

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Minutes of Meeting for April 20, 2023

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

THURSDAY
April 20, 2023
6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Smith at 6:45 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Couch, Crump, Krier, Creighton, Prout, Reyna, Scrivner, B. Smith, P. Smith, Murillo

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

Members Absent: Ayon, Blades, Vasquez

Others: Marguerite, Juan, Walker, Franz, Butler

Staff: Hakimi, Napier, Snoddy, Pacheco, Enriquez, Ball, Stramaglia, Urata, Flickinger, Montalvo, Invina-Jayasiri, Banuelos, VanWyk

- 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 – March 16, 2023

B. Concurrence in Actions of TPPC

C. Response to Public Comments

D. EV Ready Communities Agreement Between Kern COG and California Clean Transportation LLC as Funded by the California Energy Commission ARV-20-0101
(Urata)

Action: Approve the Agreement between Kern Council of Governments and California Clean Transportation LLC; authorize Chair to sign. ROLL CALL VOTE.

E. Contract With Moore & Associates to Conduct Triennial Performance Audit
(Enriquez)

Action: Approve a contract for the Triennial Performance Audits to the sole bidder, Moore and Associates in an amount not to exceed \$74,954.16 and authorize the

Chairman to sign the contract. ROLL CALL VOTE.

F. FY 2022-2023 Overall Work Program and Financial Plan Amendment No. 2: Resolution No. 23-10 (Montalvo)

Action: Approve Amendment No. 2 to the FY 2022-2023 Overall Work Program and Financial Plan and authorize Chairman to sign Resolution 23-10. ROLL CALL VOTE.

G. EV Ready Communities Agreement between Kern COG and California Clean Transportation LLC as Funded by the California Energy Commission ARV-20-0101 (Urata)

Action: Approve the Agreement between Kern Council of Governments and California Clean Transportation LLC; authorize Chair to sign. ROLL CALL VOTE.

H. Local Clearinghouse:

Applicant: County of Kern

Address: 1115 Truxtun Ave., Fifth Floor
Bakersfield, CA 93301-4630
Contact: Mrs. Amanda Ruiz

Federal Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Catalog No.: 16.833
Title: National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative Kern County Unsubmitted SAR 2023 Project.

Federal Funds: \$2,000,000.00

Total Funds: \$2,000,000.00

Applicant: County of Kern

Address: 2700 M Street, Suite 250
Bakersfield, CA 93301-2323
Contact: Ms. Lorelei H. Oviatt

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Catalog No.: 14.231
Title: Emergency Solutions Grant
Description: Serving the Unincorporated Communities of the County of Kern and Co-operative communities of California City, Ridgecrest, Shafter, and Tehachapi.

Federal Funds: \$399,859

Total Funds: \$399,859

Applicant: County of Kern

Address: 2700 M Street, Suite 250
Bakersfield, CA 93301-2323
Contact: Lorelei H. Oviatt

Federal Agency: US Department of Housing and Urban Development
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, and Tehachapi.

Federal Funds: \$2,166,644.00

Total Funds: \$2,516,644.00

Applicant: County of Kern

Address: 2700 M Street, Suite 250

Bakersfield, CA 93301-2323

Contact: Lorelei H. Oviatt

Federal Agency: US Department of Housing and Urban Development

Catalog No.: 14.218

Title: Community Development Block Grant

Description: Serving the Unincorporated Communities of the County of Kern and Co-operative Cities of California City, Ridgecrest, Shafter, and Tehachapi.

Federal Funds: \$4,652,524.00

Total Funds: \$4,812,524.00

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

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

IV. FY 2023-2024 FINAL OVERALL WORK PROGRAM (Montalvo)

Action: Adopt Kern COG's FINAL 2023-2024 Overall Work Program and authorize Chair to sign Resolution No. 23-01. ROLL CALL VOTE.

MOTION BY DIRECTOR CRUMP TO ADOPT KERN COG'S FINAL 2023-2024 OVERALL WORK PROGRAM AND RESOLUTION NO. 23-01; SECOND BY DIRECTOR COUCH, MOTION CARRIED WITH A UNANIMOUS ROLL CALL VOTE.

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:

1. Report on March 22 & 23 CTC Meeting in Los Angeles
2. Report on April 12-14 – Federal Certification Site Visit
3. San Joaquin Valley Policy Conference – April 24 – 26, 2023 - Great Wolf Lodge – Manteca
4. Meetings:
 - a. SR 99 and SR 58 missing connectors
 - b. SR 204 and Union Avenue
 - c. 7th Standard/SR 43
 - d. SR 33 Safety Improvements
 - e. SR 46 Monthly Status Meeting
 - f. Truck Climbing Lanes on SR 58

IX. MEMBER STATEMENTS:

X. CLOSED SESSION:

None.

XI. ADJOURNMENT: Seeing no other comments the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m. **NEXT MEETING – May 18, 2023.**

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:

Ahron Hakimi, Executive Director

Bob Smith, Chairman

DATE: _____