

**REGIONAL COUNCIL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2013  
APACHE JUNCTION MULTI-GEN CENTER  
APACHE JUNCTION, ARIZONA**

**M I N U T E S**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Rankin called the meeting to order at 6:50 pm.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Rankin led the Regional Council, guests and CAG staff in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS**

**Members Present:** Supervisor Michael Pastor, Mayor Terry Wheeler, Mayor Rosemary Castaneda, Councilmember Anita Hinojos, Mayor John Insalaco, Vice Mayor Jon Thompson, Mayor Joseph Nagy, Mayor Tom Rankin, Mayor Sam Hosler, Vice Mayor Frances Wickham, Mayor Ed Honea, Vice Mayor Robin Benning, Mayor Jayme Valenzuela

**Members Absent:** Mayor Monica Badillo, Mayor Kenny Evans, Mayor Bill Rappaport, Supervisor Pete Rios, Mayor Bob Jackson, Vice Mayor Ed Farrell, Councilmember Jewel Whitman

**Staff:** Al Larson, Mark Griffin, Carrie Bartow, Sooraz Patro, Zeena Torres, Andrea Robles

**Guests:** Kevin Adam, Matt Busby, Ruth Osuna, Jess Knudson, Bob Flatley, Sylvia Kerlock, Wendy Kaserman, Gilbert Davidson, Greg Stanley, Paul Jepson, Margaret Gaston, Jerry Barnes, Robin Barker, Matt Busby, Dave Waldron, David Johnson

**IV. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

No one answered the Call to the Public.

**V. CONSENT ITEMS**

Vice Mayor Benning made a motion to approve the consent agenda item. Supervisor Snider seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**A. Approval of Regional Council Minutes**

The Regional Council minutes from September 26, 2012 were approved under Consent Item V-A.

## **VI. DIRECTOR'S REPORTS**

Mr. Larson provided a brief update on projects that he's been working on and meetings he has attended. He updated the Council on several staff changes. Mr. Larson updated the Council on the Rural Transportation Summit hosted by CAG. Questions and comments followed. This item was for information only.

## **VII. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Financial Report**

Ms. Bartow presented CAG's Financial Report. Questions, comments and discussion followed. Mayor Insalaco made a motion to approve the Financial Report for filing. Mayor Wheeler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **B. Review, Discussion and Decision on the MPO Formation in the CAG Region**

Mr. Griffin updated the Regional Council on the MPO Formation in the CAG Region. He informed the Council that the Management Committee recommended keeping CAG staff involved and to seek information out from Casa Grande and ADOT and to keep the Management Committee and Regional Council up to date on this matter; and for CAG staff to coordinate outside experts along with CAG staff to provide information to the Management Committee and Regional Council. Questions, comments and discussion followed. Mayor Hosler made a motion for CAG staff to set a meeting in a timely manner to discuss MPO issues with the Mountain Region and those entering the MPO. Also keeping CAG staff involved and to seek information out from Casa Grande and ADOT and to keep the Management Committee and Regional Council up to date on this matter; and for CAG staff to coordinate outside experts along with CAG staff to provide information to the Management Committee and Regional Council. Mayor Insalaco seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 12-1 vote.

### **C. Review, Discussion and Decision on Regional Contracts in the CAG Region**

Mr. Larson informed the Council that some of CAG's contracts require professional service contractors to provide procured services to meet requirements of the program. He stated that the Management Committee recommended for CAG to create RFQ's, contracts and IGA's that meet procurement requirements of our funders for regional on-call professional services for the benefits of our local members. Questions, comments and discussion followed. Vice Mayor Benning motioned to approve CAG to create RFQ's, contracts and IGA's that meet procurement requirements of our funders for regional on-call professional services for the benefits of our local members. Vice Mayor Thompson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **D. Review, Discussion and Decision on CAG's Executive Director Search**

Chair Rankin updated the Council on the Executive Director search. He informed the Council that the resumes had been reviewed by the HR Managers from the City of Apache Junction and the Town of Florence. Chair Rankin explained the process the Committee will follow to hire CAG's Executive Director. He explained that a Special Regional Council meeting might occur, before the next scheduled Regional Council meeting, to approve the final applicant. Questions, comments and discussion followed. Vice Mayor Benning motioned to approve

the update and process on CAG's Executive Director Search. Supervisor Pastor seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**E. Review, Discussion and Decision on the Annual Payson Regional Council Meeting**

Chair Rankin informed the Council that in previous years the June Regional Council meeting has been held in Payson. He stated that the Management Committee recommended another Strategic Planning Session in June. Questions, comments and discussion followed. Mayor Insalaco made a motion to continue with the June Regional Council meeting and Planning Session in Payson. Chair Rankin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**F. Review, Discussion and Decision on the USDA Intermediary Relending Program**

Mr. Larson explained that the Management Committee recommended the establishment of a Loan Review Committee as a subcommittee to the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Committee. Question and discussion followed. Mayor Hosler motioned to approve the establishment of a Loan Review Committee. Mayor Insalaco seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**G. Review, Discussion and Decision on CAG FY13-17 TIP**

Mr. Griffin presented the CAG FY13-17 TIP. He explained the amendment to the TIP for Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) projects was requested by ADOT. Questions, comments and discussion followed. Vice Mayor Benning made a motion to approve CAG's FY13-17 TIP. Mayor Castaneda seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**VIII. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

Kevin Adam provided the Legislative Update.

Mayor Hosler acknowledged Ms. Margaret Gaston who will be retiring from the Town of Kearny. He thanked her for her many years of service to the town.

**IX. DATE, TIME AND LOCATION OF NEXT REGIONAL COUNCIL MEETING**

The next Regional Council Meeting is scheduled for March 27, 2013 in Apache Junction.

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Insalaco made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Vice Mayor Thompson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Chair Rankin adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Approved on \_\_\_\_\_