

**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
FEBRUARY 13, 2012**



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

1. CALL TO ORDER

The February 13, 2012 Technical Advisory Committee meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Chair Alex Gann, in the CVAG Conference Room #119, Palm Desert.

2. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS/ALTERNATES PRESENT

David Lane
Andy Hall
David Garcia
Rick Daniels
Mel Windsor
Dan Martinez
John Falconer
John Wohlmuth
Tom Wilson
Randy Bynder
Tom Davis

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
Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Paul Slama

AGENCY

Cabazon Band of Mission Indians

OTHERS PRESENT

Pat Conlon
Jennifer Farr
Robert Manning
Melissa Wightman
Bill Simons
Steve Smith

AGENCY

EcoMotion
Mayer Hoffman McCann P.C.
Southwest Rail
City of Palm Desert
City of Cathedral City
City of Blythe

STAFF PRESENT

Tom Kirk
Allyn Waggle
Gary Leong
Aurora Wilson
Katie Barrows
Jim Sullivan

Jacob Alvarez
Mike Shoberg
Joanna Stueckle

3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Robert Manning, Southwest Rail invited members to attend a tour of Union Station in Los Angeles. Mr. Manning gave members the details of the trip and indicated that several Transportation Committee members would be attending.

4. **TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Tom Kirk announced the March 9th Ribbon Cutting ceremony for Palm Drive/Gene Autry and Indian Avenue Interchanges. The ceremony will begin at 9 a.m. and held at the same site as the ground breaking ceremony near Indian Avenue.

5. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

IT WAS MOVED BY TOM DAVIS AND SECONDED BY RICK DANIES TO:

A. **APPROVE THE JANUARY 13, 2012 TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

B. **APPROVE THE EXISTING INVESTMENT POLICY OF CVAG**

THE MOTION CARRIED.

C. **Receive and File**

1) Status of Five I-10 Interchange Projects

2) CVAG Regional Arterial Program – Project Status Report

3) Local Proportionate Share Calculation for Date Palm Drive Interchange Project as Prepared by Urban Crossroads

4) Executive Committee and Technical Advisory Committee Attendance Roster

THESE ITEMS WERE RECEIVED AND FILED.

4. **DISCUSSION/ACTION**

A. **Draft Audited Financial Report, Draft Statement on Auditing Standards (SAS) 114 Letter, and Draft Management Letter for Fiscal Year 2010/11 – Gary Leong**

IT WAS MOVED BY DAVID LANE AND SECONDED BY TOM DAVIS TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE REPORTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010/11. THE MOTION CARRIED.

B. **Single-Use Plastic Bag Ordinance – Katie Barrows**

No action was taken.

C. Green for Life Update – Katie Barrows

Katie gave members an update on this item. No action was taken.

D. Consider Policy Statement Regarding Use of Transportation Related Funds to Support Construction of the Whitewater Parkway 1e11 Project and Authorize a Regional Application for South Coast AQMD Emissions Reduction funding in Support of the Parkway 1e11 Project – Tom Kirk

IT WAS MOVED BY DAVID LANE AND SECONDED BY RANDY BYNDER TO RECOMMEND THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

- 1) AUTHORIZE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR EMISSION OFFSET MITIGATION FUNDS FROM THE SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT FOR EMISSIONS REDUCTION PROJECTS TO BE IMPLEMENTED UNDER THE AB 1318 MITIGATION FEES FUND PROVIDED BY THE CPV SENTINEL ENERGY PROJECT POWER PLANT; AND**
- 2) AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO COMPLETE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO DEVELOP AND SUBMIT THIS GRANT APPLICATION.**

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY ON ITEMS 1 AND 2.

- 3) REQUEST LETTERS OF SUPPORT, COMMITMENT, OR PARTICIPATION FROM MEMBER AGENCIES, SIGNED BY THE CITY MANAGER, OR AS REQUIRED BY THE GRANT PROGRAM; AND**
- 4) AUTHORIZE CVAG TRANSPORTATION FUNDS TO BE USED AS A POTENTIAL MATCH AS LONG AS SUCH FUNDING DOES NOT DELAY CONSTRUCTION OF ANY CURRENTLY OBLIGATED PROJECT OR DELAY ANY OTHER PENDING HIGH PRIORITY PROJECT.**

NO POSITION TAKEN ON ITEMS 3 AND 4.

E. Consider Agreement with the City of Cathedral City for Improvements to Date Palm Drive and Vista Chino Drive – Allyn Waggle

IT WAS MOVED BY TOM DAVIS AND SECONDED BY RICK DANIELS TO APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF CATHEDRAL CITY FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO DATE PALM DRIVE AND VISTA CHINO DRIVE IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$560,062.

F. County Fast Track Legislation – Tom Freeman

Tom Freeman was unable to attend the meeting. Chair Gann briefly discussed the topic and indicated that he would follow up with Mr. Freeman.

5. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

No report was given.

8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

Technical Advisory Committee – Monday, April 9, 2012, 10:30 a.m.

Executive Committee – Monday, February 27, 2012, 4:30 p.m.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:41 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanna Stueckle

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