

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Minutes of Meeting for May 16, 2019

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

THURSDAY
May 16, 2019
6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Smith at approximately 7:34 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL:

Members Present: B. Smith, Lessenevitch, Crump, Mower, Reyna, Couch, Alvarado, Trujillo, Krier, Vallejo

Congestion Management Agency Ex-Officio Members: Miller, Kersey, Bello

Members Absent: Cantu, Scrivner, P. Smith, Dermody

Others: John Spaulding, Karen King, Dennis Fox, Yolanda Alcantar, Troy Hightower, Brian Godbe, Ray Scott

Staff: Ahron Hakimi, Rob Ball, Becky Napier, Veronica McCulloch, Bob Snoddy, Rachel Pacheco, Linda Urata, Greg Palomo, Peter Smith, Susanne Campbell

- 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.**

Chairman Smith asked for public comments. There were none.

- 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 – April 18, 2019

B. Response to Public Comments

C. Public Information Policies and Procedures (Napier)

Comment: Preparation of the 2019 Public Information Policies and Procedures. This item has been reviewed by the Regional Planning Advisory Committee.

Action: Approve the 2019 Public Information Policies and Procedures

D. FY 2019-20 Final Overall Work Program (Napier)

Comment: The Overall Work Program (OWP) is an annual administrative procedure, undertaken to meet state and federal guidelines. Projects requested by Local, state, and federal agencies that address regional issues and concerns are included in order to provide a comprehensive overview of the annual Kern COG program

Action: Adopt Kern COG's Final 2019-20 Overall Work Program and authorize the Chairman to sign Resolution No. 19-01.

E. Agreement for Safety-Related Hazard and Obstruction Removal on State Highways
(Napier)

Comment: Consideration of a Memorandum of Agreement between Kern Council of Governments, Acting as the Kern Motorist Aid Authority, and the City of Bakersfield for safety-related hazard and obstruction removal on state highways within the City of Bakersfield in the amount of \$150,000. This item has been approved by County Counsel.

Action: Approve the Memorandum of Agreement between Kern Council of Governments, Acting as the Kern Motorist Aid Authority, and the City of Bakersfield and authorize the Chair to execute the Agreement.

F. 2019 Community Survey Final Report (Campbell)

Comment: Godbe Research was commissioned by Kern Council of Governments (COG) to conduct the 2019 Community Survey.

Action: Accept the 2019 Community Survey Final Report.

G. LOCAL CLEARINGHOUSE:

Applicant: County of Kern
Address: 2700 "M" Street, Suite 250
Bakersfield, CA 93301
Contact: Mr. James Golden, Planner

Catalog No.: 14.218
Title: Community Development Block Grant/Entitlement Grant
Description: Serving the unincorporated communities of the County of Kern and Co-operative Cities of California City, Ridgecrest, Shafter, Tehachapi, and Wasco. Program for the development of viable communities.
Total Funds: \$4,933,453.00
Impact Area: Unincorporated communities of the County of Kern and Co-operative Cities of California City, Ridgecrest, Shafter, Tehachapi, and Wasco.

Catalog No.: 14.239
Title: Home Investment Partnership Program
Description: Serving the unincorporated communities of the County of Kern and Co-operative Cities of California City, Ridgecrest, Shafter, Tehachapi, and Wasco. Program for the development of viable communities.
Total Funds: \$2,173, 221.00
Impact Area: Unincorporated communities of the County of Kern and Co-operative Cities of California City, Ridgecrest, Shafter, Tehachapi, and Wasco.

Catalog No.: 14.231
Title: Emergency Solutions Grant
Description: Serving the unincorporated communities of the County of Kern and Co-operative Cities of California City, Ridgecrest, Shafter, Tehachapi, and Wasco. Program for the development of viable communities.
Total Funds: \$409,344.00
Impact Area: Unincorporated communities of the County of Kern and Co-operative Cities of California City, Ridgecrest, Shafter, Tehachapi, and Wasco.

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

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

IV. FINAL KERN COG FY 2019-2020 FINANCIAL PLAN (Palomo)

Comment: Pursuant to policy, Kern Council of Governments (Kern COG) prepares and adopts an annual financial plan (budget) detailing estimated revenues and expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year. Staff has prepared a **final** Kern COG FY 2019-2020 Financial Plan that includes \$5,729,702 in estimated operating revenues and \$5,287,796 in estimated operating expenditures.

Chairman Smith opened the public hearing. There were no public comments and Chairman Smith closed the public hearing.

Action: Board Member Couch made a motion to adopt the Final Kern COG FY 2019-2020 Financial Plan; seconded by Board Member Vallejo, with all in favor.

V. FINAL KMAA FY 2019-2020 FINANCIAL PLAN (Palomo)

Comment: KMAA develops and annual financial plan or budget that includes detailed estimates of revenues and expenses for the upcoming fiscal year. The financial plan is reviewed and approved by the Council. The **final** KMAA FY 2019-2020 Financial Plan proposes operating revenues totaling \$769,833, and operating appropriations totaling \$577,328, with net operating surplus of \$192,505.

Chairman Smith opened the public hearing. There were not public comments and Chairman Smith closed the public hearing.

Action: Board Member Mower made a motion to adopt the Final KMAA FY 2019-2020 Financial Plan; seconded by Board Member Couch, with all in favor.

VI. APPOINTMENT OF A THIRD MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (Napier)

Ms. Napier stated that the Kern COG Policy Manual defines the makeup of the Kern COG Board Executive Committee. The Manual states: "The Executive Committee shall be comprised of the Chairman, the representative of the City of Bakersfield and one (1) representative of the County of Kern. In the event that the representatives of the City of Bakersfield and the County of Kern hold the positions of Chairman and Vice-Chairman, the third member shall be appointed by a majority vote of the Council".

The Chairman is the representative of the City of Bakersfield, the Vice-Chairman (Zack Scrivner) is absent; therefore Supervisor Couch will represent Kern County and the Board needs to select another individual to serve on the Kern COG Board Executive Committee.

Board Member Couch made a motion to nominate Board Member Vallejo to the Executive Committee, there being no objections, the motion carried.

VII. TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY: (None)

VIII. CONGESTION MANAGEMENT AGENCY: (None)

IX. KERN MOTORIST AID AUTHORITY: (None)

X. MEETING REPORTS: (None)

XI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Hakimi provided the following information to the Board:

- Report on San Joaquin Valley Annual Policy Conference – May 8 – 10 in Lemoore
- June 19 – 21 FHWA and FTA Federal 4 Certification Review
- SB 2 Planning Grants Program – OPR, HUD and Placeworks – Wednesday, June 5 at 1:30 in the Kern COG Board Room
- Working with the Kern County Public Works to replace the Debris Removal Contract that we had with the Sheriff's Department

XII. MEMBER STATEMENTS: (None)

XIII. CLOSED SESSION: (None)

XIV. ADJOURNMENT: Seeing no other comments the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m. **NEXT MEETING – June 20, 2019.**

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:

Ahron Hakimi, Executive Director

Bob Smith, Chairman

DATE: _____