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RTAC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Monday, December 16, 2024 1:00 PM

Virtual Meeting via ZOOM

RTAC Board:

Nancy Campbell (Chairman)	Councilmember, Lake Havasu City (LHMPO)
Tom Armstrong	Mayor, Town of Chino Valley (CYMPO)
Paul David	Supervisor, Graham County (SEAGO)
Vince Manfredi	Councilmember, City of Maricopa (CAG)
Cecilia McCullough	Vice Mayor, Town of Wellton (YMPO Alt.)
Steve Miller	Supervisor, Pinal County (SCMPO)
Duce Minor	Supervisor, La Paz County (WACOG Alt.)
Carolyn Umphrey	Councilmember, City of Sierra Vista (SVMPO)
Jeronimo Vasquez	Supervisor, Coconino County (MetroPlan)

Others attending:

Kevin Adam	RTAC
Brian Babiars	WACOG
Chris Fetzer	NACOG
Crystal Figueroa	YMPO
Irene Higgs	SCMPO
Karen Lamberton	SVMPO
Johnny Loera	BHCMPO
Sarah Lojewski	LHMPO
Tommy Martin	LHMPO
Kate Morley	MetroPlan
Jenn O'Connor	NACOG
Andrea Robles	CAG
Sandra Tavel	MetroPlan

1. Chairman Nancy Campbell called the meeting to order at 1:01.
2. Chair Campbell made a call to the public. No one wished to address the Board.
3. Chair Campbell called on RTAC Legislative Liaison Kevin Adam to discuss new appointments to the RTAC Board. Mr. Adam indicated that CYMPO had proposed changes to their RTAC representation with the end of former Dewey-Humboldt Mayor John Hughes' tenure in office, nominating Prescott Valley Mayor Kell Palguta as the CYMPO alternate. He indicated that Chino Valley Mayor Tom

Armstrong would continue as the primary. As far as other changes, Mr. Adam announced that BHCMPO had hired Johnny Loera as their new director, and congratulated and introduced Mr. Loera to the Board. La Paz County Supervisor Duce Minor made a motion seconded by Pinal County Steve Miller to appoint Mayor Palguta to the RTAC Board as the CYMPO alternate which passed unanimously.

4. Chair Campbell called for a motion to approve the draft RTAC Board meeting minutes of November 25, 2024. Mayor Armstrong made the motion seconded by Maricopa Councilmember Vince Manfredi for approval which passed unanimously.

5. Chair Campbell called on Mr. Adam to provide a legislative update. Mr. Adam stated a lot of transition was still continuing from the November 5th election. He indicated that he had been talking to legislators and still determining who would be the best sponsors for the RTAC priority project legislation and the bill to increase funding for the Arizona SMART Program. He indicated that he was meeting with the new House Transportation and Infrastructure Chairman Leo Biasiucci the following day and thanked Chair Campbell for traveling to Phoenix to participate in that meeting.

He indicated that the revenue outlook remained positive as growth continued to increase revenue collections above forecasted levels and was already bolstered by the \$410M carry forward balance from the previous year. He emphasized that the potential for a substantial level of one-time revenues to be available was key to the success of the priority project and SMART fund legislation, but that it would still take a lot of work to insure that lawmakers prioritized transportation for the use of that revenue. He encouraged the Board to meet with their legislators and reminded them that the next RTAC Board meeting would be immediately followed by lunch with the legislators on January 27th at the League of Arizona Cities and Towns Building and that it would be a terrific opportunity to reinforce our message of funding Greater Arizona infrastructure.

6. Chair Campbell called on the newly elected RTAC Advisory Committee Chairman, MetroPlan Greater Flagstaff Executive Director Kate Morley to provide an update from the RTAC Advisory Committee. Director Morley introduced herself and provided her background which included working in Flagstaff the last nine years. She stated that the Advisory Committee would continue to work on the legislative agenda and in particular, will start to have a greater focus on the federal agenda. She indicated that future rural transportation summit planning would also be a priority topic for the Committee.

7. Chair Campbell requested ideas for future agenda items. She indicated that she would like to develop a slide presentation with photos of infrastructure conditions and needs across Greater Arizona which would be shown as a backdrop during the conversation with legislators at the lunch on January 27th. She requested photos from all the regions. Coconino County Supervisor Jeronimo Vasquez indicated that he would like to share some photos from Coconino County.

8. Chair Campbell adjourned the meeting at 2:05.