

**ITEM 6A**

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
DECEMBER 4, 2017**



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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The December 4, 2017 Executive Committee meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chair Marion Ashley, County of Riverside, at the 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 Scott Matas  
Mayor Richard Balacco  
Mayor Elaine Holmes  
Mayor Linda Evans  
Mayor Jan Harnik  
Mayor Robert Moon  
Councilmember Dana Hobart  
Supervisor V. Manuel Perez  
Supervisor Marion Ashley  
Tribal Chair Jeff Grubbe

**AGENCY**

City of Blythe  
City of Cathedral City  
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 4<sup>th</sup> District  
County of Riverside 5<sup>th</sup> District  
Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT**

Mayor Steven Hernandez  
Supervisor Kevin Jeffries  
Supervisor John Tavaglione  
Supervisor Chuck Washington  
Tribal Chair Douglas Welmas

**AGENCY**

City of Coachella  
County of Riverside 1<sup>st</sup> District  
County of Riverside 2<sup>nd</sup> District  
County of Riverside 3<sup>rd</sup> District  
Cabazon Band of Mission Indians

**NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT**

Charlie McClendon  
Bill Pattison  
Chuck Maynard  
Mark Scott  
Frank Spevacek  
Lauri Aylaian

**AGENCY**

City of Cathedral City  
City of Coachella  
City of Desert Hot Springs  
City of Indio  
City of La Quinta  
City of Palm Desert

David Ready  
Randy Bynder  
Tom Davis

City of Palm Springs  
City of Rancho Mirage  
Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Pat Cooper  
Donna Craig  
Michael Jenkins  
David Salgado  
Robert Manning  
Joyce Manning  
JD Douglas  
Sheldon Peterson  
Councilmember Ted Mertens  
Councilmember Ty Peabody  
Councilmember Dana Reed  
Anne Mayer  
Mayor Pro Tem Sabby Jonathan  
Councilmember Shelley Kaplan

**AGENCY**

County of Riverside  
Desert Healthcare District  
Jenkins & Hogin, LLP  
Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)  
Southwest Rail  
Southwest Rail  
HDR  
RCTC  
City of Indian Wells  
City of Indian Wells  
City of Indian Wells  
RCTC  
City of Palm Desert  
City of Cathedral City

**STAFF PRESENT**

Tom Kirk  
Gary Leong  
Martin Magaña  
Katie Barrows  
LeGrand Velez  
Eric Cowle  
Cheryll Dahlin  
Ben Druyon  
Erica Felci  
Lance Albrecht

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Supervisor Perez led the Executive Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Robert Manning, Southwest Rail, invited all to save the date for the annual rail summit April 18-19, 2018.

Councilmember Ty Peabody spoke to the committee about Coachella Valley Rescue Mission and their need for funding.

Mayor Pro Tem Sabby Jonathan, Chair of CVAG Homelessness Committee gave a CV Housing First and regional approach to homelessness update.

**5. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE / DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Tom Kirk announced a meeting with Assemblyman Eduardo Garcia hosting Assembly Speaker Rendon for housing bond and cap and trade discussions. Mr. Kirk gave an update on the CV Link project.

**6. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR EVANS AND SECONDED BY MAYOR MATAS TO:**

- A. APPROVE SEPTEMBER 25, 2017 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES**
- B. AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO SIGN CATHEDRAL CITY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT IN AMOUNT OF \$51,500 FOR THE CVAG REGIONAL HOMELESS PROGRAM**
- C. APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH SPRUCE PACE, LLC TO IMPLEMENT REGIONAL PROGRAM IN THE COACHELLA VALLEY WITH CVAG OVERSIGHT**
- D. DIRECT STAFF TO SEND A LETTER EXPRESSING CONCERNS ABOUT THE POTENTIAL IMPACTS OF INCREASING THE VEHICLE ENTRY FEES AT JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK**
- E. ADOPT NEW CALTRANS PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING (A&E) CONSULTANT CONTRACTS**
- F. AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT #4 FOR A CONTRACT EXTENSION WITH ALTA PLANNING & DESIGN FOR CV LINK TO JUNE 30, 2018**
- G. AUTHORIZE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT WITH HEALTH ASSESSMENT AND RESEARCH FOR COMMUNITIES (HARC) TO CONDUCT THIRD PARTY EVALUATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,400 FOR EVALUATION OF CV HOUSING FIRST**
- H. APPROVE ADDITION OF AN EX-OFFICIO REPRESENTATIVE FROM RIVERSIDE COUNTY 5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT ON THE ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**THE MOTION CARRIED ON ITEMS 6A, B, C, D, E, G, AND H WITH 12 AYES AND 5 MEMBERS ABSENT. THE MOTION CARRIED ON ITEM 6F WITH 11 AYES, 1 ABSTAINMENT, AND 5 MEMBERS ABSENT.**

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| <b>MAYOR DECONINCK</b> | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR HENRY</b>     | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR HERNANDEZ</b> | <b>ABSENT</b> |
| <b>MAYOR MATAS</b>     | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR BALACCO</b>   | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR HOLMES</b>    | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR EVANS</b>     | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR HARNIK</b>    | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR MOON</b>      | <b>AYE</b>    |

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| COUNCILMEMBER HOBART  | AYE (ABSTAINED ON ITEM 6F) |
| SUPERVISOR JEFFRIES   | ABSENT                     |
| SUPERVISOR TAVAGLIONE | ABSENT                     |
| SUPERVISOR WASHINGTON | ABSENT                     |
| SUPERVISOR PEREZ      | AYE                        |
| SUPERVISOR ASHLEY     | AYE                        |
| TRIBAL CHAIR GRUBBE   | AYE                        |
| TRIBAL CHAIR WELMAS   | ABSENT                     |

**6.1 ITEM(S) HELD OVER FROM CONSENT CALENDAR-NONE**

**6.2 CLOSED SESSION MOVED TO END OF THE MEETING**

**7. DISCUSSION / ACTION**

**A. Coachella Valley-San Gorgonio Pass Rail Corridor Service Update – Riverside County Transportation Commission**

Councilmember Dana Reed, Indian Wells, Vice Chair of the Riverside County Transportation Commission, introduced Anne Mayer, Executive Director of Riverside County Transportation Commission. Anne Mayer gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Coachella Valley-San Gorgonio Pass Rail Corridor Service.

**B. Community Choice Aggregation: Agreement between CVAG and Desert Community Energy for Implementation and Management Services – Katie Barrows**

Katie Barrows presented the staff report. A brief discussion ensued.

**IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR HENRY AND SECONDED BY MAYOR MOON TO AUTHORIZE:**

- 1) THE CHAIR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH DESERT COMMUNITY ENERGY FOR CVAG TO PROVIDE IMPLEMENTATION AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR A COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION PROGRAM FOR THE COACHELLA VALLEY REGION;**
- 2) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A COST SHARING AGREEMENT WITH WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AND LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY CHOICE ENERGY FOR LEGAL SERVICES RELATED TO THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION PROCEEDING R17-06-026, REVIEW OF THE POWER CHARGE INDIFFERENCE ADJUSTMENT, FOR NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000 AS CVAG’S SHARE;**
- 3) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A COST SHARING AGREEMENT WITH LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY CHOICE ENERGY AND WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS FOR CONSULTING SERVICES RELATED TO THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION PROCEEDING R17-06-026 REVIEW OF THE POWER**

**CHARGE INDIFFERENCE ADJUSTMENT, FOR NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000  
AS CVAG'S SHARE.**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 8 AYES, 4 ABSTAINATIONS AND 5 MEMBERS ABSENT.**

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| <b>MAYOR DECONINCK</b>       | <b>AYE</b>     |
| <b>MAYOR HENRY</b>           | <b>AYE</b>     |
| <b>MAYOR HERNANDEZ</b>       | <b>ABSENT</b>  |
| <b>MAYOR MATAS</b>           | <b>ABSTAIN</b> |
| <b>MAYOR BALACCO</b>         | <b>ABSTAIN</b> |
| <b>MAYOR HOLMES</b>          | <b>ABSTAIN</b> |
| <b>MAYOR EVANS</b>           | <b>AYE</b>     |
| <b>MAYOR HARNIK</b>          | <b>AYE</b>     |
| <b>MAYOR MOON</b>            | <b>AYE</b>     |
| <b>COUNCILMEMBER HOBART</b>  | <b>ABSTAIN</b> |
| <b>SUPERVISOR JEFFRIES</b>   | <b>ABSENT</b>  |
| <b>SUPERVISOR TAVAGLIONE</b> | <b>ABSENT</b>  |
| <b>SUPERVISOR WASHINGTON</b> | <b>ABSENT</b>  |
| <b>SUPERVISOR PEREZ</b>      | <b>AYE</b>     |
| <b>SUPERVISOR ASHLEY</b>     | <b>AYE</b>     |
| <b>TRIBAL CHAIR GRUBBE</b>   | <b>AYE</b>     |
| <b>TRIBAL CHAIR WELMAS</b>   | <b>ABSENT</b>  |

**C. Cap and Trade Advocacy Efforts – Erica Felci**

Erica Felci presented the staff report. A brief discussion ensued.

**IT WAS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR PEREZ AND SECONDED BY MAYOR HENRY TO CREATE A CAP AND TRADE AD HOC COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE OF COMMUNITIES IN THE COACHELLA VALLEY WITH OPPORTUNITIES TO COMPETE FOR FUTURE FUNDING CYCLES ASSOCIATED WITH DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES AND**

- 1) APPOINT THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS: SUPERVISOR V. MANUEL PEREZ; INDIO MAYOR PRO TEM MICHAEL WILSON; CATHEDRAL CITY MAYOR PRO TEM GREG PETTIS; AND TO-BE-NAMED OFFICIALS FROM THE CITY OF COACHELLA AND THE CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS AND THE AGUA CALIENTE BAND OF CAHUILLA INDIANS; AND**
- 2) SEEK ADDITIONAL STAFF SUPPORT FROM THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS AND SUNLINE TRANSIT AGENCY.**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 12 AYES AND 5 MEMBERS ABSENT.**

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| <b>MAYOR DECONINCK</b> | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR HENRY</b>     | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR HERNANDEZ</b> | <b>ABSENT</b> |
| <b>MAYOR MATAS</b>     | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR BALACCO</b>   | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR HOLMES</b>    | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR EVANS</b>     | <b>AYE</b>    |

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| MAYOR HARNIK          | AYE    |
| MAYOR MOON            | AYE    |
| COUNCILMEMBER HOBART  | AYE    |
| SUPERVISOR JEFFRIES   | ABSENT |
| SUPERVISOR TAVAGLIONE | ABSENT |
| SUPERVISOR WASHINGTON | ABSENT |
| SUPERVISOR PEREZ      | AYE    |
| SUPERVISOR ASHLEY     | AYE    |
| TRIBAL CHAIR GRUBBE   | AYE    |
| TRIBAL CHAIR WELMAS   | ABSENT |

**D. 2017 CVAG Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Program – Eric Cowle**

Mr. Cowle presented the staff report.

**IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR MATAS AND SECONDED BY MAYOR MOON TO APPROVE TEN PROJECT REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENTS SUBMITTED FOR THE CVAG 2017 BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY PROGRAM, AND \$247,500 IN ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR SIGNAL SYNCHRONIZATION COMPONENTS IN THE DESERT HOT SPRINGS PROJECT.**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 12 AYES AND 5 MEMBERS ABSENT.**

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| MAYOR DECONINCK       | AYE    |
| MAYOR HENRY           | AYE    |
| MAYOR HERNANDEZ       | AYE    |
| MAYOR MATAS           | AYE    |
| MAYOR BALACCO         | AYE    |
| MAYOR HOLMES          | AYE    |
| MAYOR EVANS           | AYE    |
| MAYOR HARNIK          | AYE    |
| MAYOR MOON            | AYE    |
| COUNCILMEMBER HOBART  | AYE    |
| SUPERVISOR JEFFRIES   | ABSENT |
| SUPERVISOR TAVAGLIONE | ABSENT |
| SUPERVISOR WASHINGTON | ABSENT |
| SUPERVISOR PEREZ      | AYE    |
| SUPERVISOR ASHLEY     | AYE    |
| TRIBAL CHAIR GRUBBE   | ABSENT |
| TRIBAL CHAIR WELMAS   | ABSENT |

**E. Amendment Number Three to the Agreement with the City of Indio to Improve Highway 111 between Rubidoux Street and 760' west of Madison Street – Eric Cowle**

Eric Cowle presented the staff report. Member discussion ensued.

**IT WAS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR PEREZ AND SECONDED BY MAYOR HOLMES TO APPROVE AMENDMENT NUMBER THREE TO THE AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF INDIO TO IMPROVE HIGHWAY 111 BETWEEN RUBIDOUX STREET AND 760' WEST OF**

**MADISON STREET TO INCREASE CVAG'S REGIONAL SHARE OF THE PROJECT COST TO \$6,933,335.49, AN INCREASE OF \$1,863,355.49.**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 12 AYES AND 5 MEMBERS ABSENT.**

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| <b>MAYOR DECONINCK</b>       | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR HENRY</b>           | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR HERNANDEZ</b>       | <b>ABSENT</b> |
| <b>MAYOR MATAS</b>           | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR BALACCO</b>         | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR HOLMES</b>          | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR EVANS</b>           | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR HARNIK</b>          | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR MOON</b>            | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>COUNCILMEMBER HOBART</b>  | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>SUPERVISOR JEFFRIES</b>   | <b>ABSENT</b> |
| <b>SUPERVISOR TAVAGLIONE</b> | <b>ABSENT</b> |
| <b>SUPERVISOR WASHINGTON</b> | <b>ABSENT</b> |
| <b>SUPERVISOR PEREZ</b>      | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>SUPERVISOR ASHLEY</b>     | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>TRIBAL CHAIR GRUBBE</b>   | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>TRIBAL CHAIR WELMAS</b>   | <b>ABSENT</b> |

**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) Executive Committee Attendance Roster
- e) RCTC Letter
- f) League of California Cities Public Safety Issues Update
- g) CVAG Homeless Program Updates
- h) Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Consumer Protection Legislation: SB 242 and AB 1284
- i) CVAG Quarterly Report

**9. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**Technical Advisory Committee – Monday, January 8, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.**

**Executive Committee – Monday, January 29, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.**

**THE COMMITTEE ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION AT 4:50 P.M.**

**6.2 CLOSED SESSION**

The Board finds, based on advice from the General Counsel, that discussion in open session of the following described matter will prejudice the position of the Association in existing litigation:

**PENDING LITIGATION: Gov't Code section 54956.9(d)(1)**

*Ferguson v. Coachella Valley Association of Governments, et al., Riverside County Superior Court Case No. PSC 1705629*

**THE COMMITTEE ADJOURNED CLOSED SESSION INTO THE REGULAR MEETING AT 5:17 P.M.**

Mike Jenkins announced there was no reportable action from the Closed Session

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Ashley adjourned the meeting at 5:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Cheryll Dahlin*

Cheryll Dahlin  
Management Analyst