

September 13, 2016

TO: Members of the Transportation Policy Committee

FROM: Mayor John Giles, Mesa, Chair

SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF MEETING AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Meeting - 12:00 noon
Wednesday, September 21, 2016
MAG Office, Suite 200 - Saguaro Room
302 N. First Avenue, Phoenix

A meeting of the Transportation Policy Committee is scheduled for the time and place noted above. Members of the Committee may attend the meeting either in person, by videoconference, or by telephone conference call. As determined at the first meeting of the Committee, proxies are not allowed. Members who are not able to attend the meeting are encouraged to submit their comments in writing, so that their view is always a part of the process.

For those attending in person, please park in the garage under 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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Refreshments and a light luncheon will be provided. If you have any questions, please contact Dennis Smith, MAG Executive Director, or Eric Anderson, MAG Transportation Director, at (602) 254-6300.

c: MAG Regional Council
MAG Management Committee

**TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE
TENTATIVE AGENDA
September 21, 2016**

		<u>COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED</u>
<p>1. <u>Call to Order</u></p>		
<p>2. <u>Pledge of Allegiance</u></p>		
<p>3. <u>Call to the Audience</u></p> <p>An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Transportation Policy 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. 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 Transportation Policy Committee 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.</p>		<p>3. Information.</p>
<p>4. <u>Approval of Consent Agenda</u></p> <p>Prior to action on the consent agenda, members of the audience will be 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. Consent items are marked with an asterisk (*).</p>		<p>4. Recommend approval of the Consent Agenda.</p>

ITEMS PROPOSED FOR CONSENT*

<p>*4A. <u>Approval of the June 15, 2016, Meeting Minutes</u></p>		<p>4A. Review and approval of the June 15, 2016, meeting minutes.</p>
<p>*4B. <u>FY 2017 MAG Early Phase Public Input Opportunity</u></p> <p>To ensure public participation in the development of transportation plans and programs, MAG conducts a public input process that includes four-phases: Early Phase, Mid-Phase, Final Phase</p>		<p>4B. Recommend acceptance of the Draft FY 2017 MAG Early Phase Public Input Opportunity Report.</p>

and Continuous Involvement. MAG has completed the public involvement process for the fiscal year (FY) 2017 Early Phase Input Opportunity. MAG conducted the Early Phase from August 1-31, 2016. Input opportunities included an open house held on August 11, 2016, and a Stakeholders Agency meeting on August 22, 2016. Input is used in the development of the Draft FY 2018-2028 MAG Transportation Improvement Program and the Draft 2040 MAG Regional Transportation Plan. The Early Phase Input Opportunity Report summarizes comments received during the phase, so that it may be considered by policymakers prior to action. This item is on the September 14, 2016, MAG Management Committee agenda. An update will be provided on action taken by the Committee. Please refer to the enclosed material.

ITEMS PROPOSED TO BE HEARD

5. Regional Freeway and Highway Program - 2016 Rebalancing

At the June 15, 2016, meeting, Transportation Policy Committee representatives requested a scenario for the Regional Freeway and Highway Program - 2016 Rebalancing that gave greater weights to the group of deferred projects that had a longer legacy in the Proposition 400 program. This scenario, titled "Legacy-Weighted Score," was created by MAG staff by adjusting evaluation criteria weights from the previously presented scenario to the Committee on June 15, now titled "Readiness-Weighted Score." With these two scenarios, and additional information discovered by MAG staff during the past three-months about the continuing need for several Proposition 400 projects, a presentation will be made for Transportation Policy Committee discussion to focus the 2016 Rebalancing effort into a potential scenario. Please refer to the enclosed material.

6. Interstate 10/Interstate 17 Corridor Master Plan - Project Update

On August 12, 2013, the MAG Regional Council Executive Committee amended the FY 2014 MAG

5. Information, discussion, and input.

6. Information and discussion.

Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget for to develop the Interstate 10/Interstate 17 Corridor Master Plan. This work was previously being conducted by Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT). The ADOT work was suspended and the project and funding have been transferred to MAG. The two environmental impact statement (EIS) studies for the corridor previously being conducted by ADOT were between the SR-101L/Agua Fria-Pima "North Stack" and SR-202L/Santan-South Mountain "Pecos Stack" traffic interchanges. The project has evaluated more than 340 concepts for meeting future travel demand along Interstates 10 and 17 with extensive traffic engineering and safety analyses of the corridor's mainline and 31 traffic interchanges and have helped identify the best methods for accommodating traffic on the freeway, as well as circulation on local arterial streets intersecting the corridor. The Committee will receive an update on the project's progress, and an introduction to the project's seven alternatives that are under consideration for the final Corridor Master Plan recommendation.

7. Request for Future Agenda Items

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

8. Comments from the Committee

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

7. Information.

8. Information.