

March 15, 2016

TO: Members of the MAG Regional Council Executive Committee

FROM: Mayor W.J. "Jim" Lane, City of Scottsdale, Chair

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

Wednesday, March 23, 2016 - 10:30 a.m. (Immediately following the RCP meeting)
MAG Office, Suite 200 - Ironwood Room
302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

A 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 or video conference.

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

MAG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
TENTATIVE AGENDA
MARCH 23, 2016

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 February 16, 2016 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

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*3B. Approval of the February 22, 2016 Executive Committee Special Meeting Minutes

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*3C. Recommend Appointment of the MAG Economic Development Committee WESTMARC Representative

In June 2015, the MAG Regional Council approved changes to the composition of the MAG Economic Development Committee (EDC). The composition includes fifteen business member positions that have two-year terms with possible reappointment by recommendation of the Executive Committee and Regional Council. In September 2014, the EDC business member positions were approved by the Executive

3C. Recommend appointment of Sintra Hoffman, President and CEO of WESTMARC, as the WESTMARC representative on the MAG Economic Development Committee.

Committee and Regional Council. Since that time, WESTMARC has hired a new President and CEO, Sintra Hoffman. The WESTMARC Board is recommending that Sintra Hoffman represent WESTMARC on the MAG Economic Development Committee, effective immediately. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*3D. Appointment of MAG Water Quality Advisory Committee Vice Chair

On August 21, 2013, the MAG Regional Council approved the updated MAG Committee Operating Policies and Procedures. The Policies and Procedures state that in the event of a vacancy in the Chair position, the Vice Chair becomes Chair for the unexpired term of the previous Chair, and a new Vice Chair is appointed by the Executive Committee to complete the remainder of the Vice Chair's term. The Chair of the MAG Water Quality Advisory Committee, Barbara Chappell, has resigned from her position at the City of Avondale and has relinquished her position as the MAG Water Quality Advisory Committee Chair. According to the Policies and Procedures, Vice Chair Greg Homol, from the Town of Queen Creek, will ascend to the Chair position. Incoming Chair Homol will serve out the remainder of Chair Chappell's tenure, which is due to expire on December 31, 2017.

On February 3, 2016, MAG staff sent a notice to the MAG Management Committee, the MAG Water Quality Advisory Committee, and the Intergovernmental Representatives to solicit letters of interest for the Vice Chair position of the MAG Water Quality Advisory Committee. A copy of the letter received requesting consideration for the Vice Chair position is included. Please refer to the enclosed material.

3D. Approval to appoint Terry Lowe, City of Surprise, as the MAG Water Quality Advisory Committee Vice Chair.

*3E. Amendment to the On-Call Contract for Bottleneck Data Collection, Model Validation and Improvement

The fiscal year (FY) 2016 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget, approved by the MAG Regional Council in May 2015, includes on-call consulting services for Bottleneck Data Collection, Model Validation and Improvement. In order to use the data collected in this On-Call for the development, calibration and validation of the sub-area corridor micro-simulation model for the I-17 corridor near-term improvement analysis, an amendment to the On-Call scope, budget, and schedule is required. The amendment will include additional tasks designed to develop, calibrate and validate MAG micro-simulation models and perform relevant data analyses. The additional funds needed for these applications of the bottleneck data and completion of the I-17 sub-area corridor micro-simulation model are \$85,000. A six-month schedule extension is required in order to complete the additional scope of work. (from the current contract expiration date of May 1, 2016 to the new contract expiration date of November 1, 2016). This item is on the March 9, 2016 Management Committee agenda for recommended approval. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*3F. Amendment to the FY 2016 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to Accept Additional Funding to Update an Early Literacy Mapping Pilot Project with Read on Arizona

The FY 2016 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget (UPWP) was approved on May 27, 2015. On March 7, 2016, a \$15,000 grant from Read On Arizona was awarded to Regional Community Partners to update MapLit, an early literacy map. The grant will support updating the interactive map with current Arizona Department of Education data, key identifiers for preschool metrics, and other

3E. Approval of the amendment to the On-Call Contract for Bottleneck Data Collection, Model Validation and Improvement to include an addition to the scope of work, to increase the On-Call budget by \$85,000, and to extend the On-Call schedule by six months.

3F. Approval to accept \$15,000 from Read On Arizona and to amend the FY 2016 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to accept this additional funding to update an Early Literacy Mapping Pilot Project with Read on Arizona.

items identified and provided by Read on Arizona. This item is to accept this \$15,000 grant and approve an amendment to the MAG FY 2016 Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget (UPWP) to support updating MapLit, an early literacy map, in partnership with Read On Arizona.

*3G. Amendment to the FY 2016 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to Increase the 2016 MAG Regional Transportation On-Call Budget and Accept Additional Funding for the SR-101L/Pima Freeway: Hayden Road to Raintree Drive Traffic Study

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget (UPWP) was approved on May 27, 2015 by the MAG Regional Council. The FY 2016 UPWP includes funding for the 2016 MAG Regional Transportation On-Call project for \$300,000 to assist in the implementation of Proposition 400. One of the on-call task orders includes a traffic study on SR-101L/Pima Freeway from Hayden Road to Raintree Drive. The City of Scottsdale will be contributing \$20,000 toward this effort. An amendment to the MAG FY 2016 UPWP is needed to increase the 2016 MAG Regional Transportation On-Call budget by \$20,000 and accept the funding from the City of Scottsdale and to increase the 2016 MAG Regional Transportation On-Call project to \$320,000 to add these funds to the project.

*3H. Approval to Amend the FY 2016 Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to Add a Project to the Integrated Corridor Management Planning Project with the Funding Coming from the On-Call Project

On February 26 2015, the Federal Highway Administration notified MAG of a \$200,000 grant that was awarded for Integrated Corridor Management Deployment Planning (ICM). On April 20, 2015, the MAG Regional Council

3G. Approval of an amendment to the MAG FY 2016 Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget (UPWP) and accept \$20,000 from the City of Scottsdale for the SR-101L/Pima Freeway: Hayden Road to Raintree Drive Traffic Study and to increase the 2016 MAG Regional Transportation On-Call project to \$320,000.

*3H. Approval of an amendment to the FY 2016 Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to add a consultant project in the amount of \$175,000 to the Integrated Corridor Management Planning Project with the funding provided from the existing on-call project.

Executive Committee accepted the funds and approved an amendment to the FY 2015 Unified Planning Work Program. The first two tasks of the grant were accomplished by utilizing the project's on-call consultant list with \$24,969 committed in grant funding. In this next phase of the project, it would be beneficial to solicit expertise from national experts. It is proposed to solicit additional assistance from consultants by issuing a Request for Proposals with the remaining \$175,031 in grant funding.

ITEMS TO BE HEARD
BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

4. City of Phoenix Funding Agreement

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) has negotiated a construction agreement with Connect 202 Partners to construct and maintain the 22-mile South Mountain Freeway. Unlike other new freeway corridors, which involved multiple construction projects over a number of years, the South Mountain facility will be constructed at one time and is planned to be open to traffic by the end of 2019. Close coordination between ADOT and Phoenix is essential to acquire and clear the necessary rights-of-way and to construct the freeway on an accelerated basis. Due to significant staffing constraints in Phoenix and the large amount of work that needs to be done on the part of Phoenix, the city has requested funding support to hire a Plan Review Coordinator and a Civil Engineer III, who will be dedicated to the activities related to the development of the South Mountain Freeway. It is proposed that the City and MAG enter into a funding agreement through which funding from the South Mountain Freeway project budget can be provided to the City to fund these positions. The funding would not exceed \$350,000 per year for a period of two years, with an option to extend the agreement for two additional one-year periods if necessary. This item

4. Information, discussion and approval for MAG to entered into a funding agreement to provide for two positions in Phoenix to coordinate activities related to the South Mountain Freeway for an amount not exceed \$350,000 per year for a period of two years, with an option to extend the agreement for two additional one-year periods if necessary.

is on the March 9, 2016 Management Committee agenda for recommended approval.

5. Discussion of the Development of the FY 2017 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget

Each year, the MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget is developed incrementally in conjunction with member agency and public input. The Work Program is reviewed each year by the federal agencies and approved by the Regional Council in May. This presentation and review of the first draft of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 "MAG Programs in Brief" and the FY 2017 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget represent the development of the budget document to date. The elements of the budget document are about 60 percent complete. Please refer to the enclosed material.

6. Legislative Update

An update will be provided on legislative issues of interest.

7. Contract Review of the MAG Executive Director

On January 11, 2016, the MAG Executive Committee reviewed the results of the Executive Director's performance evaluation including the survey, comments and the Major Regional Goals and Results for FY 2015-2016. The Executive Committee discussed the performance of the Executive Director and took action regarding the compensation/benefits of the Executive Director, contingent upon review of his contract. On January 27, the MAG Regional Council ratified the action of the Executive Committee regarding compensation/benefits of the MAG Executive Director contingent upon the review of the contract. On February 16, 2016, the Executive Committee reviewed and discussed the Executive Director's contract. The Executive Director's contract will be further discussed by the Executive

5. Information and discussion.

6. Information, discussion and possible action.

7. Information, discussion and possible action to recess the meeting to conduct an executive session to discuss personnel matters related to the contract of the MAG Executive Director. A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(1)

Committee members and MAG's General Counsel at the meeting.

The Executive Committee may vote to recess the meeting and go into executive session to discuss personnel matters relating to the contract of the MAG Executive Director. The authority for such an executive session is A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(1).

8. Possible Action on the Contract Review of the MAG Executive Director

The Executive Committee may reconvene the regular meeting to take action regarding the contract of the MAG Executive Director.

9. 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.

10. 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

8. Information, discussion and possible action regarding the contract of the MAG Executive Director.

9. Information.

10. Information.

MINUTES OF THE
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
MAG REGIONAL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
February 16, 2016
MAG Offices, Ironwood Room
302 N. 1st Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Mayor W.J. “Jim” Lane, Scottsdale, Chair
Mayor Greg Stanton, Phoenix, Vice Chair
Mayor Jackie Meck, Buckeye, Treasurer

Mayor Gail Barney, Queen Creek
Mayor Michael LeVault, Youngtown
Mayor Mark Mitchell, Tempe
*Mayor Lana Mook, El Mirage

* Not present

Participated by video or telephone conference call

1. Call to Order

The Executive Committee meeting was called to order by Chair Lane at 12:02 p.m. Mayor Mook participated by teleconference. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. Call to the Audience

Chair Lane stated 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 Lane noted no public comment cards had been received.

3. Approval of Executive Committee Consent Agenda

Chair Lane noted 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 Lane requested a motion to approve the consent agenda. Mayor LeVault moved to approve consent item #3A, 3B and 3C. Mayor Barney seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

3A. Approval of the January 11, 2016 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

The Regional Council Executive Committee, by consent, approved the January 11, 2016 Executive Committee meeting minutes.

3B. Appointment of MAG Street Committee Vice Chair

In January 2016, the MAG Executive Committee approved the chair and vice chair of the Street Committee. Since that time, Mr. Jimenez, vice chair of the Street Committee, accepted a new position and resigned from Maricopa County. According to the MAG Committee Operating Policies and Procedures, the MAG Regional Council Executive Committee will appoint a new vice chair. On January 29, 2016, MAG solicited for a new Vice Chair and received one letter of interest from Kini Knudson, City of Phoenix. MAG requested approval to appoint Kini Knudson, City of Phoenix, as the Vice Chair of the MAG Street Committee.

3C. Amendment to the FY 2016 MAG Unified Planning and Work Program and Annual Budget for the SHRP2 (C19) Project

In October 2013, MAG, on behalf of the Intermountain West, was awarded a Federal Highway Administration grant, SHRP2 Expediting Project Delivery (C19). On November 13, 2013, the Executive Committee approved acceptance of the \$240,000 SHRP2 funding and approved Duffy Consulting as the consultant to assist with this project in an amount not to exceed \$124,000. A final report including a risk register are part of the final deliverables of the SHRP2 grant. The risk register includes the transportation piece of the SHRP2 project that will analyze a portion of the proposed Interstate 11 corridor from Phoenix to Las Vegas and the economic impacts along that corridor. Staff is requesting approval to amend the FY 2016 MAG Unified Planning and Work Program and Annual Budget to remove \$30,000 from the MAG Associate Agreement with Amy Duffy LLC/Duffy Consulting for the SHRP2 (C19) project and contract with Rounds Consulting Group, Inc. in the amount of \$30,000.

4. Support Planning to Address Domestic Violence Consultant Solicitation

Brande Mead, Human Services Manager, reported that MAG received a STOP Violence against Women grant funding in the amount of \$108,000 from the Governor's Office on children youth and families to support the MAG Protocol Evaluation Project. The goal of the project is to assess the protocols used in the criminal justice system's response to domestic violence calls. Ms. Mead stated that the grant funding includes \$25,000 for a project consultant to conduct a risk assessment of current methods of domestic violence responses and interventions. The consultant project is not currently specified in the budget, but the funds are already included in the FY2016 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget. She noted that staff is asking for approval to add a consultant project in the amount of \$25,000. The project will identify and quantify the associated risks with each intervention or response, and recommend strategies for mitigating risks in the future. Ultimately to save lives, costs and resources.

Chair Lane thanked Ms. Mead for her report. He asked if MAG maintains unallocated funds for these types of developments. Mr. Smith explained that the money excepted from the STOP Grant mentioned this money and the project, but was not reflected as a consultant in the MAG work program. Mr. Smith noted that the money is there. Chair Lane asked the Committee if there were any other questions. There were no comments or questions.

Mayor Meck moved to approve to add a consultant project in the amount of \$25,000 of funds that are already included in the FY 2016 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to conduct a risk assessment of current methods of domestic violence response and intervention used throughout Greater Phoenix within the criminal justice system. Mayor Mitchell seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

5. Request for Consultant Services for the Shopping and Tourism Initiative

Dennis Smith, MAG Executive Director, stated that for the last few years MAG has been working with regional planning agencies and the Intertribal Council on support for extending the distance of the border zone in Arizona. He noted that we have been very successful in this effort and the MAG Regional Council has also supported this effort. Mr. Smith noted that staff was asked by Mayor LeVault, Chair of the Economic Development Committee, what would be the economic impact of this effort. MAG then contracted with the University of Arizona to study the economic impact, and conservatively it is \$181 million. Staff has also reached out to an expert who was with the state department and in charge of Latin America, and he mentioned to us that this effort needs a presence in Washington D.C. to get done. Mr. Smith stated that after speaking with Garrick Taylor at the Arizona Chamber of Commerce, staff contacted Jim Kolbe, who did the 1999 extension of the border zone from 25 miles to 75 miles. Mr. Kolbe works at Capitol Strategies for Steve Bloch and they provided a few drafts of the scope of work. Mr. Smith noted that this is not a large contract. It is for \$8,000 a month for three months for a total of \$24,000.

The first critical step is to do a reconnaissance and check in with certain members of the congressional delegation. He noted that when Mr. Kolbe did this in 1999, he put it on an appropriations bill, and we have been looking at this as an administrative change but we would like to keep both options open. He stated that in three months we would know which path to take. Mr. Smith stated that we have so many agencies signed on to this effort that we need to make a decision, and this will assist us in making that decision. He noted that this is about distance and that overstays seem to be somewhat of an issue, but studies show that Canadians are overstaying visas more. In addition, if Mexicans are overstaying their visa, then they are already doing so in Tucson. He noted that extending the border zone will assist in streamlining the process for Customs and Border Protection due to the tedious nature of filling out the I-94. Mr. Smith stated that tourism is the number one sector in Arizona and that is why we reached out to all of Arizona to support this effort. He noted that it is time to make a decision.

Chair Lane asked if this would be an administrative change through Homeland Security. Mr.

Smith stated that is one way it could be done, but Capitol Strategies suggested keeping both options open including a legislative change. He noted that the scope of work is written so that we have the option to go either way. Chair Lane asked how this would be enforced if the change happened administratively. Mr. Smith state that it would go through an administrative regulation requirement in the federal register and there would be a comment period. He noted that it would be unique to Arizona and that it would be a five year pilot project with an evaluation. Chair Lane asked what the consequences are for someone who violates and overstays their visa or goes beyond Tucson. Mr. Smith replied that the card holder would lose that card forever. Chair Lane noted that the increase in Canadian overstays could be due to there being so many more Canadian visas. He noted his concern about this not being enforced. Mr. Smith noted that the evaluation mechanism has not been determined, but could include working with border patrol on how to keep track of those that return, which is currently not being enforced. He noted that this is a national conversation. Chair Lane asked where the Administration is on this issue. Mr. Smith replied that we had two meetings with the Governor's staff and they did not oppose this, but remained neutral. One of those meetings included the director of the State Tourism Office who said that she could get 100 letters to support this effort. He noted that they understand the economic impact. Mr. Smith also noted that Mexican nationals support this and it sends the right message to Mexico. Denise McClafferty, Regional Program Manager, added that those who go through the process to obtain a border crossing card through the U.S. State Department are thoroughly vetted and must prove that they have financial ties back to Mexico.

Mayor LeVault stated that staff has been working this effort for a couple of years and believes that this has been vetted as thoroughly as possible. He noted that the border card holders are essentially middle class Mexicans that have proven a tie back to Mexico. He also added that they are already coming to Arizona, but are restricted to 75 miles. Mayor LeVault also pointed out that according to a Pew Research Center study, an estimated 1.7 percent of Mexicans entering the country each year on nonimmigrant visas, such as the border crossing card, may overstay. He noted that he believes this effort assists with the branding of Arizona and changing the message.

Mayor Mitchell moved to approve entering into contract with Capitol Strategies for a three month period to assist in the development of border zone expansion language for a five year pilot project, and submit the proposed language and relevant supplemental information to the appropriate Department of Homeland Security personnel and key members of Congress for an amount not to exceed \$24,000. Mayor LeVault seconded the motion and the motion passed with Mayor Lane voting no.

6. Discussion of the Development of the FY 2017 Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget

Becky Kimbrough, MAG Fiscal Services Manager reported on the development of the FY 2017 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget. Ms. Kimbrough stated the development of the Work Program begins in January each year in order to provide

opportunities for early input and review from committee members. This month, we are presenting the final draft of the proposed dues and assessments, the budget process time line and the newly proposed projects for the FY 2017 budget. Ms. Kimbrough stated that there are four attachments reflecting the draft budget materials that were included in your agenda materials for today. She noted attachment A is the proposed dues and assessments. The final CPI-U for December 2015 was posted on January 20th and the average for the 2015 calendar year is 2.33 percent. She explained that it was estimated 2.34 percent in the January draft, so the final draft of the dues and assessments have changed very little with an approximate \$4,700 increase. Ms. Kimbrough stated that attachment B is the budget time line, which outlines the formal budget development process starting in January and ending in May each year. She also noted that the Intermodal Planning Group (IPG) meeting is scheduled for March 11, 2016 at the MAG office. She stated that attachment C is the budget webinar invitation. The webinar is open to the public and members who can attend via the web, phone or in person. Ms. Kimbrough noted that this event is scheduled for Thursday, February 18th in the Cottonwood Room at MAG.

Ms. Kimbrough reviewed attachment D, which gives the description and the cost estimates for newly proposed projects for FY 2017. There are eight proposed new projects and the focus of these projects is to update existing plans, implement best practices and update database work. There are nine projects and associates listed that have been ongoing at MAG, such as the continuation of the Traffic Signal Optimization Program and the Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities Design Assistance program. These programs are run by MAG for the benefit of the members. She noted that information and details about the projects is in the project narrative, Appendix D, of this agenda item.

Chair Lane thanked Ms. Kimbrough and asked the Committee if there were any questions. There were none.

7. Legislative Update

Nathan Pryor, Government Relations Manager, provided an update on HB 2157 Arizona State Retirement System (ASRS); political subdivision entities. He stated that this same bill was introduced two years ago and was defeated thanks to a coordinated effort. Mr. Pryor noted that this bill would have the effect of preventing future MAG employees from being enrolled in the ASRS and the issue would be the ability to recruit and retain high quality employees. This would also affect other Councils of Governments (COG) and Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO), Arizona Association of Counties, the County Supervisors Association, League of Arizona of Cities and Towns and a few other entities as well. He noted that many MAG employees come from employers where they are enrolled in ASRS. Mr. Pryor reported that the bill is a \$25.3 million impact to ASRS, which would be covered by an increase of .03 percent rate increase to those enrolled in ASRS currently. A letter in opposition to the bill has been signed by a number of the COG/MPOs and other associations, and submitted to House members. This bill has gone through the Government and Higher Education Committee and Rules. Last Thursday, February 11th, it did received a Do Pass on voice vote in the Committee

of The Whole. He noted that we are waiting for the bill to be scheduled for Third Read on the House floor. Mr. Pryor extended appreciation to the MAG member agencies who have worked against this bill. He noted that staff will continue to work to coordinate to see this bill defeated.

Chair Lane asked if it is defined as to who this bill is seeking to remove. Mr. Pryor replied that the defined group is political subdivision entities. Those that are performing governmental functions, such as MAG, are included. Chair Lane stated that it is primarily those entities that are run by boards of elected officials. Mayor LeVault asked for confirmation that if this bill passes, it will have a negative effect on the fund balance. Mr. Pryor replied that is correct and it would have a \$25.3 million impact to the system. He also noted that it would create a bifurcated system with organizations like MAG having two retirement systems. Mayor LeVault asked if the Legislators putting this forward have considered this information. Mr. Pryor replied that there was quite a bit of conversation in the Government and Higher Education Committee and noted that the COGs and MPOs are getting caught up in this legislation and it was noted this legislation has been painted with a broad brush.

Mayor Stanton asked why this causes a deficit in the ASRS system. Mr. Pryor replied that the ASRS actuaries explained that by removing those that would have been contributing to the pool creates the downward trajectory and the pool will get smaller. Mayor Stanton stated that this is a very complicated question as to whether to move forward to support this request. He noted that new employees in the Mayor and Council offices are not included in the city's retirement system. He noted that they come to work for the mayor office because they believe in the mission. He stated that he is not prepared to support or not support this moving forward because of the overly simplistic and static economic analysis from the ASRS actuary. Mayor Mitchell asked if there was a way for this legislation to not include the COG/MPOs. Dennis Smith state that the biggest issue for MAG is portability. He noted that people who work at ADOT and other COGs and cities move to MAG, as well as MAG employees moving to cities. Mr. Smith stated that he asked a few employees here at MAG if ASRS was not available at MAG, would you have moved employment. Mayor Stanton said that he had been through a pension reform where people said that it would be difficult to recruit top level employees and that turned out not to be true. He noted that it is understood that if the ASRS is eliminated, MAG would need to become more competitive in other pensions like 401K and in its salaries. Mayor Stanton added that he has lived through pension reforms and it has not played out the way people think, at least within the City of Phoenix.

Mayor LeVault asked if the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (PSPRS) is different from the ASRS. Mr. Smith asked Becky Kimbrough to respond to this question. He noted that Ms. Kimbrough was previously the Comptroller for ASRS and is very familiar with the difference between the public safety plan and ASRS. Ms. Kimbrough stated that the public safety plan is its own system and it is not a pooled group. She noted that they did, at one time, pool the health insurance subsidies and benefits, but that ended a few years ago. She noted that ASRS is a completely different system than the public safety system in that ASRS is a

multi-employer plan and the public safety system is comprised of individual employers. Mayor LeVault noted that Mayor Stanton is correct that this is a very complicated issue. He noted that he would not want to make a decision that adversely impacts the system. Mayor LeVault explained that if the system from one point says that they will not longer except new employees into the system, and no other changes are made, that one thing alone will cause the average age of participant to increase, which would increase the unfunded liability. Ms. Kimbrough noted that the level of funding for ASRS is about 75 percent.

Mayor Mitchell asked if this legislation was discussed last year. Mr. Smith replied that it was two years ago and MAG was opposed at that time. Mayor Mitchell asked if this was a statutory issue where MAG has government responsibilities. Mr. Smith stated that this was brought up by the bill sponsor that MAG is not in statute and nobody watches over us, and the response was that MAG is in statute for transportation planning, air quality planning and a performance audit is conducted of what MAG does. He also noted that we comply with the Open Meeting Law and Open Records Act. Mr. Smith stated that the other question was who supervises MAG and the answer was that MAG reports to the elected officials in the Greater Phoenix region. The State Transportation Board and Citizen Transportation Oversight Committee (CTOC) representatives are Governor appointments. Mr. Smith stated that if this bill is successful RPTA, which is a political subdivision, would stay in ASRS and Flagstaff MPO's payroll is through the City of Flagstaff therefore they would stay in ASRS. This creates a very uneven playing field. Mr. Smith gave several other examples of the benefit of not supporting this bill. Mayor Stanton stated that this is not a discussion of the value of MAG or the member cities. He noted that MAG does great work. Mayor Stanton stated that he is asking for a more dynamic economic analysis. He noted that you need to look at both the short and long-term risks and opportunities. Mayor Stanton suggested that the committee not take a position on this bill at this time. He state that if this bill does not pass and ASRS continues to accept new employees, these new employees will become a burden to ASRS.

Mayor Mitchell asked the time frame of this bill. Mr. Pryor stated that the bill is still in the House where it was introduced and it pending to be agendized for Third Read. Mayor Mitchell noted that is sounds like time is a factor. He also noted that MAG is valuable and does not want to confuse PSPRS with ASRS. Mayor Mitchell stated that the ASRS outlook presented at the League of Arizona Cities and Towns is that ASRS is fully funded and on solid ground. He noted that it is important to be able to attract those high quality employees. Mayor Mitchell also agreed with Mayor Stanton that it would be important to see a more detailed analysis in the future.

Chair Lane questioned the idea that ASRS needs a continuing feed of new employees coming into the system to make the system work. He then asked how it was defined as a political subdivision. Mr. Pryor stated that MAG is not a political subdivision, but the definition is a "political subdivision entity." Chair Lane recognized all the work that has been done on this issue over the last two years. He agreed with Mayor Stanton and suggested not taking a position and requesting addition analysis. Ms. Kimbrough added that each plan is different and that each plan has a potential to cost more, but also has the potential to cost less. Mayor

LeVault asked if the fiscal impact of this legislation would be negative as it relates to the fund balance. Mr. Pryor stated that it will have a near immediate \$25.3 million impact to ASRS according to ASRS actuary.

Mr. Smith stated that in 2004 MAG was the coordinator and worked on this legislation. He noted that ASRS promoted its plan to MAG. MAG was at the ASRS board meeting to be accepted into ASRS and their new attorney said that MAG was not eligible. MAG got the Attorney General's opinion that said you are not a political subdivision, so it became a political subdivision entity. Mr. Smith asked for clarification on today's discussion. He explained that MAG has been the organizer of this effort sending out the group emails to let everyone know what is going on and providing talking points on this issue. If the recommendation from this committee is to do nothing, then we will stop the coordination. He noted that it would seem strange to everyone since we have been pushing the legislation after a position was taken by the Regional Council two years ago.

Mayor LeVault stated that he understands that the Legislature is being ask to make a decision for political reasons and not fiscal reasons. He suggested to continue to oppose the bill, but does not object to looking at a more detailed analysis at a later time. Mayor Mitchell supported Mayor LeVault's suggestion and, if this Committee desires, request a more detailed analysis in the future and to look at pension reform for MAG. Mayor Barney stated that he agrees that we need to stay with the status quo and look into the pension reform in the future. Mayor Meck stated that it seems like MAG is caught in the middle. He agreed that we need to continue to oppose this bill.

The majority of the Executive Committee agreed to continue to oppose this legislation with Chair Lane and Mayor Stanton suggesting to remain neutral, and Mayors LeVault, Mitchell, Meck and Barney supporting the effort to continue opposing this legislation.

Mr. Pryor provided one last report that staff continues to monitor for a potential bill that would circumvent the newly streamlined 208 processes. He noted that we have not seen a bill to date, but will continue to track.

Chair Lane thanked Mr. Pryor for his update and asked committee members if they had any additional comments.

8. Annual Performance Review of the MAG Executive Director

Mayor Lane stated that the Committee members received in their packet a memorandum and a copy of the Executive Director's contract for review prior to this meeting.

Mayor Mitchell moved that the Executive Committee go into Executive Session regarding agenda item #8. Mayor LeVault seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. The meeting went into Executive Session at 1:17 p.m.

The Executive Committee reconvened regular session at 1:41 p.m.

9. Possible Action on the Annual Performance Review of the MAG Executive Director

No action was taken.

10. Request for Future Agenda Items

Chair Lane asked if there were any requests for future agenda items. There were none.

11. Comments from the Committee

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

Adjournment

There being no further business, the Executive Committee adjourned at 1:41 p.m.

Chair

Secretary

MINUTES OF THE
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
MAG REGIONAL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
TELECONFERENCE SPECIAL MEETING

February 22, 2016
MAG Offices, Ironwood Room
302 N. 1st Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona

MEMBERS ATTENDING

#Mayor W.J. “Jim” Lane, Scottsdale, Chair
*Mayor Greg Stanton, Phoenix, Vice Chair
#Mayor Jackie Meck, Buckeye, Treasurer

#Mayor Gail Barney, Queen Creek
#Mayor Michael LeVault, Youngtown
#Mayor Mark Mitchell, Tempe
*Mayor Lana Mook, El Mirage

* Not present.

Participated by video or telephone conference call

1. Call to Order

The Executive Committee special meeting was called to order by Chair Lane at 10:03 p.m.

2. Call to the Audience

Chair Lane stated 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 Lane noted no public comment cards had been received.

3. Interstate 11: Request for Administrative Action

Dennis Smith, MAG Executive Director, highlighted the activities on the Interstate 11 corridor between Interstate 10 and Wickenburg. This corridor was identified in the Hassayampa Framework Study, an approximate \$500,000 study done by MAG. He noted that subsequent to the study, the City of Buckeye identified this corridor in their General Plan that went to a vote of the people. Mr. Smith noted that there has been land development in the area and the developers have been saying that if the centerline could be identified, then they would work to donate right-of-way. Mr. Smith noted that MAG has been unsuccessful in getting some relief through the FAST Act, but have since been notified that there may be a solution.

Eric Anderson, MAG Transportation Director, stated that MAG would like to ask the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) for flexibility to begin a TIER II Environment Impact Study (EIS). He explained that a TIER II EIS will be the document that defines the centerline for the

roadway for that section of Interstate 11 between Interstate 10 and Wickenburg. This roadway does not exist today, but there was a corridor identified in the Hassayampa Study, but that is a general corridor and still needs to go through the vetting of an EIS process. Mr. Anderson stated that one of the issues with the FHWA policy is that FHWA cannot sign off on a TIER II EIS unless and until one phase of the project is in the MPO (MAG) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the facility is in the Regional Transportation Program (RTP) funded by reasonably expected revenues. He noted that neither of those are the case today, but a centerline needs to be defined for two reasons: 1) the potential right-of-way donation and 2) developers would like to know where the freeway is going to be so that they can proceed with development. Mr. Anderson stated that the ask today is for approval for MAG to send a letter of support for FHWA to take administrative action to waive the fiscal constraint provision so that MAG can proceed with a TIER II EIS for that section of Interstate 11.

Mayor LeVault asked if authorization of the Executive Committee is sufficient or does this request need to go to the Regional Council. Mr. Smith replied that this is a time sensitive request and the Executive Committee does have authority by the By-Laws to take any action that the Regional Council could take. Getting the letter through the MPO authorized by the Executive Committee would be effective in showing support regionally. Mr. Smith reiterated that this corridor is an unfunded corridor, an illustrative project, in the MAG Plan, which will not effect the funding for other projects in the Valley by sending this letter. Mr. Anderson stated that ADOT does plan to have a similar letter prepared to send today to FHWA.

Chair Lane asked if we had a formatted letter already in place. Mr. Smith replied that staff has been reviewing the format of this letter with ADOT to be sure that the ask is synchronized. He noted that the letter is drafted following the action requested on the agenda.

Mayor Mitchell moved to approve MAG sending a letter of support for the Federal Highway Administration to take administrative action to have the financial constraint provision waived by the Federal Highway Administration for the portion of the I-11 project between Wickenburg and Interstate 10 to allow for a TIER II Environmental Statement that will provide a centerline for the proposed new freeway and allow for the negotiations for the right-of-way donations to proceed. Mayor Meck seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the Executive Committee adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

Chair

Secretary

WESTMARC

Western Maricopa Coalition

March 2, 2016

The Honorable J.W. "Jim" Lane
Chairman, MAG Regional Council
302 N. 1st Avenue, Suite 200
Phoenix Arizona 85003

Subject: Replacement of WESTMARC Representative
- Sintra Hoffman to Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) Economic Development Committee

Dear Chairman Lane:

As Chairman of the Board of WESTMARC, I am requesting that Sintra Hoffman become WESTMARC's representative on the Economic Development Committee, replacing me. Sintra's qualifications are well known and as the new CEO of WESTMARC, she is the more appropriate candidate.

It has been an honor and a pleasure to represent WESTMARC at the Economic Development Committee and I am deeply grateful for the experience and friendships developed while I was there.

Sincerely,



Bill Sheldon
Chairman
WESTMARC Board of Directors



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February 23, 2016

The Honorable J.W. "Jim" Lane
Chairman, MAG Regional Council
302 N. 1st Avenue, Suite 200
Phoenix Arizona 85003

Subject: Replacement of WESTMARC Representative
Sintra Hoffman to Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) Economic Development
Committee

Dear Chairman Lane:

As the newly appointed President and CEO for WESTMARC, I am writing to express continued interest in representing my organization on the MAG Economic Development Committee. Over the past 16 years, I have extensive experience in the areas of economic development, government policy and transportation in Arizona and specifically in Maricopa County.

The mission of the MAG Economic Development Committee fits very well with the goals and focus of WESTMARC. Therefore, I feel the West Valley will continue to be well represented from a business community perspective.

I look forward to favorable consideration and confirmation in the near future.

As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sintra Hoffman', written in a cursive style.

Sintra Hoffman
President and CEO, WESTMARC

CC: Bill Sheldon, WESTMARC Chairman of the Board
Dennis Smith, MAG Executive Director



Agenda Item #3D
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March 2, 2016

The Honorable W.J. "Jim" Lane
Chair, MAG Regional Council
Maricopa Association of Governments
302 N. 1st Avenue, Suite 300
Phoenix AZ 85003

Dear Chairman Lane,

RE: Vice Chair Appointment for the MAG Water Quality Advisory Committee

Please accept this letter of interest in response to the Vice Chair vacancy on the MAG Water Quality Advisory Committee. The City of Surprise would like to submit Terry Lowe, Water Resource Management Department Director to fill the Vice Chair Position.

Terry has had the opportunity to serve on the Water Quality Committee since 2013, and has the technical knowledge and experience to assist the committee in a leadership role. His experience spans 11 years with the city as division manager of the Capital Improvement and Sustainability Divisions, Interim Public Works Director, and currently the Director of Water Resource Management Department. Mr. Lowe can be contacted at the following:

Terry Lowe
Director of Water Resource Management Department
Office: 623-222-6022
Fax: 623-222-7001
Terry.Lowe@surpriseaz.gov

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Bob Wingenroth
City Manager

cc: Mr. Dennis Smith, Executive Director, MAG
Mr. Terry Lowe, Director of Water Resource Management Department

MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

INFORMATION SUMMARY... for your review

DATE:

March 15, 2016

SUBJECT:

Amendment to the On-Call Contract for Bottleneck Data Collection, Model Validation and Improvement

SUMMARY:

The fiscal year (FY) 2016 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget, approved by the MAG Regional Council in May 2015, includes on-call consulting services for Bottleneck Data Collection, Model Validation and Improvement. In order to use the data collected in this On-Call for the development, calibration and validation of the sub-area corridor micro-simulation model for the Interstate 17 (I-17) corridor near-term improvement analysis, an amendment to the On-Call scope, budget, and schedule is required. The amendment will include additional tasks designed to develop, calibrate and validate MAG micro-simulation models and perform relevant data analyses. The additional funds needed for these applications of the bottleneck data and completion of the I-17 sub-area corridor micro-simulation model are \$85,000. A six-month schedule extension (from the current contract expiration date of May 1, 2016, to a new contract expiration date of November 1, 2016) is required in order to complete the additional scope of work. This item is on the March 9, 2016 Management Committee agenda for recommended approval.

PUBLIC INPUT:

No public input has been received.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: This amendment will facilitate the completion of the development, calibration and validation of the I-17 sub-area corridor micro-simulation model and perform additional bottleneck data analyses required for MAG planning purposes.

CONS: Delaying the amendment and corresponding scope elements could compromise the work on the I-17 corridor near-term improvement scenario analysis.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: The contract amendment will provide MAG and its member agencies with required modeling tools for the I-17 corridor near-term improvement analysis and will provide important information for bottleneck evaluation and related infrastructure improvements.

POLICY: The contract amendment will allow MAG to make more informed decisions for the I-17 corridor near-term improvement and fully capitalize on the results on the bottleneck study data collection.

ACTION NEEDED:

Approval of the amendment to the On-Call Contract for Bottleneck Data Collection, Model Validation and Improvement to include an addition to the scope of work, to increase the On-Call budget by \$85,000, and to extend the On-Call schedule by six months.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

On March 9, 2016, the MAG Management Committee agenda recommended approval of the amendment.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

- Darryl H. Crossman, Litchfield Park,
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- Ed Zuercher, Phoenix, Vice Chair
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- # Participated by telephone conference call. + Participated by videoconference call.

CONTACT PERSON:

Wang Zhang, (602) 254-6300

March 15, 2016

TO: Members of the MAG Regional Council Executive Committee

FROM: Brande Mead, Human Services Manager

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2016 MAG UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM AND ANNUAL BUDGET TO ACCEPT ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO UPDATE AN EARLY LITERACY MAPPING PILOT PROJECT WITH READ ON ARIZONA

The FY 2016 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget (UPWP) was approved on May 27, 2015. On March 7, 2016, a \$15,000 grant from Read On Arizona was awarded to Regional Community Partners to update MapLit, an early literacy map. The grant will support updating the interactive map with current Arizona Department of Education data, key identifiers for preschool metrics, and other items identified and provided by Read on Arizona. This item is to accept this \$15,000 grant and approve an amendment to the MAG FY 2016 Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget (UPWP) to support updating MapLit, an early literacy map, in partnership with Read On Arizona.

Read On Arizona is a statewide, public/private partnership of agencies, philanthropic organizations, and community stakeholders whose mission is to improve language and literacy outcomes for Arizona's children. Read On Arizona partnered with MAG to develop a map to be used by Read on Arizona sites and by the general public. Access to quality data will improve the decisions and outreach conducted by the Read on Arizona office and sites. Making such data available, particularly in a map format with corresponding tables and charts will allow for more robust analysis leading to better informed decisions and greater visualization techniques and effective outreach. Tools developed and data collected for this project may be used by MAG member agencies and for other MAG projects.

Currently, MAG staff maintains several online map viewers. These viewers include demographic, employment, land use, projections, bike ways, and domestic violence victim services. The flagship viewer features regional demographic data from Census 2010 and the most current American Community Survey. Additionally, the demographic viewer features the ability to access reports on individual member agencies, as well as the ability to create reports on user-defined areas. MAG staff has assisted both public and private agencies in analysis and mapping utilizing the data and technical expertise available.

It is recommended to formally accept these funds and approve an amendment to the FY 2016 MAG Unified Planning Work Program. If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact me at the MAG office at (602) 254-6300.

March 15, 2016

TO: Members of the MAG Regional Council Executive Committee

FROM: John Bullen, Transportation Planner III

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2016 MAG UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM AND ANNUAL BUDGET TO INCREASE THE 2016 MAG REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION ON-CALL BUDGET AND ACCEPT ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE SR-101L/PIMA FREEWAY: HAYDEN TO RAIN TREE DRIVE TRAFFIC STUDY

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget (UPWP) was approved on May 27, 2015 by the MAG Regional Council. The FY 2016 UPWP includes funding for the 2016 MAG Regional Transportation On-Call project for \$300,000 to assist in the implementation of Proposition 400.

One of the on-call project's task orders includes a traffic study on SR-101L/Pima Freeway from Hayden Road to Raintree Drive. The mission of the project will be to evaluate alternative interchange concepts and frontage road modifications for the Princess Drive and Bell Road/Frank Lloyd Wright transportation interchanges, study near-term safety and operational improvements on the frontage roads between Princess Drive and Raintree Drive, and identify a prioritized list of potential improvement projects for the corridor.

The City of Scottsdale will be contributing \$20,000 toward this effort. An amendment to the MAG FY 2016 UPWP is needed to accept the \$20,000 in funding from the City of Scottsdale and to increase the 2016 MAG Regional Transportation On-Call budget to \$320,000 to add these funds to the project.

If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact me at the MAG office at (602) 254-6300.

MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

INFORMATION SUMMARY... for your review

DATE:

March 15, 2016

SUBJECT:

Approval to Amend the FY 2016 Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to Add a Project to the Integrated Corridor Management Planning Project with the Funding Coming from the On-Call Project

SUMMARY:

On February 26 2015, the Federal Highway Administration notified MAG of a \$200,000 grant that was awarded for Integrated Corridor Management Deployment Planning (ICM). On April 20, 2015, the MAG Regional Council Executive Committee accepted the funds and approved an amendment to the FY 2015 Unified Planning Work Program. The first two tasks of the grant were accomplished by utilizing the project's on-call consultant list with \$24,969 committed in grant funding. In this next phase of the project, it would be beneficial to solicit expertise from national experts. It is proposed to solicit additional assistance from consultants by issuing a Request for Proposals with the remaining \$175,031 in grant funding.

The specific purpose of this FHWA grant is to provide funding support to MAG for the application of ICM Knowledge and Technology Transfer (KTT) products that were generated through two national ICM Demonstration Projects carried out in San Diego, California and Dallas, Texas. The funding will be applied toward executing state-of-the-practice planning tasks that would develop effective Integrated Corridor Management (ICM) strategies in the Greater Phoenix region.

PUBLIC INPUT:

None has been received.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: This grant provides an opportunity for the MAG region to incorporate advanced planning methods for developing an effective and efficient ICM plan for an important freeway corridor in the region. Issuing a Request for Proposals will expand the support available for the project to experts throughout the country. The experience gained by both MAG and local agency staff in participating in a national project is likely to benefit other similar regional or local planning efforts.

CONS: None.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: The work funded through this FHWA grant will help the MAG region apply state-of-the-practice methods for developing ICM plans for improved traffic coordination between the freeways and parallel arterials in the I-10 corridor. The lessons learned and knowledge gained from this project would help the region apply ICM strategies on other freeway corridors in the region.

POLICY: This project would rely on the participation and support of staff at key stakeholder agencies in the I-10 corridor including: ADOT, DPS, Valley Metro, Maricopa County, City of Phoenix, City of

Tempe and City of Chandler. The anticipated benefits from this enhanced planning effort would be realized by the region only when the plan is actually implemented by participating agencies. The commitment of all participating agencies to implement the plan would be critical for the plan's success.

ACTION NEEDED:

Approval of an amendment to the FY 2016 Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to add a consultant project in the amount of \$175,000 to the Integrated Corridor Management Planning Project with the funding provided from the existing on-call project.

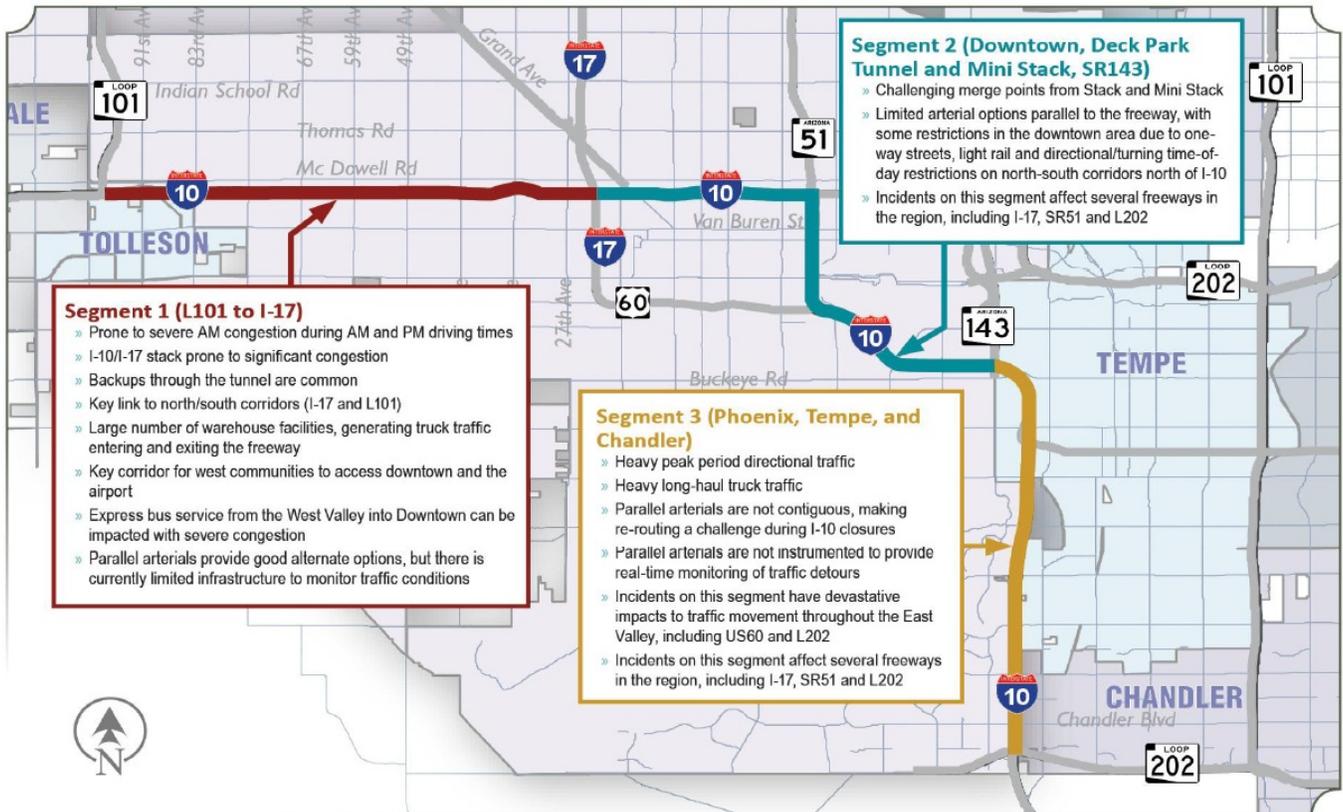
PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

None.

CONTACT PERSON:

Sarath Joshua, MAG, (602) 254-6300

Figure 1. I-10 Freeway Segments To Be Addressed by ICM Planning Grant



MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

INFORMATION SUMMARY... for your review

Revised

DATE:

March 16, 2016

SUBJECT:

Development of the FY 2017 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget

SUMMARY:

Each year, staff develops the MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget. The Work Program is reviewed each year by the federal agencies and approved by the Regional Council in May. A review of the detailed draft Work Program and Budget by federal and state planning partners was held on March 11, 2016. This meeting delivered a review of MAG's draft FY 2017 Work Program to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) and other MAG partners including the City of Phoenix and Valley Metro. MAG received numerous comments from FHWA, FTA and ADOT complimenting staff on their project work and the early draft Work Program. ADOT commented that related ADOT projects could potentially benefit by working with MAG.

Each year new projects are proposed for inclusion in the MAG planning efforts. These new project proposals come from the MAG technical committees and policy committees and through discussions with members and stakeholders regarding joint efforts within the region. These projects are subject to review and input by the committees as they go through the budget process. The proposed new projects for FY 2017 were first presented at the February 10, 2016, Management Committee meeting, the February 16, 2016 Executive Committee meeting, and the February 24, 2016, Regional Council meeting. Project descriptions are included along with all of the newly proposed projects in the Draft FY 2017 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget.

In addition to the detailed MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget, "MAG Programs in Brief," a summary budget document, is produced that allows our members to quickly decipher the financial implications of the MAG budget. The summary document includes the list of new projects with summary narrative.

Information for this presentation of the draft budget documents is included for your early review and input. Enclosed for your information are the following documents:

- Draft of the FY 2017 "MAG Programs in Brief." The draft document presents the newly proposed projects.
- Draft FY 2017 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget. The program budget estimates are draft presentations.

The information is considered draft and is subject to change as the budget continues through the review process.

The draft of the FY 2017 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget includes narratives by division and associated program costs, draft schedules in the budget appendix, including overall program allocations, allocation of funding by funding source, dues and

assessments, consultant pages for new and carryforward consultants, and the draft of the updated agreement among the transit operators.

The draft budget also has information on the MAG region as a Transportation Management Area and as a Metropolitan Planning Organization. MAG is required (by federal regulations 23 CFR 450.314) to describe all of the regional transportation-related activities within the planning area, regardless of funding sources or agencies conducting activities.

PUBLIC INPUT:

None.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: MAG is presenting a review of the draft budget and work program. The FY 2017 Draft FY 2017 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget is about sixty percent complete. The program budget estimates are draft presentations.

CONS: None.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: The draft MAG Dues and Assessments for FY 2017 have been prepared using the methodology that was approved by the MAG Regional Council.

POLICY: In accordance with the MAG Fund Balance Policy, should the unassigned fund balance of the General Fund ever drop below the minimum 15 percent range, MAG Regional Council can consider reducing expenditures to eliminate any structural deficit, or the MAG Regional Council can increase revenues or pursue other funding sources, or some combination of the two options. Should the unassigned fund balance of the General Fund ever exceed the maximum 25 percent range, the MAG Regional Council will consider such fund balance surpluses for use as a reduction to member dues and assessments and/or one-time expenditures that are nonrecurring in nature and which will not require additional future expense outlays for maintenance, additional staffing or other recurring expenditures.

ACTION NEEDED:

Information and discussion.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

This item was on the March 9, 2016, MAG Management Committee agenda for information and discussion.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

- Darryl H. Crossman, Litchfield Park,
Chair
- Ed Zuercher, Phoenix, Vice Chair
- Bryant Powell, Apache Junction
- David Fitzhugh, Avondale
- # Stephen Cleveland, Buckeye
- * Gary Neiss, Carefree
- * Peter Jankowski, Cave Creek
- Marsha Reed, Chandler
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- # Lisa Garcia for Brent Billingsley, Florence
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Eric Gudino for John Halikowski, ADOT
Jennifer Toth for Tom Manos,
Maricopa Co.
Scott Smith, Valley Metro/RPTA

* Those members neither present nor represented by proxy.
Participated by telephone conference call. + Participated by videoconference call.

This item was on the February 24, 2016, MAG Regional Council agenda for information and discussion.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Mayor W.J. "Jim" Lane, Scottsdale, Chair
Mayor Greg Stanton, Phoenix, Vice Chair
Vice Mayor Robin Barker, Apache Junction
Mayor Kenneth Weise, Avondale
Mayor Jackie Meck, Buckeye
Councilmember Mike Farrar, Carefree
Councilmember Dick Esser, Cave Creek
Mayor Jay Tibshraeny, Chandler
* Mayor Lana Mook, El Mirage
Mayor Tom Rankin, Florence
* President Bernadine Burnette, Fort
McDowell Yavapai Nation
Mayor Linda Kavanagh, Fountain Hills
* Mayor Chuck Turner, Gila Bend
* Governor Stephen Roe Lewis, Gila River
Indian Community
Mayor John Lewis, Gilbert
Mayor Jerry Weiers, Glendale
* Mayor Georgia Lord, Goodyear
Mayor Rebecca Jimenez, Guadalupe
Mayor Thomas Schoaf, Litchfield Park

Mayor Christian Price, City of Maricopa
Supervisor Denny Barney, Maricopa County
Mayor John Giles, Mesa
Councilmember Mark Stanton for Mayor
Michael Collins, Paradise Valley
* Mayor Cathy Carlat, Peoria
* Supervisor Todd House, Pinal County
Mayor Gail Barney, Queen Creek
* President Delbert Ray, Salt River
Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
* Mayor Sharon Wolcott, Surprise
Mayor Mark Mitchell, Tempe
* Mayor Adolfo Gamez, Tolleson
Mayor John Cook, Wickenburg
Mayor Michael LeVault, Youngtown
Mr. Roc Arnett, Citizens Transportation
Oversight Committee
* Mr. Joseph La Rue, State Transportation
Board
Vice Mayor Jack Sellers, State
Transportation Board

* Those members neither present nor represented by proxy.
Attended by telephone conference call. + Attended by videoconference

This item was on the February 16, 2016, MAG Executive Committee agenda for information and discussion.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Mayor W.J. "Jim" Lane, Scottsdale, Chair
Mayor Greg Stanton, Phoenix, Vice Chair
Mayor Jackie Meck, Buckeye, Treasurer

Mayor Gail Barney, Queen Creek
Mayor Michael LeVault, Youngtown
Mayor Mark Mitchell, Tempe
* Mayor Lana Mook, El Mirage

* Not present
Participated by video or telephone conference call

This item was on the February 10, 2016, MAG Management Committee agenda for information and discussion.

This item was on the January 11, 2016, MAG Regional Council Executive Committee agenda for information and discussion:

MEMBERS ATTENDING

- Mayor W.J. "Jim" Lane, Scottsdale, Chair
- Mayor Greg Stanton, Phoenix, Vice Chair
- # Mayor Jackie Meck, Buckeye, Treasurer
- # Mayor Gail Barney, Queen Creek
- Mayor Michael LeVault, Youngtown
- Mayor Mark Mitchell, Tempe
- Mayor Lana Mook, El Mirage

- * Not present
- # Participated by video or telephone conference call

This item was on the January 6, 2016, MAG Management Committee for information and discussion.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

- Jim Rumpeltes for Darryl H. Crossman, Litchfield Park
- Ed Zuercher, Phoenix, Vice Chair
- Bryant Powell, Apache Junction
- David Fitzhugh, Avondale
- # Stephen Cleveland, Buckeye
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- * Jeanne Blackman, Youngtown
- Sintra Hoffman for John Halikowski, ADOT
- Joy Rich for Tom Manos, Maricopa Co.
- John Farry for Eric Anderson, Valley Metro/RPTA

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