

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
FEBRUARY 24, 2014**

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



**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The February 24, 2014 Executive Committee meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Chairman Don Adolph, City of La Quinta, at CVAG Conference Room #119 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 De Coninck  
Mayor Kathleen De Rosa  
Mayor Pro Tem Steven Hernandez  
Mayor Adam Sanchez  
Mayor Ted Mertens  
Councilmember Glenn Miller  
Mayor Don Adolph  
Councilmember Jan Harnik  
Mayor Stephen Pougnet  
Mayor Richard Kite  
Supervisor Jeff Stone  
Supervisor John 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 3<sup>rd</sup> District  
County of Riverside 4<sup>th</sup> District  
County of Riverside 5<sup>th</sup> 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  
Councilmember Lupe Ramos Watson  
David Garcia  
Robert Adams  
Wade McKinney  
Dan Martinez  
Frank Spevacek  
John Wohlmuth  
David Ready  
Randy Bynder  
Alex Gann

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City of Rancho Mirage  
County of Riverside

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Charles Bennett  
Kate Castle  
Jennifer Farr  
Alexandra Galardi  
Jaime Hurtado  
Angela Janus  
Hadden Libby  
Klaus Mager  
Robert Manning  
Nena McCulloch  
Barrett Newkirk  
Laura Peralta  
Mike Polischak  
Jeff Rosenfell

**AGENCY**

Assembly Candidate  
Palm Springs Sustainability Commission  
Mayer, Hoffman and McCann  
Sun City Palm Desert  
County of Riverside  
Share Kitchen  
Share Kitchen  
Food with Thought  
Southwest Rail  
Southern California Edison  
The Desert Sun  
California Grocers Association  
Palm Springs Sustainability Commission  
ICF International

**STAFF PRESENT**

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

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Dan Martinez led the Executive Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Bob Manning, Southwest Rail, discussed the upcoming Passenger Rail Summit.

**5. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE/DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Councilmember Pettis gave a SCAG update to members of the Executive Committee

Tom Kirk announced that the SCAG Regional Council member terms are up and there will be a notice sent to all of the jurisdictions seeking interested members to serve as the CVAG members on the Regional Council. The election will take place at the April Executive Committee meeting.

**6. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**IT WAS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ASHLEY AND SECONDED BY MAYOR MERTENS TO:**

**A. Approve the January 27, 2014 Executive Committee Minutes**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MEMBERS PETTIS, HERNANDEZ, SANCHEZ, MERTENS, ADOLPH, HARNIK, KITE, STONE, BENOIT, AND ASHLEY VOTING AYE; AND MEMBERS DE CONINCK, MILLER, AND POUCKET ABSTAINING FROM THE VOTE.**

**B. Support CVAG Request for Designation as a Beacon Award Program Champion and Agree to Undertake Activities to Support and Recognize the Leadership of our Member Agencies as they Participate in the Beacon Award Program.**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MEMBERS DE CONINCK, PETTIS, HERNANDEZ, SANCHEZ, MERTENS, MILLER, ADOLPH, HARNIK, POUCKET, KITE, STONE, BENOIT, AND ASHLEY VOTING AYE.**

**C. Receive and File**

- 1) Status of I-10 Interchange Projects
- 2) CVAG Regional Arterial Program – Project Status Report
- 3) CV Link Status Report
- 4) Quarterly Investment Report
- 5) Executive Committee/Technical Advisory Committee Attendance Roster

**THESE ITEMS WERE RECEIVED AND FILED.**

**7. DISCUSSION / ACTION**

**A. Draft Audited Financial Report, Draft Statement on Auditing Standards (SAS) 114 Letter, and Draft Management Letter for Fiscal Year 2012/13 – Gary Leong**

**IT WAS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ASHLEY AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR STONE TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE REPORTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012/13. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MEMBERS DE CONINCK, PETTIS, HERNANDEZ, SANCHEZ, MERTENS, MILLER, ADOLPH, HARNIK, POUCKET, KITE, STONE, BENOIT, AND ASHLEY VOTING AYE.**

**B. Consideration of Support for Statewide Plastic Bag Legislation and Completion of Draft Plastic Bag Ordinance – Katie Barrows**

**IT WAS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR STONE AND SECONDED BY MAYOR MERTENS TO TABLE ITEM ONE: AUTHORIZE LETTERS OF SUPPORT FOR PROPOSED STATEWIDE LEGISLATION ON SINGLE-USE CARRYOUT BAGS UNTIL MORE IS KNOWN ABOUT THE LEGISLATION. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MEMBERS DE CONINCK, DE ROSA, MERTENS, MILLER, ADOLPH, KITE, STONE, BENOIT, AND ASHLEY VOTING AYE; AND MEMBERS HERNANDEZ, SANCHEZ, HARNIK, POUCKET VOTING NAY.**

**IT WAS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR STONE AND SECONDED BY MAYOR MERTENS TO APPROVE ITEM TWO: THE DRAFT MODEL PLASTIC BAG ORDINANCE FOR CONSIDERATION BY MEMBER AGENCIES AND SUSPEND FURTHER WORK ON IT PENDING THE STATUS OF STATE LEGISLATION. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MEMBERS HERNANDEZ, SANCHEZ, MILLER, ADOLPH, HARNIK, POUCKET, KITE, BENOIT, AND ASHLEY VOTING AYE; MEMBERS DE CONINCK, MERTENS, AND STONE VOTING NAY; AND MEMBER DE ROSA ABSTAINING FROM THE VOTE.**

**C. Coachella Valley PEV Readiness Plan – Michael Shoberg**

**IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR POUCKET AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR STONE TO APPROVE THE DRAFT COACHELLA VALLEY PEV READINESS PLAN. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MEMBERS DE CONINCK, DE ROSA, HERNANDEZ, SANCHEZ, MERTENS, MILLER, ADOLPH, HARNIK, POUCKET, KITE, STONE, BENOIT, AND ASHLEY VOTING AYE.**

**D. Authorize CVAG Staff to Submit Signal Synchronization Project to CMAQ Call for Projects – Allyn Waggle**

**IT WAS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BENOIT AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MILLER TO APPROVE THE REQUEST BY CVAG STAFF TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT A PROPOSAL UTILIZING MSRC FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$310,375 AS ALL, OR A PART OF, THE LOCAL MATCH AMOUNT IN RESPONSE TO THE CALL FOR PROJECTS FOR CMAQ FUNDS. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MEMBERS DE CONINCK, DE ROSA, HERNANDEZ, SANCHEZ, MERTENS, MILLER, ADOLPH, HARNIK, POUCKET, KITE, STONE, BENOIT, AND ASHLEY VOTING AYE.**

**E. Amendment Number One to the Agreement for the Avenue 66 Grade Separation Project – Allyn Waggle**

**IT WAS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BENOIT AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER HARNIK TO APPROVE AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE TO THE AGREEMENT WITH RIVERSIDE COUNTY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$850,000 FOR THE AVENUE 66 GRADE SEPARATION PROJECT. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MEMBERS DE CONINCK, DE ROSA, HERNANDEZ, SANCHEZ, MERTENS, MILLER, ADOLPH, HARNIK, POUCKET, KITE, STONE, BENOIT, AND ASHLEY VOTING AYE**

**F. Follow-Up on County Presentation on Mobile Food Facilities – Aurora Wilson**

A PowerPoint presentation was given by Angela Janus, Share Kitchen.

**7. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**Executive Committee - Monday, April 28, 2014, 4:30 p.m.**

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Adolph adjourned the meeting at 6:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Joanna Stueckle*

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