

Regional Council Meeting
Monday, December 3, 2018 – 1:00 pm
CAG Conference Room
2540 W. Apache Trail, Suite 108
Apache Junction, Arizona

M I N U T E S

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Gameros called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

III. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

Members Present: Al Gameros, Tim Humphrey, Bobby Davis, Darryl Dalley, Dave Waldron, Fred Carpenter, Debra Sommers, Vincent Manfredi, Jon Thompson, , Robbing Benning, Craig McFarland, Mila Besich, Pete Rios

Members Absent: Anita Hinojos, Pete Rios, Ed Honea, Bobby Smith, Tara Walter, Joel Belloc, Joe Dietz

Guests: Steven Turner, Andy Smith, Charla Glendening, JC Sherman III, Anna Flores, Mary Springer, Ben Bitter, Heather Wilkey, Chip Wilson

Staff: Andrea Robles, Angela Gotto, Brad Mecham, Travis Ashbaugh, Emily Smith, Alan Urban, Yvonne Tackett, Ken Hebert

IV. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No one answered the Call to the Public.

V. PRESENTATIONS

A. USDA Rural Development Program Overview

Jeff Hayes, USDA, presented on the USDA Rural Development Program Overview including how USDA defines rural communities, the community facilities program and energizing rural Arizona. Questions, comments and discussion followed. This was an information item.

B. Update on the ADOT Fiscal Review

Charla Glendening, ADOT, presented the findings of the ADOT Audit and Analysis report of August 25, 2017. She presented the Regional Council with a summary report and informed them that the findings and all corrective action requested by ADOT has been rectified under the leadership of the current CAG Interim Executive Director, Andrea Robles. She stated that CAG is currently in good standing with ADOT.

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The CAG Regional Council advised staff to follow-up with the Executive Committee for recommendation on how to proceed. Questions, comments and discussion followed.

VI. CONSENT ITEMS

Councilmember Davis made a motion to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Mayor Besich seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

A. Approval of Regional Council Minutes – September 26, 2018

The September 26, 2018 minutes were approved under Consent Item V-A.

VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Robles updated the Council on recent activities and meetings taking place at CAG. She provided information about contracts that have been executed with Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) and ADOT. Questions, comments and discussion followed Ms. Robles's report. This was an information item.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Financial Report

Ms. Tackett presented a summary of all funds for the period ending October 31, 2018. Handouts also included CAG's check register for August – October and the Accounts Receivable log. Questions, comments and discussion followed. Councilmember Carpenter made a motion to accept the financial report. Mayor Besich seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Review, Discussion and Decision on adopting CAG's Reserve Fund Policy

Ms. Tackett informed the Committee that Staff has prepared a draft reserve fund policy at the direction of the Budget and Management Committees. She stated that the fund will help to cover cash flow during periods of waiting for reimbursement from funding agencies and member entities. The fund will also provide additional funding during unforeseen emergency needs. Ms. Tackett explained that the policy sets the guidance and process for which to create and administer the fund. Councilmember Benning made a motion to adopt the Reserve Fund Policy as presented. Mayor Manfredi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Review, Discussion and Decision on the appointment of the Rural Transportation Advocacy Council (RTAC) Representative and Alternate

Ms. Robles informed the Committee that the representatives for the RTAC were reviewed on an annual basis. She stated the appointed representatives are required to serve and attend at the RTAC Board meetings held on a monthly basis. The vacancy by Councilmember Waldron needed to be filled. Mayor McFarland is the current alternate to the RTAC. Councilmember Carpenter made a motion to appoint Mayor Craig McFarland as the representative to RTAC and Supervisor Humphrey as the alternate. Councilmember Dave Waldron seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Review, Discussion and Decision on the date for the CAG/SCMPO 23rd Annual Legislative Day and Legislative Day Issues and Priorities

Ms. Robles informed the Council that CAG and the Sun Corridor Metropolitan Planning Organization will host a joint Legislative Day for both organizations. Ms. Robles stated that the event will be held mid January – early February at the request of the Regional Council. The Regional Council advised staff to check the Legislative calendars and see what events are being held so that the CAG/SCMPO Legislative Day doesn't conflict with other events. She also stated that Staff will provide a formalized agenda with the legislative issues and priorities for the Region. No action was taken.

E. Review, Discussion and Decision authorizing Staff to apply for 5310 grant funds through ADOT

Mr. Ashbaugh stated that the 5310 grant application requires CAG to seek permission from Regional Council to apply, due to fiscal obligations of Local Matching funds. He explained that CAG is requesting approval to submit for \$120,000 (with \$30,000 in addition Local Match or In-Kind Contributions) of 5310 grant funds for a full time Mobility Manager to establish and continually update coordinated mobility plans with CAG and the Sun Corridor MPO Regions 5310 program providers. Mr. Ashbaugh stated that a portion of the funds would allow the current Mobility Manager to provide training for approximately three months with a staff member to be hired. He also stated that a signature from the CAG Regional Council Chairperson will be required to submit the final application. Questions, comments and discussion followed. Mayor McFarland made a motion to authorize staff to apply for 5310 grant funds through ADOT. Mayor Manfredi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

F. Transportation Planning Update

Chairman Gameros requested that this item be presented at the January Regional Council meeting. No action was taken.

G. Census 2020 Programs Update

Chairman Gameros requested that this item be presented at the January Regional Council meeting. No action was taken.

H. Overview of 208 Planning Process

Chairman Gameros requested that this item be presented at the January Regional Council meeting. No action was taken.

I. Economic Development and Planning Department Update

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J. Pinal RTA Update

Mr. Smith provided an update to the Council on the activities taking place within the Pinal Regional Transportation Authority. He stated that there has currently been eight million dollars in taxes collected and deposited into the escrow account. He also stated that the RTA would be meeting with its legal counsel. This item was information only

IX. CALL TO THE COUNCIL

Members of the Council provided updates about current activities in their communities.

XIV. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

No Legislative Update was provided.

XVI. DATE, TIME, LOCATION OF NEXT MEETING

The next Regional Council meeting will be held on January 30, 2019 in Apache Junction.

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Benning made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Carpenter seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Chair Gameros adjourned the meeting at 2:52 p.m.