

ITEM 6A

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 5, 2023**



The audio file for this committee meeting can be found at <http://www.cvag.org/audio.htm>

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Transportation Committee meeting was called to order by Chair Steven Hernandez, City of Coachella, on Monday, June 5, 2023, at 10 a.m. at the CVAG Conference Room, 73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Suite 119, in the City of Palm Desert. Videoconferencing was available from the City of Blythe.

Councilmember Reed led the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL

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

MEMBERS/ALTERNATES PRESENT

Mayor Joseph DeConinck
Councilmember Raymond Gregory
Mayor Steven Hernandez, Chair
Mayor Scott Matas
Councilmember Dana Reed, Vice Chair
Councilmember Elaine Holmes
Councilmember Kathleen Fitzpatrick
Councilmember Jan Harnik
Councilmember Lisa Middleton
Mayor Pro Tem Steve Downs
Supervisor V. Manuel Perez
Tribal Vice Chair Joseph MireleZ (*arrived at 6A*)

AGENCY

City of Blythe
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
Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians

MEMBERS/EX OFFICIOS NOT PRESENT

Tribal Councilmember Virginia Siva-Gillespie

AGENCY

Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

4. CHAIR/ EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Executive Director Tom Kirk announced CVAG's General Assembly and 50th anniversary celebration will take place on Monday, June 26 at 6 p.m. at Desert Island County Club's Penny and Parlour in Rancho Mirage.

Mr. Kirk also announced that direct deposit is now available for meeting stipends.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER REED AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER GREGORY TO:

- A. Approve the April 3, 2023 Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes**
- B. Accept the Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee (TUMF) Annual and Five-Year Report for Fiscal Year 2021/2022**

THE MOTION FOR CARRIED WITH 12 AYES AND 1 MEMBER ABSENT.

TRIBAL VICE CHAIR PATENCIO ANDERSON	ABSENT
MAYOR DECONINCK	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER GREGORY	AYE
MAYOR HERNANDEZ	AYE
MAYOR MATAS	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER REED	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER HOLMES	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER FITZPATRICK	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER HARNIK	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER MIDDLETON	AYE
MAYOR PRO TEM DOWNS	AYE
SUPERVISOR PEREZ	AYE
TRIBAL VICE CHAIR MIRELEZ	AYE

6. DISCUSSION / ACTION

- A. Update for Caltrans District 8 Director Catalino A. Pining III**

Director Pining III provided updates for projects currently active along the Interstate 10 corridor. Member discussion ensued, with Director Pining answering questions about funding for projects. Members expressed interest in addressing landscaping and maintenance concerns along the I-10.

No action was taken as this was an informational item.

- B. Completion of CV Sync Phase I**

Transportation Engineer Eric Cowle provided the staff report and an update on construction of Phase II.

Member discussion ensued. Staff addressed questions about operating the system, and Executive Director Tom Kirk stated staff would follow up with an agenda item within the next six months.

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR MATAS AND SECONDED BY TRIBAL VICE CHAIR MIRELEZ TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TAKE THE NECESSARY STEPS TO EXECUTE AND FILE THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR THE CV SYNC- PHASE I CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

THE MOTION FOR CARRIED WITH 12 AYES AND 1 MEMBER ABSENT.

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MAYOR DECONINCK	AYE

COUNCILMEMBER GREGORY	AYE
MAYOR HERNANDEZ	AYE
MAYOR MATAS	AYE
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COUNCILMEMBER HARNIK	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER MIDDLETON	AYE
MAYOR PRO TEM DOWNS	AYE
SUPERVISOR PEREZ	AYE
TRIBAL VICE CHAIR MIRELEZ	AYE

C. Reimbursement Agreement for Airport Boulevard Bridge Replacement Project (Orange Street to Desert Cactus Drive)

Transportation Director Jonathan Hoy presented the staff report.

CVAG staff will include language to account for the future development of CV Link: construction required CV Link undercrossing shall be included in the scope of work for the bridge, and that CVAG shall fund this added scope of work.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER REED AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER HARNIK TO APPROVE THE REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF RIVERESIDE AS THE LEAD AGENCY FOR THE AIRPORT BOULEVARD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT (ORANGE STREET TO DESERT CACTUS DRIVE), PROVIDING A NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$4,950,000 IN REGIONAL FUNDING FOR ELIGIBLE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION COSTS

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MAYOR DECONINCK	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER GREGORY	AYE
MAYOR HERNANDEZ	AYE
MAYOR MATAS	AYE
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COUNCILMEMBER MIDDLETON	AYE
MAYOR PRO TEM DOWNS	AYE
SUPERVISOR PEREZ	AYE
TRIBAL VICE CHAIR MIRELEZ	AYE

D. Reimbursement Agreement Amendment for the Improvement of Date Palm Drive between Interstate 10 and Varner Road

Mr. Hoy presented the staff report.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER REED AND SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM DOWNS TO APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF CATHEDRAL CITY FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF DATE PALM DRIVE BETWEEN INTERSTATE 10 AND VARNER ROAD, ADDING AN ADDITIONAL \$516,000 FOR A TOTAL, NOT-TO-EXCEED COST OF \$2,853,000 IN REGIONAL FUNDS FOR DESIGN AND

CONSTRUCTION.

THE MOTION FOR CARRIED WITH 12 AYES AND 1 MEMBER ABSENT.

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E. Contract Amendment with Alta Planning & Design for CV Link

Mr. Hoy presented the staff report and provided an update regarding construction on CV Link.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER REED AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER HOLMES AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO. 12 TO THE AGREEMENT WITH ALTA PLANNING & DESIGN FOR A TOTAL NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$287,500

THE MOTION FOR CARRIED WITH 12 AYES AND 1 MEMBER ABSENT.

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TRIBAL VICE CHAIR MIRELEZ	AYE

F. Next steps for Addressing Climate Change, Emergencies and Sand Storms (ACCESS) on Indian Canyon Drive

Program Manager Emmanuel Martinez presented the staff report and discussed efforts to secure funding for addressing the flooding and blow sand issue in the west end of the Coachella Valley.

Member discussion ensued.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER MIDDLETON AND SECONDED BY MAYOR MATAS TO ENDORSE THE ADDRESSING CLIMATE CHANGE, EMERGENCIES AND SAND STORMS (ACCESS) EFFORT ALONG INDIAN CANYON DRIVE AND OTHER LOW-

WATER CROSSINGS AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO COMMIT REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDING TO MAXIMIZE THE COMPETITIVENESS FOR THE 2023 LOCAL TRANSPORTATION CLIMATE ADAPTATION PROGRAM (LTCAP), WITH THE CONDITION THAT ACTUAL EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS WOULD BE DEPENDENT ON SECURING GRANT FUNDING AND FUNDING CONTRIBUTIONS BY LOCAL JURISDICTIONS

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7. INFORMATION

- a) Status of I-10 Interchange Projects
- b) CVAG Regional Arterial Program – Project Status Report
- c) Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety Program – Project Status Report
- d) Transportation Committee Attendance Roster
- e) CVAG Schedule of Meetings for Fiscal Year 2023/24

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Thomas Kohn, Palm Springs resident, joined the meeting via Zoom to express his concern of the limited availability of completed linkages for a cyclist throughout the valley and the amount of time it is taking for CV Link to be completed throughout all areas of the valley.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

The next meeting of the **Transportation Committee** will be held on Monday, August 28, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. at the CVAG conference room, 73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Suite 119, Palm Desert, 92260

The next meeting of the **Executive Committee** will be held on Monday, June 5, 2023, at 4:30 p.m. at the CVAG conference room, 73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Suite 119, Palm Desert, 92260.

The next meeting of the **General Assembly** will be held on Monday, June 26 at 6 p.m. at The Penney & Parlour at Desert Island, 71-777 Frank Sinatra Dr., Rancho Mirage,

92270.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Hernandez adjourned the meeting at 11 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ely Regalado
Management Analyst