

MINUTES OF THE
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
POPULATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

February 27, 2007
MAG Office, Saguaro Room
302 North 1st Ave, Phoenix

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

George Pettit, Gilbert, Chairman
*Bryant Powell, Apache Junction
*Scott Wilken, Avondale
Brian Rose, Buckeye
*Gary Neiss, Carefree
* Usama Abujbarah, Cave Creek
David de la Torre, Chandler
A Mark Smith, El Mirage
*Terry Yergan, Gila River Indian Community
Thomas Ritz, Glendale
Katie Wilken, Goodyear
* Gail Acosta, Guadalupe
* Sonny Culbreth, Litchfield Park
A Ken Valverde, Fountain Hills

Shawn Murray for Wahid Alam, Mesa
John Verdugo, Maricopa County
A Molly Hood, Paradise Valley
* Chad Daines, Peoria
Tim Tilton, Phoenix
Shawny Ekadis, Queen Creek
*Bryan Meyers, Salt River Pima-Maricopa
Indian Community
Mele Koneya for Harry Higgins, Scottsdale
Janice See, Surprise
A Sherri Lesser for Lisa Collins, Tempe
*Miles Johnson, Wickenburg
Ratna Korepella, Valley Metro
*Lloyce Robinson, Youngtown

* Not in attendance
A Participated via audioconference

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Sam Andrea, Chandler
Alberto Vanela, Chandler
Jon Powell, Gilbert
Joy Spezeski, Mesa
Max Enterline, Phoenix

Roy Nourse, Phoenix
Anubhav Bagley, MAG
Steve Gross, MAG
Amanda Tovey, MAG
Jeff Romine, MAG
Harry Wolfe, MAG

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chair George Pettit.

2. Call to the Audience

There were no requests to address the audience.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes of January 23, 2007

No comments were provided on the minutes. It was moved by John Verdugo, seconded by Thomas Ritz and unanimously recommended to approve the meeting minutes of January 23, 2007.

4. July 1, 2006 Maricopa County Resident Population Estimates

Anubhav Bagley noted that the July 1, 2006 Municipality Updates were accepted by the State POPTAC in December 2006 as placeholders because of concerns over the methodology used by DES to derive them. He said that it was recommended that DES prepare an enhanced set of county updates.

Mr. Bagley explained that at the February 9, 2007 meeting of the State POPTAC, DES presented a new set of population updates; and that comments on the updates were provided and DES revised the methodology based on the comments received. Mr. Bagley added that on February 22nd the DES POPTAC Methodology Subcommittee considered five alternative methodologies and recommended the methodology that developed a control total for Maricopa and Pinal County.

Tim Tilton stated that the MAG POPTAC Ad Hoc Subcommittee recommended approval of the updates to the full MAG POPTAC. Mr. Tilton moved and David de la Torre seconded a motion to approve the July 1, 2006 Municipality Resident population updates. The motion passed unanimously.

5. 2007 Boundary and Annexation Survey

Harry Wolfe reported that last month the Census Bureau distributed its 2007 Boundary and Annexation Survey (BAS) to contacts of local jurisdictions for review and update. He explained that the purpose of the BAS was to have local jurisdictions update their boundaries and features on a map and complete a survey form. He added that the BAS submittal was due to the Census Bureau on April 1, 2007.

Mr. Wolfe noted that MAG would be holding a BAS workshop immediately after the MAG POPTAC meeting and the morning of the following day to coordinate the submission of annexations to the Bureau and provide technical support as needed.

6. Census 2010

Harry Wolfe indicated that the Census Bureau would be working in partnership with MAG and its member agencies to prepare for Census 2010. He said that since the last meeting of the MAG POPTAC, the Census Bureau had issued guidance on the Local Update of Census Address Program (LUCA). Mr Wolfe added that LUCA is a voluntary program which provides local governments with an opportunity to review and update the Census Bureau's list of addresses used to distribute Census questionnaires.

Harry Wolfe also reported that in July of this year, it is anticipated that the Census Bureau will be sending out letters to local governments officially inviting them to participate in the LUCA Program. He mentioned that participation can involve direct modification of the Census Bureau address list or the submission of a local address list. He noted that the Census Bureau would be holding a workshop for MAG member agencies on the LUCA Program for Census 2010 on Thursday March 8, 2007 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at MAG.

7. Preparation of MAG Socioeconomic Projections

Anubhav Bagley explained that MAG is in the process of developing a new set of socioeconomic projections for 2010 to 2035. He noted that as part of the first draft, on February 14, 2007, MAG staff transmitted to POPTAC members 2005 base and 2010 projections of population, housing and employment by Socioeconomic Analysis Zone (SAZ) consistent with the September 1, 2005 Census Survey of Maricopa County. Mr. Bagley said that comments on the 2005 base and the 2010 projections were requested by February 28, 2007.

Mr. Bagley stated that MAG staff would be available to meet with POPTAC members to review the base and projections the for the rest of the day and the following morning.

8. Next Meeting of MAG POPTAC

George Pettit noted that the next meeting of the MAG POPTAC would be held on Tuesday, March 27, 2007 at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.