

November 25, 1997

TO: Members of the MAG Regional Council

FROM: Mayor Elaine M. Scruggs, Glendale, Chairman

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Meeting - 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 3, 1997

MAG Office, Suite 200 - Saguaro Room (see enclosed map)  
302 North 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Phoenix

Dinner - 6:30 p.m.

MAG Office, Suite 300

**Please park in the garage under the Norwest Bank Building. Parking places will be reserved for Regional Council members on the first and second levels of the garage. Bring your ticket to the meeting, parking will be validated.**

Please note that prior to the Regional Council meeting, a reception for the Regional Council, Vision 2025 Committee and the Management Committee will be held from 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. in the Atrium of the Phoenix City Hall. Due to a reception being provided, a light dinner will be served following the Regional Council meeting.

The next Regional Council meeting will be held at the MAG offices at the time and place noted above. Members who wish to remove any items from the Consent Agenda are requested to contact the MAG office. MAG will host a progressive dinner/reception for the Regional Council members following the meeting in the MAG offices on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor. Supporting information is enclosed for your review.

If you have any questions, please call the MAG office.

**MAG REGIONAL COUNCIL  
TENTATIVE AGENDA  
December 3, 1997**

**COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED**

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| <p>1. <u>Call to Order</u></p>   |   |
| <p>2. <u>Pledge of Allegiance</u></p>  |   |
| <p>3. <u>Approval of October 29, 1997 Meeting Minutes</u></p>  | <p>3. Review and approve October 29, 1997 meeting minutes.</p>            |
| <p>4. <u>Call to the Audience</u></p> <p>An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Regional Council for items that are not included on the agenda. Citizens will be requested not to 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 Regional Council requests an exception to this limit.</p> | <p>4. For information.</p>  |
| <p>5. <u>Showcased Agency Introduction</u></p> <p>As part of the MAG restructuring effort, an opportunity is provided for a MAG member agency to showcase its community. The Town of Guadalupe will be featured at this meeting.</p>   | <p>5. For information and discussion.</p>                                 |
| <p>6. <u>Executive Director's Report</u></p> <p>The MAG Executive Director will provide a report to the Regional Council on activities of general interest.</p>  | <p>6. For information and discussion.</p>                                 |
| <p>7. <u>Approval of Consent Agenda</u></p> <p>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, Council members may request that an item be removed from the consent agenda. Consent items are marked with an asterisk.</p>   | <p>7. For information, discussion and approval of the Consent Agenda.</p> |

**\* ITEMS PROPOSED FOR CONSENT**

**TRANSPORTATION ITEM**

\*8. FY 1998 Early Phase Input Opportunity Report

In accordance with the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act, MAG conducts an early phase public involvement program. This year, a series of meetings was conducted in the central, northeastern, eastern and western areas of the MAG region. In conjunction with the meetings, informational open houses were held. Staff from MAG, the Regional Public Transportation Authority and the Arizona Department of Transportation were available to discuss issues and gather information on a number of topics such as freeway priorities, transit plans, rail transit possibilities, special transportation needs, Grand Avenue planning, bicycle planning and air quality. This information has been summarized in the report. Please refer to the enclosed material.

8 For information and discussion.

\*9. Projects and Consultant Approval for MAG Pedestrian Design Assistance

In May 1997, the Regional Council approved the Unified Planning Work Program which included \$100,000 for pedestrian design assistance. A Request for Proposals (RFP) was advertised for on-call consulting assistance to assist with the pedestrian projects. The RFP also included \$20,000 in carry forward funds from the previous year pedestrian program. Two consultant proposals were received. In July 1997 the MAG member agencies were requested to submit projects to receive the design assistance. On August 28, 1997, the MAG Pedestrian Working Group recommended that Logan Simpson & Dye and the e group be selected as the on-call consultants. The Working Group also recommended that the following cities receive the consultant assistance: 1) City of Phoenix - \$85,000, Camelback East Primary Core; 2) City of Tempe - \$15,000, Midblock Crossing Demonstration Project; and 3) City of Glendale - \$20,000, Bell Road /Skunk Creek Pedestrian Crossing. The Management Committee concurred with these recommendations. Please refer to the enclosed material.

9. For information, discussion and approval to select Logan Simpson & Dye and the e group as on call consultants to provide pedestrian design assistance and to select the following projects to receive the pedestrian design assistance: 1) City of Phoenix - \$85,000, Camelback East Primary Core; 2) City of Tempe - \$15,000, Midblock Crossing Demonstration Project; and 3) City of Glendale - \$20,000, Bell Road/Skunk Creek Pedestrian Crossing.

**AIR QUALITY ITEM**

- \*10. Clean Burning Fireplace Building Standard for New Fireplace Construction to Reduce Particulate Pollution

In 1997, the Regional Council approved a Suggested List of Measures for Particulate Matter and Carbon Monoxide that included a measure for Clean Burning Fireplace Construction. The City of Phoenix has drafted a Model Fireplace Ordinance that requires clean burning fireplaces in new construction. On October 22, 1997, the MAG Building Codes Committee reviewed the Model Ordinance and recommended it as a building standard for incorporation into local codes. On October 23, the MAG Air Quality Policy Committee considered the action by the Building Codes Committee and recommended that the Clean Burning Fireplace Standard be adopted by the MAG member agencies by reference in local ordinances. The Management Committee concurred with these recommendations. Please refer to the enclosed material.

- 10. For information, discussion and approval that the Clean Burning Fireplace Standard for new construction be adopted by reference in local ordinances.

**GENERAL ITEMS**

- \*11 Approval of Draft July 1, 1997 MAG Municipality Resident Population Updates

MAG staff has prepared draft July 1, 1997, Municipality Resident Population Updates. The Updates were adjusted to a July 1, 1997 Maricopa County Resident Population control total approved by the Regional Council. The Updates were prepared using data supplied and verified by MAG member agencies and a method used over the past seven years. Upon approval by the Regional Council and the Director of the Arizona Department of Economic Security, these updates will be used to allocate \$23 million in lottery funds to local jurisdictions and to determine expenditure limitations where appropriate. On October 30, 1997, the MAG Population Advisory Committee recommended approval of the Updates. The Management Committee concurred with this recommendation. Please refer to the enclosed material.

- 11. For information, discussion and approval of the July 1, 1997 MAG Municipality Resident Population Updates.

\*12. MAG FY 1999 PSAP Equipment Funding Request and MAG FY 1999-2003 PSAP Equipment Program

At their meeting on October 30, 1997, the MAG 911 Oversight Team unanimously recommended approval of the MAG FY 1999 PSAP Funding Request and MAG FY 1999-2003 PSAP Equipment Program. These documents reflect planned improvements for this region's 911 System. The funding request for FY 1998 is required to be submitted to the Arizona Department of Administration (ADOA) by December 15, 1997. At their November meeting, the Management Committee recommended approval of the funding request and the equipment program for submittal to ADOA. Please refer to the enclosed material.

12. For information, discussion and approval of the MAG FY 1999 PSAP Funding Request and MAG FY 1999-2003 PSAP Equipment Program for submittal to ADOA.

\*13. Revised 1997-1998 and 1998-1999 Social Services Block Grant Recommendations

The MAG Human Services Plan includes priority problems for children, adults, elderly and persons with physical and developmental disabilities. The recommended services and funding amounts address regional problems of these target groups. Due to an increased allocation to MAG locally planned Social Services Block Grant funds, revised 1997-1998 funding recommendations have been prepared, along with funding recommendations for 1998-1999. A total of \$4.8 million is planned by MAG. The Human Services Technical and Coordinating Committees and the MAG Management Committee have approved these recommendations. Federal reductions will result in the need to adjust the final service recommendations once the dollar amounts are known. The HSCC recommended that the same funding priorities remain. Please refer to the enclosed material.

13. For information, discussion and approval of the 1997-1998 and 1998-1999 Social Services Block Grant recommendations.

**ITEMS PROPOSED TO BE HEARD**

**TRANSPORTATION ITEMS**

14. MAG Transportation Management Systems Report: FY 1998 Update and Request for Projects for MAG Federal Funding

14. For information, discussion and acceptance of the MAG Transportation Management Systems Report: FY 1998 Update.

The Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) requires that the results of six management systems and Title VI be considered in programming projects for the MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The MAG Transportation Management Systems Report: FY 1998 Update has been prepared as a guide for jurisdictions to use for selection of projects to be included in the FY 1999-2003 TIP. It is estimated that approximately \$20 million in Congestion Mitigation Air Quality funding will be available for local projects. Of this amount, \$5.0 million is projected for 2001, \$7.0 million for 2002 and \$8.0 million in 2003. The deadline for submitting requests for MAG federal funding is December 26, 1997. ISTEA requires that any projects being programmed with federal transportation funds be included in a TIP and any locally and privately funded projects that are regionally significant need to be included in the TIP to meet air quality conformity requirements. The Management Committee recommended acceptance of the report. Please refer to the enclosed material.

15. ADOT Funding Allocations for the FY 1999-2003 Highway Construction Program

On October 2, 1997, the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) Priority Programming Committee (PPC) considered a proposed revised priority programming process. The revised process would establish certain allocations for categories such as maintenance and system development. The system development category includes improvements to freeways. The draft ADOT process includes \$166 million for the system development category, with \$30 million of this category being allocated to MAG and the Pima Association of Governments. We have expressed our concern to ADOT regarding the proposed distribution. They have requested our ideas regarding what would be an equitable distribution. A letter has been sent to ADOT, suggesting a distribution of funds and a proposed schedule for completing the High Occupancy Vehicle Lanes by 2005. On October 28, 1997, ADOT presented the revised priority programming process discussed at the PPC to the MAG Transportation Review Committee (TRC). The TRC recommended that a letter be sent to

15. For information and discussion.

the State Transportation Board expressing concern about the lack of an ADOT funding commitment to the MAG region. At the October Management Committee, staff reported that a meeting was scheduled with ADOT to discuss issues regarding the distribution of funds. No action was taken by the Management Committee, pending the outcome of this discussion. Please refer to the enclosed material.

16. Revenue Projections and Programming Process for the ADOT Tentative Life Cycle Program

In January, the Arizona Department of Transportation and MAG are scheduled to release a Tentative Life Cycle Program for public review and comment. The Tentative Program is based on revenue projections and updated project cost figures. Preliminary results of the revenue projections indicate that there may be a small increase in funding. To program these funds, the priorities approved by the Regional Council in November 1996 and subsequently incorporated by ADOT into the Tentative Life Cycle Program as the segment completion dates will be used. It is anticipated that MAG will work with ADOT and use the MAG priorities to recommend changes to the MAG Freeway Program. ADOT will be consulted regarding construction efficiencies and other project related changes. These changes will be presented to the Management Committee and Regional Council in January. Please refer to the enclosed material.

16. For information and discussion.

**AIR QUALITY ITEM**

17. Air Quality Update

Particulate Plan: On November 20, 1997, the Air Quality Policy Committee recommended the submittal of the Serious Area committed particulate measures for PM-10 and support technical analysis to EPA by December 10, 1997. Regional Council action to submit these measures to EPA is requested.

In October, the Regional Council directed the staff to begin preparing up to a five-year extension of the attainment date for the MAG Serious Area PM-10 Plan and approved hiring a consultant to assist in the development of this request. The Regional Council also requested a summit with the

17. For information, discussion and approval of the submittal of the Serious Area committed particulate measures for PM-10 and support technical analysis to the Environmental Protection Agency by December 10, 1997 and to submit the Serious Area Carbon Monoxide Plan after measures have been adopted in the 1998 Regular Legislative Session and all necessary technical analyses and administrative procedures have been completed.

Governor and the Legislature to jointly discuss the air quality challenges facing this region. Staff will report on these activities.

Carbon Monoxide Plan: Following discussions with EPA, it recommended that the Serious Area Carbon Monoxide Plan be submitted after measures have been adopted in the 1998 Regular Legislative Session and all necessary technical analyses and administrative procedures have been completed. The Management Committee concurred with this recommendation. Please refer to the enclosed material.

**GENERAL ITEMS**

18. Draft Graffiti Model Ordinance and Recommendations

In October, recommendations from the MAG Graffiti Working Group were presented to the Regional Council. These recommendations included prevention, consequences of enforcement, clearinghouse of information and partnerships. Also included was the draft model graffiti ordinance. The Youth Policy Advisory Committee and the Management Committee are recommending that the recommendations, including the ordinance be approved and sent to the MAG member agencies for their consideration. Please refer to the enclosed material.

19. Open Space Survey Update

In February 1997 the Regional Council approved funding for a survey of public attitudes toward funding open space acquisition and management. In June 1997, the Regional Council approved the Mellman Group to conduct the survey. The survey has been completed and a presentation will be made at the Regional Council meeting.

18. For information and discussion and approval of the Youth Policy Advisory Committee recommendations, including the Draft Graffiti Model Ordinance for consideration by the MAG member agencies.

19. For information and discussion.