

# 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 2:02 p.m. on August 11, 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 Banning - Nathan Smith
- City of Beaumont - Robert Vestal
- City of Calimesa - Michael Thornton
- City of Canyon Lake - Craig Bradshaw
- City of Corona - Savat Khamphou
- City of Hemet - Noah Rau
- City of Jurupa Valley - Octavio Duran
- City of Lake Elsinore - Yu Tagai
- City of Menifee - Nick Fidler
- City of Moreno Valley - Melissa Walker
- City of Murrieta - Bob Moehling
- City of Perris - Stuart McKibbin
- City of Riverside - Gil Hernandez
- City of San Jacinto - Stuart McKibbin
- City of Temecula - Patrick Thomas
- City of Wildomar - Jason Farag
- County of Riverside - Mark Lancaster (Chair)
- Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) - Jenny Chan
- Riverside Transit Agency (RTA) - Jennifer Nguyen

### 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Arnold San Miguel, SCAG, announced that registration is open for the SCAG / USC Sol Price School of Public Policy 33rd annual Demographic Workshop. This year's theme is "Forecasting the New Normal." The workshop will be held virtually in two parts on Wednesday, September 14, 2022, and Wednesday, September 21, 2022, from 1:30 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Experts will weigh in on how we can forecast an uncertain future with the relatively limited information available today. The program will also include a keynote address and a series of expert-led roundtable

discussions.

California Clean Air Day is October 5, 2022. Please sign up and take the pledge for your organization and individually.

## **5. SELECTION OF THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE LEADERSHIP FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023**

### **A. Recognition of Outgoing Chair and Leadership Selection for Fiscal Year 2022/2023**

Chris Gray, WRCOG Deputy Executive Director, thanked Chairman Mark Lancaster for his service over the last year.

It has been the typical practice, though not always, that Committee leadership follows that of the Executive Committee (Mayor Crystal Ruiz, City of San Jacinto, as Chair, Mayor Chris Barajas, City of Jurupa Valley, as Vice-Chair, and Council member Rita Rogers, City of Perris, as 2nd Vice-Chair).

This Committee would normally have a Chair, Vice-Chair, and 2nd Vice-Chair; however, Stuart McKibbin is the representative for both the Cities of Perris and San Jacinto. Options for 2nd Vice-Chair include selection of an alternative member or leave the position vacant.

#### **Action:**

1. Selected Stuart McKibbin, City of San Jacinto, as Chair, and Paul Toor, City of Jurupa Valley, as Vice-Chair, and left the 2nd Vice-Chair position vacant.

(County / Calimesa) 17 yes; 0 no; 1 abstention. The City of Perris abstained. Item 5.A was approved.

**6. CONSENT CALENDAR** – (Riverside / Temecula) 14 yes; 0 no; 3 abstention. The Cities of Canyon Lake, Corona, and Perris abstained. The City of Temecula did not respond. Item 6.A was approved.

### **A. Summary Minutes from the June 9, 2022, Public Works Committee Meeting**

#### **Action:**

1. Approved the Summary Minutes from the June 9, 2022, Public Works Committee meeting.

## **7. REPORTS / DISCUSSION**

### **A. Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Opportunity**

John Lower, MicroTraffic Road Safety Video Analytics, presented on the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) grant opportunity, a new \$1 billion annual competitive funding opportunity to create or expand road safety action plans, and/or to implement safety projects in existing action plans.

The U.S. Department of Transportation recently adopted a National Roadway Safety Strategy which details principles to guide safety actions and identifies new priority actions and notable changes to existing practices and approaches.

MicroTraffic measures near-misses and proactively and precisely diagnoses risks to empower effective

road safety improvement planning by considering five variables: speed, impact angle, temporal separation, user type / vulnerability, and order of interaction. MicroTraffic would work with a city to collect three days of video. The video is then run through an automatic risk diagnosis which is used to develop an intersection safety plan and countermeasure recommendations. The city then deploys those countermeasures, and then MicroTraffic returns to prove the risk reduction. Typically, 80% to 100% of risks are reduced.

**Action:**

1. Received and filed.

**B. Effects of SB 9 on TUMF Calculations**

Suzanne Peterson, WRCOG Senior Analyst, reported that Senate Bill (SB) 9 does not actually change the way TUMF is calculated for residential projects but instead defines how various developments are treated as single-family units, multi-family units, and accessory dwelling units (ADU's). This difference is important since the TUMF fee is different between the various residential types.

SB 9 allows lot splits and two-unit projects by-right in single-family zones. There are some limited exclusions; details can be found at the California Department of Housing and Community Development's website at <https://www.hcd.ca.gov/>. Additional information with details about SB 9, lot configurations, and more will be provided through a SB 9 Toolkit that is being developed for use by member jurisdictions.

Examples of lot configurations that will affect TUMF includes when a single-family residence is demolished and replaced with a duplex, then the TUMF due would be the difference between the two types.

**Action:**

1. Received and filed.

**C. Request for Early TUMF Reimbursement by a Developer for the Cajalco Road Project in the City of Corona**

Chris Gray, WRCOG Deputy Executive Director, reported that in 2021, a developer-funded improvement was completed at the I-15 / Cajalco Interchange Project in the City of Corona. Mr. Gray reviewed the reimbursement process with the Committee. The matter being presented today is about the timing of the reimbursement for the Project, not the reimbursement itself.

Reimbursements are usually provided at the end of the project, because what was built sometimes changes from the original design of the project. Land use types may change, fees may change, and/or the development intensity may change. Therefore, a reimbursement is often made a number of years after the project is completed.

Per the TUMF Administrative Plan, the developer is entitled to TUMF credit and reimbursement. The estimated reimbursement is \$25M; however, a developer is only allowed to request reimbursement once the development portion of the project is complete. While WRCOG has never paid out a reimbursement before its due, in this instance, the City of Corona has requested that WRCOG consider an early reimbursement of a portion of the total reimbursement, \$3.3M. The project is currently estimated to be a

10% to 15% build out.

This Project is the largest project built through a credit agreement with an estimated value of \$47M. The project would not have begun had the developer not provided the initial funding, as the Zone did not have funding available. This Interchange is a regional project and was not included in RCTC's funding priorities at the time. There is funding available for this reimbursement and would be paid from the Northwest Zone funding.

**Action:**

1. Directed staff to convene a TUMF Northwest Zone Technical Advisory Committee meeting for discussion and to return with updated special circumstance policy language for consideration.

(San Jacinto / Banning) 13 yes; 3 no; 3 abstention. The Cities of Calimesa and Temecula, and the County of Riverside voted no. The Cities of Corona, Jurupa Valley, and Perris abstained. Item 7.C was approved.

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

Chris Gray, WRCOG Deputy Executive Director, indicated that the September meeting will likely be cancelled. The October meeting may include presentations on an update of the regional impact fee study, the household trip generation study, a final report of TUMF collections for Fiscal Year 2021/2022, and an update on completed TUMF projects. Staff are working on a TUMF accrual policy and TUMF Nexus Study update for presentation in November / December.

**9. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

There were no requests for future agenda items.

**10. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Jenny Chan, RCTC, announced that RCTC has released a survey on an arterial call for projects. SCAG has initiated the development of its 2020-2024 RTP/SCS.

**11. NEXT MEETING**

The next Public Works Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 8, 2022, at 2:00 p.m., on the Zoom platform with the option for Committee members to attend in-person at the WRCOG office.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting of the Public Works Committee adjourned at 3:27 p.m.