

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
DECEMBER 3, 2012**

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The December 3, 2012 Executive Committee meeting was called to order at 4:33 p.m. by Chairman Joseph De Coninck, City of Blythe, at CVAG Conference Room in 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

Councilmember Joseph DeConinck
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 John J. Benoit
Supervisor Marion Ashley

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 3rd District
County of Riverside 4th District
County of Riverside 5th District

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Tribal Chair Jeff Grubbe
Tribal Chairman David Roosevelt

AGENCY

Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians
Cabazon Band of Mission Indians

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT

Councilmember Greg Pettis
Don Bradley
David Garcia
Rick Daniels
Frank Spevacek
John Wohlmuth
David Ready
Randy Bynder
Alex Gann

AGENCY

City of Cathedral City
City of Cathedral City
City of Coachella
City of Desert Hot Springs
City of La Quinta
City of Palm Desert
City of Palm Springs
City of Rancho Mirage
County of Riverside

OTHERS PRESENT

Colin Atagi

AGENCY

The Desert Sun

Barry Busch
Leticia DeLara
Alibaba Farzaneh
Alexandria Galardi
Steven Hernandez
Darcy Kaenzi
Robert Manning
Nena McCullough
Deborah McGarrey
Kay Toliver
LeGrand Velez

County of Riverside
County of Riverside
ABF
Sun City Palm Desert
County of Riverside
County of Riverside
Southwest Rail
Southern California Edison
Southern California Gas
CHJ Consultants
LSA

STAFF PRESENT

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

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Supervisor John Benoit led the Executive Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

5. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE/DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Mayor Hanson announced that this would be his last meeting, adding that he enjoyed serving on the committee and working with the other members. Mayor Spiegel echoed Mayor Hanson's message.

Tom Kirk announced the retirement of Don Bradley, City Manager of Cathedral City. Mr. Kirk and Chair De Coninck presented Mr. Bradley with a map of the Coachella Valley. Mr. Bradley thanked the Executive Committee for the recognition and CVAG staff for the many years of working well together.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR DE ROSA AND SECONDED BY MAYOR ADOLPH TO:

A. APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 24, 2012 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

- B. APPROVE AMENDMENT #1, INCREASING THE COUNTY DPSS CONTRIBUTION TO ROY'S DRC FROM \$600,000 TO \$915,711; AND AMENDMENT #2 REVISING THE COUNTY'S REIMBURSEMENT RATE
- C. DIRECT THE CVAG EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO SIGN FORMS TRANSFERRING TRUST FUNDS SLATED FOR THE RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM TO COUNTY OFFICE ON AGING
- D. NOMINATE COUNCILMEMBER STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CITY OF COACHELLA, TO FILL THE SCAG ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE (E&E) VACANCY
- E. APPROVE THREE YEAR CONTRACT, 2013-2015, WITH RICHARD SCHULMAN, RESOURCE STRATEGIES, INC. FOR DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF A COACHELLA VALLEY AERIAL IMAGERY PROJECT; TO BE PAID 15% OF THE PROJECT COST UP TO \$50,000 AND 10% OF ANY PROJECT COST ABOVE \$50,000
- F. APPROVE NON-EXCLUSIVE THREE YEAR CONTRACTS WITH DIGITAL MAPPING, INC. AND PINNACLE GEOSPATIAL SOLUTIONS FOR AERIAL IMAGERY PRODUCTS
- G. APPROVE THE 2013 TRAFFIC COUNTS FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$52,000 WITH NEWPORT TRAFFIC STUDIES FOR THE THIRD AND FINAL EXTENSION PER THE 2009 AGREEMENT
- H. AUTHORIZE STAFF TO MAKE A FORMAL REQUEST TO CALTRANS TO FUND AND PERFORM A STUDY TO SUPPORT RETAINING LOS ANGELES TO COACHELLA VALLEY PASSENGER RAIL SERVICE IN THE STATE RAIL PLAN; AND DIRECT STAFF TO REQUEST THE ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT OF LOCAL AND STATE LEGISLATIVE MEMBERS TO COMPLETE THIS STUDY
- I. AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO SIGN THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE INTERSTATE 10 "EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN" AMONG THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE; THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, DISTRICT 8; THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL; THE MORONGO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS; THE COACHELLA VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS; THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION; THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS AND THE CITY OF BANNING

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MAYOR POUGNET AND MAYOR HINES ABSTAINING FROM 6A.

- J. Receive and File
 - 1) Status of 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) Update on Regional Property Assessed Clean Energy/AB 811 Program
- 6) CVAG Investment Report for September 30, 2012

THESE ITEMS WERE RECEIVED AND FILED.

7. DISCUSSION / ACTION

A. Consider Contracts for Green for Life Program and Desert Cities Energy Partnership – Katie Barrows/Jacob Alvarez

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR ADOLPH AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENOIT TO:

- 1) **RATIFY A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AMENDMENT, AND APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NO. 1, TO A CONTRACT WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY STRATEGIC PLAN ACTIVITIES, THE GREEN FOR LIFE PROGRAM, TO DECEMBER 31, 2012, AND, GIVEN THE APPROVAL OF THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY STRATEGIC PLAN EXTENSION BY CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION, TO DECEMBER 31, 2014, AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR AND/OR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS, PENDING FINAL LEGAL REVIEW.**
- 2) **AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND/OR CHAIR TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO EXTEND THE DESERT CITIES ENERGY PARTNERSHIP THROUGH THE 2013-2014 PROGRAM PERIOD, TO DECEMBER 31, 2014.**
- 3) **APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH E-WORKS MEDIA, INC. NOT TO EXCEED \$98,450 TO PROVIDE WEBSITE DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT OF A WEB-BASED GREEN BUILDING WEB APPLICATION AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND/OR CHAIR TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS PENDING FINAL REVIEW BY CVAG GENERAL COUNSEL.**

THE MOTION CARRIED.

B. Consider Agreements for the Parkway 1e11 Project Including: 1) Agreement with the State Strategic Growth Council for a Grant of \$999,982; 2) Agreement with the Riverside County Park and Open Space District for a Grant of \$750,000; Agreement with Alta Planning + Design for Project Master Plan, Preliminary Engineering, and Environmental Documentation – Michael Shoberg

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR ADOLPH AND SECONDED BY MAYOR SPIEGEL TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO SIGN THE FOLLOWING AGREEMENTS FOR THE PARKWAY 1E11 MASTER PLAN, PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING, AND ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT:

- 1) AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE STRATEGIC GROWTH COUNCIL FOR A GRANT OF \$999,982
- 2) AN AGREEMENT WITH THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT FOR A GRANT OF \$750,000
- 3) AN AGREEMENT WITH ALTA PLANNING + DESIGN FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROJECT MASTER PLAN, PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING, AND ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1.5 MILLION.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

C. Request by the City of La Quinta to Begin Participation in the CVAG Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee Program – Allyn Waggle

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR SPIEGEL AND SECONDED BY MAYOR POGNET TO APPROVE THE REQUEST BY THE CITY OF LA QUINTA BY LETTER DATED AUGUST 16, 2012, TO BEGIN PARTICIPATION IN THE CVAG TRANSPORTATION UNIFORM MITIGATION FEE (TUMF) PROGRAM:

- 1) **BY ASSESSING AND COLLECTING TUMF AND REMITTING THOSE FUNDS TO CVAG; AND**
- 2) **IN THE SAME MANNER AS HAVE PREVIOUS JURISDICTIONS, BY AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO CVAG OF ONE-HALF OF THE LOCAL MEASURE A LA QUINTA IS OTHERWISE QUALIFIED TO RECEIVE UNTIL;**
 - **THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE AMOUNT OF LOCAL MEASURE A RELINQUISHED TO CVAG DURING THE TIME TUMF WAS NOT BEING COLLECTED, AND THE AMOUNT OF TUMF WHICH THEIR PREVIOUS BUILDING PERMIT ACTIVITY INDICATED WOULD HAVE BEEN COLLECTED DURING THAT SAME PERIOD, HAS BEEN REPAID TO CVAG, AND;**
 - **THE CALCULATED ACCRUED INTEREST ACCUMULATED ON THE UNPAID TUMF, THROUGH THE REPAYMENT PERIOD, IS ADDED TO THE REPAYMENT AMOUNT, AND;**
 - **THE CALCULATED CREDIT FOR AMOUNTS PAID TOTALLY BY LA QUINTA FOR COMPLETED REGIONAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS NOT BILLED TO CVAG IS DEDUCTED FROM THE REPAYMENT AMOUNT.**
- 3) **AUTHORIZE STAFF TO EXPLORE POLICY LANGUAGE INCLUDING INCENTIVES, DISINCENTIVES, ETC., WHICH WILL ENCOURAGE CVAG MEMBERS TO REMAIN CONTINUOUS PARTICIPANTS IN SUCCESSFUL REGIONAL PROGRAMS, LIKE THE TUMF FEE PROGRAM.**

THE MOTION CARRIED.

- D. **Agreement with the City of Indio to Improve Highway 111 between Rubidoux Street and 760' west of Madison Street – Allyn Waggle**

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR PARKS AND SECONDED BY MAYOR ADOLPH TO APPROVE A REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF INDIO TO IMPROVE HIGHWAY 111 BETWEEN RUBIDOUX STREET AND 760' WEST OF MADISON STREET IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5,550,000. THE MOTION CARRIED.

- E. **Agreement with the City of Desert Hot Springs to Improve Indian Avenue between 20th Avenue and Dillon Road – Allyn Waggle**

IT WAS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ASHLEY AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR STONE TO APPROVE REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS TO IMPROVE INDIAN AVENUE BETWEEN 20TH AVENUE AND DILLON ROAD IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$8,547,562, CONTINGENT UPON:

- 1) **FORMAL APPROVAL BY THE RESPECTIVE AGENCIES OF THE REFERENCED MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS, THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS AND THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE REGARDING DISTRIBUTION OF RESPONSIBILITIES AND COSTS FOR THE PROJECT TO IMPROVE INDIAN AVENUE BETWEEN 20TH AVENUE AND DILLON ROAD; AND**
- 2) **SUCCESSFUL RECEIPT OF THE REFERENCED MULTI-AGENCY PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3.0 MILLION.**

THE MOTION CARRIED.

8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

Technical Advisory Committee – Monday, January 14, 2013, 11:00 a.m.

Executive Committee – Monday, January 28, 2013, 4:30 p.m.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair De Coninck adjourned the meeting at 5:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanna Stueckle

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Executive Assistant