

ITEM 6A

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY
MINUTES OF MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 27, 2022**



1. CALL TO ORDER

The June 27, 2022, General Assembly meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by Chair Christy Holstege, Councilmember, City of Palm Springs, via Zoom videoconference, which was pursuant to Assembly Bill 361.

2. ROLL CALL

It was determined a quorum was present.

MEMBER JURISDICTIONS PRESENT

City of Blythe:

Mayor Dale Reynolds, Vice Mayor Joseph DeConinck and Councilmember Johnny Rodriguez

City of Cathedral City:

Mayor Raymond Gregory, Mayor Pro Tem Ernesto Gutierrez, and Councilmember Rita Lamb

City of Coachella:

Mayor Steven Hernandez

City of Desert Hot Springs:

Mayor Scott Matas, Mayor Pro Tem Gary Gardner, and Councilmember Jan Pye

City of Indian Wells:

Mayor Dana Reed and Councilmember Rob Bernheimer

City of Indio:

Mayor Waymond Fermon, Mayor Pro Tem Oscar Ortiz, Councilmember Glenn Miller, Councilmember Elaine Holmes and Councilmember Lupe Ramos Amith

City of La Quinta:

Mayor Linda Evans, Mayor Pro Tem Kathleen Fitzpatrick, Councilmember Robert Radi, Councilmember John Peña and Councilmember Steve Sanchez

City of Palm Desert:

Mayor Jan Harnik and Councilmember Kathleen Kelly

City of Palm Springs:

Mayor Lisa Middleton and Councilmember Christy Holstege

City of Rancho Mirage:

Mayor Charles Townsend, Mayor Pro Tem Richard Kite, Councilmember Steve Downs and Councilmember Ted Weill

County of Riverside:
Supervisor Karen Spiegel and Supervisor V. Manuel Perez

Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians:
Tribal Chairman Reid Milanovich, Tribal Member Jessica Norte and Tribal Member John R. Preckwinkle III

Cabazon Band of Cahuilla Indians:
Tribal Member Brenda Soulliere

Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians:
Tribal Vice Chair Joseph Mirelez and Tribal Secretary Altrena Satillanes

MEMBER JURISDICTIONS NOT PRESENT

Twentynine Palms Band of Mission Indians

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & NATIONAL ANTHEM

Mayor Steven Hernandez led the General Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance

Barry Minniefield, Palm Springs resident and contestant on The Voice, sang the National Anthem

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were no public comments.

5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Chair Holstege made brief welcoming remarks and expressed her gratitude to her colleagues and CVAG staff for all the accomplishments over the last year despite the pandemic.

CVAG Executive Director, Tom Kirk, acknowledged the General Assembly sponsors and presented the highlights of the fiscal year 2021/2022 projects.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

IT WAS MOVED BY THE CITY OF RANCHO MIRAGE AND SECONDED BY THE CITY OF PALM DESERT TO:

A. APPROVE THE JUNE 28, 2021, GENERAL ASSEMBLY MINUTES.

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 14 MEMBER JURISDICTION AYES AND 1 ABSENT.

CITY OF BLYTHE	AYE
CITY OF CATHEDRAL CITY	AYE
CITY OF COACHELLA	AYE
CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS	AYE
CITY OF LA QUINTA	AYE
CITY OF INDIAN WELLS	AYE
CITY OF INDIO	AYE
CITY OF PALM DESERT	AYE
CITY OF PALM SPRINGS	AYE
CITY OF RANCHO MIRAGE	AYE
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE	AYE
AGUA CALIENTE BAND OF CAHUILLA INDIANS	AYE
CABAZON BAND OF CAHUILLA INDIANS	AYE
TORRES MARTINEZ DESERT CAHUILLA INDIANS	AYE
TWENTYNINE PALMS BAND OF MISSION INDIANS	ABSENT

7. DISCUSSION/ACTION

A. CVAG Fiscal Year 2022/2023 – Claude Kilgore

The staff report was presented to the General Assembly.

IT WAS MOVED BY THE CITY OF INDIAN WELLS AND SECONDED BY THE CITY OF LA QUINTA TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2022-005 ADOPTING CVAG’S 2022/23 FISCAL YEAR ANNUAL BUDGET, SALARY SCHEDULE, AND ALLOCATED POSITIONS

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 14 MEMBER JURSDICTION AYES AND 1 ABSENT.

CITY OF BLYTHE	AYE
CITY OF CATHEDRAL CITY	AYE
CITY OF COACHELLA	AYE
CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS	AYE
CITY OF LA QUINTA	AYE
CITY OF INDIAN WELLS	AYE
CITY OF INDIO	AYE
CITY OF PALM DESERT	AYE
CITY OF PALM SPRINGS	AYE
CITY OF RANCHO MIRAGE	AYE
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE	AYE
AGUA CALIENTE BAND OF CAHUILLA INDIANS	AYE
CABAZON BAND OF CAHUILLA INDIANS	AYE
TORRES MARTINEZ DESERT CAHUILLA INDIANS	AYE
TWENTYNINE PALMS BAND OF MISSION INDIANS	ABSENT

B. CVAG Officer Rotation for FY 2022/2023 – Jennifer Nelson

The staff report was presented to the General Assembly.

IT WAS MOVED BY THE CITY OF INDIAN WELLS AND SECONDED BY THE TORRES MARTINEZ DESERT CAHUILLA INDIANS TO ELECT THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE CITY OF COACHELLA TO SERVE AS FY 2022/2023 CHAIR AND THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS TO SERVE AS FY 2022/2023 VICE CHAIR

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 14 MEMBER JURSDICTION AYES AND 1 ABSENT.

CITY OF BLYTHE	AYE
CITY OF CATHEDRAL CITY	AYE
CITY OF COACHELLA	AYE
CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS	AYE
CITY OF LA QUINTA	AYE
CITY OF INDIAN WELLS	AYE
CITY OF INDIO	AYE
CITY OF PALM DESERT	AYE
CITY OF PALM SPRINGS	AYE
CITY OF RANCHO MIRAGE	AYE
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE	AYE
AGUA CALIENTE BAND OF CAHUILLA INDIANS	AYE
CABAZON BAND OF CAHUILLA INDIANS	AYE
TORRES MARTINEZ DESERT CAHUILLA INDIANS	AYE
TWENTYNINE PALMS BAND OF MISSION INDIANS	ABSENT

8. PRESENTATION AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Executive Director Tom Kirk recognized the members' hard work over the year. He then introduced Palm Springs Mayor Lisa Middleton, a member of the CalPERS Board of Administration, who provided an introduction to Marci Frost, CEO of CalPERS. Ms. Frost provided an update on the status of CalPERS investments and the hiring challenges faced during the pandemic.

Following the presentation, members played an interactive "Guess Who" game featuring baby photos of Executive Committee members. The winners were Mayor Linda Evans, Mayor Steven Hernandez, Councilmember Kathleen Kelly, Tribal Vice Chair Joseph Mirelez.

Outgoing Chair Holstege was recognized for her service. She provided some departing remarks and introduced Chair-elect Hernandez, who shared his goals as Chair.

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were no public comments.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Meetings:

The next meeting of the **Executive Committee** will be held on Monday, September 26, 2022, at 4:30 p.m. via Zoom webinar.

The next meeting of the **General Assembly** will be held on Monday, June 26, 2023, at 6 p.m. via Zoom webinar.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, Chair-elect Hernandez adjourned the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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