

ITEM 6A

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
DECEMBER 7, 2015**



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1. CALL TO ORDER

The December 7, 2015 Executive Committee meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Chair Stan Henry, City of Cathedral City, at CVAG Conference room, Suite 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

Mayor Joseph DeConinck
Mayor Stan Henry
Mayor Steven Hernandez
Mayor Scott Matas
Mayor Ty Peabody
Mayor Glenn Miller
Mayor Linda Evans
Councilmember Jan Harnik
Mayor Pro Tem Chris Mills
Mayor Dana Hobart
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 4th District (Arrived during Item 7A)
County of Riverside 5th District

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Supervisor Kevin Jeffries
Supervisor John Tavaglione
Supervisor Chuck Washington
Tribal Chair Jeff Grubbe
Tribal Chair Douglas Welmas

AGENCY

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

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT

Councilmember Greg Pettis
Councilmember Doug Hanson
Councilmember Ted Mertens
Mayor Robert Moon
Councilmember Iris Smotrich
Mayor Pro Tem Ted Weill
Charlie McClendon
David Garcia
Martin Magaña
Wade McKinney

AGENCY

City of Cathedral City
City of Indian Wells
City of Indian Wells
City of Palm Springs
City of Rancho Mirage
City of Rancho Mirage
City of Cathedral City
City of Coachella
City of Desert Hot Springs
City of Indian Wells

Dan Martinez
Frank Spevacek
John Wohlmuth
David Ready
Randy Bynder
Brian Nestande

City of Indio
City of La Quinta
City of Palm Desert
City of Palm Springs
City of Rancho Mirage
County of Riverside

OTHERS PRESENT

Jack Andrews
Rosario Avila
Barry Busch
Deputy Escobedo
Mike Fontana
Isaiah Hagerman
Michael Harrington
Gary Lueders
Ward Maxwell
Cathleen Ma
Dee Ann Nichols
Larry Nichols
Arvin Ocampo
Paul Rodriguez
Deputy Rogers
Jim Rothblatt
Ed Schiller
Joseph Smith
Thomas Smotrich
Linda Starr
Bob Terry
Brian Torsnoy
Daniel Trevino

AGENCY

Rancho Las Palmas

County of Riverside
Riverside County Sherriff

City of Rancho Mirage

Friends of CV Link
Riverside County Transportation Department
Riverside County Transportation Department
Rancho Mirage Library Commission
Rancho Mirage Planning Commission
CVAG Intern
RCG
Riverside County Sheriff
Friends of CV Link
Friends of CV Link
Riverside County Transportation Department

People Over Pollution

City of Rancho Mirage

STAFF PRESENT

Tom Kirk
Gary Leong
Katie Barrows
Dennis Woods
Jim Sullivan
LeGrand Velez
Robert Petrillo
Lance Albrecht
Cheryll Dahlin
Ben Druyon
Erica Felci
Joanna Stueckle
Oscar Vizcarra
Toni Eggebraaten

CVAG Legal Counsel

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Gary Lueders, Friends of CV Link, acknowledged the service of veterans and safety issues as it relates to the classification of bicycle lanes.

Bob Terry, People Over Pollution, discussed Sentinel funding.

Jim Rothblatt, Friends of CV Link, discussed Highway 111 as it relates to a CV Link route.

Michael Harrington spoke on ad-hoc meetings and public engagement.

Mike Fontana made comments related to the Butler-Abrams Trail.

5. **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE/DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Chair Henry made an announcement regarding this being Mayor Peabody's last meeting and thanked him for his participation.

Mayor Pro Tem Pettis announced the comment period of the SCAG Draft RTP had begun.

Mayor Hobart commented on Measure A funds and the TPPS update.

Tom Kirk made comments related to the Avenue 52 ribbon cutting as well as the Riverside County Board of Supervisors approval of the COLMAC Grant.

Mr. Kirk announced that in the interest of time, item 7C should be considered before the Jefferson Street Interchange update.

6. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Mayor Dana Hobart asked that item 6A be pulled.

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR MILLER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER HARNIK TO:

- A. Approve the September 28, 2015 Executive Committee Minutes (Pulled for discussion.)
- B. **Approve Policy 15-03 Amending Conflict of Interest Code for CVAG and Direct Staff to Submit Code for Approval and Filing to its Code Reviewing Body, the County Board of Supervisors**
- C. **Approve Third Amendment to Agreement with Southern California Edison and Southern California Gas Company Extending the Desert Cities Energy Partnership through December 2017**
- D. **Authorize DUI Ad Hoc Task Force to Create a Community Coalition for 1 Year to Focus on Providing Public Awareness and Education on Driving Under the Influence (Alcohol and Marijuana) with Events Throughout the Coachella Valley and Provide Reports to Public Safety Committee**

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH THE FOLLOWING RESULTS:

MAYOR JOSEPH DECONINCK	ABSTAIN
MAYOR STAN HENRY	AYE
MAYOR STEVEN HERNANDEZ	AYE
MAYOR SCOTT MATAS	AYE
MAYOR TY PEABODY	AYE
MAYOR GLENN MILLER	AYE
MAYOR LINDA EVANS	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER JAN HARNIK	AYE
MAYOR PRO TEM CHRIS MILLS	AYE
MAYOR DANA HOBART	AYE
SUPERVISOR KEVIN JEFFRIES	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR JOHN TAVAGLIONE	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR CHUCK WASHINGTON	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR JOHN BENOIT	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR MARION ASHLEY	AYE
TRIBAL CHAIR JEFF GRUBBE	ABSENT
TRIBAL CHAIR DOUGLAS WELMAS	ABSENT

(10 AYES, 1 ABSTAINING, AND 6 ABSENT)

In the interest of time and to insure there being a quorum, Chair Henry asked that the item held over from the Consent Calendar be discussed following the vote, rather being discussed at the end of the agenda.

A. Approve the September 28, 2015 Executive Committee Minutes

Mayor Hobart led a discussion regarding CVAG's minute-taking practices and the Brown Act. Mr. Kirk indicated staff would return to the next meeting regarding information about CVAG's minutes.

Mayor Hobart asked that two portions of the minutes not be approved until amended by staff.

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR EVANS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER HARNIK TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 28, 2015 MINUTES AS WRITTEN.

MAYOR HOBART AMENDED THE MOTION TO REMOVE TWO PORTIONS OF THE MINUTES UNTIL AMENDED BY STAFF. THE AMENDED MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MAYOR MILLER.

THE MOTION FAILED WITH THE FOLLOWING RESULTS:

MAYOR JOSEPH DECONINCK	ABSTAIN
MAYOR STAN HENRY	NAY
MAYOR STEVEN HERNANDEZ	NAY
MAYOR SCOTT MATAS	NAY
MAYOR TY PEABODY	AYE
MAYOR GLENN MILLER	ABSTAIN
MAYOR LINDA EVANS	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER JAN HARNIK	NAY

MAYOR PRO TEM CHRIS MILLS	AYE
MAYOR DANA HOBART	AYE
SUPERVISOR KEVIN JEFFRIES	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR JOHN TAVAGLIONE	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR CHUCK WASHINGTON	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR JOHN BENOIT	AYE
SUPERVISOR MARION ASHLEY	NAY
TRIBAL CHAIR JEFF GRUBBE	ABSENT
TRIBAL CHAIR DOUGLAS WELMAS	ABSENT

(5 AYES, 5 NAYS, 2 ABSTAINING, AND 5 ABSENT)

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR EVANS ANDS ECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER HARNIK TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 28, 2015 MINUTES AS WRITTEN.

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH THE FOLLOWING RESULTS:

MAYOR JOSEPH DECONINCK	ABSTAIN
MAYOR STAN HENRY	AYE
MAYOR STEVEN HERNANDEZ	AYE
MAYOR SCOTT MATAS	AYE
MAYOR TY PEABODY	NAY
MAYOR GLENN MILLER	ABSTAIN
MAYOR LINDA EVANS	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER JAN HARNIK	AYE
MAYOR PRO TEM CHRIS MILLS	AYE
MAYOR DANA HOBART	NAY
SUPERVISOR KEVIN JEFFRIES	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR JOHN TAVAGLIONE	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR CHUCK WASHINGTON	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR JOHN BENOIT	AYE
SUPERVISOR MARION ASHLEY	AYE
TRIBAL CHAIR JEFF GRUBBE	ABSENT
TRIBAL CHAIR DOUGLAS WELMAS	ABSENT

(8 AYES, 2, NAYS, 2 ABSTAINING, AND 5 ABSENT)

7. DISCUSSION / ACTION

A. Amendment Number Three to the Agreement for the Avenue 66 Grade Separation Project – Dennis Woods

Dennis Woods presented the staff report.

IT WAS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BENOIT AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER HARNIK TO:

- 1) APPROVE AMENDMENT NUMBER THREE TO THE AGREEMENT WITH RIVERSIDE COUNTY FOR THE AVENUE 66 GRADE SEPARATION PROJECT TO PROVIDE 75% OF \$12,496,556 FOR CONSTRUCTION, BEING A NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$9,372,417, AND;

2) **AUTHORIZE THE CVAG EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE.**

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH THE FOLLOWING RESULTS:

MAYOR JOSEPH DECONINCK	AYE
MAYOR STAN HENRY	AYE
MAYOR STEVEN HERNANDEZ	AYE
MAYOR SCOTT MATAS	AYE
MAYOR TY PEABODY	AYE
MAYOR GLENN MILLER	AYE
MAYOR LINDA EVANS	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER JAN HARNIK	AYE
MAYOR PRO TEM CHRIS MILLS	AYE
MAYOR DANA HOBART	AYE
SUPERVISOR KEVIN JEFFRIES	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR JOHN TAVAGLIONE	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR CHUCK WASHINGTON	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR JOHN BENOIT	AYE
SUPERVISOR MARION ASHLEY	AYE
TRIBAL CHAIR JEFF GRUBBE	ABSENT
TRIBAL CHAIR DOUGLAS WELMAS	ABSENT

(12 AYES AND 5 ABSENT)

C. Mayor Peabody’s Request Regarding Votes on CV Link – Erica Felci

Erica Felci presented the staff report. Mayor Peabody commented.

MAYOR PEABODY MADE THE FOLLOWING MOTION: THAT THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HEREBY REQUEST EACH OF THE NINE COACHELLA VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENT CITIES CONDUCT AN ADVISORY VOTE (WITHIN THE NEXT SIX MONTHS) OF THEIR VOTING PUBLIC AS TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTION: DOES (NAME OF CITY) SUPPORT OR OPPOSE AN EXPENDITURE OF APPROXIMATELY \$100,000,000 (OF MONIES RAISED BY GRANTS AND MEASURE A FUNDS) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A BICYCLE/ELECTRIC VEHICLE/WALKING/JOGGING PATH EXTENDING FOR ABOUT 50-MILES FROM PALM SPRINGS TO THE CITY OF COACHELLA, WITH THE FURTHER UNDERSTANDING THAT THE ANNUAL OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSES (PROJECTED TO INCREASE BY 2% ANNUALLY) OF THE PROJECT WILL BE THE SHARED RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH OF THE NINE CITIES, PLUS THE COUNTY, FOR THE ANTICIPATED 75 YEARS OF THE CV LINK? THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MAYOR HOBART.

Public comments were taken.

Mayor Pro Tem Weill, City of Rancho Mirage, commented on an advisory vote and the original intent of the CV Link.

Brian Torsnoy commented in support of a vote regarding CV Link.

Bob Terry, People Over Pollution, discussed the cost of an election and his support of a vote regarding CV Link.

Isaiah Hagerman, City of Rancho Mirage, commented on reasons why CV Link should be taken to the voters and the proposed ballot measures to be reviewed by the Rancho Mirage City Council. Mr. Hagerman encouraged Mr. Kirk to email comments regarding the measures to Mr. Hagerman.

Rosario Avila expressed support of Mayor Peabody's request and the Human Impact Assessment (HIA).

A discussion ensued among Executive Committee members.

A substitute motion was made by Councilmember Harnik.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER HARNIK AND SECONDED BY MAYOR EVANS TO CONTINUE THE DISUSSION AFTER COMPLETION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND A STAFF REPORT ADDRESSING BETTER WAYS TO EXPLORE AND GAIN PUBLIC INPUT.

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH THE FOLLOWING RESULTS:

MAYOR JOSEPH DECONINCK	ABSTAIN
MAYOR STAN HENRY	AYE
MAYOR STEVEN HERNANDEZ	AYE
MAYOR SCOTT MATAS	AYE
MAYOR TY PEABODY	NAY
MAYOR GLENN MILLER	ABSTAIN
MAYOR LINDA EVANS	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER JAN HARNIK	AYE
MAYOR PRO TEM CHRIS MILLS	AYE
MAYOR DANA HOBART	NAY
SUPERVISOR KEVIN JEFFRIES	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR JOHN TAVAGLIONE	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR CHUCK WASHINGTON	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR JOHN BENOIT	AYE
SUPERVISOR MARION ASHLEY	AYE
TRIBAL CHAIR JEFF GRUBBE	ABSENT
TRIBAL CHAIR DOUGLAS WELMAS	ABSENT

(8 AYES, 2 NAYS, 2 ABSTAINING, AND 5 ABSENT)

B. Riverside County Update and Presentation on Jefferson Street Interchange Improvements

Joseph Smith, Riverside County Transportation Department gave members an update on the progress being made at the Jefferson Street Interchange. A PowerPoint presentation was given.

8. **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) CVAG Public Information Request Report
- e) Executive Committee Attendance Roster
- f) Audit Report from South Coast Air Quality Management District
- g) CVAG’s Investment Report for September 30, 2015
- h) Update on Draft Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance
- i) Air Quality Update: Regional Street Sweeping Program Funding

9. **ITEM(S) HELD OVER FROM CONSENT CALENDAR**

The item held over from the Consent Calendar was addressed earlier during the meeting.

10. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

Technical Advisory Committee – Monday, January 11, 2016 at 11:00 a.m.

Executive Committee – Monday, January 25, 2016 at 4:30 p.m.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Henry adjourned the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanna Stueckle

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Executive Assistant