

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Minutes of Meeting for February 20, 2020

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

THURSDAY  
February 20, 2020  
6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Smith at 7:29 p.m.

**I. ROLL CALL:**

**Members Present:** Crump, P. Smith, B. Smith, Krier, Mower, Alvarado, Garcia, Vallejo

**Congestion Management Agency Ex-Officio Members:** Kiernan, Gordon, Parra

**Members Absent:** Cantu, Lessenevitch, Couch, Scrivner, Gurrola

**Others:** John Spaulding, John Pallares, Karen King, Dennis Fox, Mariana Sobolenski,

**Staff:** Ahron Hakimi, Rob Ball, Becky Napier, Veronica McCulloch, Bob Snoddy, Rochelle Invina, Raquel Pacheco, Linda Urata, Fasika Montalvo, Ben Raymond

- 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 no comments.

- 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 – January 16, 2019**

**B. Response to Public Comments**

**C. Draft FY 2020-21 Overall Work Program (Montalvo)**

**Comment:** Presenting Kern COG's Draft 2020-21 Overall Work Program for review and solicit eligible projects for possible inclusion.

**Action:** Information.

**D. Regional Planning advisory Committee By-Laws Update (Napier) '**

**Comment:** Amend the Regional Planning Advisory Committee (RPAC) By-Laws to add one permanent voting member for the Tejon Indian Tribe and amend Article VI. Meetings, Section 3 as it relates to what constitutes a quorum. County Counsel has reviewed this item.

**Action:** Approve the RPAC By-Laws Update. VOICE VOTE.

**E. Program Supplement Agreement – Rideshare Program (Campbell)**

**Comment:** Pursuant to Kern COG policy, the board shall review and approve grant-funding agreements. On February 5, 2020, staff received from Caltrans Program Supplement Agreement No. F-040 for \$190,960 to implement a transportation demand management and rideshare program.

**Action:** Approve Program Supplement Agreement, and authorize Chair to sign Agreement and Resolution No. 20-04. ROLL CALL VOTE.

**F. Agreement for Payment of Shared Cost for Aerial Imagery (Heimer)**

**Comment:** The City of Bakersfield (Bakersfield), County of Kern (County) and Kern Council of governments (Kern COG) have negotiated an agreement to purchase aerial photography. Under the agreement, Kern COG will reimburse Bakersfield \$59,485 for county-wide photography.

**Action:** Authorize the chair to sign the Agreement for Payment of Shared Cost for Aerial Imagery between the City of Bakersfield, the county of Kern and Kern Council of Governments, subject to minor revisions and approval as to form by County Counsel. ROLL CALL VOTE.

**G. 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 count of Kern for safety-related hazard and obstruction removal on state highways within Kern County in the amount of \$50,000. This item has been reviewed by County Counsel.

**Action:** Approve the Memorandum of Agreement between Kern Council of Governments, acting as the Kern Motorist Aid Authority, and the County of Kern and authorize the Chair to execute the Agreement. VOICE VOTE.

**H. Local Clearinghouse: (None)**

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

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

- IV. TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY: (None)**
- V. CONGESTION MANAGEMENT AGENCY: (None)**
- VI. KERN MOTORIST AID AUTHORITY: (None)**
- VII. MEETING REPORTS: (None)**
- VIII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Mr. Hakimi provided the following information to the Board:

- 2019 Regional Awards Ceremony – March 5 at Seven Oaks Country Club

- March 10 & 11 - Valley Voice Trip to Sacramento – Zack, Cathy, Ahron
- April 5 – 7 – CALCOG Regional Leadership Forum in Riverside
- May 13 – 15 - Annual San Joaquin Valley Policy Conference in Bass Lake
- Form 700 Due April 1; Please list Kern Council of Governments and provide a copy.

**IX. MEMBER STATEMENTS: (None)**

**X. CLOSED SESSION: (None)**

**XI. ADJOURNMENT:** Seeing no other comments the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m. **NEXT MEETING – March 19, 2020.**

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:

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Ahron Hakimi, Executive Director

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Bob Smith, Chairman

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