

**REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE  
METROCENTER AUDITORIUM  
1:00-3:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2006**

*Committee may take action on any item on agenda*

**1. CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS**

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF  
December 7, 2005 MEETING\***

**4. ORAL REPORTS/COMMENTS**

- A. Committee Members
- B. Staff

**5. MTC's TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT POLICY FOR TRANSIT EXTENSIONS**

MTC recently adopted a Resolution 3434 TOD Policy which requires planning for transit oriented development as part of new transit extensions. MTC Senior Planner James Corless will review the policy objectives and elements including the establishment of planning thresholds, the approach to corridors and individual station areas within corridors, planning requirements and incentives and timing. Staff will also offer an update of planning and other implementation efforts currently underway. ABAG's role in providing technical and policy assistance will also be described. Committee feedback is encouraged.

**6. MTC's STATION AREA RESIDENTS STUDY**

Policymakers and practitioners alike want to know the extent to which smart growth development will impact behavior, especially travel patterns and transit use. MTC's *Station Area Residents Study* might shed some light on the issue, looking at travel patterns of people who live near transit. Specifically, the multi-phased study is analyzing who lives near rail stations and ferry terminals, as well as why residents choose to live near transit. MTC Associate Transportation Planner/Analyst Rachel Gossen, will describe the research, including overall objectives, study progress and Phase I results and next steps.

**7. UPDATE ON THE CALIFORNIA REGIONAL BLUEPRINT PLANNING PROGRAM GRANT**

Staff will update the Committee on news since the last meeting including State funding of \$500,000 for this fiscal year and an expected equivalent amount for next year, overall process and schedule and project kick-off meetings now underway around the region. Ongoing RPC member participation is encouraged.

## **8. UPDATE ON STATE INFRASTRUCTURE BONDS**

Staff will update the Committee on the status of State infrastructure conversations, including Perata/Torlakson's Senate Bill 1024, the Safe Facilities, Improved Mobility, and Clean Air Bond, developed last year. SB 1024 is a \$10.3 billion General Obligation bond measure focused on infrastructure improvements, but also including \$975 million for coordinated regional and community planning, \$425 million for affordable housing incentive grants, and \$100 million for environmental enhancement and mitigation programs.

On January 5, the Governor announced his own infrastructure proposal, called the "Strategic Growth Plan". The Governor's proposal includes \$68 billion of new state bonds, to be enacted in increments. As of now, the Governor's proposal does not include funding for planning, housing or incentives to support regional and local planning coordination.

Committee direction will be invited.

## **9. ADJOURN**

**Next meeting: Wednesday, April 5, 2006**

\*Attachments enclosed.