

**ITEM 5B**

**COACHELLA VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS  
HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 15, 2017**



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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) Homelessness Committee meeting was called to order on Wednesday, February 15, 2017 10:01 a.m. by Sabby Jonathan, Chair, at CVAG Offices, 73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Suite 119, Palm Desert, CA 92260.

**2. ROLL CALL**

A roll call was conducted and it was determined that a quorum was present. Those in attendance were as follows:

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Councilmember Mark Carnevale  
Councilmember Betty Sanchez  
Councilmember Joe McKee  
Councilmember Ted Mertens  
Councilmember Lupe Ramos Watson  
Mayor Pro Tem Sabby Jonathan (Chair)  
Mayor Pro Tem Ginny Foat  
Mayor Pro Tem Charles Townsend  
John Aguilar

**AGENCY**

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

**EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT**

Darla Burkett  
Angelina Coe, CEO  
Linda Barrack, CEO  
Julie Bornstein, CEO  
Kristii MacEwen, Director of Housing  
Kristina Starkey, Donor Relations Director  
Ray Osborne, Executive Director

**AGENCY**

Coachella Valley Rescue Mission (CVRM)  
Shelter from the Storm-CoC Representative  
Martha's Village and Kitchen  
Coachella Valley Housing Coalition  
Path of Life Ministries-CoC Representative  
The Salvation Army  
HomeAid Inland Empire

**MEMBERS & EX-OFFICIOS ABSENT**

Mayor Pro Tem John Pena  
Paul Flores

**AGENCY**

City of La Quinta  
Health to Hope

**SUPPORT STAFF PRESENT**

Tom Kirk, Executive Director  
Cheryll Dahlin, Management Analyst  
Gary Leong  
Erica Felci  
Jill Kowalski, Admin. Manager

**AGENCY**

CVAG  
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Riverside County DPSS

Lynne Brockmeier  
Le McClellan

Riverside University Health System  
Roy's Desert Resource Center

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Kathleen Kelly, Councilmember, Palm Desert  
Angie Cora, Housing Agent, Path of Life  
Francisco Ramos, ADEM Delegate, California Democratic Party  
Henry Hampton  
Jeff Moritz, President, Convergent Center  
Jessica Meza, Regional Coordinator, Catholic Charities  
Patrick Weiss, Delegate, ADEM  
Steve Finger  
Coby Webb, RSO  
Tom Cox, CVRM  
Jocelyn Guerrero, Probation Officer  
Jonathan Brewa  
Robyn Kelley, RI International  
Erica Harnik, BIA

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Vice-Chair Joe McKee led the pledge of allegiance.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Steve Finger spoke in regards to lack of homeless services in the Valley.

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**IT WAS MOVED BY MEMBER MCKEE AND SECONDED BY MEMBER TOWNSEND TO:**

- A. APPROVE OF MINUTES AUGUST 17, 2016**
- B. AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO SIGN A TIME AND MATERIALS CONTRACT FOR \$15,000 WITH RONALD A. STEWART, PH.D.**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 1 ABSTENTION ON 5A AND 8 AYES on 5B with 9 AYES.**

<b>MEMBER CARNEVALE</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER SANCHEZ</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER MCKEE</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER MERTENS</b>	<b>AYE 5B, ABSTAIN 5A</b>
<b>MEMBER RAMOS WATSON</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER PENA</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
<b>MEMBER JONATHAN</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER FOAT</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER TOWNSEND</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER AGUILAR</b>	<b>AYE</b>

6. **DISCUSSION/ACTION**

- A. **CVAG Homelessness Committee Ex-Officio Representative Appointments 2017-2018—Cheryll Dahlin**

**IT WAS MOVED BY MEMBER SANCHEZ AND MEMBER AGUILAR TO:**

**APPROVE THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES TO SERVE AS EX-OFFICIO REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE CVAG HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS BEGINNING FEBRUARY 2017:**

**MARTHA’S VILLAGE AND KITCHEN, LINDA BARRACK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR;  
COACHELLA VALLEY HOUSING COALITION, JULIE BORNSTEIN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR;  
COACHELLA VALLEY RESCUE MISSION, DARLA BURKETT, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR;  
HEALTH TO HOPE, PAUL FLORES, OUTREACH DIRECTOR;  
HOMEAIDE INLAND EMPIRE, RAY OSBORNE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR;  
THE SALVATION ARMY, KRISTINA STARKEY, DONOR RELATIONS DIRECTOR**

**RIVERSIDE COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE REPRESENTATIVES:  
SHELTER FROM THE STORM, ANGELINA COE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
PATH OF LIFE MINISTRIES, KRISTI MCEWEN, DIRECTOR OF HOUSING**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 9 AYES AND 1 ABSENT.**

<b>MEMBER CARNEVALE</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER SANCHEZ</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER MCKEE</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER MERTENS</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER RAMOS WATSON</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER PENA</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
<b>MEMBER JONATHAN</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER FOAT</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER TOWNSEND</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER AGUILAR</b>	<b>AYE</b>

- B. **Community Outreach Resource Program Regionalization—Cheryll Dahlin**

Cheryll Dahlin gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Community Outreach Resource Program, along with Tom Cox from Coachella Valley Rescue Mission.

**Recommendation: (1) Approve CVAG Chair to sign CVAG Resolution No. 17-001 and; (2) Approve Model Resolution to Regionalize Community Outreach Resource Program.**

**A discussion ensued amongst committee members.**

**IT WAS MOVED BY MEMBER FOAT AND SECONDED BY MEMBER RAMOS-WATSON TO:**

**TABLE THE ITEM, SO THAT MEMBERS MAY TAKE THIS ITEM TO THEIR RESPECTIVE CITIES AND DISCUSS WITH THEIR FELLOW COUNCILMEMBERS.**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 6 AYES, 3 NAY, AND 1 ABSENT.**

<b>MEMBER CARNEVALE</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER SANCHEZ</b>	<b>NAY</b>
<b>MEMBER MCKEE</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER MERTENS</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER RAMOS WATSON</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER PENA</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
<b>MEMBER JONATHAN</b>	<b>NAY</b>
<b>MEMBER FOAT</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER TOWNSEND</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER AGUILAR</b>	<b>NAY</b>

**C. Roy's Desert Resource Center Transition Update—Ronald A. Stewart, Ph.D**

Ron Stewart gave a brief update on the program transition.

**D. Permanent Housing Solutions Program Funding 2017-18**

Cheryll Dahlin gave a PowerPoint presentation on permanent housing solutions program funding.

A discussion ensued. The committee members agreed that a letter should be sent to cities for possible funding contributions to regional homelessness efforts.

**7. CONTINUUM OF CARE RIVERSIDE COUNTY / EX-OFFICIO AND DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Kristii MacEwen would like recommendations from the committee for updates from the Continuum of Care.

Angelina Coe would like to thank the committee for the continuance of the committee.

Ray Osborne asked a question about Roy's transition.

Lynne Brockmeier gave a brief update on Roy's transition into a residential board and care.

Linda Barrack gave a brief update on homelessness of families.

Member McKee wanted to thank the County on the Homeless Point in Time count.

Member Foat wanted to thank the Ex-Officio members for their participation.

Member Sanchez wanted to thank the committee for its work.

**8. INFORMATION**

**1. Committee Attendance Roster**

2. **2016 Alan Seman Bus Pass Program Report**
3. **Roy's Desert Resource Center Reports (October 2016-January 2017)**
4. **Roy's Computer Lab Reports (September 2016-November 2016)**

9. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Upcoming Regularly Scheduled Meetings at CVAG, 73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Palm Desert, Conference Room 119:**

**Homelessness Committee—Wednesday, April 19, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.**

The committee changed this date to March 15, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

**Executive Committee—Monday, February 27, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.**

10. **ADJOURN**

**The meeting adjourned at 12:04 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted by,  
Cheryll Dahlin  
Management Analyst, CVAG

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