

May 9, 2006

TO: Members of the 2005 Census Survey Oversight Subcommittee of the MAG Management Committee

FROM: George Pettit, Gilbert, Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Tuesday, May 16, 2006 - **10:00 a.m.**  
MAG Office, Suite 200, Saguaro Room  
302 North 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Phoenix

A meeting of the MAG 2005 Census Survey Oversight Subcommittee (CSOS) will be held at the time and place noted above. Members of the CSOS may attend the meeting in person, by videoconference or by telephone conference call. To videoconference to the meeting, prior arrangements need to be made with Craig Chenery at MAG and your site coordinator. Those attending by telephone conference call are requested to call 602-261-7510 between 9:55 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. After the prompt, please enter the meeting ID number 767822 (POPTAC) on your telephone key pad followed by the pound key. If you have a problem or require assistance, dial 0 after calling the number above.

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Please be advised that under procedures approved by the MAG Regional Council on June 26, 1996, all MAG committees need to have a quorum in order to conduct business. A quorum is a simple majority of the membership, or 14 people for the Census Survey Oversight Subcommittee. If you have any questions, or need additional information, please contact Heidi Pahl at (602) 254-6300.

## TENTATIVE AGENDA

### COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

1. Call to Order

2. Call to the Audience

An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the MAG Census Survey Oversight Subcommittee (CSOS) on items not scheduled on the agenda that fall under the jurisdiction of MAG, or on items on the agenda for discussion but not for action. Members of the public 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 Chair of the CSOS requests an exception to this limit. Please note that those wishing to comment on action agenda items will be given an opportunity at the time the item is heard.

3. Approval of October 18, 2005 and April 4, 2006 Meeting Minutes

4. Preliminary Results from the 2005 Census Survey

In March 2006, preliminary population figures from the 2005 Census Survey were provided by the Census Bureau. In April, member agencies forwarded their comments and questions to the Bureau on their preliminary survey results. The Census Bureau is evaluating the comments and has redeployed Census enumerators into the field to resurvey a sample of the housing units. The results of these efforts will be considered in the preparation of a final set of population figures that will be provided to MAG by June 30, 2006. A status report will be provided.

2. Information.

2. Review and approve October 18, 2005 and April 4, 2006 meeting minutes.

4. Information and discussion.

5. Member Agency Possible Cost Allocation

In December 2003, the MAG Regional Council approved conducting a 2005 Census Survey and a full count of population in group quarters at an estimated cost of \$7.5 million. At the February 2006 MAG Management Committee and Regional Council meetings, a memorandum was distributed indicating the following additional census costs:

1) an increase to the Census Bureau's original cost estimate (increase estimated at \$200,000); 2) the regionwide media campaign (estimated at \$230,000) and; 3) the setup and maintenance of the local census office (estimated at \$170,000).

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has agreed that MAG FHWA funds may be used for 50 percent of the additional costs.

Attachment One provides an estimated cost allocation by jurisdiction for the additional 2005 Census Survey costs. It assumes that MAG FHWA funds will pay half of the costs (\$300,000) and the remaining (\$300,000) will be paid by member agencies. The procedure for allocating the 2005 Census Survey costs will be in accordance with the method developed by the MAG Subcommittee on 2005 Population Options and approved by the Regional Council in December 2003. The final costs will be based upon the results of the Census Survey and will be recalculated in accordance with the same cost allocation method. Attachment One is an estimate only and intended for use by member agencies during their budgeting process. An update will be provided.

6. Meeting Schedule

CSOS meetings are held every month. The next meeting of the CSOS is tentatively

5. For information, discussion and possible action to recommend approval of the additional costs for a total cost of \$8.1 million.

6. Information.

scheduled for Tuesday June 27, 2006 in the MAG Saguaro room. The June 27<sup>th</sup> meeting is intended to replace the originally scheduled June 20<sup>th</sup> CSOS meeting. Additional CSOS meetings will be scheduled as necessary.