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AGENDA

PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

Chairman Jerome Stocks, Sam Abed, Chris Orlando, Mark Packard

Staff Committee Liaison: Tom Lichterman

Thursday, June 4, 2009 – 3:00 PM
311 South Tremont, Oceanside, California

1. Open Meeting
2. Changes to the Agenda
3. FY 2010 Transportation Development Act Claims Under Articles 4.0 and 4.5 ([Attachment 3A](#))
4. Alcohol Consumption on NCTD Transit Services
5. Transit Security Grant Program: Resolution and Application ([Attachment 5A](#))
6. Public Comment
7. Next Meeting: Thursday, **July 2, 2009**, 3:00 p.m., 311 South Tremont, Oceanside, CA
8. Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 – Conference with Real Property Negotiators – Location of Property is Assessor Parcel Numbers 183-060-55, 183-060-82, 183-060-83, 184-024-05, 184-024-06, 184-040-51, 184-040-53 in the County of San Diego. NCTD Negotiators: Tom Lichterman and Ed Singer. Negotiating Party: County of San Diego
9. Adjournment

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STAFF REPORT TO THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Agenda Item # 3

TITLE: FY 2010 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT CLAIMS UNDER ARTICLES 4.0 AND 4.5

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the Transportation Development Act (TDA) claims and attached resolution authorizing the Executive Director or his designee to file the FY 2010 TDA applications for Articles 4.0 and 4.5 funds, in the amounts of \$34,174,873 and \$1,525,136, respectively.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The TDA is the largest single source of funding for operating and capital support for NCTD. TDA is funded from 1/4 of 1% of state sales tax assessed in the region. SANDAG allocates TDA funds each year within the region in accordance with underlying legislation. Each year, NCTD is required to file the TDA claims with SANDAG for the subsequent fiscal year.

TDA Article 4.0 Claim

The TDA Article 4.0 claim for FY 2010 is in the amount of \$34,174,873. The claim amount includes the current year allocation of \$29,556,407 plus NCTD's prior year carryover in the amount of \$4,618,466, which NCTD is claiming to establish a readily accessible reserve account. The TDA Article 4.0 funds will be used to support continuing operations of the BREEZE fixed-route bus service; LIFT ADA Paratransit service; COASTER commuter rail service; and SPRINTER light rail service in the aggregate amount of \$32,484,850; and capital projects in the aggregate amount of \$1,194,953. The total claim amount also includes \$495,070 to cover the cost of functions transferred to SANDAG, which will be paid directly to SANDAG.

The FY 2010 allocation under Article 4.0 totals \$29,556,407, which represents a decrease of \$208,229, or .7%, compared to the final FY 2009 Article 4.0 allocation of \$29,764,636.

TDA Article 4.5 Claim

The TDA Article 4.5 claim is in the amount of \$1,525,136, all of which represents the current year allocation. This amount will be used to support continuing operations of LIFT ADA Paratransit service in the amount of \$1,512,034 and capital projects in the amount of \$13,102.

The FY 2010 allocation under Article 4.5 totals \$1,525,136, which represents a decrease of \$10,723, or .7%, compared to the final FY 2009 Article 4.5 allocation of \$1,535,859.

State Transit Assistance Claim

Due to the State budget crises, the State has eliminated State Transit Assistance Funding (STAF) through 2013. Although STA funding has historically represented a volatile source of support for NCTD, its complete elimination in the near term is damaging to NCTD and comes at a very challenging time.

ATTACHMENT: 3A – Resolution 09-10

FISCAL IMPACT: The fiscal impact of this action is to provide funding at the requested levels for NCTD's FY 2010 operating and capital budgets aggregating \$35,204,939 and to provide funding for operations to SANDAG in the amount of \$495,070 contingent upon approval of the claims by SANDAG.

COMMITTEE

REVIEW:

6/04/09

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**STAFF REPORT TO THE
PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**Agenda Item #
4**

TITLE: ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION ON NCTD TRANSIT SERVICES

Time Sensitive Consent

**STAFF
RECOMMENDATION:**

Discuss issues regarding alcohol consumption on NCTD trains and buses, and provide direction to staff regarding policy development.

**BACKGROUND
INFORMATION:**

At the May 21, 2009 Board meeting, staff introduced a proposed Ordinance No. 2 which would limit the consumption of alcohol aboard NCTD Transit Services. This ordinance was developed in response to complaints regarding unruly passengers utilizing the COASTER service to and from Padres games.

After discussion, the Board voted to defer the issue for one month, and directed staff to return to the June meeting with additional information. Staff is currently investigating options and will report their findings to the Planning Committee at the June 4 meeting.

ATTACHMENT: None

FISCAL IMPACT: TBD

**COMMITTEE
REVIEW:
6/04/09**

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STAFF REPORT TO THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Agenda Item # 5

TITLE: TRANSIT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM: RESOLUTION AND APPLICATION

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the attached resolution authorizing the Executive Director or his designees to take all actions necessary to implement the two projects (including approval to execute contracts for the specific projects up to the maximum project budget) to be funded under the FY 08-09 California Transit Security Grant Program, California Transit Assistance Fund (CTSGP-CTAF) under Proposition 1B-6161-0002, subject to approval by the Governor's Office of Homeland Security.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality and Port Security Bond Act of 2006, approved by the voters as Proposition 1B at the November 7, 2006 general election, authorized the issuance of \$19.925 billion in general obligation bonds for specified purposes, including grants for transit system safety, security and disaster response projects.

In October 2008, the Governor's Office of Homeland Security published program guidelines for the FY 08-09 California Transit Security Grant Program, California Transit Assistance Fund (CTSGP-CTAF) under Proposition 1B. Funds appropriated for the FY 08-09 CTSGP-CTAF cycle total sixty million dollars (\$60,000,000). NCTD is eligible to apply for a total of \$860,494 directly and/or through SANDAG under this program and grant cycle. This amount is identical to the amount NCTD was eligible to apply for in the FY07-08 cycle. No local match is required.

NCTD is proposing to utilize this funding for two separate projects to enhance safety and security: (1) Planning and Design for Positive Train Control in the amount of \$594,200, and (2) Sprinter Network Back-Up (Redundancy) Capabilities in the amount of \$266,294.

Positive Train Control (PTC)

PTC is a predictive collision avoidance technology that can stop a train before it collides with another train or a misaligned switch. The Rail Safety Improvement Act of 2008, passed by Congress and signed by the President in October 2008, mandates implementation of PTC nationwide by December 2015. This mandate applies to NCTD's coastal rail system due to mixed passenger and freight operations.

Because of the level of technological sophistication of PTC systems, including the absolute need for seamless interoperability between freight and passenger trains and among multiple operators nationwide, implementation requires extensive planning and design. In order to meet the December 2015 deadline, NCTD must initiate planning and design activities now. Toward this end, NCTD has been and will continue to coordinate PTC project development activities with the multiple operators and owners of the rail right-of-way along the LOSSAN corridor to ensure this project is effectively and efficiently planned, designed and implemented. NCTD will also be coordinating with SANDAG to ensure that this project receives the proper visibility and financial commitment necessary for its successful implementation. Future allocations under this program will be used to help fund the purchase of the requisite hardware, software and integration required to implement PTC.

SPRINTER Network Back-Up (Redundancy) Capabilities

The SPRINTER network currently relies upon a single network card at the SONET node at each station. If these cards fail, the station equipment is not accessible through the central security console. A new card must be configured and installed before the system capabilities are once again operational. These cards are a critical element of the SPRINTER security system. Since these cards have demonstrated a higher failure rate than originally anticipated, and significantly higher than any other component in the SPRINTER network, staff is proposing to install redundant cards at each station to provide failover capability. Staff considers this project to be a critical security component since it is directly-related to the security team's ability to access cameras, PA systems, and electronic call boxes at the SPRINTER stations.

ATTACHMENT: 5A – Resolution 09-11

FISCAL IMPACT: Approval of the grant application would have the fiscal impact of providing funding for the two proposed safety and security capital projects discussed herein aggregating \$860,494.

COMMITTEE

REVIEW:

6/4/09

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June 4, 2009

TO: North County Transit District Board Members
FROM: Clerk of the Board
SUBJECT: POSTING OF BOARD AGENDA

In Compliance with the Ralph M. Brown Act, As Amended, the following information is provided.

The Agenda for this meeting of the Planning Committee was posted as follows:

Meeting Date and Time: June 4, 2009; 3:00 p.m.

Posted At: 810 Mission Avenue, Oceanside, CA and
311 So. Tremont, Oceanside, CA

Date & Time of Posting: May 29, 2009; 5:00 p.m.

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