

COACHELLA VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE AGENDA

VOTING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

City of Cathedral City
Councilmember Chuck Vasquez

City of Coachella
Councilmember Emmanuel Martinez

City of Desert Hot Springs
Councilmember Karl Baker

City of Indian Wells
Councilmember Douglas Hanson

City of Indio
Councilmember Lupe Ramos Watson

CHAIR

City of La Quinta
Councilmember Kristy Franklin

City of Palm Desert
Councilmember Jean Benson

City of Palm Springs
Councilmember Ginny Foat

City of Rancho Mirage
Vacant

County of Riverside
Leticia De Lara, Legislative Assistant

NON-VOTING EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS:

Coachella Valley Rescue Mission - Darla Burkett

Episcopal Community Services - Chuck Johnson

Jewish Family Service of the Desert - Dan Bass

Jewish Family Service of San Diego - Linda Barrack

The Well in the Desert - Le McClellan

Martha's Village and Kitchen - John Wolohan

The Salvation Army - Lothar Vasholz

City of Palm Springs - Dale Cook

SUPPORT STAFF:

County of Riverside

Dr. Ron Stewart, Administrative Manager
Maria Marquez, Mental Health Services Manager

CVAG

Tom Kirk, Executive Director
Aurora Wilson, Director of Community Resources
Amanda Keil, Management Analyst
Valarie Franklin, Program Assistant

THIS MEETING IS ACCESSIBLE TO THE HANDICAPPED

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA MAY
RESULT IN ACTIONS BEING TAKEN ON THE ITEMS BY THE
COMMITTEE.

The next meeting of the Homelessness Committee is as follows:

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2010



**CVAG OFFICES >> CONFERENCE ROOM 119
73-710 FRED WARING DRIVE
PALM DESERT, CALIFORNIA**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Lupe Ramos Watson, Councilmember, City of Indio

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

4. FINALIZATION OF AGENDA & ADDITIONS AND REVISIONS

The Committee may add an item to the agenda after making a finding that there is a need to take immediate action on the item and that the item came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. An action adding an item to the agenda requires 2/3 vote of the Committee. If there are less than 2/3 of the Committee members present, adding an item to the agenda requires a unanimous vote.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

This is the time and place for any person to speak on items not on the agenda, but within the purview of the Homelessness Committee.

6. COMMITTEE MEMBER / EX-OFFICIO AND DIRECTOR COMMENTS

7. **CORRESPONDENCE**

8. **MEETING MINUTES**

Staff is seeking approval of the November 18, 2009 Homelessness Committee minutes.

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STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Homelessness Committee approve the November 18, 2009 Homelessness Committee Minutes.

9. **ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR FOR REMAINDER OF FY 2009/2010**

The City of Indian Wells has completed new committee assignments, Mayor Pro Tem Mayor Pro Tem Patrick Mullany, Vice Chair of the Homelessness Committee, is no longer assigned to this Committee. This creates a vacancy and a new Vice Chair must be elected to finish out the current fiscal year.

STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Homelessness Committee elects a new Vice Chair for the remainder for fiscal year 2009/2010.

10. **ROY'S DESERT RESOURCE CENTER UPDATES**

A. **RIBBON CUTTING EVENT** – CVAG Staff

B. **PROGRAMS** **Please See Page 11**

- Report from CVAG Staff
- Report from Desert SOS Staff
- Report from County Public Health Nurse

C. **FACILITY CONSTRUCTION UPDATE** – Rizaldy Baluyot

D. **GRAND OPENING DATE DISCUSSION** – CVAG Staff

E. **SAFE HAVEN/PATH UPDATE** – Maria Marquez

11. **FINANCIAL UPDATES**

A. **OPERATIONAL AND START UP COSTS FY 09/10**

Additional funds have been received since the operating agreement with Desert SOS was approved by the Executive Committee on October 26, 2010 will be allocated. The attached sheet shows funds received to date (amounts received since approval of agreement are highlighted). CVAG staff are currently working with Desert SOS to evaluate how any surplus funds will be allocated (e.g. program expansions).

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B. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS

Staff is seeking authorization to pursue Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for operations of Roy's Desert Resource Center. Staff has provided a written report.

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STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Homelessness Committee recommends that the Executive Committee authorize CVAG staff to pursue Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from any member jurisdictions for Roy's Desert Resource Center (if requested by the jurisdiction).

C. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Staff is seeking approval of funding agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for tenant improvements to Roy's Desert Resource Center. Staff has provided a written report.

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STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Homelessness Committee recommends that the Executive Committee:

- 1) Approve the funding agreement with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for capital funds for Roy's Desert Resource Center in the amount of \$475,000; and,
- 2) Approve this amount to be paid directly to the County for the portions of the tenant improvements specified by CVAG in the application to HUD.

D. RIVERSIDE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES

Staff is seeking approval of funding agreement with the Riverside County's Department of Public Social Services for operations of Roy's Desert Resource Center. Staff has provided a written report.

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STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Homelessness Committee recommends that the Executive Committee approve the funding agreement with Riverside County's Department of Social Services for the operations of Roy's Desert Resource Center in the amount of \$2,437,766.

12. **BUS PASS PROGRAM**

\$3,000 remains in the Bus Pass Program fund for the second year of this program which began in October 2007. The remainder of this funding will be distributed at the end of January. The program began as a one-year pilot project that was extended to a second year from action taken in January 2009.

13. **COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY STUDY AND NEXT STEPS**

A video of the formal report to CVAG Homelessness Committee members and CVAG staff by Columbia University Senior Executive Program (CSEP) participants who chose Roy's Desert Resource Center as their Positive Impact Project (PIP) will be shown followed by discussion of the report's recommendations and development of next steps. Bruce Craven, Program Director of Executive Education at Columbia University, will also be present. The written report is attached.

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14. **INFORMATION**

Homelessness Committee Attendance Roster

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15. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next meeting of the **Homelessness Committee** is scheduled for **10:00 a.m.** on **Wednesday, February 17, 2010** at the CVAG Offices, 73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Conference Room 119, Palm Desert.

16. **ADJOURNMENT**