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## AGENDA

### GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Chairman Ed Gallo, Vice-Chair Dave Roberts,  
Chair of the Monitoring Committee, Dave Druker  
Chair of the Planning Committee, Jerome Stocks  
Staff Committee Liaison: Ellen Roundtree

**Wednesday, June 6, 2007 - 8:30 a.m.**  
**311 South Tremont St., Oceanside, California**

1. Open Meeting
2. Changes to the Agenda
3. NCTD Graffiti Removal and Wall Art Mural Procedures (Attachment 1)
4. COASTER Internet Services Contract
5. Vista Irrigation District Annexation Fees for SPRINTER Project Parcels (Attachment 2)
6. Mesh Network Media Coverage (Attachment 3)
7. Progress Report on 2007 NCTD Board Priorities (Attachment 4)
8. Federal and State Legislative Update (Attachments 5 and 6)
9. SANDAG Committee Agenda Review (No Staff Report)
10. Committee Meetings in August (No Staff Report)
11. Draft Board Agenda for June 21, 2007 Board Meeting
12. Future Board Agendas (Master Board Agenda)
13. Other Matters
14. Public Comment
15. Next Meeting: **Thursday, July 5, 2007, 11:00 a.m.**, 311 South Tremont, Oceanside, CA  
**(NOTE TIME CHANGE)**
16. Closed Session Pursuant To Government Code Section 54957 Re: Personnel Matter - Public Employee Performance Evaluation; And Conference with Labor Negotiators Regarding Unrepresented Employee (Section 54957.6) Title: Executive Director
17. Adjournment

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STAFF REPORT  
TO THE  
GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: June 6, 2007

TITLE: NCTD Graffiti Removal and Wall Art Mural Procedures

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TIME SENSITIVE: YES  NO   
Consent  Action  Information

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

**DESCRIPTION:**

Review of NCTD's Graffiti removal practices and consideration of wall murals as a deterrent to graffiti.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Vista Arts Council has requested that they be allowed to develop a series of murals that, with community support and participation, would reduce the threat of vandalism by graffiti along the SPRINTER corridor and add to the aesthetics of the train ride through Vista.

At present, we actively respond to acts of vandalism, including graffiti, within 72 hours once the vandalism is reported. NCTD facilities maintenance staff or our right-of-way maintenance contractor immediately act to remove graffiti and repair vandalism as part of their daily functions for both bus and rail operations.

Construction of the SPRINTER project has added many more structures and surfaces such as signal houses and retaining walls that are attractive targets for graffiti. During construction, the contractor has been responsible for removing graffiti and repairing vandalism, but upon completion of the project that responsibility will fall to NCTD. Swift removal of graffiti will be important from the beginning and Transit America Inc., our current contractor for maintenance of the railroad right-of-way, is prepared to take on this responsibility once the SPRINTER right-of-way is turned over to them to maintain.

As an additional deterrent to graffiti, the Vista Arts Council has requested that they be allowed to develop a series of murals to be painted on structures within NCTD's right-of-way in the City of Vista. Vista has had good success with graffiti abatement through the use of murals on buildings in their city. The development of a "public arts" policy was discussed at a previous meeting and the Committee asked that an item be brought back in June.

Today, the Committee is being asked to answer four questions:

1. Is NCTD's current practice sufficient for addressing the removal of graffiti?
2. Should murals on NCTD structures be allowed as a strategy for managing/mitigating graffiti?
3. Do we need a formal public arts policy to address this matter?
4. If we desire a public arts policy, how broad or how narrow should that policy be?

Any art placed on NCTD property would be subject to a license agreement with the entity placing the art. Placement and maintenance of the art should be cost neutral to NCTD. Attachment 1 outlines a proposed process by which interested parties could propose art for transit properties.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

None

**OBJECTIVE:**

Obtain Committee review and concurrence of existing NCTD Graffiti Removal practice, and review, concurrence and recommendation to forward the draft "Wall Mural Art" procedures to the full Board for consideration.

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STAFF REPORT  
TO THE  
GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: June 6, 2007

TITLE: COASTER Internet Services Contract

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TIME SENSITIVE: YES X NO

Consent  Action  Information

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

**DESCRIPTION:**

The District has completed a standard request for proposal (RFP) process for services to provide passenger Internet connectivity, including project installation on Board the COASTER for a five-year period. A mutually agreed-upon contract with Parsons Incorporated has been negotiated.

**BACKGROUND**

In June 2006, the Board directed staff to begin an RFP process to select a firm to provide, at no cost to the District, Internet connectivity on board COASTER trains. A statement of work was drafted and a standard RFP process was initiated. Four proposals were received, and following review and evaluation, Parsons Incorporated was selected as the highest ranked bidder.

Staff then began the process of drafting a contract for the implementation and management of the resulting network. Although this contract has no fiscal impact to the District, the contract development and negotiation process was longer than one would expect due to the innovation of this business service.

Working with Parsons, staff has drafted a contract that is mutually agreeable and flexible enough to handle the complex options of this planned service. The initial period of this contract is five years, with the option to extend another five years if desirable, and the option to expand service to the SPRINTER if mutually desired.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

None

**OBJECTIVE:**

Committee recommendation that the Board award a five-year contract, with a five-year option, to Parsons Incorporated to implement Internet connectivity aboard the COASTER.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

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STAFF REPORT  
TO THE  
GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: June 6, 2007

TITLE: Mesh Network Media Coverage

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TIME SENSITIVE: YES NO X

Consent  Action  Information

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

**DESCRIPTION:**

With the deployment of our new wireless mesh and CCTV network, the District has begun to receive a volume of very positive press coverage. Staff wishes to keep the Board apprised of the positive attention NCTD is receiving in this matter.

**BACKGROUND**

In June 2006, the Board approved expenditures of Department of Homeland Security funds to construct a ten-mile wireless mesh network along the COASTER right-of-way that would allow for the unfettered deployment of CCTV cameras in critical locations.

In October 2006, staff completed this project and began to analyze the results of the effort. Much to our surprise, the results were better than anticipated. In an effort to share these findings with other public agencies, the District began to externally communicate the results of this project. Since that time, a number of media outlets have interviewed District staff to better understand what has been accomplished and what it means for our industry as a whole. Samples of these media stories are attached for review (Attachment 3).

Given the unique nature of our project, staff is anxious to share our findings and to help other public agencies benefit from our investment. We believe this to be the first such installation of its kind in North America.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

None.

**OBJECTIVE:**

That the Board receive an update on the recent positive press coverage surrounding the District's deployment of our wireless mesh network and the associated CCTV deployments.

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STAFF REPORT  
TO THE  
GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: June 6, 2007

TITLE: Progress Report on 2007 NCTD Board Priorities

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TIME SENSITIVE: YES  NO

Consent  Action  Information

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

**DESCRIPTION:**

Review and discuss the progress of 2007 NCTD Board priorities.

**BACKGROUND:**

At their last meeting on May 2, 2007, the Governance Committee began discussions on the status of the Board adopted priorities for 2007. Staff had distributed a matrix that contained a listing of the Board's major priorities, the individual sub-parts identified to accomplish the priorities and a broad overview of the progress in each of the areas. There was much discussion as to whether the distributed matrix in its current format was useful, did it show the sufficient level of detail, and how often should a progress report be provided. There was also considerable discussion about the differences in the Board's role in terms of strategic goal setting versus tactical planning. The Committee directed staff to further refine the matrix and bring it back to them in June.

The attached matrix (Attachment 4) is a refined version.

The four major priorities adopted by the Board are listed below:

1. Securing revenues and protecting funding at levels that will ensure the continuing operation of existing levels of service on all modes and be sufficient to implement and operate the SPRINTER service.
2. Expanding service levels on existing BREEZE routes and the COASTER to frequencies that will make NCTD's services attractive and convenient to use.
3. Ensuring NCTD, as a governmental agency established to operate public transit systems, maintains its role and authority to make rational, informed, independent decisions about public transit services in North County.
4. Developing constructive stakeholder relationships, establishing networks of partners, and using proactive and transparent communication, consistency and follow through to create reasonable stakeholder expectations.

The review of the priorities is a demonstration of the work accomplished this past year by NCTD.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

None

**OBJECTIVE:**

To discuss the progress made to date on the 2007 NCTD Board priorities and, if appropriate, develop a course of action to move forward on individual priorities.

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There were nearly 3,000 bills introduced in this first year of the 2007-2008 California State Legislative session. The primary focus, however, has been on the 2007-2008 State Budget and legislation required to implement the November 2006 General Obligation Bond propositions, such as Proposition 1B.

***Related to State Budget***

On May 14, 2007, the Governor announced the revise of the State Budget proposal for the Fiscal Year 2007-2008. This proposal diverts \$1.3 billion from the Public Transportation Account (PTA), which is the main source of state transit funding, used for both operating and capital investments, including improvements to the railroad corridors throughout the state. This funding is derived from \$817 million in spillover funds, which is legally dedicated to public transit purposes and \$494 million in other more regular transit funding sources.

This revision, known as the May Revise, is one of many steps towards finalizing a budget by the June 15, 2007 Legislative deadline. According to law, the Governor is tasked with signing a budget bill into law by June 30, 2007, a deadline that is historically missed by the Legislature. The Budget Bill, AB 77 has been formally placed into conference committee by actions of both houses. The initial schedule calls for the committee to begin meeting on June 1. Assembly conference committee members are John Laird, Mark Leno and Roger Niello. Senate Conferees are Denise Moreno Ducheny, Mike Machado and Dennis Hollingsworth. Both houses have rejected the Administration's proposal to shift General Fund responsibilities to the PTA account. The Senate rejected the entire \$1.3 billion shift, with the Assembly rejecting the \$832 million proposal to fund Home-to-School transportation with PTA funds. The Assembly also approved trailer bill language to protect spillover funds by including them in Proposition 42 and changing the allocation formulas of these funds.

***Related to Proposition 1B***

Assembly Bill 901 (Nuñez) is a California Transit Association sponsored bill that is set for hearing on May 31, 2007 with the Senate Appropriations Committee. This legislative vehicle provides clear instruction, accountability and oversight with regard to the distribution of Proposition 1B's \$3.6 billion in Public Transportation Modernization, Improvement and Service Enhancement Account (PTMISEA) transit capital funds for bus and rail projects. The other programs included in Proposition 1B, some with a funding potential for transit are as follows:

- Trade Corridors Improvement Fund - \$2 billion
- Trade Corridor Emissions Reduction - \$1 billion
- State-Local Partnership Program - \$1 billion
- Transit System Safety, Security, and Disaster Response Account - \$1 billion
- Port, Harbor, and Ferry Terminal Security - \$100 million
- Local Streets and Road Improvement, Congestion Relief, and Traffic Safety - \$2 billion

The specific bills related to these programs above are included as Attachment 6.

Staff will continue to monitor these activities and report back to the Committee.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

None

**OBJECTIVE:**

To review pending federal and state legislative activity as they relate to Board's Legislative Goals.

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June 6, 2007

TO: North County Transit District Board Members  
FROM: Clerk of the Board  
SUBJECT: POSTING OF BOARD AGENDA

In Compliance with the Ralph M. Brown Act, As Amended, the following information is provided.

The Agenda for this meeting of the Governance Committee was posted as follows:

Meeting Date and Time:	June 6, 2007; 8:30 a.m.
Posted At:	810 Mission Avenue, Oceanside, CA and 311 So. Tremont, Oceanside, CA
Date & Time of Posting:	June 1, 2007; 5:00 p.m.
Posted By:	Clerk of the Board