

July 8, 1997

TO: Members of the MAG Management Committee

FROM: Stephen S. Cleveland, Goodyear, Chairman

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Wednesday, July 16, 1997 - noon (Meeting will begin promptly at noon)
MAG Office, Suite 200 - Saguaro Room (new location-see enclosed map)
302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

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bring your ticket, parking will be validated.**

The next Management Committee meeting will be held at the new MAG offices at the time and place noted above. The agenda and summaries are being transmitted to the members of the Regional Council to foster increased dialogue regarding the agenda items between members of the Management Committee and Regional Council. This will be the first meeting in the new conference room, the Saguaro room, designed to accommodate this meeting and the Regional Council meeting. Members who wish to remove any items from the Consent Agenda are requested to contact the MAG office. Lunch will be provided at a nominal cost. You are encouraged to review the supporting information enclosed.

Members are reminded of the importance of attendance by yourself or a proxy. Anytime that a quorum is not present, we cannot conduct the meeting. Please set aside sufficient time for the meeting, and for all matters to be reviewed and acted upon by the Management Committee. Your presence and vote count.

Immediately prior to the meeting, at 11:00 a.m. a briefing will be held on the 2025 Vision Process. Information on the briefing is enclosed. The briefing will begin at 11:00 a.m. If you have any questions, please call the MAG office.

**MAG MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
TENTATIVE AGENDA
JULY 16, 1997**

COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

1. Call to Order

2. Approval of June 11, 1997, Meeting Minutes

3. Call to the Audience

An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Management Committee for items that are not included on the agenda. Citizens will be requested to not exceed a three minute time period for their comments. A total of 15 minutes will be provided for the Call to the Audience agenda item, unless the Management Committee requests an exception to this limit.

4. Executive Director's Report

The MAG Executive Director will provide a report to the Management Committee on activities of general interest.

5. Approval of Consent Agenda

Prior to action on the consent agenda, members of the audience will be provided an opportunity to comment on consent items that are being presented for action. Following the comment period, Committee members can request that an item be removed from the consent agenda. Consent items are marked with an asterisk.

2. Review and approve June 11, 1997 meeting minutes.

3. For information.

4. For information and discussion.

5. For information, discussion and recommendation to approve the Consent Agenda.

*** ITEMS PROPOSED FOR CONSENT****TRANSPORTATION ITEMS*****6 Enhancement Funds Working Group Round V Recommendations**

On June 16, 1997, the Transportation Enhancement Funds Working Group recommended a ranked list of applications for Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act Enhancement Funds. This year, six applications were received for local funds, totaling \$1.23 million for \$4.0 million available statewide. Three applications for state funds were received totaling \$1.55 million for \$3.0 million available statewide. These recommendations are provided to the Arizona Department of Transportation Enhancement Review Committee. Please refer to the enclosed material.

***7. Consultant Selection for 1997 MAG Regional Congestion Study**

In May 1997, the Regional Council approved the FY 1998 MAG Unified Planning Work Program which included a congestion study. The purpose of the study is to provide traffic congestion data for the MAG planning process. The data will be used to ensure that the MAG transportation models are accurately representing congestion, to provide input into regional transportation studies, and to provide information for traffic studies and road design. The last congestion study was conducted in 1988/1989. A Request for Proposals was advertised and one proposal was received. A multi agency group reviewed the proposal and interviewed the consultant. The review group is recommending that Traffic Research & Analysis Inc. be selected to conduct the Congestion Study for an amount not to exceed \$308,000. Please refer to the enclosed material.

6. For information, discussion and recommendation to forward the Enhancement Fund Working Group ranked list of applications to the Arizona Department of Transportation.

7. For information, discussion, and recommendation to approve contracting with TRA for an amount not to exceed \$307,956 to conduct the MAG 1997 Regional Congestion.

GENERAL ITEMS

- *8. Approval of Draft 2025-2050 MAG Resident Population in Group Quarters by Municipal Planning Area and Regional Analysis Zone

In June, the Regional Council approved the MAG socioeconomic projections, including resident population in group quarters from 2000-2020. Group quarters refers to non-household living quarters such as dormitories, prisons and nursing homes. Subsequently, staff has prepared projections of resident population in group quarters from 2025-2050. On June 26, 1997, the MAG Population Technical Advisory Committee recommended approval of the 2025-2050 group quarters population projections. Please refer to the enclosed material.

- *9. Short-term Working Capital Loan Agreement Between the City of Phoenix and MAG

Funding for MAG activities is included each year in the Unified Planning Work Program. Historically, a large portion of the funding for MAG has been provided by federal sources on a reimbursement basis. In the past, salaries for MAG were provided through the League of Arizona Cities and Towns. This staffing arrangement assisted MAG in meeting its short-term cash flow needs while federal reimbursements were being processed. The likelihood of a temporary cash flow shortfall or a need for short-term borrowing has heightened due to the transition of the payroll from the League to MAG. To alleviate the impact of a cash flow shortfall, the City of Phoenix has offered to enter into a short-term working capital loan agreement with MAG. The loan agreement would be for a maximum of \$500,000, and interest would be charged only for the portion used. The maximum rate of interest would be 5.25 percent. This rate reflects the City's foregone interest earnings on the cash advanced to MAG. It is anticipated that this would serve as a standby loan arrangement to be repaid periodically if it is drawn upon.

- 8. For information, discussion and recommendation to approve the Draft 2025-2050 MAG projections of resident population in group quarters by Municipal Planning Area and Regional Analysis Zone.

- 9. For information, discussion, and recommendation to authorize the MAG Executive Director to enter into a loan agreement between MAG and the City of Phoenix to provide interim funding for operating and payroll expenses at a maximum interest rate of 5.25 percent for a maximum loan amount not to exceed \$500,000.

ITEM PROPOSED TO BE HEARD

TRANSPORTATION ITEM

10. Federal Fiscal Year FY 1997 MAG Federal Funds Final Closeout (15 minutes)

The FY 1997 program for MAG federal funds was approved by the Regional Council in September 1996 and currently totals \$46.6 million. This program was adjusted in March and May 1997 to reflect project delays and additional funding. Since May, a total of \$1.1 million worth of projects has been delayed and an additional \$1.8 million in MAG federal funds is anticipated. On June 22, 1997, the Transportation Review Committee made recommendations for this funding. Please refer to the enclosed material.

10. For information, discussion and recommendation to provide funding to the following projects: Mesa, Stapley Drive for \$595,000; Tempe; Curry Road \$32,175; the Regional Public Transportation Authority (RPTA), new transit vehicles \$1.075 million; the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), Pima Freeway for up to 70% of \$1.2 million; RPTA, new transit vehicles with redistributed obligation authority \$1.6 million; and to loan ADOT any unused obligation authority to ensure that the MAG region does not lose any obligation authority.