

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Minutes of Meeting for January 19, 2023

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

THURSDAY
January 19, 2023
6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Smith at 7:13 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Ayon, Scrivner, Crump, Krier, Creighton, Prout, Reyna, B. Smith, P. Smith, Trujillo, Vasquez

Congestion Management Agency Ex-Officio Members: Parra Warney, Navarro, Helton

Members Absent: Blades, Couch

Others:

Staff: Hakimi, Napier, Ball, VanWyk, Campbell, Stramaglia, Snoddy, Enriquez, Pacheco, Urata, Flickinger, Invina,

- 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 – November 17, 2022

B. Concurrence in Actions of TPPC

C. Response to Public Comments

D. Kern COG's 2022 Regional Award of Merit Ceremony (Campbell)

Action: Information.

E. Amendment #1 to EV Ready Communities Memorandum of Understanding between Kern COG and the City of Arvin as funded by the California Energy Commission Agreement ARV-20-010-01 (Urata)

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

F. EV Ready Communities Kern County Electric Vehicle Charging Station Blueprint

Implementation Sub-Agreement between Kern COG and Biking for Fun, Inc. dba Bike Bakersfield (Urata)

Action: Approve the sub-agreement between Kern Council of Governments and Biking For Fun, Inc. dba Bike Bakersfield, and adopt Resolution 23-03 authorizing the Executive Directo to sign. ROLL CALL VOTE

G. Metro Bakersfield Long-Range Transit Plan (Enriquez)

Action: Approve the contract for Metropolitan Bakersfield Long Range Transit Plan to the sole bidder, Nelson Nygaard Consulting Associates in the amount not to exceed \$338,861 and authorize the Chairman to sign the contract. ROLL CALL VOTE

H. Local Clearinghouse:

Applicant: CSUB Auxillary for Sponsored Programs Administration

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

Federal Agency: Bureau of Reclamation
Catalog No.: 15.564
Title: CVP Conservation Program & CVPIA Habitat Restoration Program FY23
Description: Floodplain habitat enhancement at the Bakersfield Environmental Studies Area (BESA), lower Kern River, Kern County, CA

Federal Funds: \$834,361.00

Total Funds: \$937,201.00

Applicant: Crimson Renewable Energy, LLC

Address: 17731 Mullux Road
Bakersfield, CA 93311
Contact: Harry Simpson

Federal Agency: USDA Rural Development
Catalog No.: 10.754
Title: Higher Blends Infrastructure Incentive Program
Description: A fuel terminal project to install 5 dispensers and 2 loading bays to offer B20 biodiesel

Federal Funds: \$399,521.00

Total Funds: \$968,572.00

Applicant: Rani Alhabroun

Address: 3601 Stockdale Highway
Bakersfield, CA 93309
Contact: Rani Alhabroun

Federal Agency: Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number
Catalog No.: 10.754
Title: Notice of Funding Opportunity for the Higher Blends Infrastructure Incentive Program (HBIIP) for Fiscal Year 2022
Description: \$1,200,000.00 is needed to install underground storage tanks with pumps and canopy and equipment and construction costs.

Federal Funds: \$200,000.00

Total Funds: \$400,000.00

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

MOTION BY DIRECTOR SCRIVNER TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS A THROUGH H, SECOND BY DIRECTOR REYNA, MOTION CARRIED WITH A UNANIMOUS ROLL CALL VOTE.

IV. CONGESTION MANAGEMENT AGENCY: (None)

V. KERN MOTORIST AID AUTHORITY: (None)

VI. MEETING REPORTS: (None)

VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Executive Director Hakimi made the following report:

1. San Joaquin Valley Policy Council meeting – Friday, January 27, 2023
2. Kern Regional Award of Merit Celebration – Thursday, March 2, 2023 (Please RSVP ASAP)
3. San Joaquin Valley Policy Conference – April 24 – 26, 2023 - Great Wolf Lodge - Manteca

VIII. MEMBER STATEMENTS:

IX. CLOSED SESSION:

None.


X. ADJOURNMENT: Seeing no other comments the meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m. **NEXT MEETING – February 16, 2023.**

ATTEST:



Bob Smith, Chairman

Respectfully submitted,



Ahron Hakimi, Executive Director

DATE: 2-16-23