

ITEM 5A

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
SEPTEMBER 21, 2020**



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1. CALL TO ORDER

The Executive Committee meeting was called to order by CVAG Chair Glenn Miller, Mayor, City of Indio at 4:31 p.m. via a Zoom webinar, which was pursuant to Gov. Newsom's executive order governing how meetings are held during the COVID-19 pandemic.

2. ROLL CALL

A roll call was taken, and it was determined that a quorum was present. Those in attendance were as follows:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Councilmember Joseph DeConinck
Mayor John Aguilar
Mayor Pro Tem Emmanuel Martinez
Mayor Scott Matas
Mayor Ty Peabody
Mayor Glenn Miller
Mayor Linda Evans
Councilmember Sabby Jonathan
Mayor Geoff Kors
Mayor Pro Tem Ted Weill
Supervisor Karen Spiegel
Supervisor V. Manuel Perez
Supervisor Jeff Hewitt
Tribal Member Brenda Soulliere
Tribal Vice Chairman Joseph Mirelez

AGENCY

City of Blythe
City of Cathedral City
City of Coachella (*Joined during Item 3*)
City of Desert Hot Springs
City of Indian Wells (*Left during Item 6A*)
City of Indio
City of La Quinta
City of Palm Desert
City of Palm Springs
City of Rancho Mirage
County of Riverside 2nd District (*Left during Item 6A*)
County of Riverside 4th District
County of Riverside 5th District (*Left during Item 6D*)
Cabazon Band of Mission Indians
Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Supervisor Kevin Jeffries
Supervisor Chuck Washington
Tribal Chair Jeff Grubbe

AGENCY

County of Riverside 1st District
County of Riverside 3rd District
Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians

OTHERS PRESENT

Jan Pye
Greg Rodriguez
Andrew Firestine
Luke Rainey

AGENCY

City of Desert Hot Springs
County of Riverside
City of Palm Desert
City of Desert Hot Springs

Chuck Maynard
David Ready
Paul Slama
David Salgado
Randy Bynder
Bill Pattison
Sherry Barkas
Andy Cheah
Carole Rodgers
Brian Nestande
Chris Freeland
Mark Carnevale
Christy Holstege
Ted Mertens
Conrado Bárzaga
Erin Sasse
Jesse Eckenroth
Jon McMillen
Jonathan Hoy
Maria Lopez

City of Desert Hot Springs
City of Palm Springs
Cabazon Band of Mission Indians
SCAG
City of Palm Desert
City of Coachella
The Desert Sun
Engineering Consultant
Desert Healthcare District
County of Riverside
City of Indian Wells
City of Cathedral City
City of Palm Springs
City of Indian Wells
Desert Healthcare District
League of California Cities
City of Rancho Mirage
City of La Quinta
Hoy Engineering

STAFF PRESENT

Tom Kirk
Gary Leong
Katie Barrows
Martin Magaña
Erica Felci
Eric Cowle
Bassam Al-Beitawi
Tom Cox
Joanna Stueckle
Oscar Vizcarra
Libby Carlson
Beverly Newton
Michael Jenkins

CVAG Legal Counsel

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Linda Evans led the Executive Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

A written comment from Brad Anderson of Rancho Mirage was read into the record, expressing his opposition to the recommendation in item 6D.

4. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE / DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Tom Kirk welcomed the Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians as CVAG's newest member jurisdiction. Mr. Kirk also announced that the next Executive Committee Meeting will be a special, joint meeting with the Transportation Committee. It will be held on October 19, 2020, via Zoom, and will focus on CV Link.

Chair Miller also extended a welcome to the Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians.

A. Recap of CVAG's 2020 General Assembly

Mr. Kirk provided a recap of the 2020 CVAG General Assembly, including awards from the interactive games that were held at the meeting.

B. Completion of Palm Drive Bike and Pedestrian Safety Program Improvements – Desert Hot Springs Mayor Scott Matas

Mayor Scott Matas discussed and gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding the completion of the active transportation improvements along Palm Drive in the City of Desert Hot Springs, which was completed with CVAG.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR KORS AND SECONDED BY MAYOR EVANS TO:

- A. APPROVE THE JUNE 29, 2020 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**
- B. AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO HAVE SIGNATURE AUTHORITY OF UP TO \$50,000 FOR CAPITAL EXPENDITURES AND UP TO \$25,000 FOR OTHER EXPENDITURES, PROVIDED SUCH EXPENSES ARE CONSISTENT WITH CVAG AND/OR PROJECT BUDGET AND IMPLEMENTS ADOPTED POLICIES**
- C. AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN CVAG AND RIVERSIDE COUNTY FOR STRATEGIC PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COACHELLA VALLEY HOMELESSNESS COLLABORATIVE, EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT FOR GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC POLICY ADVISOR GREG RODRIGUEZ THROUGH JUNE 30, 2021 FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$90,000**
- D. APPROVE RESOLUTION 20-005 AUTHORIZING CVAG TO ACT AS LEAD APPLICANT FOR FUNDING FROM CALRECYCLE FOR USED OIL RECYCLING PROGRAM, AND PROGRAM'S FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021 BUDGET**
- E. APPROVE CONTRACT WITH HDR ENGINEERING, INC. TO PREPARE FEE AUTOMATION AND ARCGIS ONLINE PROJECT; AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO FINALIZE AND EXECUTE CONTRACT NOT TO EXCEED \$79,002, FOR CONTRACT TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021**
- F. AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH HOY CIVIL ENGINEERING, EXTENDING THE TERM TO DECEMBER 2022 AND PROVIDING FOR ADDITIONAL \$55,000 A YEAR, AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND/OR LEGAL COUNSEL TO MAKE CLARIFYING REVISIONS BEFORE FINALIZING. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 FOR NO COST EXTENSION TO WESTERN COACHELLA VALLEY FLOODING AND BLOWSAND RISK ASSESSMENT CONTRACT WITH MICHAEL BAKER INTERNATIONAL, INC., EXTENDING TO DECEMBER 31, 2020, AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND/OR LEGAL COUNSEL TO MAKE MINOR REVISIONS PRIOR TO EXECUTION**

- H. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN CVAG, RIVERSIDE COUNTY AND CITY OF COACHELLA FOR AVENUE 48 BETWEEN VAN BUREN STREET AND DILLON ROAD WIDENING PROJECT, IN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$650,000 FOR FINAL DESIGN AND RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION, AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND/OR LEGAL COUNSEL TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES BEFORE EXECUTION

THE MOTION TO APPROVE ITEMS 5A THROUGH 5H CARRIED WITH 15 AYES AND 2 MEMBERS ABSENT.

COUNCILMEMBER DECONINCK	AYE
MAYOR AGUILAR	AYE
MAYOR PRO TEM MARTINEZ	AYE
MAYOR MATAS	AYE
MAYOR PEABODY	AYE
MAYOR MILLER	AYE
MAYOR EVANS	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER JONATHAN	AYE
MAYOR KORS	AYE
MAYOR PRO TEM WEILL	AYE
SUPERVISOR JEFFRIES	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL	AYE
SUPERVISOR WASHINGTON	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR PEREZ	AYE
SUPERVISOR HEWITT	AYE
TRIBAL MEMBER SOULLIERE	AYE
TRIBAL VICE CHAIRMAN MIRELEZ	AYE

5.1 ITEM(S) HELD OVER FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

None

6. DISCUSSION / ACTION

It was suggested by Chair Miller, and agreed upon by the members, to discuss Item 6D ahead of the rest of the discussion/action items.

D. **CV Housing First Options for 2021 – Greg Rodriguez**

Greg Rodriguez presented the staff report and PowerPoint presentation about moving operations of the CV Housing First program in-house. Members of the CV HEART ad hoc committee expressed their support for the approach and recommendation. A lengthy discussion ensued. Members also discussed correspondence that had been sent to address questions by Mayor Ty Peabody. Several jurisdictions proposed supporting the recommendation; others discussed a potential modification to the ad hoc committee's recommendation.

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR EVANS AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR PEREZ TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TAKE THE NECESSARY STEPS TO TRANSITION CV HOUSING FIRST FROM AN OUTSOURCED PROGRAM TO ONE OPERATED BY CVAG STAFF, FOR A 12-MONTH PERIOD STARTING

JANUARY 1, 2021, WITH AT-WILL EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENTS FOR NECESSARY STAFFING.

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 9 AYES, 2 NAYS, 3 ABSTAINIONS, AND 3 MEMBERS ABSENT.

COUNCILEMBER DECONINCK	ABSTAIN
MAYOR AGUILAR	AYE
MAYOR PRO TEM MARTINEZ	AYE
MAYOR MATAS	AYE
MAYOR PEABODY	NAY
MAYOR MILLER	AYE
MAYOR EVANS	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER JONATHAN	AYE
MAYOR KORS	AYE
MAYOR PRO TEM WEILL	NAY
SUPERVISOR JEFFRIES	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL	AYE
SUPERVISOR WASHINGTON	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR PEREZ	AYE
SUPERVISOR HEWITT	ABSENT
TRIBAL MEMBER SOULLIERE	ABSTAIN
TRIBAL VICE CHAIRMAN MIRELEZ	ABSTAIN

A. Additional Funding for Avenue 50 Bridge Over the Coachella Valley Stormwater Channel – Martin Magana

Martin Magaña presented the staff report. Discussion ensued.

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR PRO TEM MARTINEZ AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR PEREZ TO APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO AN EXISTING REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN CVAG AND THE CITY OF COACHELLA, PROVIDING FINAL DESIGN AND RIGHT-OF-WAY FUNDING FOR THE AVENUE 50 BRIDGE OVER THE COACHELLA VALLEY STORMWATER CHANNEL, IN A NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$5,902,835, INCLUDING A REGIONAL SHARE OF \$4,427,126, AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND/OR LEGAL COUNSEL TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES BEFORE EXECUTING THE AGREEMENT.

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 12 AYES, AND 5 MEMBERS ABSENT.

COUNCILEMBER DECONINCK	AYE
MAYOR AGUILAR	AYE
MAYOR PRO TEM MARTINEZ	AYE
MAYOR MATAS	AYE
MAYOR PEABODY	ABSENT
MAYOR MILLER	AYE
MAYOR EVANS	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER JONATHAN	AYE
MAYOR KORS	AYE
MAYOR PRO TEM WEILL	AYE

SUPERVISOR JEFFRIES	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR WASHINGTON	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR PEREZ	AYE
SUPERVISOR HEWITT	ABSENT
TRIBAL MEMBER SOULLIERE	AYE
TRIBAL VICE CHAIRMAN MIRELEZ	AYE

B. Additional Funds for 2019 Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Program – Cathedral City ATP Projects – Eric Cowle

Eric Cowle presented the staff report.

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR AGUILAR AND SECONDED BY MAYOR EVANS TO APPROVE AN ADDITIONAL \$201,972 IN REGIONAL FUNDING FOR CATHEDRAL CITY’S 2019 ATP PROJECTS, FOR A TOTAL NOT-TO-EXCEED PROJECT AMOUNT OF \$961,081, AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND/OR LEGAL COUNSEL TO MAKE THE NECESSARY CLARIFICATIONS TO THE AGREEMENTS WITH KOA AND CATHEDRAL CITY.

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 12 AYES AND 5 MEMBERS ABSENT.

COUNCILMEMBER DECONINCK	AYE
MAYOR AGUILAR	AYE
MAYOR PRO TEM MARTINEZ	AYE
MAYOR MATAS	AYE
MAYOR PEABODY	ABSENT
MAYOR MILLER	AYE
MAYOR EVANS	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER JONATHAN	AYE
MAYOR KORS	AYE
MAYOR PRO TEM WEILL	AYE
SUPERVISOR JEFFRIES	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR WASHINGTON	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR PEREZ	AYE
SUPERVISOR HEWITT	ABSENT
TRIBAL MEMBER SOULLIERE	AYE
TRIBAL VICE CHAIRMAN MIRELEZ	AYE

C. Creation of the FED UP Task Force to Address Railroad-Related Negotiations – Erica Felci

Erica Felci presented the staff report. Brief member discussion ensued.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER JONATHAN AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR PEREZ TO DIRECT THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, IN CONSULTATION WITH CVAG’S EXECUTIVE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE CHAIRS, TO ESTABLISH THE FACILITATING EQUITABLE DEALS WITH UNION PACIFIC (FED UP) TASK FORCE.

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 12 AYES AND 5 MEMBERS ABSENT.

COUNCILMEMBER DECONINCK	AYE
MAYOR AGUILAR	AYE
MAYOR PRO TEM MARTINEZ	AYE
MAYOR MATAS	AYE
MAYOR PEABODY	ABSENT
MAYOR MILLER	AYE
MAYOR EVANS	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER JONATHAN	AYE
MAYOR KORS	AYE
MAYOR PRO TEM WEILL	AYE
SUPERVISOR JEFFRIES	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR WASHINGTON	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR PEREZ	AYE
SUPERVISOR HEWITT	ABSENT
TRIBAL MEMBER SOULLIERE	AYE
TRIBAL VICE CHAIRMAN MIRELEZ	AYE

7. INFORMATION

- a) Status of I-10 Interchange Projects
- b) CVAG Regional Arterial Program - Project Status Report
- c) CVAG Regional Arterial Program - Contract Status Report
- d) CVAG Quarterly Investment Report
- e) Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety Program - Project Status Report
- f) Executive Committee Attendance Roster
- g) CV Link Update
- h) Letter Outlining the Planned Scope and Timing of the Audit for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020, Pursuant to Statements on Auditing Standards No. 114 (SAS 114)
- i) PACE Update
- j) Project Homekey Update
- k) Agreed Upon Procedures Auditing Services for CV Housing First

These items were placed in the agenda for member information.

8. **LEGISLATIVE ITEMS**

Erin Sasse with the League of California Cities presented an update on legislation that the League is tracking. Ms. Sasse also noted that the annual conference will be held virtually on October 7-9, 2020.

9. **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

None

10. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Upcoming Zoom Webinar Meeting:

**Joint Meeting of the Executive and Transportation Committees –
Monday, October 19, 2020 at 4:30 p.m.**

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Miller adjourned the meeting at 6:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanna Stueckle

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Executive Assistant