

# Public Works Committee

## Minutes

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the WRCOG Public Works Committee was called to order by Chair Mark Lancaster at 2:01 p.m. on March 10, 2022, on the Zoom platform.

### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

### 3. ROLL CALL

- City of Beaumont - Jeff Hart
- City of Calimesa - Michael Thornton
- City of Canyon Lake - Craig Bradshaw
- City of Eastvale - Jimmy Chung\*
- City of Hemet - Steve Loriso
- City of Jurupa Valley - Octavio Duran
- City of Lake Elsinore - Yu Tagai
- City of Menifee - Nick Fidler
- City of Moreno Valley - Michael Lloyd
- City of Murrieta - Bob Moehling
- City of Riverside - Gil Hernandez
- City of Temecula - Patrick Thomas
- City of Wildomar - Jason Farag
- County of Riverside - Mark Lancaster (Chair)
- March JPA - Lauren Sotelo
- Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) - Jillian Guizado
- Riverside Transit Agency (RTA) - Mauricio Alvarez

\*Arrived after Roll Call

### 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Arnold San Miguel, SCAG, announced that registration is open for SCAG's 57th Regional Conference General Assembly, scheduled for May 5 - 6, 2022. Applications are available for SCAG's Scholarship Program.

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR** – (Murrieta / Beaumont) 16 yes; 0 no; 1 abstention. Item 5.A was approved. March JPA abstained.

### A. Summary Minutes from the December 9, 2021, Public Works Committee Meeting

**Action:**

1. Approved the Summary Minutes from the December 9, 2021, Public Works Committee meeting.

**6. REPORTS / DISCUSSION**

**A. TUMF Program Activities Update**

Cameron Brown, WRCOG Program Manager, presented on recent activities in the TUMF Program including the CCI Adjustment and the new Credit Agreement template. TUMF revenue continues to be significant and exceed budget expectations. Thus far this fiscal year, \$41M has been collected with the majority of development generated from Single Family residential land-use. Development continues to be focused in the Central Zone in the Cities of Menifee, Moreno Valley, and Perris.

TUMF Zone meetings will be occurring in April to update the 5-year TIP for each Zone. An ongoing concern within the Program is on the automatic rollover of funding from year-to-year. In the last several TIPs, it has been common practice to move unused funding from the previous year and move it up another year. This has led to many projects on the TIPs that are not advancing and accruing large amounts of funding. WRCOG will be taking a more disciplined approach to this year-to-year funding. Staff will no longer be moving unused funds to current years without a compelling reason from the member jurisdiction to do so. Each member jurisdiction should have explicit plans for these projects and be prepared to spend the funding as it is available. This may mean that some projects will forfeit any remaining funds. However, this should also free up funds to be committed towards projects that may have a more immediate impact and can put existing funds to immediate use.

Staff is compiling the Annual Report for the 2021 Fiscal Year. Staff anticipate issuing this report by May 2022. It will show that TUMF revenue has exceeded budget expectations as it did in Fiscal Year 2020/2021. There was \$60.8 million in revenue collected which will be reimbursed back into the projects on the TIP. Regarding revenue collections, 37% occurred in the Central Zone.

**Action:**

1. Received and filed.

**B. TUMF Nexus Study Activities Update**

Cameron Brown, WRCOG Program Manager, shared that WRCOG is currently working on an update to the Nexus Study. Staff have met with each local agency to determine the status of the existing TUMF Network and collect requests for new projects to be added to the Network. As part of the TUMF Nexus Study, staff is working on a potential VMT Mitigation Program. Staff will present this study at a future Committee meeting. A concurrent effort is also being done for a Fee Comparison Study to show the type and scale of development impact fees on land-use and overall development costs.

An analysis on the relationship between travel behavior and residential unit size will also be conducted. This Study is required by AB 602, which requires agencies to have a valid method to establish reasonable relationships between the fee and the burden of new developments. This will help determine if WRCOG should continue to base TUMF fees per unit versus a cost based on size of unit.

The question was asked regarding how the Nexus Study will address funded projects. The Nexus Study

will remove spent TUMF reimbursements and committed funding from external sources from the Program's project costs. This will ensure that there is no overlap in the Nexus Study between fee calculations and funding allocations.

**Action:**

1. Received and filed.

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

Chris Gray provided a look ahead for the next few Committee meetings and shared that the Executive Committee voted to provide a hybrid approach, allowing the option to attend Committee meetings in-person going forward.

**8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

There were no items for future agendas.

**9. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no general announcements.

**10. NEXT MEETING**

The next Public Works Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 14, 2022, at 2:00 p.m., on the Zoom platform with the option to attend in-person at the WRCOG office.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting of the Public Works Committee adjourned at 3:03 p.m.