

ITEM 6A

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
FEBRUARY 2, 2015**



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, February 2, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. by Councilmember Ted Weill, City of Rancho Mirage.

2. ROLL CALL

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

MEMBERS/ALTERNATES PRESENT

Councilmember Joey De Coninck
Mayor Pro Tem Greg Pettis
Mayor Adam Sanchez
Councilmember Dana Reed
Councilmember Troy Strange
Councilmember Robert Radi
Councilmember Jan Harnik
Councilmember Ginny Foat
Councilmember Ted Weill
Bob Lyman (Alternate)

AGENCY

City of Blythe (Via Video Conferencing)
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

MEMBERS/ALTERNATES ABSENT

Mayor Pro Tem Manuel Perez
Tribal Councilmember Anthony Andreas
Lauren Skiver

AGENCY

City of Coachella
Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians
SunLine Transit Agency (Non-Voting Member)

ALSO PRESENT

Michael Hasson
Michael Hirsch
Jacqueline Lopez
Margaret Park
Paul Rodriguez
Craig Westmann

AGENCY

Leadership Counsel

Assemblyman Eduardo Garcia's Office
Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians
Rodriguez Construction Group
SEMA Construction

STAFF PRESENT

Tom Kirk
Allyn Waggle
Gary Leong
LeGrand Velez
Mark Chappell
Lance Albrecht
Joanna Stueckle

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Robert Radi led members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

5. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE/DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Tom Kirk announced that the start of the Jefferson Street Interchange Project was near and that a ground breaking ceremony is currently being planned March 20th.

Mr. Kirk also announced that the Monterey ramp improvements were near completion, adding that there would be a very brief ribbon cutting ceremony just before the opening of the ramp.

A brief discussion ensued regarding the RCTC Workshop which was attended by several Transportation Committee members.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER HARNIK AND SECONDED BY MAYOR SANCHEZ TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR.

A. APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 3, 2014 TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MINUTES.

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MEMBERS DE CONINCK, PETTIS, SANCHEZ, REED, STRANGE, RADI, HARNIK, FOAT, WEILL, AND LYMAN VOTING AYE; AND MEMBERS PEREZ AND ANDREAS ABSENT.

B. 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

THESE ITEMS WERE RECEIVED AND FILED.

6.1 ITEM(S) HELD OVER FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

None.

7. DISCUSSION / ACTION

A. Election of Transportation Committee Vice Chairman for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2014/ 2015 – Tom Kirk

IT WAS MOVED BY CHAIR WEILL AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER HARNIK TO ELECT COUNCILMEMBER FOAT TO SERVE AS VICE CHAIRMAN FOR THE REMAINDER OF FISCAL YEAR 2014/ 2015.

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MEMBERS DE CONINCK, PETTIS, SANCHEZ, REED, STRANGE, RADI, HARNIK, FOAT, WEILL, AND LYMAN VOTING AYE; AND MEMBERS PEREZ AND ANDREAS ABSENT.

B. Consider Changes to CVAG Policies and Procedures Manual – Allyn Waggle

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER HARNIK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER RADI TO APPROVE CHANGES IN CVAG POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MEMBERS DE CONINCK, PETTIS, SANCHEZ, REED, STRANGE, RADI, HARNIK, FOAT, WEILL, AND LYMAN VOTING AYE; AND MEMBERS PEREZ AND ANDREAS ABSENT.

C. Consider Reimbursement Agreement between CVAG and the City of Coachella for Improvement of Avenue 50 between Calhoun Street and Harrison Street – Allyn Waggle

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR SANCHEZ AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER HARNIK TO APPROVE A REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN CVAG AND THE CITY OF COACHELLA FOR IMPROVEMENT OF AVENUE 50 BETWEEN CALHOUN STREET AND HARRISON STREET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,375,000 (75% OF QUALIFIED COSTS). THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MEMBERS DE CONINCK, PETTIS, SANCHEZ, REED, STRANGE, RADI, HARNIK, FOAT, WEILL, AND LYMAN VOTING AYE; AND MEMBERS PEREZ AND ANDREAS ABSENT.

D. Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee Nexus Advisory Committee – Mark Chappell

IT WAS MOVED BY CHAIR WEILL AND SECONDED BY MAYOR SANCHEZ TO APPOINT COUNCILMEMBER HARNIK AND COUNCILMEMBER FOAT TO SERVE ON A TUMF NEXUS ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE 2015 UPDATE TO THE TUMF NEXUS STUDY. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MEMBERS DE CONINCK, PETTIS, SANCHEZ, REED, STRANGE, RADI, HARNIK, FOAT, WEILL, AND LYMAN VOTING AYE; AND MEMBERS PEREZ AND ANDREAS ABSENT.

E. CV Link Spurs Development – LeGrand Velez

LeGrand Velez gave a presentation on the development of the CV Link Spurs. The following Public Comment was also received:

Michele Hasson, Leadership Counsel, applauded the work that had been done regarding the addition of spurs to the CV Link plan. Ms. Hasson requested that future spur projects address the environmental justice areas.

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR SANCHEZ AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER FOAT TO AUTHORIZE STAFF TO PROCEED WITH DEVELOPMENT OF PROPOSED CV LINK SPUR PROJECTS, INCLUDING SPENDING UP TO \$40,000 ON TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO PREPARE GRANT APPLICATIONS TO SECURE FUNDING FOR INITIAL PLANNING, ENGINEERING AND ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE SERVICES. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MEMBERS DE CONINCK, PETTIS, SANCHEZ, REED, STRANGE, RADI, HARNIK, FOAT, WEILL, AND LYMAN VOTING AYE; AND MEMBERS PEREZ AND ANDREAS ABSENT.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Michael Hirsch, addressed the Transportation Committee, apologizing for missing the Public Comment item on the agenda. Mr. Hirsch wished to discuss Date Palm Drive issues between SEMA and the County of Riverside. Mr. Kirk indicated that staff would work with Mr. Hirsch and asked that

Mr. Hirsch submit his findings.

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

Transportation Committee – Monday, April 6, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

Executive Committee – Monday, February 23, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:58 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanna Stueckle

Executive Assistant