



Meeting Agenda

Friday, June 26, 2020

Time: 1:00 p.m.

ZOOM CONFERENCE MEETING

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Enclosure

1) CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Yep

2) APPROVE JANUARY 17, 2020 MEETING MINUTES

Chair Yep



3) DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. DISCUSS IMPACT OF COVID 19 TO LOCAL HOUSING MARKETS

Chair Yep

B. RECEIVE UPDATE ON FUNDING AND PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION

Robert Phipps



C. APPROVE SCORING COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION TO HIRE A
PROGRAM MANAGER FOR VALLEYWIDE AND OTHER REAP ACTIVITIES

Robert Phipps

D. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVING RESOLUTION FOR REMAINING
FUNDS

Robert Phipps



4) PUBLIC COMMENT

This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons wishing to address the Committee on items within its jurisdiction but NOT on this agenda. Public Comment will be allowed during the Discussion/Action Items above.

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Meeting Minutes

ITEM 2

Friday, January 17, 2020

Time: 1:00 p.m.

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

Meeting Attendees:

MEMBER	TITLE	JURISDICTION
Bob Smith	Councilmember	City of Bakersfield
Cathy Prout	Councilmember	City of Shafter
Doug Verboon	Supervisor	Kings County
Glenda Woolley (phone)	Councilmember	City of Avenal
Gary Yep	Mayor Pro-Tem	City of Kerman
Steve Brandau	Supervisor	Fresno County
Diana Palmer	Councilmember	City of Chowchilla
Rob Poythress	Supervisor	Madera County
Andrew Medellin	Mayor	City of Madera
Lloyd Pareria	Supervisor	Merced County
Mike Villalta	Mayor	City of Los Banos
April Hogue	Mayor	City of Dos Palos
Gary Singh	Councilmember	City of Manteca
Dan Wright	Vice Mayor	City of Stockton
Bill O'Brien	Private Citizen	Large City Stanislaus County
Anthony Canella	Private Citizen	Small Cities Stanislaus County
Vito Chiesa	Supervisor	Stanislaus County
Ed Valera	Supervisor	Tulare County
Frankie Alves	Councilmember	City of Exeter
Martha Flores	Mayor	City of Porterville

Please see Appendix A for a list of other attendees

A. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

B. OVERVIEW PRESENTATION OF PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES OF THE COMMITTEE

Michael Sigala gave a power point presentation and started with the overview of The Local Government Planning Support Grants Program (AB 101) established from the \$1.7 billion housing "trailer bill". The San Joaquin Valley Council was allocated \$19 million of the \$125 million to Council

of Governments/Metropolitan Planning Organizations statewide. The existing RHNA and the Housing Element are to be revamped to create a fair, transparent and objective process. Robert

Phipps noted the Local Governments Planning Support Grants Program shall be conducted through the San Joaquin Valley Multiagency Working Group consisting of three representatives from each of the eight counties. Michael Sigala highlighted items required to submit an application to HCD to request 25 percent of allocation funds. Michael continued with the overview of regional priorities and funding, sub allocation activities, and annual reporting. Robert reviewed the additional provisions of the housing trailer bill on ProHousing and direct allocations to cities and counties. Applications for the first 25 percent will be accepted until July 1, 2020.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

C. DISCUSS AND APPROVE BYLAWS

Robert Phipps briefly reviewed the bylaws drafted for the San Joaquin Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Committee. There were a couple of key points mentioned, which include, the committee will cooperate as a simple majority, committee members are entitled for reimbursement for mileage and \$100 per meeting stipend, this committee will have a chair and vice chair, there will four quarterly meetings per year, and the committee will have a technical advisory committee. Frida Cardoza gave an overview of the Housing Collaborative and its members. Mayor Gary Yep had a question about allowing a substitute to vote in the absence of a member. This is no provision for this but it may be included in the bylaws if requested. There were some concerns with the simple majority rule vs two thirds vote. After further discussion they agreed to revise the bylaws to include language that requires at least two thirds of twenty-four [24] members to be in attendance to form a quorum and eleven [11] to pass a vote. In addition, they will revise the language of the stipend for members who are physically in attendance.

There was a motion to accept the San Joaquin Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Committee bylaws with the revisions as discussed.

First Motion: Supervisor Doug Verboon

Second Motion: Vice Mayor Dan Wright

No Nays

Motioned Carried

D. ELECT CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

There was a nomination for Mayor Pro Tem Gary Yep as Chair for the San Joaquin Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Committee

First Motion: Supervisor Robert Poythress

Second Motion: Bill O'Brien

No Nays

Motioned Carried

There was a nomination for Supervisor Lloyd Pareira as Vice Chair for the San Joaquin Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Committee

First Motion: Supervisor Vito Chiesa

Second Motion: Mayor Mike Villalta
No Nays
Motioned Carried

E. CONSIDER APPROVING FRESNO COG AS FISCAL AGENT

Robert Phipps discussed the reasons of establishing a fiscal agent and proposed Fresno COG to be the representative. There were questions regarding annual audits and cost for the administration.

There was a motion to approve Fresno COG as the fiscal agent for the San Joaquin Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Committee

First Motion: Supervisor Vito Chiesa
Second Motion: Supervisor Doug Verboon
No Nays
Motioned Carried

F. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVING INITIAL APPLICATION SUBMITTAL AND RESOLUTION

Michael Sigala briefly outlined the Initial Planning Grant Application and the resolution. Michael noted that they proposed utilizing a population approach to distribute funding evenly to all the MPOs. Staff is recommending that each MPO receive its Initial Funding Application and with the funds should be used for the RHNA process, sub-allocation funds to its County and Cities, and to allocate up to \$500,000 for overall Valleywide activities.

There was a motion to approve the Initial Planning Grant Application and the Authorizing Resolution.

First Motion: Supervisor Steve Brandau
Second Motion: Supervisor Doug Verboon
No Nays
Motioned Carried

G. PUBLIC COMMENT – there was no public comments.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:10 pm.

Appendix A: other meeting attendees

Other Attendees:	
Individual(s)	Organization
Patricia Taylor	Madera County Transportation Commission
Rosa Park	Stan COG
Jenny Kenoyer	Councilmember City of Modesto
Elisabeth Hahn	Stan COG
Christine Corrales	SJ COG
Matt Fell	MCAG
Stacie Guzman	MCAG
Mark Hilton	City of Chowchilla

Kristine Cai	Fresno COG
Steven Engolstien	TCAG
Chris Jasper	Stan COG
John Wall	City of Porterville
Rudy Serrato	Sigala Inc.
Jennifer Khy	Sigala Inc.
Ben Kimball	TCAG
Frida Cardoza	San Joaquin Housing Collaborative
Michael Sigala	Sigala Inc.
Terry King	KCAG
Becky Napier	Kern COG
Robert Phipps	Fresno COG
Tony Boren	Fresno COG
Ahron Hakimi	Kern COG
Meg Prince	Fresno COG
Paul McDougal	State Housing and Community Development

ITEM 3.B.

San Joaquin Valley

Regional Early Action Planning Committee for Housing

June 26, 2020

Background

- ❖ A “regional working group” for housing established by AB 101.
- ❖ 24 member working group first met in January 2020.
- ❖ \$19 million allocated to the San Joaquin Valley for housing planning and production (REAP).
- ❖ Additional funding available to jurisdictions under LEAP.



Regional Priorities and Funding

- ❖ Developing an improved methodology for the distribution of the sixth cycle regional housing need assessment.
- ❖ Suballocating moneys directly and equitably to jurisdictions or other subregional entities in the form of grants, to accelerate housing production in a way that aligns with state planning priorities, housing, transportation, equity, and climate goals.
- ❖ Providing jurisdictions and other local agencies with technical assistance, planning, temporary staffing or consultant needs associated with updating local planning and zoning documents, expediting application processing, and other actions to accelerate additional housing production.
- ❖ Covering the costs of administering any programs.

Suballocation Activities

- ❖ Technical assistance in improving housing permitting processes, tracking systems, and planning tools.
- ❖ Facilitating technical assistance between jurisdictions.
- ❖ Establishing regional or countywide housing trust funds for affordable housing.
- ❖ Performing infrastructure planning, including sewers, water systems, transit, roads, or other public facilities necessary to support new housing and new residents.
- ❖ Performing feasibility studies to determine the most efficient locations to site housing.
- ❖ Performing feasibility studies for affordable housing projects on surplus properties owned by school districts or county offices of education.
- ❖ Covering the costs of temporary staffing or consultant needs associated with the activities described above.

Progress To Date

- ❖ Organizational - Chair, Vice Chair, Bylaws and Fiscal Agent Approved
- ❖ Initial Application \$4.7 M (25%) submitted and approved by HCD
- ❖ Second Application \$5.5 M submitted to HCD
- ❖ RFP for Program Manager
- ❖ Consultations with HCD, MPOs, others



Initial Application

\$4.7 Million

**Prioritized Funds for
RHNA and Suballocations**

**\$500,000 set aside for:
Valleywide Activities &
Administration**

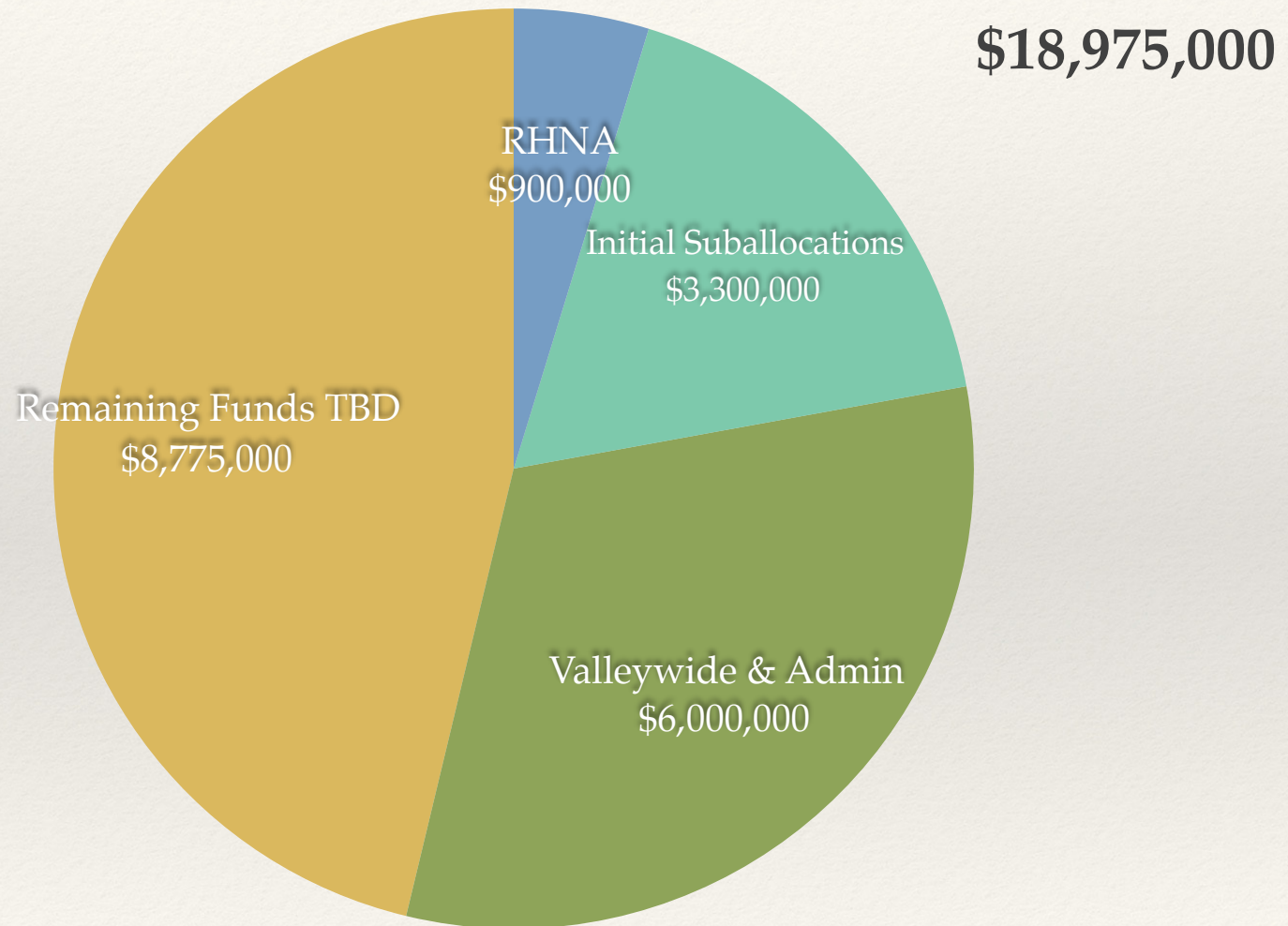
Fresno Council of Governments	\$1,115,470
Kern Council of Governments	\$1,001,320
Kings County Association of Governments	\$168,578
Madera County Transportation Commission	\$173,483
Merced County Association of Governments	\$309,340
San Joaquin Council of Governments	\$842,311
Stanislaus Council of Governments	\$609,488
Tulare County Association of Governments	\$523,837

\$4,743,830

Second Application

- ❖ \$5.5 Million
- ❖ Per State Housing and Community Development Department Direction, this funding is for Valleywide Activities.
 - ❖ Comprehensive Housing Report
 - ❖ Housing Trust Implementation
 - ❖ Regional Planning and Technical Assistance
 - ❖ Standard House Plans, Surplus Property Database, etc.
 - ❖ Other Valleywide Activities TBD

Total REAP Funding



Next Steps

- ❖ Approve Resolution, program manager and other items
- ❖ Conduct RFP for Comprehensive Housing Report and other activities
- ❖ Receive Funds from HCD
- ❖ Work with each MPO on distributions and RHNA coordination
- ❖ Establish Priorities for Remaining Funds
- ❖ Other



RESOLUTION NO. 06262020
San Joaquin Valley
Multi-Agency
Working Group

AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

A majority of the members of the San Joaquin Valley Multi-Agency Working Group (“Applicant”) hereby consents to, adopts and ratifies the following resolution:

- A. WHEREAS, the Department is authorized to provide up to \$125,000,000 under the Local Government Planning Support Grants Program (LGPSGP) to Councils of Governments, Fiscal Agents of Multiagency Working Groups, and other Regional Entities (“Applicant”) (as described in Health and Safety Code section 50515.02).
- B. WHEREAS the State of California (the “State”), Department of Housing and Community Development (“Department”) issued a Notice and Opportunity for Funding Allocation Application (NOFA) on February 18, 2020 (Local Government Planning Support Grants Program);
- C. WHEREAS Applicant is a Council of Governments, Fiscal Agent of a Multiagency Working Group, or Regional Entity eligible to apply for an allocation pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 50515.02(a) to develop and accelerate the implementation of the requirements contained in the Council of Governments, Multiagency Working Group, or Regional Entity’s application pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 50515.02(d)(1) including the development of an education and outreach strategy related to the sixth cycle regional housing need allocation.
- D. WHEREAS the Department shall approve the allocation request, subject to the terms and conditions of Eligibility, NOFA, which includes the guidelines and program requirements, and the Standard Agreement by and between the Department and Local Government Planning Support Grant Recipients;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. Fresno Council of Governments (“Fresno COG”), as the fiscal agent of the Applicant, is hereby authorized pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 50515.02(a) and directs the executive director of Fresno COG to request an allocation pursuant to the Department’s calculation in accordance with the population estimates consistent with the methodology described in subdivision (a) of Section 50515.03 and an allocation as described in 50515.02(c)(2). Each council of governments or other regional entity may, in consultation with the Department and consistent with program requirements, determine the appropriate use of funds or suballocations within its boundaries to appropriately address its unique housing and planning priorities.
- 2. The executive director is authorized to execute the Allocation Application, on behalf of Applicant as required by the Department for receipt of LGPSGP funds by submitting the following information:
 - (a) An allocation budget for the funds provided pursuant to this section.

(b) The amounts retained by the council of governments, regional entity, or county, and any suballocations to jurisdictions.

(c) An explanation of how proposed uses will increase housing planning and facilitate local housing production.

(d) Identification of current best practices at the regional and statewide level that promote sufficient supply of housing affordable to all income levels, and a strategy for increasing adoption of these practices at the regional level, where viable.

(e) An education and outreach strategy to inform local agencies of the need and benefits of taking early action related to the sixth cycle regional housing need allocation.

3. When the fiscal agent of the Applicant receives its allocation of LGPSP funds in the authorized maximum amount of \$14,231,492.25 from the Department pursuant to the above referenced Allocation Application, it represents and certifies that it will use all such funds only for eligible activities as set forth in Health and Safety Code section 50515.02(e), as approved by the Department and in accordance with all LGPSP requirements, NOFA guidelines, all applicable state and federal statutes, rules, regulations, and the Standard Agreement executed by and between the Applicant's fiscal agent and the Department.
4. The executive director of Fresno Council of Governments is authorized to enter into, execute and deliver a State of California Standard Agreement for the maximum amount of \$14,231,492.25, and any and all other documents required or deemed necessary or appropriate to evidence and secure the LGPSP allocation, the Applicant's obligations related thereto and all amendments the Department deems necessary and in accordance with LGPSGP.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the **San Joaquin Valley Multi-Agency Working Group** this ____ day of __, ____ by the following vote:

AYES: ____ ABSTENTIONS: ____

NOES: ____ ABSENT: ____

Signature of Approving Officer

[Insert printed name and title of Approving Officer]

INSTRUCTION: The attesting officer cannot be the person identified in the resolution as the authorized signor.

ATTEST: _____

Signature of Attesting Officer

[Insert printed name and title of Attesting Officer]