

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
APRIL 30, 2012

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The April 30, 2012 Executive Committee meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Past Chair Yvonne Parks, City of Desert Hot Springs, in the CVAG Conference Room #119, Palm Desert.

**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**

Mayor Kathleen De Rosa  
Mayor Eduardo Garcia  
Mayor Yvonne Parks  
Mayor Douglas Hanson  
Mayor Glenn Miller  
Mayor Don Adolph  
Mayor Bob Spiegel  
Mayor Stephen Pougnet  
Mayor Scott Hines  
Supervisor Jeff Stone  
Supervisor Marion Ashley

**AGENCY**

City of Cathedral City  
City of Coachella  
City of Desert Hot Springs  
City of Indian Wells  
City of Indio  
City of La Quinta  
City of Palm Desert  
City of Palm Springs  
City of Rancho Mirage  
County of Riverside 3<sup>rd</sup> District  
County of Riverside 5<sup>th</sup> District

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT**

Mayor Joseph DeConinck  
Supervisor John Benoit  
Tribal Vice Chair Jeff Grubbe  
Tribal Chairman David Roosevelt

**AGENCY**

City of Blythe  
County of Riverside 4<sup>th</sup> District  
Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians  
Cabazon Band of Mission Indians

**NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT**

Councilmember Greg Pettis  
Councilmember Steven Hernandez  
Councilmember Lupe Ramos Watson  
Councilmember Richard Kite  
Don Bradley  
David Garcia  
Rick Daniels  
Rod Wood  
Dan Martinez  
Mark Weiss  
John Wohlmuth

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City of La Quinta  
City of Palm Desert

David Ready	City of Palm Springs
Randy Bynder	City of Rancho Mirage
Alex Gann	County of Riverside
Tom Davis	Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Barry Busch	County of Riverside
Blaine Carian	
Nicole Criste	Terra Nova Planning & Research
Cheryll Dahlin	Assemblyman Nestande's Office
Jim Foote	BLM
Alexandria Galardi	Sun City Palm Desert
Tony Graziani	Assemblyman Nestande's Office
Chris Gregory	USFWS
Kay Hazen	Consultant
Robert Manning	Southwest Rail
Leticia De Lara	County of Riverside
Tomas Oliva	SCAG
Sylvia Paz	Assemblyman Perez's Office
Bruce Underwood	Healthy Futures
Carleton Waters	Urban Crossroads

**STAFF PRESENT**

Tom Kirk
Allyn Waggle
Gary Leong
Aurora Wilson
Katie Barrows
Jim Sullivan
Michael Shoberg
Joanna Stueckle

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Hines led the Executive Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Robert Manning, Southwest Rail, discussed the recent tour of the Los Angeles Union Station.

**5. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE/DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Councilmember Pettis discussed an upcoming elected official reception.

Supervisor Ashley discussed action taken at the Salton Sea Authority meeting.

Mayor Glenn Miller thanked County Sheriff and Fire for their assistance during the Coachella and Stage Coach events.

Mayor Garcia thanked Tom Kirk and Allyn waggle for their assistance and technical support on the Coachella grade separation project at Avenue 52 and Grapefruit Boulevard.

Tom Davis indicated that Vice Chair Jeff Grubbe apologized for missing the Executive Committee meeting due to being delayed at a meeting in Riverside.

Mr. Kirk discussed the upcoming Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Airport Boulevard in Coachella and invited available members to attend the May 4<sup>th</sup> event.

Mr. Kirk also indicated that Councilmember and Vice Chair De Coninck was unable to attend the meeting due to having minor surgery. A "get well" card was passed around so that members could send their best wishes to Councilmember De Coninck.

**6. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR SPIEGEL AND SECONDED BY MAYOR ADOLPH TO:**

- A. APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 27, 2012 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES**
- B. DIRECT STAFF TO SEND LETTERS TO MEMBER JURISDICTIONS REQUESTING A MINIMUM CONTRIBUTION OF \$3000 FOR THE ALAN SEMAN BUS PASS PROGRAM**
- C. AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO SIGN AMENDMENT #4 WITH URBAN CROSSROADS FOR THE I-10 INTERCHANGE PROPORTIONATE SHARE ANALYSIS**
- D. OPPOSE THE GOVERNOR'S PROPOSAL TO ELIMINATE THE COLORADO RIVER REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MAYOR HINES AND MAYOR GARCIA ABSTAINING FROM ITEM 6A.**

**E. Receive and File**

- 1) Status of Five I-10 Interchange Projects
- 2) CVAG Regional Arterial Program – Project Status Report
- 3) CVAG Regional Arterial Program – Contract Status Report
- 4) Executive Committee and Technical Advisory Committee Attendance Roster
- 5) Policies and Procedures Manual
- 6) Quarterly Investment Report

**THESE ITEMS WERE RECEIVED AND FILED.**

**7. DISCUSSION/ACTION**

**A. Approval of Location and Price of the 2012 General Assembly Meeting**

**IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR SPIEGEL AND SECONDED BY MAYOR ADOLPH TO APPROVE HOLDING THE 2012 CVAG GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING AT THE CLASSIC CLUB AND THAT THE PRICE BE SET AT \$50.00 PER PERSON. THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**B. Worst Case Scenario for Operations of Roy's for Fiscal Year 2012/13 – Aurora Wilson**

Aurora Wilson gave a report on the projected budget shortfall for operations at Roy's Desert Resource Center for the coming 2012/13 fiscal year. Supervisor Ashley discussed the County budgetary challenges. Mayor Hines announced the results of a community based fundraiser for Roy's, indicating that funds raised were from lower income residents in Rancho Mirage. Mayor Hines encouraged City contributions.

**C. Green for Life Program and Consultant Budget Augmentation - Katie Barrows**

**IT WAS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR STONE AND SECONDED BY MAYOR MILLER TO APPROVE A BUDGET AUGMENTATION OF NOT TO EXCEED \$187,800 FOR CONSULTANT WORK ON THE GREEN FOR LIFE PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZE STAFF TO SEEK BIDS FOR A WEB/MOBILE ENERGY APPLICATION NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000. THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**D. Establish Plug-in Electric Vehicle Coordinating Council – Katie Barrows**

**IT WAS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR STONE AND SECONDED BY MAYOR POUINET TO ESTABLISH THE COACHELLA VALLEY PLUG-IN ELECTRIC VEHICLE COORDINATING COUNCIL, INCLUDING MEMBERS OF THE ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE, AND OTHER MEMBERS AS DETERMINED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE; AND AUTHORIZE STAFF TO RELEASE REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS FOR CONSULTANTS TO ASSIST WITH THIS PROJECT. THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**E. Consider Memorandum of Understanding among CVAG, Riverside County and City of La Quinta Regarding Widening Fred Waring Drive between Adams Street and Port Maria Road – Allyn Waggle**

**IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR SPIEGEL AND SECONDED BY MAYOR MILLER TO APPROVE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AMONG CVAG, RIVERSIDE COUNTY AND CITY OF LA QUINTA REGARDING WIDENING FRED WARING DRIVE BETWEEN ADAMS STREET AND PORT MARIA ROAD. THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**F. Improvements at Intersection of Highway 111 and Washington Street – Allyn Waggle**

**IT WAS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR STONE AND SECONDED BY MAYOR HANSON TO:**

- 1) APPROVE REGIONAL FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$582,483 TO COMPLETE OPERATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS AT THE INTERSECTION OF HIGHWAY 111 AND WASHINGTON STREET, AND;
- 2) AUTHORIZE ESTABLISHING THE "TIME TRIGGER" AS DESCRIBED HEREIN TO REQUIRE CONSTRUCTION ON THIS PROJECT TO BEGIN WITHIN TWO YEARS FROM THE DATE OF EXECUTION OF THE REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT FOR THIS PROJECT WITH THE CITY OF LA QUINTA.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

**G. Local Proportionate Share Calculation for Date Palm Drive Interchange Project as Prepared by Urban Crossroads – Michael Shoberg**

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR DE ROSA AND SECONDED BY MAYOR SPIEGEL TO USE THE 2003 NUMBERS RATHER THAN THE NEW CALCULATIONS.

A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

CITY OF CATHEDRAL CITY	AYE
CITY OF COACHELLA	ABSTAIN
CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS	NAY
CITY OF INDIAN WELLS	NAY
CITY OF INDIO	NAY
CITY OF LA QUINTA	NAY
CITY OF PALM DESERT	AYE
CITY OF PALM SPRINGS	NAY
CITY OF RANCHO MIRAGE	NAY
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE 3 <sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT	NAY
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE 5 <sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT	NAY

THE MOTION FAILED TO CARRY WITH TWO AYES, EIGHT NAYS, AND ONE MEMBER ABSTAINING FROM THE VOTE.

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR POUGNET AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR STONE TO APPROVE THE PERCENTAGES OF LOCAL RESPONSIBILITY OUTLINED IN THE URBAN CROSSROADS REPORT FOR THE DATE PALM DRIVE INTERCHANGE DATED JANUARY 24, 2012.

A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

CITY OF CATHEDRAL CITY	NAY
CITY OF COACHELLA	ABSTAIN
CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS	AYE
CITY OF INDIAN WELLS	AYE
CITY OF INDIO	AYE
CITY OF LA QUINTA	AYE
CITY OF PALM DESERT	NAY

CITY OF PALM SPRINGS	AYE
CITY OF RANCHO MIRAGE	AYE
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE 3 <sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT	AYE
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE 5 <sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT	AYE

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH EIGHT AYES, TWO NAYS AND ONE MEMBER ABSTAINING FROM THE VOTE.**

**H. Support of AB 880 (Nestande and Perez) to Re-Open the Upper Portion of the Mirage (Bump and Grind) Trail – Lupe Ramos-Watson, Assemblyman Nestande's Office**

Tony Graziani, Assemblyman Nestande's Office, gave a brief presentation and requested member support for AB 880.

Blaine Carian, also gave a brief presentation and sought member support for AB 880.

**IT WAS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR STONE AND SECONDED BY MAYOR ADOLPH TO SEND A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR AB 880.**

A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

CITY OF CATHEDRAL CITY	AYE
CITY OF COACHELLA	AYE
CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS	AYE
CITY OF INDIAN WELLS	ABSTAIN
CITY OF INDIO	AYE
CITY OF LA QUINTA	AYE
CITY OF PALM DESERT	AYE
CITY OF PALM SPRINGS	ABSTAIN
CITY OF RANCHO MIRAGE	AYE
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE 3 <sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT	AYE
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE 5 <sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT	AYE

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH NINE AYES AND TWO MEMBERS ABSTAINING FROM THE VOTE.**

**I. Support of AB 1545 (Perez) to Establish a State Equivalent of the North American Development Bank to Facilitate and Finance Economic and Infrastructure projects on both sides of the California/Mexico Border Region – Sylvia Paz, Assemblyman Perez's Office**

Sylvia Paz, Assemblyman Perez's office, gave a brief presentation and requested member support for AB 1545.

**IT WAS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR STONE AND SECONDED BY MAYOR ADOLPH TO SEND A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR AB 1545.**

A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

CITY OF CATHEDRAL CITY	AYE
CITY OF COACHELLA	AYE
CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS	AYE
CITY OF INDIAN WELLS	ABSTAIN
CITY OF INDIO	AYE
CITY OF LA QUINTA	AYE
CITY OF PALM DESERT	AYE
CITY OF PALM SPRINGS	ABSTAIN
CITY OF RANCHO MIRAGE	AYE
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE 3 <sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT	AYE
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE 5 <sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT	AYE

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH NINE AYES AND TWO MEMBERS ABSTAINING FROM THE VOTE.**

**8. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Upcoming Meetings at 73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Suite 119, Palm Desert:

**Executive Committee – Monday, June 4, 2012, 4:30 p.m.**

Upcoming Meetings at the Classic Club, located off of the I-10 at Cook Street, north of Palm Desert:

**Executive Committee – Monday, June 25, 2012, 5:15 p.m.**

**General Assembly – Monday, June 25, 2012, 6:00 p.m.**

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Benoit adjourned the meeting at 6:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Joanna Stueckle*

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May 2, 2012

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**SUBJECT: CVAG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING VOTE CORRECTION**

Mr. Kirk:

Regarding the April 30, 2012 CVAG Executive Committee Meeting, please have the recording secretary change my vote on Agenda Item G, "Local Proportionate Share Calculation for Date Palm Drive Interchange Project as Prepared by Urban Crossroads." As you may recall, I was Chairing the meeting while there were multiple motions on the table at once involving variables like eliminating the DaVall Interchange, a 20 year continuance of the interchange matter, restudying the allocations with the same or different consultant, and referring the matter back to Committee. There were simply not the votes to change the formula and studying it again was without merit and costly.

When the vote was called, I misspoke. I intended to vote "no" on the motion to adopt staff recommendation. I did not correct it at the time because the vote was overwhelmingly in favor of the motion. However, I do wish that the record be corrected to reflect my true vote in opposition to the motion.

Please change my vote accordingly, or at least include this note in the record of the meeting as an explanation. The City Council of the City of Desert Hot Springs clearly wants to maintain the current (2003) formula.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Yvonne Parks".

Yvonne Parks, Mayor  
City of Desert Hot Springs

cc: Joanna Stueckle, CVAG Executive Assistant