

**ITEM 7A**

**COACHELLA VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS  
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 8, 2017**



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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) Public Safety Committee meeting was called to order on Monday, May 8, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. by Vice Chair Russell Betts, Councilmember, City of Coachella, at CVAG offices, 73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Conference Room 119, Palm Desert, California 92260-2516.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Following roll call it was determined that a quorum was present.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Councilmember Mark Carnevale  
Councilmember Betty Sanchez (**Chair**)  
Councilmember Russell Betts (**Vice-Chair**)  
Councilmember Ted Mertens  
Councilmember Glenn Miller  
Councilmember John Pena  
Mayor Pro Tem Sabby Jonathan  
Mayor Robert Moon  
Councilmember Iris Smotrich  
Sheriff Stan Sniff Jr.

**AGENCY**

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  
County of Riverside

**EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dale Mondary, Chief  
Kevin Nadler, Fire Chief  
David LaClair  
Michelle Paradise, DDA  
Roy Grace, Captain  
Capt. Laura Quattlebaum, Commander  
Ron Miller, Chief Deputy  
David Teets, Captain  
Captain Eric Moss  
Johnny Romero, Assistant Chief

Desert Hot Springs Police Department  
Palm Springs Fire Department  
Asst. Chief Riverside County Fire Dept.  
Riverside County District Attorney  
Riverside County Sheriff – Thermal/LQ  
California Highway Patrol  
Riverside County Probation  
Pam Desert Sheriff Station  
Cathedral City Police Department  
Indio Police Department

**MEMBERS AND EX-OFFICIOS NOT PRESENT**

Margaret Muhr, Emergency Services Manager  
George Crum, Chief of Police  
Paul Wilson, Fire Chief  
Brian Reyes, Chief  
Scott Garrett, Patrol Agent in Charge

Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians  
Cathedral City Police  
Cathedral City Fire  
Palm Springs Police Department  
U.S. Border Patrol

**CVAG STAFF PRESENT**

Tom Kirk, Executive Director  
Cheryll Dahlin, Management Analyst  
Erica Felci

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**OTHERS PRESENT**

Dale Modary, Chief of Police	Desert Hot Springs Police Department
Rodrick Verbeck Psy.D., MFT, Mental Health Adm.	RUHS
Martha Wardrup	
Pat Cooper, Dep. Chief of Staff	Supervisor V. Manuel Perez

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilmember Betty Sanchez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comment.

**5. COMMITTEE MEMBER/DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Member Jonathan gave an update on homelessness and the CORP program in Palm Desert.

Member Miller thanked public safety for their support during concert season.

Cheryll Dahlin gave an update on General Assembly.

**6. EX-OFFICIO COMMENTS**

No comments.

**7. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**IT WAS MOVED BY MEMBER SMOTRICH AND SECONDED BY MEMBER MILLER TO:**

**A. APPROVE MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 13, 2017**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 9 AYES AND 1 ABSTAIN**

<b>MEMBER CARNEVALE</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER SANCHEZ</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER BETTS</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
<b>MEMBER MERTENS</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER MILLER</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER OSBORNE</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER SPIEGEL</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER MOON</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER SMOTRICH</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>MEMBER SNIFF</b>	<b>AYE</b>

**8. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Consider Goals for Public Safety Committee – FY 17-18**

Cheryll Dahlin gave a brief verbal presentation.

IT WAS MOVED BY MEMBER BETTS AND SECONDED BY MEMBER PENA TO:

APPROVE GOALS FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE TO INCLUDE IN THE CVAG BUDGET FOR FY 17-18

1) SERVE AS A CONDUIT OF INFORMATION RELATED TO REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY NEEDS; INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO MONITORING THE EFFECTS OF:

- AB 109: PUBLIC SAFETY REALIGNMENT
- PROPOSITION 47: REDUCED PENALTIES FOR SOME CRIMES
- AB 266: RECREATIONAL USE OF MARIJUANA
- AB 953 (2016): RACIAL PROFILING/IDENTITY

2) SUPPORT REGIONAL REFORM AND RE-ENTRY PROGRAMS FOR PAROLEES IN ORDER TO REDUCE RECIDIVISM; INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

- RIVERSIDE COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT: DAY REPORTING CENTER IN INDIO
  - HOUSING RESOURCES

3) SUPPORT BEST PRACTICES IN LOCAL POLICING.

- HANDLING OF “LOW PRIORITY” CALLS
  - PROPERTY CRIMES
  - BUSINESS ALARMS
- 51/50 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH EVALUATION
- TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

4) THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE WILL CONTINUE TO DISCUSS CURRENT PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUES AND REVIEW STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATION THAT AFFECT THE COACHELLA VALLEY REGION.

5) SUPPORT, MONITOR, AND FACILITATE REGIONAL HOMELESSNESS APPROACH WITH A FOCUS ON THE PUBLIC SAFETY IMPACTS.

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 10 AYES

MEMBER CARNEVALE	AYE
MEMBER SANCHEZ	AYE
MEMBER BETTS	AYE
MEMBER MERTENS	AYE
MEMBER MILLER	AYE
MEMBER OSBORNE	AYE
MEMBER SPIEGEL	AYE
MEMBER MOON	AYE
MEMBER SMOTRICH	AYE
MEMBER SNIFF	AYE

B. Homelessness Update: West Valley Housing Navigation Program – Cheryl Dahlin

Cheryll Dahlin gave a PowerPoint presentation. A discussion ensued among the committee.

**C. Presentation from Riverside University Health System-Behavioral Health: Rodrick Verbeck Psy.D., MFT, Mental Health Administrator**

This item was tabled to a later meeting.

**D. Presentation on Sanctuary Cities—Riverside County Sheriff Stan Sniff**

This item was tabled to a later meeting.

**9. INFORMATION**

- 1) Committee Attendance Report
- 2) CV Link Environmental Impact Report

**10. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**Public Safety Committee - Monday, June 12, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.**

**Executive Committee – Monday, June 5, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.**

**Other Upcoming Meetings:**

**Special Executive Committee – Monday, May 15, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at Palm Desert Council Chambers 73-510 Fred Waring Drive, Palm Desert**

**General Assembly – Monday, June 26, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at Miramonte Resort & Spa, 45000 Indian Wells Lane, Indian Wells**

**11. ADJOURN**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:28 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
**Cheryll Dahlin**  
Management Analyst

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