



ITEM B

Meeting Minutes

Friday, December 15, 2017

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Meeting Location:
 Fresno Council of Governments
 2035 Tulare Street, Suite 201
 Fresno, CA 93721

Meeting Attendees:

MEMBER	MPO/COG	TITLE	JURISDICTION
Rudy Mendoza – Chair	TCAG	Mayor	City of Woodlake
Kuyler Crocker	TCAG	Supervisor	County of Tulare
Amarpreet Dhaliwal	Fresno COG	Mayor	City of San Joaquin
Gary Yep (phone)	Fresno COG	Mayor Pro-Tem	City of Kerman
Daron McDaniel (phone)	MCAG	Supervisor	Merced County
Chuck Winn – Vice Chair	SJ COG	Supervisor	San Joaquin County
Vito Chiesa (phone)	Stan COG	Supervisor	Stanislaus County
Bill Zoslocki (phone)	Stan COG	Councilmember	City of Modesto
Tom Jordan (for Seyed Sadredin)	SJVAPCD	Senior Policy Advisor	SJVAPCD

Please see Appendix A for a list of other attendees:

A. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Mendoza

ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

There was a motion to re-elect Mayor Mendoza for the Chair position

First Motion: Supervisor McDaniel

Second Motion: Mayor Dhaliwal

No Nays

Motion Carried

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 Mayor Rudy Mendoza
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Vice-Chair
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Kings County
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 Transportation
 Commission

Merced County
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Stanislaus
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There was a motion to re-elect Supervisor Winn for the Vice Chair position

First Motion: Mayor Dhaliwal
Second Motion: Supervisor Crocker
No Nays
Motion Carried

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

June 23, 2017 and July 21, 2017 Regional Policy Council Meetings

First Motion: Supervisor Crocker
Second Motion: Mayor Yep
No Nays
Motion Carried

C. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. Valley Legislative Affairs Committee

Stacy Dabbs

a. Discuss Legislative Platform for Valley Voice Sacramento (March 7, 2018)

Mrs. Dabbs introduced a proposed legislative platform and briefly highlighted all the topics. Supervisor Crocker commented and suggested prioritizing projects throughout the valley. Supervisor Crocker advised identifying a handful of projects to focus on this year and do the same the following year. Supervisor McDaniel echoed the same concerns. CTC commissioner Paul Van Konyenburg noted some routes that were scrubbed by Caltrans and asked members to think about eligible routes for this upcoming ITIP funding. The commissioner also noted that there needs to be a continuous push for the ARB to be practical and timely. Supervisor McDaniel asked to address issues about water for the entire valley. Mayor Dhaliwal and Supervisor Winn reiterated the discussion on water and emphasized the importance of valley wide meetings for water and the need to prioritize water policies. Supervisor Crocker encouraged the subcommittee to look into SB 623 as a valleywide issue and the water bond efforts by Dr. Merrill.

There was a motion to approve the platform with all the comments.

First Motion: Supervisor Crocker
Second Motion: Supervisor Winn
No Nays
Motion Carried

2. State Route 99/Regional Projects Funding

a. Receive Update from Caltrans on SR 99 ITIP Proposed Funding

Gail Miller/Monica Kress

Mrs. Gail Miller briefly discussed funding cuts that happened in May 2016. Mrs. Miller noted because of the passage of SB1 the 2018 ITIP cycle allows projects that were deleted in 2016 to be restored. Additionally, it will allow cost increases for existing projects, and programming of new components for existing projects. The 2018 ITIP funding includes \$3.3 billion in STIP programming capacity of which \$2.2 billion is new capacity available for new programming. Mrs. Miller reported on ITIP and RIP funding for the STIP projects that are in District 6. Mrs. Monica Kress gave an update on north county projects. Mrs. Kress also recognized and thanked those who participated in the SB1 forum in Clovis.

b. Consider Letter of Support to Caltrans for ITIP Funding

Ted Smalley

Mr. Ted Smalley noted that ITIP funding has been restored and that the 99 widening projects that were deleted have now been programmed. Mr. Smalley added there are no changes requested to the 2018 ITIP draft and should be left as it is.

There was a recommendation to send a letter to Caltrans and to CTC that states ITIP funding stay as proposed.

First Motion: Supervisor Crocker
Second Motion: Mayor Dhaliwal
No Nays
Motion Carried

c. Discuss Criteria for Support of other Regional Projects

Ted Smalley/Andy Chesley

Mr. Ted Smalley, Executive Director TCAG, discussed the need to prioritize and limit the number of projects within the region. Mr. Andy Chesley discussed criteria items to address capacity constraints. Mr. Chesley underlined several criteria items that include safety, leveraging of funds, commodity movement, project readiness, and operational issues. A list was prepared and shared with the executive directors who are reviewing it with their staff.

Chair Rudy Mendoza added an item to include a letter of support for private activity bonds. Mr. Mendoza discussed implication of not using PABs for affordable housing. Supervisor Winn and Supervisor Crocker noted various other problems with affordable housing and discussion ensued.

There was a motion to a letter to member of the conference committee regarding private activity bonds.

First Motion: Supervisor McDaniel
Second Motion: Supervisor Crocker
No Nays
Motion Carried

D. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Spring 2018 Policy Conference (May 9-11, 2018)

Rosa Park

Mr. Michael Sigala added to mark May 9-11, 2018 on the calendars for the conference date and the agenda will be provided at a later time.

2. SB 375 Green House Gas Target Update

Ryan Niblock

Mr. Andy Chesley gave an update on the GHG targets and noted that the targets will continue to stay the same at five and ten percent for the third RTP cycle. There is constant communication with the ARB not to establish new target this late in the year.

3. San Joaquin JPA for Passenger Rail

Dan Leavitt

Mr. Dan Leavitt added a few changes to the service with the roll out of the Morning Express train from Fresno to Sacramento in early May. Mr. Leavitt noted they will be submitting TIRCP application for improvements, and to increase services to Sacramento. The SJJPA and SJRRC is seeking letters of support for this application.

There was a motion to approve to send a letter of support on this issue.

First Motion: Supervisor Crocker
Second Motion: Councilmember Bill Zoslocki
No Nays
Motion Carried

4. Rural Transit Alternatives

Michael Sigala

Mr. Michael Sigala reviewed the final draft report of the Opportunities for Shared-Use Mobility Service in Rural Disadvantage Communities and noted that existing conditions and conceptual program development has been completed. Mr. Sigala discussed conducting more in-depth evaluation of the proposed concepts and further define an implementation strategy as the next steps in the project.

5. San Joaquin Valley Goods Movement Planning Studies

Michael Sigala

Mr. Michael Sigala noted the completion of the two studies and provided final report for both as a handout for members to review.

6. California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley

Ismael Herrera

No update provided at this time

D. OTHER ITEMS

1. Executive Directors' Report

Tony Boren

Mr. Tony Boren briefly discussed a director's retreat in January. He will report back any outcomes that come from that workshop at the next meeting.

2. Policy Council Members Comments

No comments.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment was received.

Appendix: A

Others In Attendance:	
Individual(s)	Organization
Ted Smalley	TCAG
Stacy Dabbs	MCAG
Trai Cole-Herr	Fresno COG
Michael Sigala	SJV Coordinator
Tom Jordan	SJVAPCD
Tony Boren	Fresno COG
Ben Kimball	TCAG
Kristine Cai	Fresno COG
Terry King	KCAG
Gail Miller	Caltrans
Monica Kress	Caltrans
Rob Cunningham (ph)	SJ COG