December 5, 2000

TO: Interested Agency Staff

FROM: Chris Voigt, Senior Engineer

SUBJECT: AGENCY FORUM AND PUBLIC MEETING FOR THE MAG PARK AND RIDE

SITE SELECTION PROJECT

Monday, December 11, 2000 – 1:30 p.m. MAG Office, Suite 200, Saguaro Room

302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

An Agency Forum and Public Meeting has been scheduled for the time and place noted above for the MAG Park and Ride Site Selection project. You are invited to attend this event or send a representative. Please park in the garage under the building. Bring your ticket to the meeting as parking will be validated. Bicycles can be locked in the rack at the entrance to the parking garage.

The focus of this event will be to receive comment on the proposed programming of park and ride lots and on the draft final report. The lots proposed for programming generally follow the priority list presented at the December 1, 2000 Forum. The near term lots are expected to be incorporated into the upcoming MAG FY 2002-2006 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which is expected to go in draft form to the MAG Committees in January 2001. All twenty lots recommended in the draft report for this project are expected to be added to the MAG Long Range Transportation Plan (2001 Update) at that time as well. Please refer to the attached materials.

Also for your review at this event is the executive summary for the working paper on Management and Operations. This paper has been updated since it was reviewed at the Agency Forum in August to include a section on transit / express bus service plans. The site analysis for the twentieth lot, to be located in Glendale, has now been completed and will also be reviewed at this event. Please refer to the attached materials for these updates.

The final project report, revised as needed following the December 11 event, will be presented to the MAG Transportation Review Committee (TRC) for action in their meeting on December 12, 2000. The recommendations for programming of near term lots will also be presented for information and consultation to the TRC at this meeting. The MAG Management Committee and Regional Council are expected to take action on the final report and the project recommendations in their meetings in January.

A list of previous Forum attendees is also attached for your reference. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Eric Anderson or me at (602) 254-6300.

Attachments

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DISCUSSION TOPICS

1. <u>Introduction</u>

2. Call to the Public

An opportunity will be given for members of the public to address the Forum. Speakers will be requested not to exceed a three-minute time period for their comments.

3. <u>Draft Final Reports</u>

The final report is a compilation of the working papers developed in the course of the project and reviewed previously at agency forums. A draft executive summary of the final report is attached. Copies of the project working papers are available on the MAG website (www.mag.maricopa.gov, under "News and Events") or, for MAG member agencies, on request from MAG.

4. <u>Draft Recommended Programming</u>

The priority rankings for the park and ride lots listed in the draft final report were used as the basis for developing a draft recommended program to be carried forward for inclusion in the upcoming MAG FY 2002-2006 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Funding for the recommended program includes funds already programmed in the 2001-2005 TIP, reallocated for consistency with the new priority rankings, additional funding for one lot proposed for ADOT discretionary funds for 2006, and additional RABA funds for 2001. Please refer to the attached material.

5. Management and Operations

The Management and Operations report has been updated since it was reviewed at an Agency Forum in August 2000 to include a section on transit / express bus service plans and a new executive summary. Please refer to the attached material.

6. <u>Site Analysis for the Twentieth Target Area</u>

Nineteen target areas were short-listed for site analyses at the August 15, 2000 Forum. Target Area #11/32 was proposed at the December 1, 2000 Forum for the final (20th) site. Site analyses have been completed for this area. Please refer to the attached material, which is to be incorporated into the Site Analysis report reviewed at the December 1 Forum.

7. Next Steps

The draft final report for the project with its recommendation for the addition of twenty park and ride lots to the MAG Long Range Transportation Plan will be provided to the MAG Transportation Review Committee on December 12, 2000, MAG Management Committee on January 10, 2001 and MAG Regional Council on January 24, 2001. Programming of the near term lots will take place as part of the annual MAG TIP update process that is currently underway.

MAG Park and Ride Site Selection Project Attendees of Previous Forums

Draft Final Report Executive Summary

Draft Recommended Program for incorporation into the MAG FY 2002-2006 TIP

Draft Management and Operations Plan Executive Summary

Draft Site Analysis Target Area 11/32