

ITEM 7A

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
JUNE 24, 2024**



1. CALL TO ORDER

The Executive Committee meeting was called to order by Chair Scott Matas, Mayor of the City of Desert Hot Springs, at 4:33 p.m. at Desert Hot Springs Recreation Center, 11-750 Cholla Dr., Desert Hot Springs, 92240

10. LEGISLATIVE ITEMS –

a) Update from the League of California Cities

Due to the lack of quorum and the need to adjourn prior to the General Assembly gathering, the legislative update was addressed first. Jesse Ramirez, League of California Cities' Riverside County Regional Public Affairs Manager, provided an update on key legislation related to housing and public safety.

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 Steven Hernandez, *Past Chair*
Mayor Jeffrey Bernstein
Councilmember Waymond Fermon
Tribal Vice Chair Joseph Mirelez
Mayor Greg Sanders
Mayor Mark Carnevale
Councilmember Kathleen Kelly
Mayor Linda Evans
Mayor Joseph DeConinck
Mayor Pro Tem Ted Weill, *Vice Chair*
Mayor Scott Matas, *Chair*

AGENCY

City of Coachella (*arrived during item 10a*)
City of Palm Springs
City of Indio (*arrived during item 10a*)
Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians
City of Indian Wells
City of Cathedral City
City of Palm Desert
City of La Quinta
City of Blythe
City of Rancho Mirage
City of Desert Hot Springs

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Tribal Councilmember Brenda Soulliere
Tribal Chair Reid Milanovich
Tribal Chair Darrell Mike
Supervisor Kevin Jeffries
Supervisor Karen Spiegel
Supervisor Chuck Washington
Supervisor V. Manuel Perez
Supervisor Yxstian Gutierrez

AGENCY

Cabazon Band of Cahuilla Indians
Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians
Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians
County of Riverside 1st District
County of Riverside 2nd District
County of Riverside 3rd District
County of Riverside 4th District
County of Riverside 5th District

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Fermon led the Executive Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS (IF ANY)

Staff noted that Item 10a was taken out of order.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

6. CHAIR / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Executive Director Tom Kirk announced details of the General Assembly meeting that is occurring after the meeting.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR EVANS AND SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR MIRELEZ TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approve the Minutes of the June 3, 2024 Executive Committee Meeting**
- B. Authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and approve a purchase agreement with Landscape Forms to pre-purchase a shade structure, trash receptacles, benches, and bike racks for the CV Link Community Connector in the City of Coachella in an amount not-to-exceed \$133,427.16, including a 10 percent contingency**
- C. Adopt Resolution No. 24-002 to establish a Vision Zero Policy and direct the Executive Director to develop a Vision Zero Action Plan**
- D. Approve Amendment No. Five to the professional services agreement with the Southern California Mountains Foundation, authorizing the next cycle of Waste Tire Amnesty Grant Program at a not-to-exceed amount of \$50,000 and extending the contract term through October 2025**
- E. Authorize the Executive Director to take the necessary actions, including the related agreements with the County of Riverside and College of the Desert, to receive available funding from the Coachella Valley Air Quality Enhancement Grant Program for the region’s Smart Scalping and Landscape Certification Program**

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 11 AYES AND 8 MEMBERS ABSENT

MAYOR HERNANDEZ	AYE
MAYOR BERNSTEIN	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER FERMON	AYE

TRIBAL CHAIR MIKE	ABSENT
TRIBAL VICE CHAIR MIRELEZ	AYE
TRIBAL COUNCILMEMBER SOULLIERE	ABSENT
TRIBAL CHAIR MILANOVICH	ABSENT
MAYOR SANDERS	AYE
MAYOR CARNEVALE	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER KELLY	AYE
MAYOR EVANS	AYE
MAYOR DECONINCK	AYE
SUPERVISOR JEFFRIES	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR WASHINGTON	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR PEREZ	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR GUTIERREZ	ABSENT
MAYOR PRO TEM WEILL	AYE
MAYOR MATAS	AYE

7.1 ITEM(S) HELD OVER FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

None

8. DISCUSSION / ACTION

A. CVAG Officer Rotation for Fiscal Year 2024/2025

Chair Matas introduced the item.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILMEMBER KELLY AND SECONDED BY MAYOR CARNEVALE TO NOMINATE THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE CITY OF RANCHO MIRAGE TO SERVE AS FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 CHAIR AND RIVERSIDE COUNTY'S FOURTH DISTRICT SUPERVISOR TO SERVE AS FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 VICE CHAIR.

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 11 AYES AND 8 MEMBERS ABSENT

MAYOR HERNANDEZ	AYE
MAYOR BERNSTEIN	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER FERMON	AYE
TRIBAL CHAIR MIKE	ABSENT
TRIBAL VICE CHAIR MIRELEZ	AYE
TRIBAL COUNCILMEMBER SOULLIERE	ABSENT
TRIBAL CHAIR MILANOVICH	ABSENT
MAYOR SANDERS	AYE
MAYOR CARNEVALE	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER KELLY	AYE
MAYOR EVANS	AYE
MAYOR DECONINCK	AYE
SUPERVISOR JEFFRIES	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR WASHINGTON	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR PEREZ	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR GUTIERREZ	ABSENT
MAYOR PRO TEM WEILL	AYE
MAYOR MATAS	AYE

B. CVAG Fiscal Year 2024/25 Budget

Chair Matas introduced the item, noting that the Executive Committee had received a full overview at its prior meeting but staff was available for questions.

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR BERNSTEIN AND SECONDED BY MAYOR EVANS TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2024-003 ADOPTING CVAG'S 2024/25 FISCAL YEAR ANNUAL BUDGET, SALARY SCHEDULE, AND ALLOCATED POSITIONS.

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 11 AYES AND 8 MEMBERS ABSENT

MAYOR HERNANDEZ	AYE
MAYOR BERNSTEIN	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER FERMON	AYE
TRIBAL CHAIR MIKE	ABSENT
TRIBAL VICE CHAIR MIRELEZ	AYE
TRIBAL COUNCILMEMBER SOULLIERE	ABSENT
TRIBAL CHAIR MILANOVICH	ABSENT
MAYOR SANDERS	AYE
MAYOR CARNEVALE	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER KELLY	AYE
MAYOR EVANS	AYE
MAYOR DECONINCK	AYE
SUPERVISOR JEFFRIES	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR WASHINGTON	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR PEREZ	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR GUTIERREZ	ABSENT
MAYOR PRO TEM WEILL	AYE
MAYOR MATAS	AYE

C. Contract Amendment with Anser Advisory for CV Link

Transportation Director Jonathan Hoy presented the staff report and gave an update on CV Link's construction.

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR PRO TEM WEILL AND SECONDED BY MAYOR BERNSTEIN TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO THE AGREEMENT WITH ANSER ADVISORY FOR A TOTAL NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$6,000,000 FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH 11 AYES AND 8 MEMBERS ABSENT

MAYOR HERNANDEZ	AYE
MAYOR BERNSTEIN	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER FERMON	AYE
TRIBAL CHAIR MIKE	ABSENT
TRIBAL VICE CHAIR MIRELEZ	AYE
TRIBAL COUNCILMEMBER SOULLIERE	ABSENT
TRIBAL CHAIR MILANOVICH	ABSENT
MAYOR SANDERS	AYE

MAYOR CARNEVALE	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER KELLY	AYE
MAYOR EVANS	AYE
MAYOR DECONINCK	AYE
SUPERVISOR JEFFRIES	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR SPIEGEL	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR WASHINGTON	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR PEREZ	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR GUTIERREZ	ABSENT
MAYOR PRO TEM WEILL	AYE
MAYOR MATAS	AYE

D. Additional Funding for ACCESS Indian Canyon Drive

Mr. Hoy presented the staff report and detailed efforts to secure additional funding.

IT WAS MOVED BY MAYOR HERNANDEZ AND SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR MIRELEZ TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TAKE THE NECESSARY STEPS AND ENTER INTO THE NECESSARY AGREEMENTS TO ACCEPT \$7,589,150 FROM THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS (SCAG) CALL FOR PROJECTS FOR CARBON REDUCTION PROGRAM (CRP), CONGESTION MITIGATION AIR QUALITY (CMAQ), AND SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT (STBG) TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE ACCESS INDIAN CANYON PROJECT

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MAYOR EVANS	AYE
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SUPERVISOR PEREZ	ABSENT
SUPERVISOR GUTIERREZ	ABSENT
MAYOR PRO TEM WEILL	AYE
MAYOR MATAS	AYE

9. INFORMATION

a) Executive Committee Attendance

b) Status of I-10 and SR-86 Interchange Projects

- c) CVAG Regional Arterial Program – Project Status Report
- d) Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety Program – Project Status Report
- e) 2024 Update to the Transportation Project Prioritization Study (TPPS)
- f) Regional Arterial Program Compliance Report
- g) Cool Centers in the Coachella Valley
- h) Phased Opening of the Palm Springs Navigation Center
- i) Increasing air quality concerns from the desert’s tourism industry, realtors, healthcare professionals and residents
- j) Update from the California Highway Patrol
- k) Being prepared for wildfire season in Riverside County

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

10. LEGISLATIVE ITEMS –

- b) Recap of CVAG’s Legislative Advocacy Efforts

A written summary was included in the agenda packet for members’ information.

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

The next meeting of the **General Assembly** will be held on Monday, June 24, at 6 p.m. at the Desert Hot Springs Recreation Center, 11-750 Cholla Dr., Desert Hot Springs, 92240.

13. ADJOURNMENT – Prior to the adjournment, Committee members applauded Chair Matas for his time as Chair. He adjourned the meeting at 4:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Erica Felci, Chief Operating Officer