

**ITEM 6A**

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
JUNE 28, 2021**



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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Executive Committee meeting was called to order by CVAG Executive Assistant/Clerk Joanna Stueckle on behalf of Chair Glenn Miller, Councilmember, City of Indio, at 4:00 p.m. via a Zoom webinar, which was pursuant to Gov. Newsom's executive order governing how meetings are held during the COVID-19 pandemic.

**2. CLOSED SESSION**

**A. Public Comment for Closed Session Items Only:**

There were no public comments for closed session.

**B. Closed Session**

Pursuant to the provisions of Government Code Section 54956.8, the Executive Committee adjourned to Closed Session.

**CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR**

Property: Assessor Parcel Number 501-190-002

CVAG Negotiator: Tom Kirk, Executive Director

Negotiating Party: Palm Springs Country Club, LLC (Eric Taylor)

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment for acquisition of easements for CV Link

Pursuant to the provisions of Government Code Section 54956.9 (a), the Executive Committee finds, based on advice from legal counsel, that discussion in open session will prejudice the position of CVAG in the litigation.

**CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4) with regard to two (2) potential cases.

**3. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION & ROLL CALL – 4:30 p.m.**

**A. Report on Action from Closed Session**

Michael Jenkins, CVAG Legal Counsel, indicated there was no reportable action taken during the closed session.

**B. Pledge of Allegiance**

Desert Hot Springs Mayor Scott Matas led the Executive Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance

**C. Member Roster**

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

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mayor Dale Reynolds  
Mayor Raymond Gregory  
Mayor Steven Hernandez  
Mayor Scott Matas  
Mayor Pro Tem Dana Reed  
Councilmember Glenn Miller  
Mayor Linda Evans  
Mayor Kathleen Kelly  
Mayor Christy Holstege  
Mayor Ted Weill  
CEO Jeff Van Wagenen  
Supervisor Karen Spiegel  
Transportation Director Mark Lancaster  
Supervisor V. Manuel Perez  
Supervisor Jeff Hewitt  
Tribal Chair Jeff Grubbe  
Tribal Member Brenda Soulliere  
Tribal Vice Chair Joseph Mirelez

**AGENCY**

City of Blythe  
City of Cathedral City  
City of Coachella  
City of Desert Hot Springs (*left at Item 7*)  
City of Indian Wells  
City of Indio  
City of La Quinta  
City of Palm Desert  
City of Palm Springs  
City of Rancho Mirage (*Arrived during 6A*)  
County of Riverside 1<sup>st</sup> District Representative  
County of Riverside 2<sup>nd</sup> District  
County of Riverside 3<sup>rd</sup> District Representative  
County of Riverside 4<sup>th</sup> District  
County of Riverside 5<sup>th</sup> District  
Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians  
Cabazon Band of Mission Indians  
Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Ollie Beyal  
Pat Cooper  
Martin Magaña  
Kendall MacVey  
Gabriel Martin  
Mike McDonough  
Jon McMillen  
Bryan Montgomery  
Councilmember Roger Nuñez  
Antonio Ortega  
Margaret Park  
Luke Rainey  
Greg Rodriguez

**AGENCY**

BIA  
County of Riverside  
CVAG Consultant  
Best, Best & Krieger  
City of Coachella  
CVAG Consultant  
City of La Quinta  
City of Indio  
City of Desert Hot Springs  
  
Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians  
City of Desert Hot Springs  
County of Riverside

Erin Sasse  
Paul Slama  
Heather Vaikona  
Michael Wallenstein

League of California Cities  
Cabazon Band of Mission Indians  
Lift to Rise  
Wolf Wallenstein, PC

**STAFF PRESENT**

Tom Kirk  
Katie Barrows  
Claude Kilgore  
Jon Hoy  
Erica Felci  
Emmanuel Martinez  
Eric Cowle  
Tom Cox  
Peter Satin  
Val Galeana  
Kathleen Brundige  
Joanna Stueckle  
Mike Gladish  
Oscar Vizcarra  
Beverly Newton  
Trisha Stull  
Michael Jenkins

CVAG Legal Counsel

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

One email was received from Michael Wallenstein, Wolf Wallenstein, PC. It was noted that Mr. Wallenstein intended to give testimony during the public hearing.

**5. CHAIR / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chair Miller gave brief remarks about his term as CVAG Chair and the work that had been accomplished during the year. Tom Kirk indicated he would make his comments at the General Assembly meeting, which was being held later in the evening.

**6. PUBLIC HEARING**

**A. Resolutions of Necessity to Initiate Eminent Domain Proceedings on Two Properties (Assessor Parcel Numbers 677-030-023 & 610-030-016) Related to CV Link – Martin Magaña**

Chairman Miller opened the public hearing at 4:36 p.m.

1) Receive the Staff Report

Legal Counsel Kendall MacVey reported on the findings and Resolutions of Necessity, stating there would be two resolutions of necessity – voted on separately – but that the four findings are the same. These findings related to the public interest, the public good, the property was necessary for the public good and that an offer was made.

Mr. MacVey indicated that an allottee offer was made and that the owners agreed, adding that CVAG was waiting for the grant right of way. In relation to the Union Pacific Railroad Company (UPRR) under crossing, CVAG had been working for three years with UPRR engineering and have been unable to negotiate with UPRR until engineering plans were approved. Mr. MacVey stated that the properties contained no structures, and the interest was related to easements.

Mr. MacVey concluded by outlining California Eminent Domain law related to the timing a public entity may commence eminent domain proceedings. The government body needed to have adopted Resolutions of Necessity, after the governing body gave each party with an interest in the affected property or the representatives, a reasonable opportunity to appear and be heard.

Ms. Stueckle, Clerk of the Executive Committee, reported that CVAG had the proof of mailing of the hearing notice.

Martin Magaña presented the staff report indicating that CVAG had submitted canopy plans to UPRR, which responded with a hydrology concern. Additional information will be submitted this week. CVAG has independent utility at the south side of the bridge but not the north side, which prevents the alternate overpass from being an option. Further, Mr. Magaña reported the overpass was not considered as part of the environmental impact report, and there would be issues with overhead utility lines, clearance, and visual impacts. These factors, coupled with the expenses, determined the overpass was not feasible for CVAG and the underpass design is the ideal option. Mr. Magaña indicated that in August 2018, CVAG submitted plans to UPRR regarding the concept of the easement. Further submissions were made in March 2019, April 2019, May 2020, October 2020, and March 2021. Mr. Magaña concluded by reporting CVAG had submitted information six times, in three years, and without approval.

## 2) Open Public Hearing and Receive Testimony/Public Comments

Michael Wallenstein, representing UPRR, submitted a written statement on behalf of the company. Mr. Wallenstein stated that UPRR objected to the project on two grounds: 1) UPRR does not believe that project is located in a manner that is most compatible with the greatest public good and the least private injury; and 2) UPRR does not believe the underpass is necessary for the proposed project. Further, Mr. Wallenstein stated UPRR urged the Executive Committee to reconsider the condemnation path, continue to work with them on negotiations, and that the condemnation proceedings were premature.

Mr. Wallenstein stated that Mr. Magaña stated there has been no negotiation for three years when the first submittal was just one year ago. UPRR engineering requested a copy of plan for the canopy covering the right-of-way and a copy of the Coachella Valley Water District (CVWD) description of potential flood on the canopy more than a month ago. According to Mr. Wallenstein, UPRR had not received the requested information to date. Mr. Wallenstein added that UPRR could not and would not approve without mitigation of flood information and the hazards it may bring to the railroad and public safety and believes the underpass is not necessary for the CV Link project.

Mr. Wallenstein concluded by stating that pursuing litigation condemnation will almost certainly result in greater delays, unless CVAG follows the path of negotiation, adding

that the offer of compensation is not the main driver, but that it has to do with the engineering.

Mark Lancaster, County of Riverside, asked questions related to the project. Mr. Wallenstein responded.

Ollie Beyal spoke in relation to the allottee parcel, indicating a resolution of the property was pending.

No general public comments were made.

3) Close Public Hearing

Mr. MacVey responded to comments made by Mr. Wallenstein. Mr. MacVey indicated that the overpass project would require an addendum to the EIR and environmental documents. Responding to a reference of a "six-month period," Mr. MacVey wanted to ensure the Resolution of Necessity would be adopted with no obligation to immediately file an eminent domain action, noting that there is a six-month period under the eminent domain statute before an action must be filed. A discussion ensued among Executive Committee members and staff.

Members of the Executive Committee bifurcated the staff recommendation.

**IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR KELLY AND SECONDED BY MAYOR EVANS TO:**

- 1) **ADOPT A RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY 21-002 DECLARING THE ACQUISITION OF RIGHT OF WAY EASEMENTS ON CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS ASSESSOR PARCEL NO. 610-030-016 IN THE CITY OF INDIO, FOR CV LINK, A MULTI-MODAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT, WHICH COMPORT TO THE CEQA CERTIFIED FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NO. 2013111050) AND NEPA ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT WITH FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT (FPN: ATPL 6164(022)) FOR SAID PROJECT; AND**
- 2) **MAKE THE FOLLOWING FINDINGS AS HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED IN THIS REPORT:**
  - a) **THE PUBLIC INTEREST AND NECESSITY REQUIRE THE PROPOSED PROJECT;**
  - b) **THE PROJECT IS PLANNED OR LOCATED IN A MANNER THAT WILL BE MOST COMPATIBLE WITH THE GREATEST PUBLIC GOOD AND THE LEAST PRIVATE INJURY;**
  - c) **THE REAL PROPERTY TO BE ACQUIRED IS NECESSARY FOR THE PROJECT; AND**
  - d) **THE OFFERS OF JUST COMPENSATION HAVE BEEN MADE TO THE PROPERTY OWNERS.**

**THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH 18.**

**MAYOR REYNOLDS  
MAYOR GREGORY  
MAYOR HERNANDEZ**

**AYE  
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| MAYOR MATAS  | AYE |
| MAYOR PRO TEM REED                                 | AYE |
| COUNCILMEMBER MILLER                               | AYE |
| MAYOR EVANS  | AYE |
| MAYOR KELLY  | AYE |
| MAYOR HOLSTEGE                                     | AYE |
| MAYOR WEILL  | AYE |
| CEO JEFF VAN WAGENEN, DISTRICT 1 REPRESENTATIVE    | AYE |
| SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL                                 | AYE |
| DIRECTOR MARK LANCASTER, DISTRICT 3 REPRESENTATIVE | AYE |
| SUPERVISOR PEREZ                                   | AYE |
| SUPERVISOR HEWITT                                  | AYE |
| TRIBAL CHAIR GRUBBE                                | AYE |
| TRIBAL MEMBER SOULIERE                             | AYE |
| TRIBAL VICE CHAIR MIRELEZ                          | AYE |

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR EVANS AND SECONDED BY MAYOR GREGORY TO:

- 1) ADOPT A RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY 21-001 DECLARING THE ACQUISITION OF RIGHT OF WAY EASEMENTS ON CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS ASSESSOR PARCEL NO. 677-030-023 IN THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, FOR CV LINK, A MULTI-MODAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT, WHICH COMPORT TO THE CEQA CERTIFIED FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NO. 2013111050) AND NEPA ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT WITH FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT (FPN: ATPL 6164(022)) FOR SAID PROJECT; AND
- 2) MAKE THE FOLLOWING FINDINGS AS HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED IN THIS REPORT:
  - A) THE PUBLIC INTEREST AND NECESSITY REQUIRE THE PROPOSED PROJECT;
  - B) THE PROJECT IS PLANNED OR LOCATED IN A MANNER THAT WILL BE MOST COMPATIBLE WITH THE GREATEST PUBLIC GOOD AND THE LEAST PRIVATE INJURY;
  - C) THE REAL PROPERTY TO BE ACQUIRED IS NECESSARY FOR THE PROJECT; AND
  - D) THE OFFERS OF JUST COMPENSATION HAVE BEEN MADE TO THE PROPERTY OWNERS.

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 13 AYES 5 ABSTENTIONS.

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| MAYOR REYNOLDS       | AYE     |
| MAYOR GREGORY        | AYE     |
| MAYOR HERNANDEZ      | AYE     |
| MAYOR MATAS          | AYE     |
| MAYOR PRO TEM REED   | AYE     |
| COUNCILMEMBER MILLER | AYE     |
| MAYOR EVANS          | AYE     |
| MAYOR KELLY          | AYE     |
| MAYOR HOLSTEGE       | ABSTAIN |
| MAYOR WEILL          | AYE     |

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| CEO JEFF VAN WAGENEN, DISTRICT 1 REPRESENTATIVE    | AYE     |
| SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL                                 | ABSTAIN |
| DIRECTOR MARK LANCASTER, DISTRICT 3 REPRESENTATIVE | AYE     |
| SUPERVISOR PEREZ                                   | AYE     |
| SUPERVISOR HEWITT                                  | AYE     |
| TRIBAL CHAIR GRUBBE                                | ABSTAIN |
| TRIBAL MEMBER SOULIERE                             | ABSTAIN |
| TRIBAL VICE CHAIR MIRELEZ                          | ABSTAIN |

**7. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Mayor Evans pulled Item 7F from the Consent Calendar.

**IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR GREGORY AND SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR MIRELEZ TO:**

- A. APPROVE THE JUNE 7, 2021 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**
- B. AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR AB 43, OUTLINING THE NEED FOR MORE LOCAL DISCRETION IN SETTING SPEED LIMITS**
- C. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. ONE TO THE REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF COACHELLA FOR GRAPEFRUIT BOULEVARD BETWEEN LEOCO LANE AND 9<sup>TH</sup> STREET, PROVIDING FOR AN ADDITIONAL, NOT-TO-EXCEED \$77,338.83 REGIONAL FUNDS FOR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS**
- D. ADOPT A 2.1 PERCENT INCREASE IN CVAG'S TRANSPORTATION UNIFORM MITIGATION FEE (TUMF) RATES, EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2021, TO ACCOUNT FOR INFLATION**
- E. AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE A NO-COST LEASE EXTENSION WITH THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS FOR THE PALM SPRINGS BOXING CLUB FOR USE BY THE CV HOUSING FIRST PROGRAM**
- F. This item was pulled from the Consent Calendar.**
- G. AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO CREATE AN EAST VALLEY ELECTRICITY TASK FORCE, HAVE MEETINGS TO REVIEW IMPERIAL IRRIGATION DISTRICT'S COACHELLA VALLEY ENERGY COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORT BACK TO THE CVAG ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE WITH NOTES AND INFORMATION ON THE COMMISSION, WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT IID IS FAVORABLE TO THE CVAG TASK FORCE INVOLVEMENT**
- H. AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR AND/OR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ADVOCATE FOR FUNDING FROM THE STATE'S BUDGET TO BE INVESTED IN A LOCALLY-CONTROLLED PROGRAM THAT FUNDS THE DEVELOPMENT OF ADDITIONAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS IN THE COACHELLA VALLEY**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 17 AYES AND 1 MEMBER ABSENT.**

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| MAYOR REYNOLDS                                     | AYE    |
| MAYOR GREGORY                                      | AYE    |
| MAYOR HERNANDEZ                                    | AYE    |
| MAYOR MATAS  | ABSENT |
| MAYOR PRO TEM REED                                 | AYE    |
| COUNCILMEMBER MILLER                               | AYE    |
| MAYOR EVANS  | AYE    |
| MAYOR KELLY  | AYE    |
| MAYOR HOLSTEGE                                     | AYE    |
| MAYOR WEILL  | AYE    |
| CEO JEFF VAN WAGENEN, DISTRICT 1 REPRESENTATIVE    | AYE    |
| SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL                                 | AYE    |
| DIRECTOR MARK LANCASTER, DISTRICT 3 REPRESENTATIVE | AYE    |
| SUPERVISOR PEREZ                                   | AYE    |
| SUPERVISOR HEWITT                                  | AYE    |
| TRIBAL CHAIR GRUBBE                                | AYE    |
| TRIBAL MEMBER SOULIERE                             | AYE    |
| TRIBAL VICE CHAIR MIRELEZ                          | AYE    |

**7.1 ITEM(S) HELD OVER FROM CONSENT CALENDAR**

- F. Authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and execute Memorandums of Understanding with member jurisdictions to secure multi-year funding commitments for the CV Housing First program**

Mayor Evans pulled this item to vote in opposition to the multi-year aspect of the funding commitments.

**IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR GREGORY AND SECONDED BY MAYOR HOLSTEGE TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING WITH MEMBER JURISDICTIONS TO SECURE MULTI-YEAR FUNDING COMMITMENTS FOR THE CV HOUSING FIRST PROGRAM.**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 16 AYES, 1 NO, AND 1 MEMBER ABSENT.**

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| MAYOR REYNOLDS                                     | AYE    |
| MAYOR GREGORY                                      | AYE    |
| MAYOR HERNANDEZ                                    | AYE    |
| MAYOR MATAS  | ABSENT |
| MAYOR PRO TEM REED                                 | AYE    |
| COUNCILMEMBER MILLER                               | AYE    |
| MAYOR EVANS  | NO     |
| MAYOR KELLY  | AYE    |
| MAYOR HOLSTEGE                                     | AYE    |
| MAYOR WEILL  | AYE    |
| CEO JEFF VAN WAGENEN, DISTRICT 1 REPRESENTATIVE    | AYE    |
| SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL                                 | AYE    |
| DIRECTOR MARK LANCASTER, DISTRICT 3 REPRESENTATIVE | AYE    |
| SUPERVISOR PEREZ                                   | AYE    |
| SUPERVISOR HEWITT                                  | AYE    |



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| TRIBAL CHAIR GRUBBE       | AYE |
| TRIBAL MEMBER SOULIERE    | AYE |
| TRIBAL VICE CHAIR MIRELEZ | AYE |

**8. DISCUSSION / ACTION**

**A. CVAG Officer Rotation for FY 2021/2022 – Joanna Stueckle**

Chair Miller sought questions or a motion. Without member discussion, a motion was made.

**IT WAS MOVED BY VICE CHAIR MIRELEZ AND SECONDED BY MAYOR GREGORY TO NOMINATE THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS TO SERVE AS FY 2021/2022 CHAIR AND THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE CITY OF COACHELLA TO SERVE AS FY 2021/2022 VICE CHAIR.**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 17 AYES AND 1 MEMBER ABSENT.**

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| MAYOR REYNOLDS                                     | AYE    |
| MAYOR GREGORY                                      | AYE    |
| MAYOR HERNANDEZ                                    | AYE    |
| MAYOR MATAS  | ABSENT |
| MAYOR PRO TEM REED                                 | AYE    |
| COUNCILMEMBER MILLER                               | AYE    |
| MAYOR EVANS  | AYE    |
| MAYOR KELLY  | AYE    |
| MAYOR HOLSTEGE                                     | AYE    |
| MAYOR WEILL  | AYE    |
| CEO JEFF VAN WAGENEN, DISTRICT 1 REPRESENTATIVE    | AYE    |
| SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL                                 | AYE    |
| DIRECTOR MARK LANCASTER, DISTRICT 3 REPRESENTATIVE | AYE    |
| SUPERVISOR PEREZ                                   | AYE    |
| SUPERVISOR HEWITT                                  | AYE    |
| TRIBAL CHAIR GRUBBE                                | AYE    |
| TRIBAL MEMBER SOULIERE                             | AYE    |
| TRIBAL VICE CHAIR MIRELEZ                          | AYE    |

**B. CVAG Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Budget – Claude Kilgore**

Chair Miller sought questions or a motion. Without member discussion, a motion was made.

**IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR EVANS AND SECONDED BY MAYOR GREGORY TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 21-003 ADOPTING CVAG'S 2021/2022 FISCAL YEAR ANNUAL BUDGET, SALARY SCHEDULE, AND ALLOCATED POSITIONS.**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 17 AYES AND 1 MEMBER ABSENT.**

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| MAYOR REYNOLDS  | AYE |
| MAYOR GREGORY   | AYE |
| MAYOR HERNANDEZ | AYE |

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| MAYOR MATAS  | ABSENT |
| MAYOR PRO TEM REED                                 | AYE    |
| COUNCILMEMBER MILLER                               | AYE    |
| MAYOR EVANS  | AYE    |
| MAYOR KELLY  | AYE    |
| MAYOR HOLSTEGE                                     | AYE    |
| MAYOR WEILL  | AYE    |
| CEO JEFF VAN WAGENEN, DISTRICT 1 REPRESENTATIVE    | AYE    |
| SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL                                 | AYE    |
| DIRECTOR MARK LANCASTER, DISTRICT 3 REPRESENTATIVE | AYE    |
| SUPERVISOR PEREZ                                   | AYE    |
| SUPERVISOR HEWITT                                  | AYE    |
| TRIBAL CHAIR GRUBBE                                | AYE    |
| TRIBAL MEMBER SOULIERE                             | AYE    |
| TRIBAL VICE CHAIR MIRELEZ                          | AYE    |

**C. Interim Employment Agreement with Katie Barrows as a retired annuitant – Tom Kirk**

Mr. Kirk provided a recap of the service of Katie Barrows, thanking Ms. Barrows for her conservation efforts in the Coachella Valley, her involvement in the writing of the Coachella Valley Multiple Species Habitat Plan (CVMSHCP), as well as her work on energy programs, including the launch of Desert Community Energy (DCE).

**IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR WEILL AND SECONDED BY MAYOR HOLSTEGE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 21-004 AND THE EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH KATIE BARROWS ON THE TERMS DESCRIBED BELOW AS INTERIM DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF DESERT COMMUNITY ENERGY.**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 17 AYES AND 1 MEMBER ABSENT.**

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| MAYOR REYNOLDS                                     | AYE    |
| MAYOR GREGORY                                      | AYE    |
| MAYOR HERNANDEZ                                    | AYE    |
| MAYOR MATAS  | ABSENT |
| MAYOR PRO TEM REED                                 | AYE    |
| COUNCILMEMBER MILLER                               | AYE    |
| MAYOR EVANS  | AYE    |
| MAYOR KELLY  | AYE    |
| MAYOR HOLSTEGE                                     | AYE    |
| MAYOR WEILL  | AYE    |
| CEO JEFF VAN WAGENEN, DISTRICT 1 REPRESENTATIVE    | AYE    |
| SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL                                 | AYE    |
| DIRECTOR MARK LANCASTER, DISTRICT 3 REPRESENTATIVE | AYE    |
| SUPERVISOR PEREZ                                   | AYE    |
| SUPERVISOR HEWITT                                  | AYE    |
| TRIBAL CHAIR GRUBBE                                | AYE    |
| TRIBAL MEMBER SOULIERE                             | AYE    |
| TRIBAL VICE CHAIR MIRELEZ                          | AYE    |

**D. Additional Funding for Improvement of Avenue 50 between Calhoun Street and Cesar Chavez in the City of Coachella – Jonathan Hoy**

Chair Miller sought questions or a motion. Without member discussion, a motion was made.

**IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR PRO TEM REED AND SECONDED BY MAYOR GREGORY TO APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. ONE TO THE REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN CVAG AND THE CITY OF COACHELLA FOR IMPROVEMENT OF AVENUE 50 BETWEEN CALHOUN STREET AND CESAR CHAVEZ (FORMERLY HARRISON STREET), INCREASING THE TOTAL REGIONAL FUNDING TO A NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$6,937,500.**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 17 AYES AND 1 MEMBER ABSENT.**

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| <b>MAYOR REYNOLDS</b>                                     | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR GREGORY</b>                                      | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR HERNANDEZ</b>                                    | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR MATAS</b>  | <b>ABSENT</b> |
| <b>MAYOR PRO TEM REED</b>                                 | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>COUNCILMEMBER MILLER</b>                               | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR EVANS</b>  | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR KELLY</b>  | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR HOLSTEGE</b>                                     | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>MAYOR WEILL</b>  | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>CEO JEFF VAN WAGENEN, DISTRICT 1 REPRESENTATIVE</b>    | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL</b>                                 | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>DIRECTOR MARK LANCASTER, DISTRICT 3 REPRESENTATIVE</b> | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>SUPERVISOR PEREZ</b>                                   | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>SUPERVISOR HEWITT</b>                                  | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>TRIBAL CHAIR GRUBBE</b>                                | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>TRIBAL MEMBER SOULIERE</b>                             | <b>AYE</b>    |
| <b>TRIBAL VICE CHAIR MIRELEZ</b>                          | <b>AYE</b>    |

**E. Contract Amendment with Alta Planning & Design for CV Link – Jonathan Hoy**

Jonathan Hoy gave a brief staff report. Without discussion, a motion was made.

**IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR PRO TEM REED AND SECONDED BY MAYOR EVANS TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO. 9 TO THE AGREEMENT WITH ALTA PLANNING & DESIGN FOR A TOTAL NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$578,211, INCLUDING 10 PERCENT CONTINGENCY; AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND/OR LEGAL COUNSEL TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES/REVISIONS BEFORE EXECUTION.**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 16 AYES, 1 MEMBER ABSTENTION AND 1 MEMBER ABSENT.**

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| <b>MAYOR REYNOLDS</b>  | <b>AYE</b> |
| <b>MAYOR GREGORY</b>   | <b>AYE</b> |
| <b>MAYOR HERNANDEZ</b> | <b>AYE</b> |

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| MAYOR MATAS  | ABSENT  |
| MAYOR PRO TEM REED                                 | AYE     |
| COUNCILMEMBER MILLER                               | AYE     |
| MAYOR EVANS  | AYE     |
| MAYOR KELLY  | AYE     |
| MAYOR HOLSTEGE                                     | AYE     |
| MAYOR WEILL  | ABSTAIN |
| CEO JEFF VAN WAGENEN, DISTRICT 1 REPRESENTATIVE    | AYE     |
| SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL                                 | AYE     |
| DIRECTOR MARK LANCASTER, DISTRICT 3 REPRESENTATIVE | AYE     |
| SUPERVISOR PEREZ                                   | AYE     |
| SUPERVISOR HEWITT                                  | AYE     |
| TRIBAL CHAIR GRUBBE                                | AYE     |
| TRIBAL MEMBER SOULIERE                             | AYE     |
| TRIBAL VICE CHAIR MIRELEZ                          | AYE     |

9. **INFORMATION**

- a) Executive Committee Attendance Roster
- b) CVAG FY 2021/2022 Schedule of Meetings
- c) Report on CivicSpark Fellowship Program activities for CVAG
- d) CV Sync update
- e) Next steps for the Coachella Valley-San Gorgonio Pass Rail Corridor

These items are placed on the agenda for member information.

10. **LEGISLATIVE ITEMS**

Erin Sasse, League of California Cities, gave members a legislative update.

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

None.

12. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Executive Committee** – Monday, September 27, 2021, 4:30 p.m. in CVAG Suite 119, pending State’s guidance and finalization of logistics

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Miller adjourned the meeting at 5:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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