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TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

February 22, 2018

Present:

Gordon Gaste	City of Brawley
Steven Sullivan	City of Brawley
Lily Falomir	City of Calexico
Javier Luna	City of El Centro
Adriana Nava	City of El Centro
Isabel Alvarez	City of Imperial
Joel Hamby	City of Westmorland
Veronica Atondo	County of Imperial

Others:

Andres Miramontes	City of Brawley
Mark Baza	ICTC
Virginia Mendoza	ICTC
David Aguirre	ICTC
Cristi Lerma	ICTC
David Salgado	SCAG
Kevin Hovey	Caltrans
Michelle Blake	Caltrans
Ken Johannsen	Caltrans
Bing Luu	Caltrans
Beth Landrum	Caltrans

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:09 a.m. A quorum was present and introductions were made. There were no public comments made.
2. A *motion* was made to adopt the minutes for February 22, 2018 with one correction. (Hamby/Sullivan) **Motion Carried.**
3. Hazardous Waste and Air Quality Training

A presentation was made by Mr. Johannsen regarding the state and local regulations on hazardous waste and air quality.

4. ICTC Updates / Announcements
(By Mark Baza)

➤ Transit Planning Updates:

- The Unmet Transit Needs Hearing is scheduled for February 22, 2018 at 3:00PM at the El Centro City Council Chambers, 1275 Main Street El Centro Ca. 92243.
- The Project Consultant team Kimley Horn and Associates, and Agency Stakeholders from ICTC, Brawley, Calexico, El Centro and Imperial met on January 31, 2018 to review and discuss the current status of the ICTC Bus Stop Inventory, Signage Replacement and Technology Assessment Project. The items reviewed included the consultant prepared Bus Stop Inventory, Asset Condition Report, ADA Assessment Report, Bus Stop Usage Priority List and Bus Stop Signage installation parameters and requirements. The group agreed to continue discussions regarding the Bus Stop Usage Priority List and Bus Stop Signage installation and requirements at a follow up meeting within the month.
- ICTC staff developed a Request for Proposals (RFP) that was released on September 1, 2017 to complete an update to the 2011 Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP). This is a planning document that identifies transit services and capital improvements over the next three to five year period, with expected available resources. The project unfolds over an approximately 12 month period. The goal is to have an updated report with bilingual public participation. ICTC awarded the contract to the firm AECOM at the December 13, 2017 Commission meeting. The project kick off meeting was held on January 17 at the ICTC offices. The outreach process has begun with stakeholder meetings underway in the month of February.

➤ Transportation Planning Updates:

- The 2019 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Guidelines have been prepared to facilitate the work of the County Transportation Commissions (CTCs) (Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and Ventura Counties), transit operators, and the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in development of county Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) for inclusion in the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) 2019 FTIP. These Guidelines assist in the development of the county TIPs that fulfill the legal, administrative and technical requirements prescribed by the law and which minimizes duplicate efforts by the CTCs, Caltrans, SCAG and/or other agencies. ICTC staff will reach out to cities and county staff to obtain project updates on all programmed 2019 FTIP projects. During the month of November, ICTC staff received project updates from member agencies. ICTC staff will be updating the 2019 FTIP database for all Imperial County projects. A recommendation to approve the resolution will be on the Commission's agenda in February 2018.
- As part of the POE Expansion project, traffic will be rerouted from the existing roadways to SR-98 and Cesar Chavez Boulevard which are not designed to handle the high volumes of traffic associated with the border travel. The City of Calexico has completed the right-of-way acquisition and an environmental amendment for widening Cesar Chavez Boulevard. CTC approved funding on January 30, 2018; the City is scheduled to begin construction in early summer 2018. Caltrans has initiated construction for widening SR-98 for more details

on the project, refer to Caltrans report. Caltrans construction is in progress and is scheduled for completion in March 2018.

- Funding for Phase II of the Calexico West Port of Entry is in the President's budget and is pending Congressional approval.
 - FFY 2017-18 Programmed Project Updates
 - Beginning October 1, 2017, agencies are allowed to move forward with request for authorization (RFA) for Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ), Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) and Active Transportation Program (ATP) programmed in FY 2017/2018. A complete list of programmed projects were provided on an attachment to the agenda. RFA's are due to Caltrans in the month of April.
 - LTA Updates:
 - The LTA Board met on September 27, 2017, staff presented the Board with a fund request for \$1.3 million from the 5% Regional Highway Set-Aside from the Measure D allocations to fund an expansion at the Border Patrol Checkpoint at SR-86. The request was approved. Staff met with Caltrans and CBP on December 20, 2017 at the ICTC to finalize agreements and discuss next steps. A meeting was held on February 13, 2018 with CBP, Caltrans, County of Imperial and ICTC at the ICTC offices. The design is currently being developed.
5. SCAG Updates / Announcements: (By Mr. Salgado)
- Caltrans authorized a special planning grant to perform a traffic management study to assist the City of Calexico and the Imperial Valley region to analyze and propose traffic management strategies and alternatives to serve traffic flow for the Calexico West Port of Entry expansion. The expansion will have two access points: One, from current access at SR-111/Imperial Ave.; and, a Second at Cesar Chavez Blvd and 2nd St. SCAG, Caltrans and ICTC will lead study in partnership with the City of Calexico, Customs and Border Protection and General Services Administration. The Request for Proposals was released on January 29, 2018 and can be found on the SCAG website.
 - SCAG is entering the 3rd year of the GO-Human Marketing and Advertising Safety and Encouragement Campaign implemented throughout the 6 county SCAG region. If any agencies would like to participate and partner with SCAG to promote GO Human, please reach out to David Salgado to obtain the request form.
 - SCAG has developed a Draft 2018 Public Participation Plan, and would like your input. SCAG does transportation and land use planning for a large, diverse region-- this plan is key to helping us make sure we're engaging the public effectively & inclusively. The plan is available online for review until April 2018. For questions please contact SCAG RAO David Salgado.
6. Cities and County Planning / Public Works Updates:
- There were various local agencies that gave an update on their local projects in progress.
7. Caltrans Updates / Announcements
- Mr. Luu thanked ICTC for the coordination with the one on one meetings.
 - The E76 request form has been updated. It will be available statewide in May and will be mandatory in October. A training in March or April will cover the new process, ATP and Timely Use of Funds.
 - The DBE Annual Submittal and ADA Annual Certification deadline is June 30, 2018.
 - A Caltrans DLAE report was provided at the meeting and can be obtained by request.
 - Mr. Hovey stated that the new Caltrans District Director is Laurie Berman.

- Mr. Hovey will be the lead for environment on the Forrester project (PSR phase).
 - Ms. Landrum stated that February 27, 2018 is CHP Industry Day.
 - A public hearing was held regarding the truck weight and height restrictions on the All American Canal Bridge. There were no public comments.
8. General Discussion / New Business
- Mr. Hamby stated that he appreciated the time spent with Caltrans during one on one meetings. Local Assistance will be available the day before TAC meetings at their Caltrans office.
9. Meeting adjourned at 11:58 a.m.