

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Minutes of Meeting for October 19, 2017

KERN COG CONFERENCE ROOM
1401 19TH STREET, THIRD FLOOR
BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA

THURSDAY
October 19, 2017
6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Cheryl Wegman at approximately 6:50 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL: Chair Wegman noted that Director Gurrola and Director Cantu arrived during the TTPC meeting and would be added to rollcall.

Members Present: Gurrola, Wood, Pascual, Cantu, Mower, Prout, Krier, Smith, Wegman, Miller, Parra, Kiernan

Alternates: Gonzales

Congestion Management Agency Ex-Officio Members: Miller, Parra

Others: Jess Ortiz, Jonathon Adams, Yilung Yin, Ted Wright, John Spaulding, Brent Green, Karen King Vanessa Elias

Staff: Hakimi, Napier, Ball, Stramaglia, Pacheco, Urata, Jones

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS: This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons to address the Council on any matter not on this agenda but under the jurisdiction of the Council. Council members may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed. They may ask a question for clarification; make a referral to staff for factual information or request staff to report back to the Council at a later meeting. **SPEAKERS ARE LIMITED TO TWO MINUTES. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS FOR THE RECORD PRIOR TO MAKING A PRESENTATION.** None heard.

III. CONSENT AGENDA/OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT: All items on the consent agenda are considered to be routine and non-controversial by Kern COG staff and will be approved by one motion if no member of the Council or public wishes to comment or ask questions. If comment or discussion is desired by anyone, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered in the listed sequence with an opportunity for any member of the public to address the Council concerning the item before action is taken. **ROLL CALL VOTE.**

A. Approval of Minutes – September 21, 2017

B. 2017 Regional Awards of Merit Program

C. Response to Public Comments (None)

D. Local Clearinghouse: (None)

***** END CONSENT CALENDAR - ROLL CALL VOTE *****

MOTION BY DIRECTOR CANTU, SECOND BY DIRECTOR GURROLA, TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR. MOTION CARRIED WITH A ROLL CALL VOTE.

V. TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY: (None)

VI. CONGESTION MANAGEMENT AGENCY: (None)

VII. KERN MOTORIST AID AUTHORITY: (None)

VIII. MEETING REPORTS: (None)

IX. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- Mr. Hakimi stated that volunteers were needed for the Kern COG Regional Awards nominations. The committee will meet on Thursday, December 21st. Director Prout, Parra, Wood, Smith and Krier volunteered for the committee.
- Mr. Hakimi advised that on October 29th -31st he would be attending the FOCUS Conference in San Francisco
- On October 30th Rob Ball and Becky Napier will attend the KCAC Meeting in Tehachapi
- Mr. Hakimi highlighted the items that were in Board Members folders.

X MEMBER STATEMENTS: On their own initiative, Council members may make a brief announcement or a brief report on their own activities. In addition, Council members may ask a question of staff or the public for clarification on any matter, provide a reference to staff or other resources for factual information, or request staff to report back to the Council at a later meeting concerning any matter. Furthermore, the Council, or any member thereof, may take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda. None heard.

Director Cantu thanked Kern COG staff and Caltrans. He stated that McFarland is excited about the new overpass. He also thanked Kern COG staff for attending the City Council meeting.

Chair Wegman presented Rob Ball with a service award for 25 years of dedicated service to the Kern Council of Governments.

XI. CLOSED SESSION: None

XII. ADJOURNMENT: NEXT MEETING: November 16, 2017

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:

Ahron Hakimi, Executive Director

Cheryl Wegman, Chair

DATE: _____