

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
JUNE 8, 2020**



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1. CALL TO ORDER

The June 8, 2020 Executive Committee meeting was called to order at 4:31 p.m. by CVAG Chair Jeff Grubbe, Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, via Zoom.

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 Steven Hernandez
Mayor Scott Matas
Mayor Ty Peabody
Mayor Glenn Miller
Mayor Linda Evans
Councilmember Sabby Jonathan
Mayor Geoff Kors
Mayor Pro Tem Ted Weill
Supervisor V. Manuel Perez
Supervisor Jeff Hewitt
Tribal Chair Jeff Grubbe

AGENCY

City of Blythe
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 4th District
County of Riverside 5th District
Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Tribal Chair Douglas Welmas
Supervisor Kevin Jeffries
Supervisor Karen Spiegel
Supervisor Chuck Washington

AGENCY

Cabazon Band of Mission Indians
County of Riverside 1st District
County of Riverside 2nd District
County of Riverside 3rd District

OTHERS PRESENT

Lauri Aylaian
Conrado Barzaga
Councilmember Russell Betts
Jennifer Cusack
Gustavo Gomez
Isaiah Hagerman

AGENCY

City of Palm Desert
Desert Healthcare District/ Foundation
City of Desert Hot Springs
Southern California Edison
City of Indio
City of Rancho Mirage

Charles McClendon	City of Cathedral City
Jon McMillen	City of La Quinta
Chuck Maynard	City of Desert Hot Springs
Bill Pattison	City of Coachella
Mayor Pro Tem John Peña	City of La Quinta
Councilmember Jan Pye	City of Desert Hot Springs
Luke Rainey	City of Desert Hot Springs
Greg Rodriguez	County of Riverside
Kim Saruwatari	County of Riverside
Erin Sasse	League of California Cities
Mark Scott	City of Indio
Lauren Skiver	SunLine Transit Agency
Brittney Sowell	SunLine Transit Agency

STAFF PRESENT

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

CVAG Legal Counsel

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

4. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE / DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Tom Kirk asked the Executive Committee to recognize the passing of former CVAG Executive Director Corky Larson by participating in a moment of silence.

Mr. Kirk noted that the agenda had been amended prior to the 72-hour required agenda posting to include item 6D. Based on the CVAG Public Safety Committee discussion earlier in the day, CVAG staff was pulling the draft resolution from the agenda, but the item would still provide a recap to the Coachella Valley public safety response to the protests.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Sabby Jonathan asked that item 5F be pulled from the consent calendar for discussion.

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

- A. APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 24, 2020 THE JOINT TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
- B. APPROVE THE MARCH 19, 2020 SPECIAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
- C. APPOINT DESERT HOT SPRINGS COUNCILMAN RUSSELL BETTS TO SERVE ON SCAG TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
- D. AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO COORDINATE WITH RIVERSIDE COUNTY ON DEVELOPMENT OF A COLLABORATIVE AS PART OF THE REGIONAL APPROACH IN ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS
- E. AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE AMENDMENT #4 TO GRANT AGREEMENT WITH RIVERSIDE COUNTY FOR CV HOUSING FIRST EXTENDING TERM THROUGH JUNE 30, 2021 FOR ADDITIONAL \$359,711; AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND/OR LEGAL COUNSEL TO MAKE MINOR CHANGES/REVISIONS FOR CLARIFICATION PURPOSES
- F. This item was held over for discussion.
- G. APPROVE AMENDMENT FIVE TO AB 2766 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN CVAG AND THE MEMBER JURISDICTIONS TO MAINTAIN THE CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE CITIES AND THE COUNTY AT 75% TO PROVIDE SUSTAINABLE FUNDING FOR THE REGIONAL PM10 STREET SWEEPING PROGRAM, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024

THE MOTION CARRIED TO APPROVE ITEMS 5A THROUGH 5E AND 5G WITH 13 AYES AND 4 MEMBERS ABSENT.

COUncileMber DeConinck	AYE
MAyor AguiLar	AYE
MAyor HernanDZ	AYE
MAyor Matas	AYE
MAyor Peabody	AYE
MAyor Miller	AYE
MAyor Evans	AYE
COUncilmeber Jonathan	AYE
MAyor Kors	AYE
MAyor Pro tem Weill	AYE
SupervisOr Jeffries	ABSENT
SupervisOr Spiegel	ABSENT
SupervisOr Washington	ABSENT
SupervisOr Perez	AYE
SupervisOr Hewitt	AYE
tribal Chair Grubbe	AYE
tribal Chair Welmas	ABSENT

5.1 ITEM(S) HELD OVER FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

F. AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE COOPERATIVE COST SHARING AGREEMENT WITH WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AND SAN BERNARDINO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS TO FORM REGIONAL ENERGY NETWORK (REN), WITH CVAG'S COST SHARE NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000 FOR BUSINESS PLAN DEVELOPMENT PORTION

Councilmember Jonathan noted that there could be interest in the program from Desert Community Energy and asked staff to provide the information to the DCE Board of Directors.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER JONATHAN AND SECONDED BY MAYOR KORS TO AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE COOPERATIVE COST SHARING AGREEMENT WITH WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AND SAN BERNARDINO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS TO FORM REGIONAL ENERGY NETWORK (REN), WITH CVAG'S COST SHARE NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000 FOR BUSINESS PLAN DEVELOPMENT PORTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED TO APPROVE ITEM 5F WITH 13 AYES AND 4 MEMBERS ABSENT.

COUNCILEMBER DECONINCK	AYE
MAYOR AGUILAR	AYE
MAYOR HERNANDEZ	AYE
MAYOR MATAS	AYE
MAYOR PEABODY	AYE
MAYOR MILLER	AYE
MAYOR EVANS	AYE
COUNCILMEBER JONATHAN	AYE
MAYOR KORS	AYE
MAYOR PRO TEM WEILL	AYE
SUPERVISOR JEFFRIES	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR WASHINGTON	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR PEREZ	AYE
SUPERVISOR HEWITT	AYE
TRIBAL CHAIR GRUBBE	AYE
TRIBAL CHAIR WELMAS	ABSENT

6. DISCUSSION / ACTION

A. Proposed FY 2020/21 Budget – Gary Leong

Gary Leong presented the staff report, giving a description of the proposed 2020/2021 fiscal year budget. Mr. Leong indicated staff would seek approval at the June 29 Executive Committee meeting and encouraged members to send comments or questions in advance so he could address them at the meeting.

No action was taken.

B. Funding Match for ATP Cycle 5 Projects – Erica Felci

Erica Felci presented the staff report. Member comment ensued.

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR HERNANDEZ AND SECONDED BY MAYOR EVANS TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO COMMIT REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDING, IN ADDITION TO THE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED 2019 BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY PROGRAM, SO THAT PROJECTS CAN MAXIMIZE LEVERAGING POINTS IN APPLICATIONS FOR THE STATE'S ATP CYCLE 5 GRANT PROGRAM, WITH THE CONDITION THAT ACTUAL EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS WOULD BE DEPENDENT ON SECURING THE GRANT FUNDING AND FUNDING CONTRIBUTIONS BY LOCAL JURISDICTIONS.

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 13 AYES AND 4 MEMBERS ABSENT.

COUNCILEMBER DECONINCK	AYE
MAYOR AGUILAR	AYE
MAYOR HERNANDEZ	AYE
MAYOR MATAS	AYE
MAYOR PEABODY	AYE
MAYOR MILLER	AYE
MAYOR EVANS	AYE
COUNCILMEBER JONATHAN	AYE
MAYOR KORS	AYE
MAYOR PRO TEM WEILL	AYE
SUPERVISOR JEFFRIES	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR WASHINGTON	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR PEREZ	AYE
SUPERVISOR HEWITT	AYE
TRIBAL CHAIR GRUBBE	AYE
TRIBAL CHAIR WELMAS	ABSENT

C. Coachella Valley's response to COVID-19

a. Regional funding advocacy related to COVID-19 — Erica Felci

Ms. Felci invited Supervisor V. Manuel Perez to comment on Riverside County's ongoing efforts to address the COVID-19 pandemic. After brief comments were made, Supervisor Perez introduced Riverside County Public Health Director Kim Saruwatari to give the latest data and trends in Riverside County.

Extensive member discussion ensued. Mr. Kirk indicated that staff was seeking approval to advocate for the Coachella Valley's fair share of stimulus and reimbursements related to COVID-19. Additionally, a letter would be to the County Board of Supervisors, requesting the Governor consider sub-regional flexibility when considering policy and re-opening of businesses. Additional member discussion ensued and action on the recommendation was bifurcated.

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR EVANS AND SECONDED BY MAYOR MILLER TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

1) ADVOCATE FOR THE COACHELLA VALLEY'S FAIR SHARE IN ANY STATE OR FEDERAL LEGISLATION DEVELOPED IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 ECONOMIC REBOUND AND TO SEEK FUNDING REIMBURSEMENT OPPORTUNITIES, AS THEY DEVELOP, TO OFFSET COSTS INCURRED BY REGIONAL PROGRAMS.

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 13 AYES AND 4 MEMBERS ABSENT.

COUNCILEMBER DECONINCK	AYE
MAJOR AGUILAR	AYE
MAJOR HERNANDEZ	AYE
MAJOR MATAS	AYE
MAJOR PEABODY	AYE
MAJOR MILLER	AYE
MAJOR EVANS	AYE
COUNCILMEBER JONATHAN	AYE
MAJOR KORS	AYE
MAJOR PRO TEM WEILL	AYE
SUPERVISOR JEFFRIES	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR WASHINGTON	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR PEREZ	AYE
SUPERVISOR HEWITT	AYE
TRIBAL CHAIR GRUBBE	AYE
TRIBAL CHAIR WELMAS	ABSENT

2) ADVOCATE TO THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THAT SUB-REGIONAL FLEXIBILITY BE INCLUDED IN THE GOVERNOR'S COVID POLICY MAKING AND SUGGESTING REOPENING ORDERS BE TAILORED ACCORDINGLY.

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 12 AYES, 1 NAY AND 4 MEMBERS ABSENT.

COUNCILEMBER DECONINCK	AYE
MAJOR AGUILAR	AYE
MAJOR HERNANDEZ	NAY
MAJOR MATAS	AYE
MAJOR PEABODY	AYE
MAJOR MILLER	AYE
MAJOR EVANS	AYE
COUNCILMEBER JONATHAN	AYE
MAJOR KORS	AYE
MAJOR PRO TEM WEILL	AYE
SUPERVISOR JEFFRIES	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR WASHINGTON	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR PEREZ	AYE
SUPERVISOR HEWITT	AYE
TRIBAL CHAIR GRUBBE	AYE
TRIBAL CHAIR WELMAS	ABSENT

b. **Update on countywide efforts — Supervisor V. Manuel Perez, Riverside County**

c. **Update on statewide efforts — Erin Sasse, League of California Cities**

Ms. Felci indicated that Erin Sasse was unable to stay at the meeting due to a conflict in her schedule, and briefly summarized the statewide update.

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) Executive Committee Attendance Roster
- e) CVAG Quarterly Investment Report Ending March 31, 2020
- f) Next steps in Evaluating Funding Needs for Affordable Housing and Related Programs
- g) Follow Up to Executive Committee Action Related to CV Housing First
- h) CVAG Pace Report
- i) Streamlined Per Diem Process for CVAG Committees
- j) 2020 CVAG General Assembly Information

These items were placed in the agenda for member information.

8. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant to the provisions of Government Code Section 54956.8, the Executive Committee will adjourn to Closed Session.

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

Property: Allottee 105E – APN 687-060-059

CVAG Negotiator: Tom Kirk, Executive Director

Negotiating Party: Tanya R. Morretti, Noni A Bow, Clara M. Bow and Malerie Marquez

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment for acquisition of easements for CV Link

The Executive Committee adjourned into closed session at 5:50 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 6:05 p.m. There was no reportable action taken.

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

This is the time and place for members of the public to address the Executive Committee on items of general interest within the purview of this committee. Please limit comments to two (2) minutes.

None.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Zoom Meetings:

Executive Committee – Monday, June 29, 2020 at 4:30 p.m.

General Assembly – Monday, June 29, 2020 (Time to be determined.)

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Grubbe adjourned the meeting at 6:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanna Stueckle

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Executive Assistant