

# Planning Directors Committee

## Minutes

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the WRCOG Planning Directors Committee was called to order by Chair John Hildebrand at 9:31 a.m. on February 10, 2022, on the Zoom platform.

### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Hildebrand led members and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 3. ROLL CALL

- City of Banning - Adam Rush
- City of Beaumont - Carole Kendrick\*
- City of Corona - Joanne Coletta
- City of Eastvale - Gustavo Gonzalez
- City of Hemet - H.P. Kang
- City of Jurupa Valley - Diane Guevara\*
- City of Lake Elsinore - Richard MacHott
- City of Menifee - Orlando Hernandez
- City of Murrieta - David Chantarangsu
- City of Perris - Kenneth Phung
- City of Riverside - David Murray
- City of San Jacinto - Travis Randel
- City of Temecula - Matt Peters
- City of Wildomar - Abdu Lachgar
- County of Riverside - John Hildebrand (Chair)
- March JPA - Jeffrey Smith
- Riverside Transit Agency - Jennifer Nguyen

\*Arrived after Roll Call

### 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR** – (Murrieta / Lake Elsinore) 14 yes; 0 no; 1 abstention. Item 5.A was approved. The City of Wildomar abstained.

### A. Summary Minutes from the December 9, 2021, Planning Directors Committee Meeting

**Action:**

1. Approved the Summary Minutes from the December 9, 2021, Planning Directors Committee meeting.

## **6. REPORTS / DISCUSSION**

### **A. VMT Implementation Assistance - VMT Calculator Demonstration**

Delia Votsch from Fehr & Peers provided a demonstration on the VMT Calculator developed for WRCOG and its member agencies. The calculator will assist with VMT estimation using data from the regional model without needing to run the local model. The tool can be used for most small projects that do not meet VMT screening requirements. The tool can also help local jurisdictions with reviewing the VMT estimates developed by consultants.

This tool will be sent to Committee members and posted on the WRCOG website shortly after the meeting.

#### **Action:**

1. Received and filed.

### **B. Residential Trip Generation Study**

Suzanne Peterson, WRCOG's Senior Analyst, provided an overview of the Residential Trip Generation study that WRCOG is working on with Fehr & Peers. The relationship between development impact fees, travel behavior, and residential unit size is being assessed against the current residential TUMF Program fee structure. The TUMF Program and fee structure is based on vehicular trip generation, so the study must assess vehicle trip generation; however, the study will also look at other potential factors that may affect travel behavior from residential land uses. The assessment will look into the factors such as residential unit size, price of residential units, demographic factors, and geographic location.

Assembly Bill (AB) 602 (Grayson) took effect on January 1, 2022, which requires local agencies that calculate fees proportionately to the square footage of the proposed units, to have a valid methodology to establish a reasonable relationship between the fee charges and the burden of the proposed development. While the TUMF Program is not based on square footage, this study would provide the preliminary analysis that would be required, based on AB 602, should the TUMF fee structure be considered for a shift from per unit cost to a cost based on unit size.

#### **Action:**

1. Received and filed.

### **C. Trip Origin-Destination Assessment**

Christopher Tzeng, WRCOG's Program Manager, provided an overview of the origin-destination assessment utilizing big data as a means to better understand whether TUMF is fulfilling its goal of providing to major arterial roadways to accommodate for regional travel in WRCOG's subregion. The analysis utilized big data from Streetlight Data and commuting data sources, such as the California Household Travel Survey and the Longitudinal Employer Housing Dynamics. The analysis looked into items such as the origin of trips traveling into the boundaries of each member agency, the destination of trips traveling from each member agency, commute trip distances, trip type, and the trip distribution to-

and-from each member agency during the p.m. peak hour. Draft assessments have been summarized and will be disseminated to the respective Committee members for input after this meeting.

**Action:**

1. Received and filed.

**D. Potential Development of a VMT Mitigation Program**

Chris Gray, WRCOG's Deputy Executive Director, provided an update on the summary of Scope of Work for the development of a potential VMT mitigation program for Western Riverside County. WRCOG has commenced an effort to develop a potential VMT mitigation program for Western Riverside County. Participation in any potential program will be on a voluntary basis, so jurisdictions will participate in a program only if it decides to opt-in. WRCOG encourages interested jurisdictions to participate in the stakeholder meetings that will be held as part of the development process.

The development of a potential program will include conducting research on VMT mitigation program options and developing a list of projects and programs that could be included in a voluntary VMT mitigation program.

The project team will provide updates to the Committee during the development of a program. However, the Scope of Work also includes a working group that will meet occasionally to address questions and concerns that arise through the exploration of a program. WRCOG encourages staff from any member agency that are interested, to be involved with the working group. Please contact Christopher Tzeng ([ctzeng@wrcog.us](mailto:ctzeng@wrcog.us)) for notifications of the working group meetings.

**Action:**

1. Received and filed.

**7. REPORT FROM THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Chris Gray reported that the Executive Committee approved WRCOG's assistance program utilizing REAP funding. The next step is for any interested member agency to submit a request form to Suzanne Peterson. There will be a Committee meeting in March that will include an update from SCAG on the growth forecasts and its Regional Data Platform.

**8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

Chair Hildebrand requested a follow-up presentation on SB 9.

**9. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no general announcements.

**10. NEXT MEETING**

The next Planning Directors Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 10, 2022, at 9:30 a.m., on the Zoom platform.

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting of the Planning Directors Committee adjourned at 10:39 a.m.