

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
FEBRUARY 25, 2013**

The audio file for this committee meeting can be found at:
<http://www.cvaa.org/minutes.htm>.



1. CALL TO ORDER

The February 25, 2013 Executive Committee meeting was called to order at 4:32 p.m. by Chairman Joseph DeConinck, 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
Councilmember Steven Hernandez
Mayor Yvonne Parks
Mayor Mary Roche
Mayor Elaine Holmes
Mayor Don Adolph
Mayor Jan Harnik
Mayor Pro Tem Chris Mills
Mayor Scott Hines
Supervisor Jeff Stone
Supervisor John J. Benoit

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

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Supervisor Marion Ashley
Tribal Chair Jeff Grubbe
Tribal Chairman David Roosevelt

AGENCY

County of Riverside 5th District
Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians
Cabazon Band of Mission Indians

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT

Councilmember Greg Pettis
Councilmember Lupe Ramos Watson
David Lane
Andy Hall
David Garcia
Dan Martinez
Frank Spevacek
John Wohlmuth
David Ready
Randy Bynder
Alex Gann

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City of Indio
City of Blythe
City of Cathedral City
City of Coachella
City of Indio
City of La Quinita
City of Palm Desert
City of Palm Springs
City of Rancho Mirage
County of Riverside

OTHERS PRESENT

Bill Backard
Angela Coe
Crystal Crawford
Winette Daugherty
Bruce Gillen
Christine Hammond
Bill Houck
Brian Jones
Benson Kane
Gregg Kuperstein
Mike Lemyre
Nena McCullough
Ales McIntosh
Douglas McMillan
Matt McPherson
Mark Rodgers
Dan Schaefer
Carole Schaudt
Mayor Pro Tem Karen Spiegel
Barbara Spoonhour
Sam Strong
Denise Welch
John Wesarday

AGENCY

Elite Home Energy
Shelter from the Storm
Ygrene
Coachella Valley Sexual Assault Services
Friends of Roy's Foundation
Friends of Roy's Foundation
Lamar Advertising
California Showcase Construction
Clearview Construction/Smart Home Energy
Exceed Growth
Ygrene
Southern California Edison
Access Solar
California Showcase Construction
HelioPower Solar
Renovate America
Ygrene
Mental Health
RCTC Chair
WRCOG
Sunpro Solar
Friends of Roy's Foundation
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STAFF PRESENT

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

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Karen Spiegel, RCTC Chair, led the Executive Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

5. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE/DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Tom Kirk announced the closure of Interstate 10 at the Date Palm interchange for later that evening due to construction.

John Wohlmuth invited interested members to a meeting where a discussion will be held regarding the difficulties in dealing with the State's department of finance. The meeting will be held on March 8th at Palm Desert City Hall with Assemblyman Nestande in attendance.

Mayor DeRosa announced a charity drive being held in Cathedral City to help the Troops. Mayor DeRosa distributed a flyer so that interested members would know what is needed.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- A. APPROVE THE JANUARY 28, 2013 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES**
- B. APPROVE THE HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE'S STRATEGIC PLAN FOR 2013**

THE MOTION CARRIED.

C. Receive and File

- 1) Status of I-10 Interchange Projects
- 2) CVAG Regional Arterial Program – Project Status Report
- 3) Executive Committee and Technical Advisory Committee Attendance Roster
- 4) Green for Life Program Extension
- 5) CVAG Cover Letter Regarding Support for Fixing AB 109 Realignment

THESE ITEMS WERE RECEIVED AND FILED.

7. DISCUSSION / ACTION

- A. Request from Public Safety Committee for Financial Assistance to local Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Organizations – Aurora Wilson**

IT WAS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR STONE AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENOIT TO SEND A LETTER SUPPORTING THE CONCEPT OF TRANSPORTATION FUNDING AS PROPOSED BY THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE AND DRAFTED BY THE CHAIR, IN ORDER FOR THE AGENCIES TO USE IN APPLYING FOR GRANT FUNDING FROM THE JURISDICTIONS. THE MOTION CARRIED.

- B. Use of CVAG Member Contributions to Roy's Desert Resource Center – Aurora Wilson**

IT WAS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BENOIT AND SECONDED BY MAYOR HARNIK THAT: 1) \$95,000 BE SET ASIDE IN A RESERVE ACCOUNT AT CVAG FOR ROY'S DRC AS ONE MONTH'S RESERVE EXPENDITURES; 2) A ONE-TIME CONTRIBUTION OF \$75,000 BE GIVEN TO THE FRIENDS OF ROY'S FOUNDATION FOR RECRUITMENT OF A FOUNDATION DEVELOPMENT MANAGER WITH A QUARTERLY REPORT TO THE

HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE ON HOW THE FUNDS WILL BE USED. THE MOTION CARRIED.

C. Consider Selection of Consultant Team and Development, Administration and Financing of a Regional Property Assessed Clean Energy Program – Katie Barrows

After a lengthy Executive Committee discussion, comments were received regarding this item from the following members of the public, all speaking in support of the HERO Program: Mark Rodgers, Renovate America; Benson Kane, Clearview Construction/Smart Home Energy; Sam Strong, Sunpro Solar; Bill Backard, Elite Home Energy; Matt McPerson, HeliPower Solar; Brian Jones, California Showcase Construction; Douglas McMillan, California Showcase Construction; and Alex McIntosh, Access Solar.

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

1) ASK CVAG STAFF TO LOOK AT BOTH THE HERO AND YGRENE PROGRAMS INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

- A LIST OF SERVICES THAT ARE ACTUALLY COVERED BY YGRENE;
- ANY CONTRACT LOOKED AT WOULD MAKE PROVISIONS FOR PREFERENCE TO LOCAL VENDORS;
- INDICATE THE OUT CLAUSE AND CVAG'S CONTINUED OBLIGATION, AS WELL AS THE THE "OPT OUT" FOR JURISDICTIONS;
- THAT THERE BE A REQUIREMENT FOR ANY PACE PROGRAM TO HAVE A PHYSICAL PRESENCE IN THE COACHELLA VALLEY;
- THAT THE ½ POINT COME TO CVAG OR THAT THE ½ POINT BE WAIVED FOR THE COACHELLA VALLEY RESIDENTS;
- INDICATION OF HOW THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WILL HAVE SAY IN ADMINISTRATION OF THE PROGRAM;
- THAT CVAG HAVE ITS OWN HERO PROGRAM AND NOT "PIGGY BACK" ON WRCOG'S PROGRAM;
- THAT A COMPARISON OF COSTS BE PROVIDED.

2) THAT CVAG STAFF BRING THE ISSUE BACK TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AT ITS NEXT MEETING FOR CONSIDERATION.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

D. Consideration of Jefferson Street Interchange Proportionate Share Criteria – Michael Shoberg

IT WAS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR STONE AND SECONDED BY MAYOR ADOLPH TO APPROVE THE JEFFERSON STREET INTERCHANGE PROPORTIONATE SHARE CRITERIA AND AUTHORIZE THE RELEASE OF A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS TO COMPLETE A TRAFFIC ANALYSIS. THE MOTION CARRIED.

E. Two Future Reimbursement Agreements with the City of Rancho Mirage, One to Improve Monterey Avenue between Gerald Ford Drive and Dinah Shore Drive, and, a Second to Improve the Intersection of Frank Sinatra Drive at Highway 111 – Allyn Waggle

IT WAS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BENOIT AND SECONDED BY MAYOR ROCHE TO APPROVE TWO FUTURE REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENTS WITH THE CITY OF RANCHO MIRAGE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH FUTURE REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT POLICY 13-02, ONE TO IMPROVE MONTEREY AVENUE BETWEEN GERALD FORD DRIVE AND DINAH SHORE DRIVE IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$770,034, AND, A SECOND FUTURE REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT TO IMPROVE THE INTERSECTION OF FRANK SINATRA DRIVE AT HIGHWAY 111 IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$670,712. THE MOTION CARRIED.

8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

Technical Advisory Committee – Monday, April 8, 2013, 11:00 a.m.

Executive Committee – Monday, April 29, 2013, 4:30 p.m.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair De Coninck adjourned the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanna Stueckle

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