

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Minutes of Meeting for February 18, 2021

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

THURSDAY
February 18, 2021
6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Smith at 7:03 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Trujillo, B. Smith, Crump, Lessenevitch, Krier, B. Smith, Perez, Blades, Prout, Garcia, Couch, Scrivner

Congestion Management Agency Ex-Officio Members: Navarro, Alcalá, Kersey, Parra

Members Absent: Vasquez

Others: Adam Wasserman, Mark Heckman, Catherine Carr

Staff: Ahron Hakimi, Becky Napier, Rob Ball, Raquel Pacheco, Joe Stramaglia, Veronica McCulloch, Rochelle Invina, Brian Van Wyk

- 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 21, 2021

B. Response to Public Comments

C. 2020 REGIONAL AWARD OF MERIT CEREMONY UPDATE (Napier)

Comment: Kern Council of Governments Board update – 2020 Regional Award of Merit Ceremony.

Action: Information.

D. Local Clearinghouse: (None)

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

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

- IV. **TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (None)**
- V. **CONGESTION MANAGEMENT AGENCY: (None)**
- VI. **KERN MOTORIST AID AUTHORITY: (None)**
- VII. **MEETING REPORTS: (None)**
- VIII. **DISTRICT 9 CALTRANS REPORT**

Mark Heckman reported the following:

- Rosamond/Mojave Rehabilitation project information: NewsDash: <https://youtu.be/XZhOIX7RDDM>
- Inyokern/Ridgecrest Pavement – planning document, solicitation for comments.
- Project on Highway 14 in Mojave lane closures have changed be aware in that area

IX. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Executive Director Hakimi made the following report:

- March 3 – Valley Voice Sacramento Day 1
- March 10 – Valley Voice Sacramento Day 2
- Reminder that Form 700s are due
- Board Folder Contents

X. MEMBER STATEMENTS: (None)

XI. CLOSED SESSION: (None)

XII. ADJOURNMENT: Seeing no other comments the meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m. **NEXT MEETING – March 18, 2021.**

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:

Bob Smith, Chairman

Ahron Hakimi, Executive Director

DATE: _____