

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Minutes of Meeting for July 21, 2022

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

THURSDAY
July 21, 2022
6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Scrivner at 7:02 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Couch, Blades, Crump, Tafoya, Krier, Lessenevitch, Prout, Reyna, Scrivner, Vasquez

Congestion Management Agency Ex-Officio Members: Flores, Navarro, Helton

Members Absent: B. Smith, P. Smith, Trujillo, Parra

Others: Flint, Harriman, Chandy, McMahon

Staff: Hakimi, Napier, Snoddy, Ball, VanWyk, Stramaglia, Raymond, Invina-Jayasiri, Pacheco, Urata, Whitaker

- 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.**

Vice Chairman Scrivner 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 – June 16, 2022

B. Concurrence in Actions of TPPC

C. Response to Public Comments

D. Amendment #1 to EV Ready Communities Memorandum of Understanding between Kern COG and the City of Wasco as funded by the California energy Commission ARV-20-0101-01 (Urata)

Action: Approve the Agreement between Kern Council of Governments and the City of Wasco; authorize Chair to sign. ROLL CALL VOTE

E. EV Ready Communities Agreement Between Kern COG and San Joaquin Valley Community Shared Mobility, Inc. d/b/a Miocar as funded by the California Energy Commission ARV-20-0101 (Urata)

Action: Approve the Agreement between Kern Council of Governments and San Joaquin Valley Community Shared Mobility, Inc. d/b/a Miocar; authorize Chair to sign. ROLL CALL VOTE

F. Contract Extension – Preparation of the 2022 Regional Housing needs Allocation (RHNA) Plan (Invina - Jayasiri)

Action: Approve and authorize the Chairman to sign Amendment No. 1 between Kern Council of Governments and Regional Government Services Authority (RGS), Rincon Consultants, Inc. & Mintier-Harnish Planning Consultants. ROLL CALL VOTE

G. Local Clearinghouse:

Applicant: CSUB Auxiliary for Sponsored Programs Administration

Address: 9001 Stockdale Highway
Bakersfield, CA 93311 - 1022
Contact: Daphne Evans

Federal Agency: Department of Education
Catalog No.: 84.047
Title: TRIO Upward Bound
Description: CSUB Veteran Student Success

Federal Funds Applied For: \$287,537.00
Total Funds: \$287,537.00

Applicant: CSUB Auxiliary for Sponsored Programs Administration

Address: 9001 Stockdale Highway
Bakersfield, CA 93311-1022
Contact: Daphne Evans

Federal Agency: Department of Education
Catalog No.: 84.423
Title: Supporting Effective Educator Development Program
Description: Project ACCESS (Amplifying Community, Cultural, and Environmental Stewardship in Science)

Federal Funds Applied For: \$2,035,791.00
Total Funds: \$2,719,491.00

Applicant: Self Help Enterprises

Address: P.O. Box 6520
Visalia, CA 93290
Contact: Maria Alvarez

Federal Agency: USDA Rural Housing Development
Funding Opportunity No.: USDA-RD-HCFP-HPG-2022
Title: Rural Housing Preservation Grant
Description: Housing Preservation Grant Program for low-income and very low-income households, providing loans/grants for housing rehabilitation

Federal Funds Applied For: \$200,000
Total Funds: \$331,500

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

MOTION BY DIRECTOR COUCH TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS A THROUGH G, SECOND BY DIRECTOR TAFOYA, MOTION CARRIED WITH A UNANIMOUS ROLL CALL VOTE.

IV. ATP CYCLE 5 SAFE ROUTES FOR CYCLISTS IN KERN COUNTY'S DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES: SUB-AGREEMENT BETWEEN KERN COG AND BIKING FOR FUN, INC. DBA BIKE BAKERSFIELD (Urata)

Comment: Kern Council of Governments will enter into an agreement with Biking for Fun, Inc. doing business as Bike Bakersfield to direct the non-Infrastructure Active Transportation Program Cycle 5 grant-funded project titled "*Safe Routes for Cyclists in Kern County's Disadvantaged Communities*". County Counsel has approved the Agreement as to form.

COMMITTEE MEMBER KRIER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE SUB-AGREEMENT BETWEEN KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AND BIKING FOR FUN, INC. DBA BIKE BAKERSFIELD, AND ADOPT RESOLUTION 22-33 AUTHORIZING THE VICE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT, SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER LESSENEVITCH, MOTION CARRIED WITH THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Couch, Blades, Crump, Tafoya, Krier, Lessenevitch, Prout, Reyna, Scrivner, Vasquez
Noes: None
Absent: B. Smith, P. Smith, Trujillo
Abstain: None

V. CONGESTION MANAGEMENT AGENCY: (None)

VI. KERN MOTORIST AID AUTHORITY: (None)

VII. MEETING REPORTS: (None)

VIII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Executive Director Hakimi made the following report:

- Report on State negotiations re: gas tax/rebates
- Dated July 1, the High-Speed Rail Authority responded to our letter. The letter did not provide dates for a meeting with the Authority's Board of Directors Chairperson. We continue to request a meeting.

IX. MEMBER STATEMENTS:

X. CLOSED SESSION:

None.

XI. ADJOURNMENT: Seeing no other comments the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m. **NEXT MEETING – August 18, 2022.**

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:

Ahron Hakimi, Executive Director

Bob Smith, Chairman

DATE: _____