



TECHNICAL PLANNING SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2020
11:00 a.m.**

Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20 (March 18, 2020), the Technical Planning Subcommittee (TPS) meeting will only be conducted via video/teleconferencing.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION

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Public Comment is encouraged to be emailed to the Technical Planning Subcommittee prior to the meeting at cvag@cvag.org by 5:00 p.m. on the day prior to the committee meeting. Comments intended to be read aloud should be no more than 300 characters.

**THIS MEETING IS HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE.
ACTION MAY RESULT ON ANY ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA.**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**: Chair Luis Lopez, City of Coachella

2. **ROLL CALL**

A. Member Roster

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3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

This is the time and place for members of the public to address the Technical Planning Subcommittee on agenda items. At the discretion of the Chair, comments may be taken at the time items are presented. Please limit comments to three (3) minutes.

4. **SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBER AND CVAG STAFF COMMENTS**

5. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

A. Approve TPS Meeting minutes from October 13, 2020

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6. **DISCUSSION / ACTION**

A. Next Steps to Securing REAP Subregional Partnership Funding – Libby Carlson

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Recommendation: Discussion and Feedback

B. Update on Regional Efforts to Address Climate Resilience – Katie Barrows

C. Update on CV Link Construction Plans – Martin Magaña

7. **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

This is the time and place for members of the public to address the Technical Planning Subcommittee on items of general interest within the purview of this committee. Please limit comments to two (2) minutes.

8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Upcoming meetings via Zoom:

Technical Planning Subcommittee – Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at 11:00 a.m.

Executive Committee – Monday, December 7, 2020 at 4:30 p.m.

9. **ADJOURN**

**TECHNICAL PLANNING
SUBCOMMITTEE
2020/2021 ROSTER**



Technical Planning Subcommittee Members

City of Blythe	Vacant
City of Cathedral City	Robert Rodriguez Director of Planning/Building
City of Coachella	Luis Lopez, Chair Development Services Director
City of Desert Hot Springs	Keith Hightower Community Development Director
City of Indian Wells	Jon Berg Community Development Director
City of Indio	Kevin Snyder Director of Community Development
City of La Quinta	Danny Castro Design and Development Director Cheri Flores Planning Manager
City of Palm Desert	Ryan Stendell Director of Community Development
City of Palm Springs	Flinn Fagg Development Services Director Edward Robertson Principal Planner
City of Rancho Mirage	Jeremy Gleim Director of Development Services Majna Dukic Planning Manager
County of Riverside	Charissa Leach Assistant Director of TLMA – Community Development
Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians	Margaret Park, Vice Chair Director of Planning and Natural Resources Dan Malcolm Planning Manager

**TECHNICAL PLANNING
SUBCOMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, October 13, 2020**



1. CALL TO ORDER

The Technical Planning Subcommittee (TPS) meeting was called to order on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 by Chair Ryan Stendell, City of Palm Desert, at 10:02 A.M. via a Zoom meeting, which was pursuant to Gov. Newsom’s executive order governing how meetings are held during the COVID-19 pandemic.

2. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS / ALTERNATES PRESENT

Luis Lopez
Cheri Flores
Ryan Stendell
Flinn Fagg
Majna Dukic
Margaret Park

AGENCY

City of Coachella
City of La Quinta
City of Palm Desert
City of Palm Springs
City of Rancho Mirage
Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians

CVAG STAFF PRESENT

Katie Barrows
Libby Carlson
Joanna Stueckle
Erica Felci
Trisha Stull

OTHERS PRESENT

Greg Rodriguez, County of Riverside
Taylor Libolt Varner, Lift to Rise
Araceli Palafox, Lift to Rise

MEMBERS / ALTERNATES NOT PRESENT

Robert Rodriguez
Jon Berg
Kevin Snyder
Charissa Leach

AGENCY

City of Cathedral City
City of Indian Wells
City of Indio
County of Riverside

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

4. **SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBER AND DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

None

5. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

A. Approve TPS Meeting minutes from June 18, 2019

B. Approve TPS Meeting minutes from May 19, 2020

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. FAGG AND SECONDED BY MR. LOPEZ TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. **ACTION/DISCUSSION**

A. **Election of Technical Planning Subcommittee Officers — Katie Barrows**

Chair Stendell led the election of new officers for the subcommittee. Member discussion ensued.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. FAGG AND SECONDED BY MR. STENDELL TO MAKE LUIS LOPEZ THE NEW SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIR. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

Member discussion continued.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. FAGG AND SECONDED BY MR. STENDELL TO MAKE MS. PARK THE NEW SUBCOMMITTEE VICE CHAIR. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

B. **SCAG's Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) funding available for subregional partnerships – Libby Carlson**

Libby Carlson presented an introduction to SCAG's Regional Early Action Planning funding. Member discussion ensued, including ideas for potential projects.

The TPS members asked for any input from the public. Greg Rodriguez from County of Riverside, and Taylor Libolt Varner and Araceli Palafox from Lift to Rise, provided feedback to the discussion and additional ideas.

No action was taken on this item.

C. **Update on CivicSpark Partnership with CVAG – Katie Barrows**

Katie Barrows provided an update on the partnership between CVAG and CivicSpark, including projects the CivicSpark fellow will be working on.

No action was taken on this item.

7. **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Upcoming Meetings via Zoom:

**Joint Meeting of the Executive and Transportation Committees – Monday, October 19, 2020
at 4:30 p.m.**

Technical Planning Subcommittee – Tuesday, November 17, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.

9. **ADJOURN**

The TPS Meeting adjourned at 10:33 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Trisha Stull

Program Assistant II

ITEM 6A

**Coachella Valley Association of Governments
Technical Planning Subcommittee
November 17, 2020**



Staff Report

Subject: Next Steps to Securing REAP Subregional Partnership Funding

Contact: Libby Carlson, Management Analyst (libcarlson@cvag.org)

Recommendation: Discussion and feedback

Background: At the October 13, 2020 meeting of CVAG's Technical Planning Subcommittee, CVAG staff provided an overview and an update on the Regional Early Action Planning program (REAP), which was one of two, one-time planning programs the State provided related to addressing homelessness and the housing crisis. The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) received a total allocation of \$47 million in REAP funds for southern California, with \$23 million of that set aside for subregional partnerships.

Through SCAG's Subregional Partnership program, CVAG is eligible to receive approximately \$558,000 in REAP funding to be used toward one or more planning efforts related to housing production and supportive infrastructure. These projects should augment and compliment County and city-level housing planning activities funded by SB2 and Local Early Action Planning (LEAP), a similar non-competitive allocation for cities. Eligible REAP activities may include, but are not limited to, technical assistance; policy analysis and development; data collection and analysis; infrastructure planning; and efforts that would make regions and cities more competitive for funding from a broader range of sources. Funds may be used for temporary staffing, consultants, or permanent staff for the portion of their time spent directly on a REAP project. Funds may not be used for capital projects or ongoing operations. All projects must be completed by June 30, 2023.

CVAG submitted an Intent to Apply to SCAG in September 2020 in order to indicate interest in participating in this program. This one-page form included a broad, nonbinding placeholder project. To explore options in more detail, the Technical Planning Subcommittee held discussion on use of REAP at its meeting on October 13, providing CVAG staff with ideas and general guidance. On October 19, the CVAG Executive Committee authorized the Executive Director to submit an application, due by December 1, 2020.

CVAG staff also welcomed the opportunities for additional input. On October 23, an informal Request for Ideas (RFI) was circulated to solicit ideas and feedback from a broad stakeholder group. A number of thoughtful suggestions were received by October 30, ranging from program operation to development to planning to technical assistance and training to creating new shared tools to facilitate housing production. CVAG staff reviewed each suggestion for eligibility and is now in the process of following up on those that meet eligibility criteria. CVAG is also reviewing existing work efforts that could potentially be expanded in support of REAP program goals. CVAG

is working closely with SCAG to ensure projects submitted with the application are in line with expectations.

At the November 17 meeting, CVAG staff will provide an overview of the ideas that have been submitted and seek additional feedback from TPS members.

Fiscal Analysis: REAP is a non-competitive funding opportunity. As part of this subregional partnership program, CVAG may receive approximately \$558,000 – pending final approval early next year – for use toward planning activities related to housing production and supportive infrastructure in the Coachella Valley.