

High Desert Corridor
Joint Powers Authority

October 29, 2020

Meeting Materials

Item 4

Approve Minutes of July 6, 2020

**HIGH DESERT CORRIDOR JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Monday, July 6, 2020
10:00 a.m.

San Bernardino County Government Center
385 North Arrowhead Ave, Magda Lawson Room - Fifth Floor
San Bernardino, CA 92415

The Board of Directors participated via teleconference from the following locations:

	Directors Present	Robert A. Lovingood, Supervisor, San Bernardino County First District (Chairman) Kathryn Barger, Supervisor, County of Los Angeles Fifth District (Vice Chair) Steven D. Hofbauer, Mayor, City of Palmdale (Director) Dave Perry, Deputy to Supervisor Kathryn Barger, Los Angeles County Supervisor Curt Emick, Council Member, Town of Apple Valley (Alternate)
	Directors Absent	Raj Malhi, Council Member, City of Lancaster (Director) Edgar "Ed" Camargo, Council Member, City of Adelanto (Director) Scott Nassif, Mayor, Town of Apple Valley (Director)
1.	Call to Order	Chairman Robert Lovingood called the meeting to order.
2.	Board Member Announcements	Chairman Robert Lovingood called for Board Member Announcements. Vice Chair Kathryn Barger stated that Jeanet Owens, Senior Executive Officer, Program Management/Regional Rail with the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) was present to give a brief report on the High Desert Corridor service development plan. This plan is pending, but will be presented to the LA Metro Board in August.
3.	Correspondence	Chairman Robert Lovingood inquired of the Secretary if there was any Board correspondence. Secretary Monell indicated that there was no correspondence.
4.	<u>Recommended Action:</u> Approve Minutes of June 20, 2019	On motion of Director Hofbauer, seconded by Director Barger, the Board approved the minutes of June 20, 2019. AYES: Robert A. Lovingood, Kathryn Barger, Steven Hofbauer, Dave Perry ABSTAIN: Curt Emick
5.	<u>Recommended Action:</u> Adopt the High Desert Corridor JPA Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Recommended Budget	Josh Candelaria gave a brief presentation on the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 recommended budget. The anticipated budget for the next fiscal year is \$251,740. A majority of that will be allocated to Transportation Solutions for the Record of Decision Advancement

		<p>Project. Additionally, some funds have been set aside for possible legal audit and insurance. A quarterly budget adjustment is anticipated to reflect potential dollars coming into the JPA, as well as potential work associated with the Record of Decision.</p> <p>On motion of Director Hofbauer, seconded by Director Barger, the Board approved the recommended action by unanimous vote of all members present.</p> <p>AYES: Robert A. Lovingood, Kathryn Barger, Steven Hofbauer, Dave Perry, Curt Emick</p>
6.	Receive Update on Record of Decision Project and Amend the Transportation Solutions Contract	<p>Mr. Candelaria indicated that there are two actions associated with this item: 1) receive an update on the Record of Decision project, and 2) extend the Transportation Solutions professional services agreement to December 31, 2021. There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.</p> <p>Neil Peterson gave an update on the Record of Decision project, referring to a slide presentation that was sent out prior to this morning's meeting.</p> <p>On motion of Director Hofbauer, seconded by Alternate Director Emick, the Board approved Amendment No. 6 to the Professional Services Agreement between the High Desert Corridor JPA and Transportation Solutions by unanimous vote of all members present.</p> <p>AYES: Robert A. Lovingood, Kathryn Barger, Steven Hofbauer, Dave Perry, Curt Emick</p>
7.	Terminate Agreement with San Bernardino County for a Part-time Staff Coordinator Position	<p>Mr. Candelaria gave some background on this position, noting that it has been vacant for almost two years. The agreement put fiscal structure in place, as well as responsibilities. The JPA reimbursed 65%, and the County covered the remaining 35%. Mr. Candelaria has served as the Interim JPA Coordinator for the past couple years, while juggling other responsibilities and balancing potential conflicts. He stated that the JPA would be better served having someone reporting directly to them, as opposed to being housed in another governmental agency. Vice Chair Barger thanked Josh for everything he has done.</p> <p>On motion of Director Lovingood, seconded by Director Barger, the Board approved the recommended action by unanimous vote of all members present.</p> <p>AYES: Robert A. Lovingood, Kathryn Barger, Steven Hofbauer, Dave Perry, Curt Emick</p>
8.	Approve Sending Letter Opposing Western Joshua Tree Listing	<p>This item directs staff to prepare a letter to the California Fish and Game Commission opposing the listing of the western Joshua Tree (<i>Yucca brevifolia</i>) as threatened under the California Endangered Species Act. Mr. Candelaria said this listing has potential impact on public projects, including the High Desert Corridor.</p>

		<p>On motion of Director Emick, seconded by Director Hofbauer, the Board approved the recommended action by unanimous vote of all members present.</p> <p>AYES: Robert A. Lovingood, Kathryn Barger, Steven Hofbauer, Dave Perry, Curt Emick</p>
9.	Public Comment	There was no public comment.
10.	Adjourn	There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.