



**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Executive Committee meeting was called to order by Chair Ted Weill, Mayor of the City of Rancho Mirage, at 4:30 p.m. at the CVAG Conference Room, 73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Suite 104, in the City of Palm Desert. Videoconferencing was available from the City of Blythe.

**2. ROLL CALL**

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

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mayor Scott Matas, *Past Chair*  
Mayor Steven Hernandez (*left prior to 8C Vote*)  
Mayor Ron deHarte  
Mayor Glenn Miller  
Tribal Chair Joseph Mirelez  
Tribal Councilmember Brenda Soulliere  
Tribal Chair Reid Milanovich  
Mayor Bruce Whitman  
Mayor Nancy Ross  
Mayor Jan Harnik  
Mayor Linda Evans  
Mayor Joseph DeConinck  
Mayor Ted Weill, *Chair*

**AGENCY**

City of Desert Hot Springs  
City of Coachella  
City of Palm Springs  
City of Indio  
Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians  
Cabazon Band of Cahuilla Indians  
Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians  
City of Indian Wells  
City of Cathedral City  
City of Palm Desert  
City of La Quinta  
City of Blythe (*via Zoom*)  
City of Rancho Mirage

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT**

Tribal Chair Darrell Mike  
Supervisor Jose Medina  
Supervisor Karen Spiegel  
Supervisor Chuck Washington  
Supervisor V. Manuel Perez, *Vice Chair*  
Supervisor Yxstian Gutierrez

**AGENCY**

Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians  
County of Riverside 1<sup>st</sup> District  
County of Riverside 2<sup>nd</sup> District  
County of Riverside 3<sup>rd</sup> District  
County of Riverside 4<sup>th</sup> District  
County of Riverside 5<sup>th</sup> District

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

City of Indio Mayor Glenn Miller led the Executive Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS (IF ANY)**

None

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**6. CHAIR / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A. Agreement to move CV Sync Traffic Management Center to the City of Rancho Mirage's City Yard**

Executive Director Tom Kirk announced that the CV Sync Regional Traffic Management Center (RTMC) will be moving to the City of Rancho Mirage's City Yard. Mr. Kirk applauded City staff for the partnership and announced the move will begin next month with the hope to be completed by late summer or early fall.

Mr. Kirk announced there is a funding freeze on the Urban and Community Forestry Program which will put a hold on the \$2.9 million grant to CVAG and Imperial Irrigation District (IID) intended to plant 6,000 trees.

Mr. Kirk informed Committee members about coordination with Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) related to scoring guidelines for upcoming funding opportunities, which will ensure projects countywide can compete for full points.

**7. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Prior to the motion, Tribal Councilmember Soulliere requested a correction be made on item 7A, noting she had been marked absent, but was present.

**IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR EVANS AND SECONDED BY TRIBAL CHAIR MIRELEZ TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR WITH CORRECTIONS**

- A. Approve the minutes of the December 2, 2024, Executive Committee Meeting**
- B. Adopt CVAG Policy No. 25-01 as an updated Investment Policy**
- C. Approve the appointment of regional representatives to Southern California Association of Governments' policy committees and name Palm Springs Councilmember David Ready to the Transportation Committee, Coachella Councilmember Stephanie Virgen to the Energy and Environment Committee and Indio Councilmember Waymond Fermon to the Community, Economic and Human Development Committee**
- D. Authorize the Chair and/or Executive Director to advocate for legislative fixes and policy changes that improve the stability of the 911 system in the Coachella Valley**
- E. Receive and file the annual report for the CV Housing First program, representing clients served in 2024**

- F. Authorize the Executive Director to take the necessary action to receive \$53,765 in grant funding for the used oil recycling program, including executing the necessary agreements with California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle)
- G. Authorize the Energy & Sustainability Committee Chair, Vice Chair and CVAG's Executive Director to advocate for expansion of programs in the 2028 I-REN application and business plan, including the inclusion of energy efficiency programs that benefit residential homes as well as small and medium commercial buildings
- H. Authorize the Executive Director to execute a no-cost Temporary Access Agreement with Goldenvoice, LLC to facilitate the construction of a CV Sync traffic operations center to manage event-related traffic
- I. Authorize the Executive Director to spend up to \$250,000 for flagging services and associated work related to CV Link under Union Pacific Railroad in Indio
- J. Authorize the Executive Director to execute an agreement for cloud services, end user license agreement, and statement of work agreement for professional services with Univerus Inc. for the implementation of an Enterprise Asset Management System for a not-to-exceed amount of \$719,488

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 9 AYES, 4 ABSTENTIONS AND 6 MEMBERS ABSENT**

MAYOR MATAS	AYE
MAYOR HERNANDEZ	AYE
MAYOR DEHARTE	ABSTAIN
MAYOR MILLER	ABSTAIN
TRIBAL CHAIR MIKE	ABSENT
TRIBAL CHAIR MIRELEZ	AYE
TRIBAL COUNCILMEMBER SOULLIERE	AYE
TRIBAL CHAIR MILANOVICH	AYE
MAYOR WHITMAN	ABSTAIN
MAYOR ROSS	ABSTAIN
MAYOR HARNIK	AYE
MAYOR EVANS	AYE
MAYOR DECONINCK	AYE
SUPERVISOR MEDINA	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR WASHINGTON	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR PEREZ	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR GUTIERREZ	ABSENT
MAYOR WEILL	AYE

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

None

**8. DISCUSSION / ACTION**

**A. Countywide efforts to address wildfires and Santa Ana winds**

CalFire/Riverside County Fire Department Fire Chief Bill Weiser provided the committee with a PowerPoint presentation regarding the department's Countywide efforts to address the issue.

Supervisor Perez joined the committee via Zoom to present additional information from the Board of Supervisors related to these efforts.

Robust member discussion ensued with Chief Weiser answering questions from the committee regarding the issue.

No action was taken as this was an informational item only.

**B. 2025 Legislative Preview**

Program Manager Emmanuel Martinez introduced Kiana Valentine with Politico Group, who provided the Committee with a PowerPoint presentation featuring legislative updates.

Brief member discussion ensued with Ms. Valentine answering a question from the Committee regarding bonds.

No action was taken as this was an informational item only.

**C. CVAG's Audit for Fiscal Year 2023-24 and Related Reports**

Director of Finance Claude Kilgore presented the staff report. No member discussion ensued.

The report was noted as being filed and received.

**D. Cool Streets for Affordable Housing Neighborhoods Program**

Program Manager Julie Mignogna presented the staff report.

Brief member discussion ensued.

**IT WAS MOVED BY TRIBAL CHAIR MIRELEZ AND SECONDED BY TRIBAL CHAIR MILANOVICH TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO THE NECESSARY AGREEMENTS TO ACCEPT \$748,500 FROM THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF LAND USE AND CLIMATE INNOVATION'S EXTREME HEAT AND COMMUNITY RESILIENCE PROGRAM TO LAUNCH THE COOL STREETS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING NEIGHBORHOODS PROGRAM**

**THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 12 AYES AND 7 MEMBERS ABSENT**

**MAYOR MATAS  
MAYOR HERNANDEZ**

**AYE  
ABSENT**

MAYOR DEHARTE	AYE
MAYOR MILLER	AYE
TRIBAL CHAIR MIKE	ABSENT
TRIBAL CHAIR MIRELEZ	AYE
TRIBAL COUNCILMEMBER SOULLIERE	AYE
TRIBAL CHAIR MILANOVICH	AYE
MAYOR WHITMAN	AYE
MAYOR ROSS	AYE
MAYOR HARNIK	AYE
MAYOR EVANS	AYE
MAYOR DECONINCK	AYE
SUPERVISOR MEDINA	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR WASHINGTON	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR PEREZ	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR GUTIERREZ	ABSENT
MAYOR WEILL	AYE

**9. INFORMATION**

- a) Executive Committee Attendance
- b) Regional Transportation Project Status Report
- c) Unaudited investment reports through September 2024 and through December 2024
- d) Alan Seman Bus Pass Program 2024 Annual Report
- e) Expanding Partnerships with Riverside County Probation
- f) 2024 Annual Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Report
- g) Coachella Valley Power Agency Joint Powers Agreement
- h) Proposed Amendments to South Coast Air Quality District's Rules 1111 & 1121 Phasing Out Gas Water Heaters & Furnaces and \$21M Go Zero Pilot Program Supports Residents & Small Businesses Transitioning to Zero-NOx Appliances
- i) Community Assistance, Recovery and Empowerment (CARE) Court and other Prop 1 investments

These items were included in the agenda packet for members' information.

**10. LEGISLATIVE ITEMS –**

- a) Update from the League of California Cities

Jesse Ramirez, Riverside County Division Regional Affairs Manager, joined the committee via Zoom, and presented an update to the committee.

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

None

12. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next meeting of the **Executive Committee** will be held on Monday, April 28, 2025, at 4:30 p.m. at the CVAG conference room, 73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Suite 104, Palm Desert, 92260.

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Weill adjourned the meeting at 5:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Elysia Regalado, Management Analyst*