This increased funds will support bicycle counts at MAG member agencies that are not in the urban core.

CONS: None.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: MAG is planning on regular bike count data that will be collected for years to come, which will give information on bicycle volumes, which can also be used to develop better measures of safety and health impacts associated with cycling.

POLICY: The bike-monitoring program will begin in 2013 and will focus on collecting bicycle counts at a number of strategically selected locations across the region.

ACTION NEEDED:

Approval to amend the Chen Ryan contract in the amount of \$3,750 for work on an additional eight bicycle count locations for the Bicycle Count Study.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

This item is on the September 11, 2013 Management Committee agenda for recommendation to approve. An update will be provided on action taken by the committee.

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MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

INFORMATION SUMMARY...for your review

DATE:

September 9, 2013

SUBJECT:

Don't Trash Arizona Litter Prevention and Education Contract Amendment

SUMMARY:

The Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) includes \$279 million for the freeway maintenance program, including litter control. In November 2003, MAG and the Arizona Department of Transportation signed a joint resolution that included a commitment to develop a long-term litter prevention program to help reduce freeway litter and defray pickup costs. The program, known as *Don't Trash Arizona* was first implemented in 2006.

The purpose of the *Don't Trash Arizona* program is to increase awareness of the health, safety, environmental and economic consequences of freeway litter and ultimately change the behavior of offenders. MAG works cooperatively with the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), which manages the program for the state outside of Maricopa County.

In October 2011, the MAG Regional Council approved the selection of a consultant, Olson Communications, Inc., to continue the implementation of *Don't Trash Arizona* through November 2012. The action included a provision that the base contract period shall be a one-year term but that MAG may, at its option, offer to extend the period of this agreement up to a maximum of two (2), one (1) year options, based on consultant performance and funding availability. Based on the success of the program, in October 2012, the MAG Executive Committee approved exercising the first one-year option with Olson Communications, Inc.

Since 2006, combined with public relations efforts, the *Don't Trash Arizona* Litter Prevention and Education program has achieved tens of millions of audience impressions. Strategies implemented in the past two years include public relations, media outreach, paid advertising, and community partnerships. Among the top items littered along our state and regional freeways are cigarette butts and beverage containers, including cups and cans, leading the campaign to continue the theme, "No Cups, Cans, or Butts. Don't Trash Arizona!" Along with radio and web advertising, innovative tactics have included a mobile billboard that travels to major sporting events and concert venues, banners at high school football games, social media videos, messaging at gas stations and convenience stores near Maricopa County freeways, movie theater advertising, a refreshed website, and other public relations efforts.

A telephone survey of Maricopa County residents conducted in August 2012 found that the anti-litter program is working to decrease the number of motorists who litter while driving. The survey found the percentage of residents who admit to littering soda cans, bottles and cigarette butts decreased by half from the previous year (6% vs. 13% for soda cans and bottles and 5% vs. 12% for cigarette butts). Only four percent of smokers indicated they toss cigarette butts out of vehicle windows—a 69 percent decrease. Half (51%) of smokers surveyed reported that they use an ashtray in their vehicles, reversing a decline seen between 2010 and 2011 (53% down to 43%). Approximately 16% of smokers indicated that they do not smoke in the car at all, representing a 700 percent increase from the previous year (2%). Results are based on 600 fifteen-minute interviews with Maricopa County residents with results at a 95 percent confidence level.

A full copy of the survey and its findings is available at www.DontTrashAZ.com. The site also includes information about littering, activities and resources for students and teachers, a page to report littering violations and other information.

The amended contract with Olson expires on November 30, 2013. Due to the ongoing success of the *Don't Trash Arizona* program, staff recommends amending the consultant contract with Olson Communications for one additional year for the Litter Prevention and Education Program to include the \$300,000 budgeted in the FY 2014 Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget for litter prevention and education efforts.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Numerous presentations and special events were conducted throughout the year, with feedback solicited through onsite surveys, website outreach, and with a statistically valid telephone survey conducted annually.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: Research suggests that prevention programs can change public perception and habits regarding litter, which is ugly, unhealthy and unsafe. Properly maintained freeways are important to the quality of life of the residents of this region and to the image projected to tourists and economic development prospects.

CONS: None.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: The Regional Transportation Plan includes \$279 million in funding for landscape maintenance and noise mitigation, with a small portion allocated for litter prevention and education. The FY 2014 campaign will build on efforts of the *Don't Trash Arizona* campaign to date.

POLICY: An effective litter prevention and education program will help change the behavior of offenders, which will improve health and safety, protect the environment, improve visual aesthetics along the MAG Regional Freeway System, enhance tourism and economic development prospects, and ultimately reduce the cost of freeway maintenance.

ACTION NEEDED:

Approval to amend the consultant contract with Olson Communications, Inc., for one additional year for the Litter Prevention and Education Program to include \$300,000 budgeted in the MAG FY 2014 Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget for litter prevention and education.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

This item is on the September 11, 2013 Management Committee agenda for recommendation to approve. An update will be provided on action taken by the committee.

On October 17, 2011, the MAG Regional Council approved a recommendation forwarded by the MAG Management Committee that Olson Communications, Inc., be selected to design and implement the FY 2012 Litter Prevention and Education Program for the Regional Freeway System in the MAG Region. The action included a provision that the base contract period shall be a one-year term but that MAG may, at its option, offer to extend the period of this agreement up to a maximum of two (2), one (1) year options, based on consultant performance and funding availability. On October 15, 2012, the MAG Regional Council Executive Committee exercised the first one-year option, and approved amending the contract through November 30, 2013.

CONTACT PERSON:

Kelly Taft, Communications Manager, 602-254-6300.

MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

INFORMATION SUMMARY... for your review

DATE:

September 9, 2013

SUBJECT:

Federal Fiscal Year 2013 Year End Closeout Report: September Update

SUMMARY:

On August 21, 2013, the Regional Council approved the advancement of Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funding for the Mesa Drive to Gilbert Road light rail extension project to utilize outstanding Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2013 funds. Since then, MAG has been informed that certain FHWA funded projects expected to authorize in FFY 2013 will not fully utilize the amount programmed in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and additional final voucher savings have been received. As of August 4, 2013, this amounts to approximately \$12.1 million that is at risk. Additional information is being received on a weekly basis. To address this funding balance and additional funding that is estimated to reach approximately \$12.9 million, federally eligible projects that meet specific criteria have been evaluated and a listing of proposed advancements and general project changes is included. Please refer to attached materials.

A total of 209 FHWA funded projects/work phases are programmed for authorization during FFY 2013. As of the generation of the August 2013 report, 102 work phases had authorized, and 107 had yet to receive federal authorization. The FHWA funding balance currently outstanding is due to 61 project work phases that authorized since the August report at a lower amount than programmed in the TIP.

Having met agency requests for currently programmed FFY 2013 bicycle-pedestrian, intelligent transportation systems, and paving of unpaved roads projects and advancement of the Gilbert Road light rail extension, and being past the FFY 2013 transfer deadline, MAG staff contacted member agencies that have Arterial Life Cycle Program (ALCP) projects. Staff reviewed potentially federally eligible project phases scheduled in the phase II and III areas of the ALCP. The specific criteria that must be met for the advancement of federal funds and project changes are:

- The project work phase(s) can obligate by September 16, 2013, and
- does not require a new finding of conformity, and
- the project work is federally eligible, is not a scope change, and
- is a certification acceptance agency, and
- the sponsoring agency is able to complete paperwork at ADOT, and
- sponsoring agency has required local match.

Of the federally eligible projects reviewed, and based on local agency concurrence, the attached Eligible Projects priority listing shows all ALCP projects eligible to be advanced to address the federal funds that are at risk. The eligible projects total exceeds the \$12.1 million available. The list is separated by proposed advancements and those pending advancement of additional funds that may become available. MAG is receiving weekly updates on funding. Two of the projects listed as lower priority, could authorize in FFY 2013, however they currently are programmed in FFY 2014 for FHWA

funding authorization and advancement at this time is not advantageous. If any of the current remaining 34 projects scheduled to authorize do not fully utilize their programmed funding, or if proposed projects cannot authorize, projects in the "Additional Projects" category will be advanced in order if the project sponsor and ADOT are able to meet the deadline. Additional non ALCP project changes are also included in this request. The detail of ALCP project change listings are included in Tables A and B. The detail of non-ALCP TIP changes are included in Table C.

PUBLIC INPUT:

None.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: Approval of this recommendation will protect federal funding and allow for transportation project phases to advance in the MAG region for FFY 2013. Advancement may provide local cost savings, and will reduce future reimbursements in the ALCP. There is no guarantee that sufficient funds will be available in the following fiscal years.

CONS: None.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: Action to close out the FFY 2013 MAG federally funded program is needed to ensure that all MAG federal funds are fully used in a timely and equitable manner. Funds that are not used are at risk and subject to rescission. These actions may include any necessary amendments or administrative adjustments to the FY 2011-2015 MAG TIP to allow the projects to proceed and to protect current year federal funding. All advancements of Federal funds will reduce future year reimbursements by the stated amounts.

POLICY: Previously adopted MAG policies on the allocation of uncommitted and redistributed federal funds to projects have been followed.

ACTION NEEDED:

Approve the ALCP project advancements to address FHWA funding at risk, general project changes, and to authorize staff to make any necessary project changes to address additional outstanding federal funds at risk during FFY 2013, and of the related amendments to the FY 2011-2015 MAG Transportation Improvement Program, FY 2014 Arterial Life Cycle Program, and Regional Transportation Plan 2010 Update.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

This item is scheduled for the September 11, 2013 Management Committee, for recommended approval. Updates to items since the Management Committee mail-out are tinted in yellow. An update will be provided.

CONTACT PERSON:

Teri Kennedy, Transportation Improvement Program Manager, (602) 254-6300.

Table A. ALCP Project Changes to the Fiscal Year 2011-2015 MAG Transportation Improvement Program and the Fiscal Year 2014 ALCP

9/4/2013

ALCP - IN TIP																			
TIP #	Agency	Project Location	Project Description	Fiscal Year	Est. Date Open	Length (miles)	Lanes Before	Lanes After	Fund Type	Local Cost	Federal Cost	Regional Cost	Total Cost	Reimb. Fiscal Year	Fund Type	Regional Reimb.	Federal ID	Notes:	RTP ID
CHN15-108CZ	Chandler	Gilbert Rd: Chandler Heights Rd to Hunt Hwy	Construct roadway widening	2014	Jul-14	1	2	4	STP-MAG	123,822	2,048,488	-	2,172,310	2013	STP-MAG	2,048,488		Amend: Advance \$1,000,000 of project construction phase reimbursement from 2019 and \$1,048,488 from 2020 to 2013. Change a portion of project construction phase reimbursement funding source from RARF to STP-MAG.	ACI-GIL-10-03-E
CHN14-108CZ2	Chandler	Gilbert Rd: Chandler Heights Rd to Hunt Hwy	Construct roadway widening	2014	Jul-14	1	2	4	Local	1,479,623	-	-	1,479,623	2020	RARF	1,479,623		Amend: Advance \$1,048,488 of project construction phase reimbursement from 2020 to 2013 in TIP ID CHN15-108CZ.	ACI-GIL-10-03-E
MMA13-105PDZ	Maricopa County	McKellips Rd: Loop 101 (Pima Fwy) to SRP-MIC/Alma School Rd	Pre-design for roadway widening	2013	Jul-23	2	4	6	STP-MAG	249,000	581,000	-	830,000	2013	STP-MAG	581,000		Amend: Increase project pre-design phase costs. Increase project pre-design phase reimbursement from project construction phase. Advance project pre-design phase reimbursement from 2019 to 2013.	ACI-MCK-40-03
MMA14-105PDZ	Maricopa County	McKellips Rd: Loop 101 (Pima Fwy) to SRP-MIC/Alma School Rd	Pre-design for roadway widening	2014	Jul-23	2	4	6	Local	340,000	-	-	340,000	0	-	-	-	Amend: Delete TIP Listing. Combine project pre-design phase costs with TIP ID MMA13-105PDZ.	ACI-MCK-40-03
CHN18-110DZ	Chandler	Queen Creek Rd: McQueen Rd to Gilbert Rd	Design roadway widening	2013	Jul-21	2	2	6	STP-MAG	91,563	1,514,800	-	1,606,363	2013	STP-MAG	1,514,800		Amend: New TIP listing. Advance project design phase from 2019 to 2013. Increase project design phase reimbursement from project construction phase. Advance a portion of project design phase reimbursement from 2019 (\$ 584,440) and 2020 (\$ 930,360) to 2013.	ACI-QNC-10-03-B
CHN18-110DZ2	Chandler	Queen Creek Rd: McQueen Rd to Gilbert Rd	Design roadway widening	2013	Jul-21	2	2	6	Local	557,637	-	-	557,637	--	--	--		Amend: New TIP listing. Advance project design phase from 2019 to 2013. Increase project design phase reimbursement from project construction phase. Advance a portion of project design phase reimbursement from 2019 (\$ 584,440) and 2020 (\$ 930,360) to 2013.	ACI-QNC-10-03-B
MMA14-117CZ	Maricopa County	Northern Parkway: Reems and Litchfield Overpasses	Construct roadway widening	2014	Jul-14	0.2	0	4	STP-MAG	4,771,543	4,865,952	-	9,637,495	2013	STP-MAG	4,865,952		Amend: Advance project construction phase reimbursement from 2015 (\$500,000) and 2016 (\$4,365,952) to 2013.	ACI-NOR-10-03-C
MMA14-117CZ2	Maricopa County	Northern Parkway: Reems and Litchfield Overpasses	Construct roadway widening	2014	Jul-14	0.2	0	4	Local	530,000	0	0	530,000	2015	STP-MAG	500,000		Amend: Delete TIP listing. Advance reimbursement to 2013 in TIP ID MMA14-117CZ.	ACI-NOR-10-03-C

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9/4/2013

ALCP - IN TIP			Project Description	Fiscal Year	Est. Date Open	Length (miles)	Lanes Before	Lanes After	Fund Type	Local Cost	Federal Cost	Regional Cost	Total Cost	Reimb. Fiscal Year	Fund Type	Regional Reimb.	Federal ID	Notes:	RTP ID
TIP #	Agency	Project Location																	
CHN13-111CZ	Chandler	McQueen Road: Ocotillo Rd to Chandler Heights	Construct roadway widening	2014	Jan-16	1	2	4	STP-MAG	235,474	3,895,652	-	4,131,126	2013	STP-MAG	3,895,652		Amend: New TIP Listing. Separate the construction phase from RTP ID ACI-PRC-10-03-C into two segments. Advance project construction phase work from 2017/2018 to 2014. Advance project construction phase reimbursement from 2019/2020 to 2013. Switch project reimbursement funding source from RARF to STP-MAG. Advance project active year from 2018 to 2016.	ACI-PRC-10-03-I

Table B. ALCP Project Changes to the Fiscal Year 2014 ALCP (Non-TIP Changes)

9/4/2013

ALCP - OUT OF TIP			Project Description	Fiscal Year	Est. Date Open	Length (miles)	Lanes Before	Lanes After	Fund Type	Local Cost	Federal Cost	Regional Cost	Total Cost	Reimb. Fiscal Year	Fund Type	Regional Reimb.	Federal ID	Notes:	RTP ID
TIP #	Agency	Project Location																	
MMA18-105CZ	Maricopa County	McKellips Rd: Loop 101 (Pima Fwy) to SRP-MIC/Alma School Rd	Pre-design for roadway widening	2018	Jul-23	2	4	6	Local	7,557,020	-	-	7,557,020	2019	STP-MAG	4,708,914	--	Amend: Transfer a portion of project construction phase reimbursement to project pre-design phase. Advance project pre-design phase reimbursement from 2019 to 2013.	ACI-MCK-40-03
--	Chandler	Queen Creek Rd: McQueen Rd to Gilbert Rd	Construct roadway widening	2020	Jul-21	2	2	6	STP-MAG	2,882,739	2,282,261	-	5,165,000	2020	STP-MAG	2,282,261	--	Amend: Transfer a portion of project construction phase reimbursement to project design phase. Advance project design phase reimbursement from 2019/2020 to 2013.	ACI-QNC-10-03-B
--	Chandler	Queen Creek Rd: McQueen Rd to Gilbert Rd	Construct roadway widening	2020	Jul-21	2	2	6	Local	4,325,463	-	-	4,325,463	Unfunded	STP-MAG	4,325,462	--	Amend: Transfer \$584,440 of design phase unfunded reimbursement to unfunded construction phase reimbursement.	ACI-QNC-10-03-B
CHN10-101CZ2	Chandler	McQueen Road: Chandler Heights to Riggs Road	Construct roadway widening	2018	Dec-18	1	2	4	Local	5,478,000	-	-	5,478,000	2020	RARF	589,890	--	Amend: Separate the construction phase from RTP ID ACI-PRC-10-03-C into two segments.	ACI-PRC-10-03-J

Table C. Non-ALCP Project Changes to the Fiscal Year 2011-2015 MAG Transportation Improvement Program

HIGHWAY																			9/4/2013	
Agency	Section	Year	TIP ID	MAG ID	Location	Work	Miles	Lanes Before	Lanes After	ALI	In ALCP	TRACS	MAG Mode	Funding	Federal	Regional	Local	Total	Note	Open to service
ADOT	Highway	2014	DOT13-953		60 (Superstition Fwy) at Meridian Rd	Construct Traffic Interchange	0.1	0	0	-	FLCP	-	Freeway	NHPP	\$8,864,200	\$535,800	\$0	\$9,400,000	Amend: Decrease total project budget by \$2,300,000 from \$11,700,000 to \$9,400,000. This request will fund the R/W project at the same location.	Q4, 2015
ADOT	Highway	2014	DOT13-953RW	New	60 (Superstition Fwy) at Meridian Rd	R/W Acquisition	0.1	0	0	-	FLCP	-	Freeway	NHPP	\$2,168,900	\$131,100	\$0	\$2,300,000	Amend: Add a new Right of Way project in FY 2014 for \$2,300,000. The funding is provided from the construction project (DOT13-953).	Q4, 2015
ADOT	Highway	2014	DOT14-120	New	17: Dove Valley Road	Traffic Signals and Striping	0.1	10	10	-	no	-	Freeway	RARF	\$0	\$140,000	\$0	\$140,000	Amend: Add a new traffic signals and maintenance striping project in FY 2014 for \$140,000.	Q3, 2015
Litchfield Park	Highway	2013	LPK05-101C2	46253	Litchfield Rd Bypass at Wigwam Boulevard	Construct pedestrian bicycle underpass	0.2	0	0	-	No		Bike/Ped	CMAQ	\$ 100,000	0	\$ 6,045	\$ 106,045	Amend: Add second TIP listing for an additional \$100,000 funding for contract modifications due to unforeseen conditions, no scope modifications. Project previously authorized in FFY2011 and recieved closeout funds in FFY2012. Total federal project cost is \$3,181,633. Local cost is \$218,166.	Q1, 2014
Mesa	Highway	2014	MES14-171		East Valley: Ellsworth and Germann, Ellsworth and Queen Creek Rd.	Procure and Install East Valley RCN Components		1	1	0	No		ITS	CMAQ	\$ 298,931	\$	\$ 18,069	\$ 317,000	Amend: Abandoning project - please delete.	

Transit																				
Agency	Section	Year	TIP ID	MAG ID	Location	Work	Miles	Lanes Before	Lanes After	ALI	In ALCP	TRACS	MAG Mode	Funding	Federal	Regional	Local	Total	Note	Open to service
Valley Metro / RPTA	Transit	2013	VMT13-106T		Regionwide	Operating: Support Zoom and TLCP Routes	na	0	0		no		Bus	5307-AVN UZA	\$ 1,940,740	\$	\$ 1,940,740	\$ 3,881,481	Amend: Increase project by \$28,807 (previously programmed to Transit Improvements)	2014
Avondale	Transit	2013	AVN13-104T		Regionwide	Transit Improvements								5307-AVN-UZA	\$ 28,807	\$	\$ 7,202	\$ 36,009	Delete. Not required by FTA	



Town of FOUNTAIN HILLS

September 3, 2013

Members of the MAG Regional Council
Maricopa Association of Governments
302 North 1st Avenue #300
Phoenix, AZ 85003

Dear MAG Members:

I am writing to communicate my interest in serving on the MAG Economic Development Committee as the representative for the newly created East Valley seat. I believe that this committee performs a valuable function and that I can be of assistance to it.

Through my roles as a member and Board Chair of the Fountain Hills Chamber of Commerce and the Lafayette, N.J. Planning and Zoning Commission, I developed an appreciation for the need for economic development and spent considerable time promoting such development. As mayor of Fountain Hills, I have made economic development one of my top priorities along with infrastructure maintenance and development.

Over the years, I have gained considerable expertise and knowledge in the areas of both economic development and infrastructure through my research, attendance at meetings, interaction with staff and private sector interests and political action. I would like to apply this background and knowledge to the needs of Maricopa County, as a member of the MAG Economic Development Committee.

Please feel free to contact me, should you have any questions.

Respectfully,

Linda M. Kavanagh
Mayor, Town of Fountain Hills



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July 11, 2013

Mayor Scott Smith
Chair
Maricopa Association of Governments
302 North First Avenue, Suite 300
Phoenix, AZ 85003

Dear Mayor Smith:

Please accept this letter as my formal request to be considered for appointment to the Pinal County seat of the Economic Development Committee. As a newer member of the Maricopa Association of Governments, I represent a city that is one of the key players in the economic development of Pinal County. Maricopa's membership in MAG emphasizes the reality that MAG is more than Maricopa County. As the Economic Development Committee moves forward in its task of developing regional opportunities, I bring to the table a unique perspective of how MAG's existing and future economic development network can expand beyond its traditional boundaries. I believe that my vision of regionalism, along with my direct experience with working to maintain and develop Maricopa's economic viability, makes me distinctively suited to work within this policy committee and to bring both practical experience and an expanded sense of what is possible.

I look forward to the opportunity to serve the Maricopa Association of Governments in this important capacity. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Christian Price
Mayor

JERRY P. WEIERS
5850 W. Glendale Avenue
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Mayor
City of Glendale

September 3, 2013

Mayor Scott Smith
Chairman, Maricopa Association of Governments
302 North 1st Avenue, Suite 300
Phoenix, Arizona 85003

Dear Mayor Smith:

I am writing to respectfully request that the MAG Executive Committee consider recommending me to fill the newly created west valley seat on the Economic Development Committee.

As the 5th largest city in the state and the largest city in the west valley, Glendale's voice needs to be included in the conversation when the Economic Development Committee discusses important policy matters and economic development strategies. Additionally, I feel that my personal background as a small business owner will allow me to add a unique perspective on the Arizona business climate. Further, my experience as a former state legislator will be an asset to the Committee as I can share insight on economic development activities at the state level and leverage my relationships with my former legislative colleagues to pursue any jointly coordinated efforts with our state government.

I look forward to working with you and the other members of the committee. Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jerry P. Weiers
Mayor

CC: Dennis Smith, Executive Director
Brent Stoddard, Glendale Intergovernmental Programs Director

CHAPTER V: OTHER TECHNICAL & POLICY COMMITTEES

Section 5.04 - Appointment of Chair & Vice Chair:

- 1) A Chair and Vice Chair, **elected official preference for policy committees**, will be appointed by the Executive Committee.
- 2) Individuals interested in being Chair or Vice Chair, pursuant to the provisions of Section 5.05 "Terms" and Section 5.06 "Vacancies," provide letters of interest submitted to the Chair of the Regional Council for appointment by the Regional Council Executive Committee.
- 3) The Executive Committee shall appoint the Chair and Vice Chair of the Technical and Policy Committees, with the exception of the Transportation Policy Committee. These appointments will be staggered to assist continuity, appointing approximately half of the committee officers in June each year and the remainder in January, unless a vacancy occurs.
- 4) **For the Continuum of Care Committee on Homelessness, the Executive Committee will appoint two Co-Chairs, one an elected official and one a representative from the non-profit sector. There will be no vice chair. The expiration of the Co-Chair's terms will be staggered.**

Section 3.10 through 5.10 – Quorum

According to the MAG By-Laws, a simple majority of the voting members of a committee, participating in person or by teleconference and videoconference, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. **A meeting cannot begin without a quorum. Once a quorum is reached, the meeting can begin. If during the course of the meeting, the quorum is lost and not regained, the Chair** of the meeting may adjourn the meeting from time to time, as provided in the Open Meeting Law, to attempt to garner quorum, either in person, or by proxy. If a quorum is achieved following a temporarily adjourned meeting, business may be transacted, which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally noticed. **If the quorum is not regained, the official meeting is ended. At this point, the minutes of the meeting cease. In this case, presentations can continue, but no action (including discussion of any presentation) can be taken, as the official meeting has ended.**

In the event that a member agency is absent for three (3) consecutive meetings of the Management Committee or any other technical or policy committee, excluding the Regional Council and the Regional Council Executive Committee, that member/position shall no longer be considered a member for the purposes of calculating the number constituting a quorum. At such time as the member does attend a meeting, that person will immediately again be considered a member for purposes of calculating the number constituting a quorum. In no event may the quorum consist of less than one-third of the voting members of the Committee.