

February 16, 2016

TO: Members of the MAG Regional Council

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

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Meeting - 11:30 a.m.
Wednesday, February 24, 2016
MAG Office, Suite 200 - Saguaro Room
302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

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

Please park in the garage underneath the building. Bring your ticket to the meeting, parking will be validated. For those using transit, the Regional Public Transportation Authority will provide transit tickets for your trip. For those using bicycles, please lock your bicycle in the bike rack in the garage.

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c: MAG Management Committee

**MAG REGIONAL COUNCIL
TENTATIVE AGENDA
February 16, 2016**

COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

1. Call to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Call to the Audience

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

4. Executive Director's Report

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

5. Approval of Consent Agenda

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

3. Information.

4. Information.

5. Approval of the Consent Agenda.

ITEMS PROPOSED FOR CONSENT*

MINUTES

*5A. Approval of the January 27, 2016, Meeting Minutes

5A. Review and approval of the January 27, 2016, meeting minutes.

TRANSPORTATION ITEMS

*5B. Project Changes - Amendment and Administrative Modification to the FY 2014-2018 MAG Transportation Improvement Program, and as Appropriate, to the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and 2035 Regional Transportation Plan were approved by the MAG Regional Council on January 29, 2014, with the last modification approved at the January 27, 2016, Regional Council meeting. Since then, additional project changes and additions are needed. Project listing changes and additions included are not contingent on a new finding of conformity. The member agency requested project additions and changes include general highway and transit project changes. Funding types include Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ), Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP); FY 2015 TIGER award announcement; and locally funded project changes (See Table A). MAG is developing a new FY 2017-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The MAG Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) allocates MAG Federal CMAQ and Transportation Alternatives (TAP-MAG) Infrastructure Program funds for certain program areas. A Call for Projects was held and an evaluation of projects submitted for Bicycle and Pedestrian projects has been completed. Those new projects and project work phases that fall within the current FY 2014-2018 TIP window and that are proposed for CMAQ and TAP funding are included in Table B. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) sub-allocated funding includes the CMAQ, HSIP, Surface Transportation Program (STP-MAG), and TAP. An evaluation of FHWA funding determined that the MAG region has federal funding that is available for the Closeout programming priorities as described in the Federal Fund Programming Guidelines and Procedures that were approved by Regional Council in June 2015. A request for closeout projects was conducted and evaluated, and the results are included in Table C. If approved, items in Table C will supersede duplicate listings in Table B. The project changes were

5B. Approval of amendments and administrative modifications to the FY 2014-2018 MAG Transportation Improvement Program, and as appropriate, to the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan.

recommended by the MAG Management Committee on February 10, 2016. Since the Management Committee recommendation, clerical corrections have been incorporated and are annotated on the attached material. This item is on the February 17, 2016, Transportation Policy Committee agenda. An update will be provided on action taken by the committee. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*5C. ADOT Red Letter Process

In June 1996, the MAG Regional Council approved the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) Red Letter process, which requires MAG member agencies to notify ADOT of potential development activities in freeway alignments. Development activities include actions on plans, zoning, and permits. ADOT has forwarded a list of notifications from July 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015. Eleven of the 107 notices received have an impact to the state highway system. The Red Letter list was included in the January 28, 2016, MAG Transportation Review Committee agenda and the February 10, 2016, MAG Management Committee agenda. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*5D. Sun Corridor Metropolitan Planning Organization Loan Request

Sun Corridor Metropolitan Planning Organization (SCMPO) has requested that MAG enter into a loan agreement to assist them with \$622,325 in Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2016 Federal Highway Administration Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds that they cannot utilize this year due to project delays, and SCMPO is requesting MAG repayment of the funds in FY 2017. The proposed loan would have no negative impacts to the MAG region and requires a minimal amount of accounting time to track. The FFY 2016 loan request from SCMPO with the MAG region for STP funding will adhere to repayment terms as prescribed in the Arizona Department of Transportation loan program. The main benefit to the region includes early advance federal funding

5C. Information.

5D. Approval to enter into a loan agreement with the Sun Corridor Metropolitan Planning Organization in the amount of \$633,480 in Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2016 STP funds to be utilized in MAG FHWA funded FFY 2016 Closeout process, and for repayment by MAG to SCMPO in FFY 2017.

for projects that are currently underway or that can begin design, and can meet federal and state rules and policies. The loan agreement between SCMPO and MAG was recommended by the MAG Management Committee on February 10, 2016. Since the Management Committee met, SCMPO has requested an increase in the loan by \$11,155 for a total loan of \$633,480. The increase is due to the announced actual obligation authority rate, which increased under the new surface transportation legislation, Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act). Please refer to the enclosed material.

ENVIRONMENTAL ITEMS

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

A status report is being provided on the remaining PM-10 certified street sweeper projects that have received approval, but have not requested reimbursement. To address new Federal Highway Administration procedures to minimize inactive obligations and to assist MAG in reducing the amount of obligated federal funds carried forward in the MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget, we are requesting that street sweeper projects for be purchased and reimbursement requests be submitted to MAG within one year from the date of the MAG authorization letter. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*5F. Conformity Consultation

The Maricopa Association of Governments is conducting consultation on a conformity assessment for an amendment and administrative modification to the FY 2014-2018 MAG Transportation Improvement Program and 2035 Regional Transportation Plan. The amendment and administrative modification involve several projects, including projects for Glendale, Maricopa County and Phoenix, and new CMAQ-funded Bicycle and Pedestrian projects for FY 2018. The amendment includes projects that may be

5E. Information and discussion.

5F. Consultation.

categorized as exempt from conformity determinations. The administrative modification includes minor project revisions that do not require a conformity determination. Please refer to the enclosed material.

GENERAL ITEMS

***5G. Social Services Block Grant Allocation Recommendations**

Through a partnership with the Arizona Department of Economic Security (DES), the MAG Human Services and Community Initiatives Committee prioritizes services to receive funding with locally planned Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) dollars. Services funded by SSBG assist the most vulnerable people in the region, including four target groups of Older Adults; People with Disabilities; People with Developmental Disabilities; and Adults, Families, and Children. Each year, the MAG Human Services and Community Initiatives Committee conducts a service ranking exercise to help determine a prioritized listing of services to assist people in these four target groups. The service ranking exercise was conducted in December 2015 and the draft funding recommendations were released for public comment in January 2016. The draft allocations were recommended for approval by the MAG Human Services Technical Committee on January 14, 2016, the MAG Human Services and Community Initiatives Committee on January 21, 2016, and the MAG Management Committee on February 10, 2016. Please refer to the enclosed material.

5G. Approval to forward the Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) allocation recommendations for FY 2017 to the Arizona Department of Economic Security.

ITEMS PROPOSED TO BE HEARD

6. Approval of MAG Regional Misdemeanor Domestic Violence Protocol Model

The MAG Regional Misdemeanor Domestic Violence Protocol Model was developed to improve the way domestic violence offenders are arrested across the region. Each year the protocol is updated through a collaborative process. The revisions to the MAG Regional Misdemeanor

6. Approval of the MAG Regional Misdemeanor Domestic Violence Protocol Model.

Domestic Violence Protocol Model were recommended for approval by the MAG Regional Domestic Violence Council on February 4, 2016, and the MAG Management Committee on February 10, 2016. Please refer to the enclosed material.

7. Programming for Bicycle and Pedestrian Projects Utilizing the MAG Federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program, and Transportation Alternatives Program (Infrastructure) Funding for Programming Years: FY 2018, 2019, and 2020

MAG is developing a new Fiscal Year (FY) 2017-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The MAG Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) allocates MAG Federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) and Transportation Alternatives (TAP-MAG) Infrastructure Program funds to specific modes and in some cases, identifies specific projects for the funds. A Call for Projects was announced in August 2015 and the results from the evaluation process are included for the Bicycle and Pedestrian projects that are proposed to be funded with CMAQ and TAP-MAG funds. The MAG Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee, the MAG Transportation Review Committee and the MAG Management Committee have made recommendations of programming by year. Please refer to the enclosed material.

8. Federal Fiscal Year 2016 Closeout Programming – Amendment and Administrative Modification to the FY 2014-2018 MAG Transportation Improvement Program, and to the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan

A summary of the Federal Highway Administration sub-allocated funding that includes Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ), Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP-MAG), Surface Transportation Program (STP-MAG), and Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP-MAG) programs has been completed. It is determined

7. Approval of the priority list of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program and Transportation Alternative Program funded Bicycle and Pedestrian projects to be added to the FY 2014-2018 MAG Transportation Improvement Program, and 2035 Regional Transportation Plan as appropriate, and to add the lists of FY 2018, 2019, and 2020 projects to the Draft FY 2017-2021 MAG Transportation Improvement Program.

8. Approval to proceed with Option Two and of the necessary amendments and administrative modifications to the FY 2014-2018 MAG Transportation Improvement Program, and as appropriate, to the 2035 Regional Transportation.

that the MAG region is estimated to have federal funding that is available for the Closeout programming priorities as described in the Federal Fund Programming Guidelines and Procedures that were approved by Regional Council in June 2015. Two options were developed for consideration to address available funding (Closeout). Option Two was recommended for approval by the MAG Transportation Review Committee on January 28, 2016, and the MAG Management Committee on February 10, 2016. Please refer to the enclosed material.

9. 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 in conjunction with member agency and public input. The Work Program is reviewed each year by the federal agencies in the spring and approved by the Regional Council in May. To provide an early start in developing the Work Program and Budget, this presentation is an overview of MAG's draft proposed new projects for the FY 2017 Work Program. The updated draft budget timeline, the invitation for the Budget Webinar presentation on February 18, 2016, at 1:00 p.m. in the MAG Cottonwood Room, and estimated dues and assessments are included with the budget documents. Please refer to the enclosed material.

10. Legislative Update

An update will be provided on legislative items of interest.

11. Request for Future Agenda Items

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

9. Information and discussion.

10. Information, discussion and possible action.

11. Information.

12. Comments from the Council

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

Adjournment

12. Information.