

October 11, 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, October 19, 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
October 19, 2016**

		<u>COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED</u>
1.	<u>Call to Order</u>	
2.	<u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>	
3.	<u>Call to the Audience</u> 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.	3. Information.
4.	<u>Approval of Consent Agenda</u> 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 (*).	4. Recommend approval of the Consent Agenda.

ITEMS PROPOSED FOR CONSENT*

*4A.	<u>Approval of the September 21, 2016, Meeting Minutes</u>	4A. Review and approval of the September 21, 2016, meeting minutes.
*4B.	<u>Report on Project Changes to FY 2016 Projects That Modify the FY 2017-2021 MAG Transportation Improvement Program and 2035 Regional Transportation Plan</u> An amendment to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2017-2021 MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)	4B. Information and discussion.

and 2035 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) was approved on August 31, 2016, by the MAG Regional Council. Due to the approach of the end of the federal fiscal year, the Regional Council also approved additional necessary project changes that are dependent on federal authorization of transportation projects for FY 2016. On September 1, 2016, MAG submitted two project changes, which are included in Table C. This item was on the September 29, 2016, MAG Transportation Review Committee and October 5, 2016, MAG Management Committee agendas for information. Please refer to the enclosed material.

- *4C. Project Changes - Amendment and Administrative Modification to the Fiscal Year 2017-2021 MAG Transportation Improvement Program, and, as Appropriate, to the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2017-2021 MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) was approved by the MAG Regional Council on June 22, 2016, with the last modification approved at the August 31, 2016, Regional Council meeting and subsequent changes submitted on September 1, 2016. Since then, additional changes and additions to projects in fiscal years 2017 and beyond of the FY 2017-2021 TIP have been requested by member agencies. The project changes were recommended for approval by the MAG Transportation Review Committee on September 29, 2016, and by the MAG Management Committee on October 5, 2016. Please refer to the enclosed material.

- 4C. Recommend approval of amendments and administrative modifications to the FY 2017-2021 MAG Transportation Improvement Program and, as appropriate, to the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan.

ITEMS PROPOSED TO BE HEARD

- 5. Regional Freeway and Highway Program - 2016 Rebalancing

At the September 21, 2016, Transportation Policy Committee meeting, members received a briefing on two scenarios for addressing an estimated \$787 million ending balance surplus in the Regional Freeway and Highway Program in 2026. During

- 5. Information, discussion, and input.

this presentation, MAG staff presented a potential tentative scenario for rebalancing and discussed the opportunity for accelerating funded projects from the latter years of the Proposition 400 program. This tentative scenario is a hybrid of the “Readiness-Based” and “Legacy-Based” scenarios that build upon core recommendations presented by Mesa Mayor Giles at the September meeting. Staff will provide an update on project acceleration opportunities, potential adjustments to the tentative scenario, and the final steps for developing a recommendation to the MAG Regional Council at the November TPC meeting.

6. Update on 2016 Performance Audit Federal Regulations and Performance Measures and Targets Working Group

On December 4, 2015, President Obama signed the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) Act into law. Three new rules included in the FAST Act have been published: The Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), the Safety Performance Management Measures and the Statewide and Metropolitan Planning Rule. Three rules included in the FAST Act are still in proposed format: The Pavement and Bridge Condition, the Asset Management and the System Performance/Freight Movement and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program Rule. An update on the status of the federal rulemaking process as part of FAST Act implementation will be provided. In addition, information will be presented on MAG’s Performance Measures and Targets Working Group, as well as an update on the current 2016 State Performance Audit mandated by Proposition 400.

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.

6. Information and discussion.

7. Information.

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

8. Information.