

ITEM 6A

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
JULY 7, 2014**



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

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Transportation Committee meeting was called to order on Monday, July 7, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. by Councilmember Jan Harnik, City of Palm Desert.

2. ROLL CALL

A roll call was taken and it was determined that a quorum was present.

MEMBERS/ALTERNATES PRESENT

Councilmember Joey De Coninck
Councilmember Greg Pettis
Mayor Eduardo Garcia
Mayor Adam Sanchez
Councilmember Douglas Hanson
Mayor Michael Wilson
Councilmember Terry Henderson
Councilmember Jan Harnik
Councilmember Ginny Foat
Councilmember Ted Weill
Supervisor John Benoit

AGENCY

City of Blythe (Via Video Conferencing)
City of Cathedral City
City of Coachella (Arrived for Item 8A)
City of Desert Hot Springs
City of Indian Wells
City of Indio
City of La Quinta
City of Palm Desert
City of Palm Springs (Arrived for Item 8A)
City of Rancho Mirage
County of Riverside

EX-OFFICIO/NON-VOTING MEMBERS

Lauren Skiver

AGENCY

SunLine Transit Agency (Non-Voting Member)

MEMBERS/ALTERNATES ABSENT

Tribal Councilmember Anthony Andreas

AGENCY

Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians

ALSO PRESENT

John Criste
Ramona Felix
Julian Garcia
Nancy Gonzales
Michael Jones
Robert Manning
Angelo Montez
Phenvana Panpradith
Margaret Park
Kay Toliver
Roger Snoble
Chia-Chi Wang

AGENCY

Terra Nova Planning & Research
Lideres Companies

Lideres Companies
SunLine Transit Agency
Southwest Rail
Lideres Companies
SunLine Transit Agency
Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians
CHJ Consultants
Consultant
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STAFF PRESENT

Tom Kirk
Allyn Waggle
Gary Leong
Michael Shoberg
Aurora Wilson
Joanna Stueckle

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Ted Weill led members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

5. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE/DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Tom Kirk announced that the General Assembly had good attendance, adding the comment that Hasan Ikhtrata gave an informative presentation.

Mr. Kirk indicated that the Mobility 21 Conference will be held at the Disneyland Hotel on September 5, 2014.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Foat asked that Item 6D be pulled from the Consent Calendar and questioned whether the changes would apply to all contracts including old ones. Mr. Kirk indicated the changes would apply to new agreements.

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR WILSON AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER HANSON TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR.

- A. APPROVE THE APRIL 7, 2014 TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MINUTES**
- B. CONTINUE ANY ACTION ON AMENDMENT NUMBER FOUR FOR THE INTERCHANGE PROJECT AT DATE PALM DRIVE AND INTERSTATE 10 TO THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING OF AUGUST 25, 2014**
- C. APPROVE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING TO BOND PROCEEDS FUNDING AGREEMENT BETWEEN CVAG AND THE CITY OF PALM DESERT AND ESTABLISH AN ACCOUNT WITH THE CALIFORNIA ASSET MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (CAMP) FOR THE BOND PROCEEDS.**

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MEMBERS DECONINCK, PETTIS, GARCIA, SANCHEZ, HANSON, WILSON, HENDERSON, HARNIK, FOAT, AND WEILL VOTING AYE; SUPERVISOR BENOIT ABSENT; AND MEMBER PETTIS VOTING NAY TO ITEM 6B.

E. Receive and File

- 1) Status of I-10 Interchange Projects

- 2) CVAG Regional Arterial Program – Project Status Report
- 3) CV Link Status Report
- 4) Transportation Committee Attendance Roster
- 5) Update on Coachella Valley Rail Service Development Plan

THESE ITEMS WERE RECEIVED AND FILED.

7. ITEM(S) HELD OVER FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

After discussion of Item 6D, action was taken on that item.

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR WILSON AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER FOAT TO NOT APPROVE THE RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT LANGUAGE AND LEAVE THE LANGUAGE AS IS. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MEMBERS DECONINCK, PETTIS, GARCIA, SANCHEZ, HANSON, WILSON, HENDERSON, HARNIK, FOAT, WEILL AND BENOIT VOTING AYE.

8. DISCUSSION / ACTION

A. Election of Transportation Committee Chair and Vice Chair for Fiscal Year 2014/ 2015 – Tom Kirk

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR WILSON AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER HANSON TO ELECT COUNCILMEMBER WEILL AS THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE FY 14/15 CHAIR. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MEMBERS DECONINCK, PETTIS, GARCIA, SANCHEZ, HANSON, WILSON, HENDERSON, HARNIK, FOAT, WEILL AND BENOIT VOTING AYE.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER HENDERSON AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER HARNIK TO ELECT COUNCILMEMBER HANSON AS THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE VICE CHAIR FOR FY 14/15. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MEMBERS DECONINCK, PETTIS, GARCIA, SANCHEZ, HANSON, WILSON, HENDERSON, HARNIK, FOAT, WEILL AND BENOIT VOTING AYE.

B. Approval of Projects for MAP 21 CMAQ Funds – Aurora Wilson

Staff gave a presentation on this item. The Transportation Committee discussed the item and asked that staff provide clarification of the street sweeping projects when the item moves forward for approval by the Executive Committee.

Public comments were taken by Nancy Gonzalez and Ramona Felix, both speaking in favor of the van pool project.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER HENDERSON AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER FOAT TO:

- 1) **APPROVE THE LIST OF PROPOSED PROJECTS IN ATTACHMENT 1 FOR MAP 21 CMAQ FUNDING; AND**

- 2) **AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ISSUE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR A SCOPE OF WORK FOR A REGIONAL SIGNAL SYNCHRONIZATION PROGRAM; AND**
- 3) **DIRECT THE PROJECTS BE SUBMITTED TO THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (RCTC) FOR APPROVAL AND INCLUSION IN THE NEXT AMENDMENT TO THE FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (FTIP).**

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MEMBERS DECONINCK, PETTIS, GARCIA, SANCHEZ, HANSON, WILSON, HENDERSON, HARNIK, FOAT, WEILL AND BENOIT VOTING AYE.

- C. Consider Agreement with the City of Indio to Provide Funds to Supplement Highway Bridge Program Grant Funds for the Avenue 44 Bridge Project – Allyn Waggle**

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER FOAT AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER HARNIK TO APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF INDIO TO PROVIDE 75% OF THE LOCAL SHARE OF COSTS TO SUPPLEMENT A HIGHWAY BRIDGE PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE AVENUE 44 BRIDGE PROJECT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,654,260, AS THE CVAG REGIONAL SHARE OF PROJECT COSTS. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MEMBERS DECONINCK, PETTIS, GARCIA, SANCHEZ, HANSON, WILSON, HENDERSON, HARNIK, FOAT, WEILL AND BENOIT VOTING AYE.

- D. Project Level Environmental Documentation Contract for the CV Link – Michael Shoberg**

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR WILSON AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BENOIT TO APPROVE THE ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION SERVICES (CEQA EIR/NEPA EA) FOR THE CV LINK TO TERRA NOVA PLANNING & RESEARCH, INC. FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$800,000 WITH AN OPTION OF AN ADDITIONAL \$125,000 IF A NEPA EIS IS REQUIRED AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO SIGN THE CONTRACT. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MEMBERS DECONINCK, PETTIS, GARCIA, SANCHEZ, HANSON, WILSON, HARNIK, FOAT, WEILL AND BENOIT VOTING AYE AND COUNCILMEMBER HENDERSON VOTING NAY.

- E. Award of Final Engineering and Design Contract for the CV Link – Michael Shoberg**

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER FOAT AND SECONDED BY MAYOR WILSON TO APPROVE THE ENGINEERING AND DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE CV LINK TO ALTA PLANNING + DESIGN FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,217,000 PLUS A 10% CONTINGENCY AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO SIGN THE CONTRACT. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MEMBERS DECONINCK, PETTIS, GARCIA, SANCHEZ, HANSON, WILSON, HARNIK, FOAT, WEILL AND BENOIT VOTING AYE AND COUNCILMEMBER HENDERSON VOTING NAY.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Transportation Committee – Monday, August 25, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. (Due to the Labor Day Holiday)

Executive Committee – Monday, July 28, 2014 at 4:30 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanna Stueckle

Executive Assistant