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CITY SELECTION COMMITTEE

Executive Minutes

Date: Thursday, March 26, 2015

Time: 5:30 PM

**Place: COG Sequoia Conference Room
2035 Tulare St., Suite 201, Fresno, CA**

Members Attending:

Mayor Pro Tem Bob Whalen, City of Clovis
Mayor Ron Ramsey, City of Coalinga
Mayor Craig Knight, City of Firebaugh
Mayor David Cardenas, City of Fowler
Councilmember Clinton Olivier, City of Fresno
Mayor Sylvia Chavez, City of Huron
Mayor Stephen Hill, City of Kerman
Mayor Chet Reilly, City of Kingsburg
Mayor Robert Silva, City of Mendota
Mayor Victor Lopez, City of Orange Cove
Mayor Pro Tem Raul Villanueva, City of Parlier
Councilmember Robert Beck, City of Reedley
Mayor Amarpreet Dhaliwal, City of San Joaquin
Mayor Scott Robertson, City of Selma

Absent:

Mayor Joshua Mitchell, City of Sanger

1. Call Meeting to Order and Roll Call

Meeting was called to order at 5:31 pm by Mayor Dhaliwal, Chair.

2. Approval of April 24, 2014 Minutes

A motion was made by Mayor Cardenas (Fowler) and seconded by Mayor Lopez (Orange Cove) to approve the minutes of April 24, 2014. A vote was called and the motion carried.

3. City Selection Committee

Two-year terms for both Chair and Vice Chair to expire April 4, 2017

- **Amarpreet Dhaliwal- Chair (incumbent)**
- **Joshua Mitchell- Vice Chair (incumbent)**

A motion was made by Mayor Lopez (Orange Cove) and seconded by Mayor Cardenas (Fowler) to reappoint Mayor Dhaliwal and Mayor Mitchell as Chair and Vice Chair. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

4. Airport Land Use Commission

Four-year terms to expire 1st Monday in May 2019

- **Nathan Magsig (incumbent)**
- **Steve Rapada (incumbent)**

A motion was made by Mayor Lopez (Orange Cove) and seconded by Mayor Ramsey (Coalinga) to reappoint incumbents to the Airport Land Use Commission. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

5. Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo)

Four-year term for regular member to expire May 2018

- **Armando Lopez (Parlier) (former regular city member)**

Nominations were opened. Mayor Cardenas (Fowler) nominated Mayor Pro Tem Parra (Fowler). The nomination was seconded by Mayor Chavez (Huron). Councilman Olivier (Fresno) nominated Mayor Reilly (Kingsburg). Mayor Lopez (Orange Cove) nominated Mayor Pro Tem Avalos (Selma). Mayor Ramsey (Coalinga) nominated Councilmember Lander (Coalinga). There were no other nominations.

A show of hands was called with Mayor Pro Tem Parra receiving 7 votes, Mayor Reilly receiving 6 votes, Mayor Pro Tem Avalos receiving 1 vote. Councilmember Lander received 0 votes. The nomination must receive a majority of the votes (8). A second vote was called between Mayor Pro Tem Parra and Mayor Reilly. Mayor Pro Tem Parra received 8 votes and Mayor Reilly received 6. Mayor Pro Tem Parra was confirmed as the four-year term for regular member to expire May 2018.

Four-year term for alternate member to expire May 2019

- **Daniel Parra (Mayor pro tem- Fowler)**

Nominations were opened for alternate member. Mayor Cardenas (Fowler) nominated Mayor Reilly (Kingsburg). Mayor Chavez (Huron) seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. A vote was called for and Mayor Reilly was confirmed as alternate member with term beginning May 2015.

6. Transportation Authority (Westside)

Two-year term to expire June 2017

Current member represents a city west of Hwy. 99

- **Amarpreet Dhaliwal (San Joaquin) (incumbent)**

Nominations were opened. Mayor Silva (Mendota) nominated Mayor Dhaliwal (San Joaquin). The nomination was seconded by Mayor Chavez (Huron). Mayor Reilly (Kingsburg) nominated Mayor Ramsey (Coalinga). The nomination was seconded by Mayor Knight (Firebaugh).

A show of hands was called for with 11 for Mayor Dhaliwal and 3 for Mayor Ramsey. Mayor Dhaliwal was reappointed as the Westside representative.

7. Public Presentations (This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons desiring to address the committee on any matter the committee has jurisdiction over which is not on this agenda.)

David Fey, Executive Officer of LAFCo commented that Mayor Reilly will attend the April 1st meeting. Chair and Vice Chair of LAFCo rotates between the City and County.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:48 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Tony Boren, Executive Director
Fresno Council of Governments

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Fresno COG Policy Board

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Fresno COG Sitting as the Transportation Policy Committee

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Mayor Amarpreet Dhaliwal, City of San Joaquin
Mayor Joshua Mitchell, City of Sanger
Mayor Scott Robertson, City of Selma
Supervisor Henry Perea, County of Fresno

Gail Miller, Caltrans
Arthur Wille, Legal Counsel
Tony Boren, Executive Director

QUORUM: At the start of the meeting there were 16 members present representing 100% of the population and there was a quorum to conduct business. (Clovis, Coalinga, Firebaugh, Fowler, Fresno, Huron, Kerman, Kingsburg, Mendota, Orange Cove, Parlier, Reedley, San Joaquin, Sanger, Selma, Fresno County)

Mayor Dhaliwal (San Joaquin) Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm following the Fresno County Regional Transportation Mitigation Fee Agency meeting.

I. TRANSPORTATION CONSENT ITEMS

About Consent Items:

All items on the consent agenda are considered to be routine and non-controversial by COG staff and will be approved by one motion if no member of the Committee or public wishes to comment or ask questions. If comment or discussion is desired by anyone, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered in the listed sequence with an opportunity for any member of the public to address the Committee concerning the item before action is taken.

- A. [FY 2014-15 Transportation Funding Claims \[Fawcett\] \[INFORMATION\]](#)
- B. [FTA Section 5310 Call for Projects \[Arnest\] \[INFORMATION\]](#)
- C. [Prop 84/Greenprint Update \[Terry\] \[INFORMATION\]](#)
- D. [Cap and Trade \[Terry\] \[INFORMATION\]](#)
- E. [“The Future of SB 375 Implementation and Regional Planning” by Julie Pierce \[Cai\] \[INFORMATION\]](#)
- F. [Airport Land Use Commission \(ALUC\) Presentation \[Fawcett\] \[INFORMATION\]](#)
- G. [Monthly Grant/Call for Project/Request for Proposals Reminder \[Chargin\] \[INFORMATION\]](#)

For a complete summary of these items, please see the March 26, 2015 Annotated Agenda.

After an expressed opportunity for public comment, a motion was made by Mayor Beck (Reedley) and seconded by Mayor Lopez (Orange Cove) to approve the Transportation Consent Items as presented. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

II. TRANSPORTATION ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Fresno/Madera Corridor Origin-Destination and Fiscal Study [Terry] [APPROVE]

Rob Terry (FCOG) presented this item. To provide for a comprehensive understanding of transportation movements and effects between Fresno and Madera Counties, the Fresno Council of Governments (Fresno COG) and the Madera County Transportation Commission (MCTC) – in partnership with the Counties of Fresno and Madera, and the City of Fresno – released an RFP to retain a consultant to conduct a joint study focusing on the traffic movements along the entirety of the Highway 41 corridor running through both Fresno and Madera Counties, and the various impacts associated with such movements. The joint study will consist of two parts. Part one will consist of an analysis of origin and destination traffic movements between the two counties. Part two will provide an analysis of the fiscal impacts of such movements on the local and regional economy. The total study has a budget of \$250,000, with \$125,000 allocated to each part of the study. The results of the joint study are intended to better inform local decision-making bodies regarding commuter patterns and their economic impacts as these agencies continue discussions relating to development patterns of interest to each jurisdiction, in-line with previous agreements to consider such activities and potential impacts. In addition, deliverables are also intended to improve the Fresno COG and MCTC’s abilities to implement their respective Sustainable Communities Strategies.

The total timeline of the complete project will consist of a 12-month period; allowing for approximately 6 months of traffic analysis, and 6 months of fiscal analysis, with integrated administrative report editing/review and completion taking place concurrently. An RFP for Part Two activities would be released when Part One activities are entering into their final tasks. As with all traffic-related studies and activities along state routes, Caltrans will be an active participant in this process.

On November 19, 2014, an RFP for Part One activities was released, with two responses being submitted (Fehr & Peers and Airsage). The scoring committee, which included representatives from all of the aforementioned agencies, unanimously recommended the consulting firm of Fehr & Peers be awarded the contract, not to exceed the amount of \$125,000, as indicated in the RFP. Originally, contract work associated with Part One activities was anticipated be completed by June 30, 2015. TTC and PAC recommendations and Policy Board action seeking contract approval were scheduled to take place during the February meetings. Mr. Terry explained that during the Special Joint Meeting of the Fresno and Madera County Board of Supervisors, held on January 27, 2015, several Board members indicated a desire to expand the proposed scope to include State Route 99 (SR 99), potential river crossings to address congestion issues and movement of goods and services, and evaluation of alternative modes of transportation. To allow for this request to be appropriately addressed, the February agenda items associated with this project at Fresno COG were postponed, allowing for staff at both the Counties of Fresno and Madera to receive direction from each of their respective Boards, and return with clarified direction.

Mr. Terry went on to explain that after review, staff at Fresno COG, MCTC, and both Fresno and Madera Counties concurred that the inclusion of SR 99 and alternative modes of transportation are items that can be analyzed within the existing scope of the project, and that the additional cities located along the SR 99 Corridor throughout both Fresno and Madera Counties (Chowchilla, Madera, Fowler, Selma and Kingsburg) be invited to participate in the study. Regarding further discussions of additional river crossings, all staffers concurred that the topic should be addressed as a separate issue, and should first include a collaborative review of previous studies and activities, such as the Fresno & Madera County East-West Corridor Study – San Joaquin River Crossing Feasibility Study, before considering additional activities such as updates to previous studies, or initiation of a new study. Staff at each county has since had the opportunity to receive concurrence on this direction from their respective Boards.

There was a brief discussion regarding timing of the river discussions and if this would be included in Part II of the study

Following an expressed opportunity for public comment, a motion was made by Supervisor Perea (County) and seconded by Mayor Cardenas (Fowler) to award the Fresno/Madera Highway 41 and State Route 99 Origin-Destination Study Part One contract to Fehr & Peers, not to exceed the amount of \$125,000, as indicated in both the RFP and the consultant's proposal and attachments that were included in the meeting package. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

B. [Transportation Project Ag Mitigation Ad-Hoc Committee \[Terry\] \[INFORMATION\]](#)

Mr. Terry presented this item. A white paper was distributed at the meeting. In June of 2014, the Fresno COG Policy Board adopted the region's first Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) following considerable effort and input from Fresno COG member agencies and interested stakeholders. With this approval, the Policy Board also approved 3 follow-up programs as part of the 2014 RTP/SCS implementation efforts, which included the formation of an ad-hoc committee charged with discussing

potential mitigation activities relating to the transportation project impacts upon farmlands. The Committee includes one representative from each of the incorporated fifteen cities, the County of Fresno, Fresno LAFCo, Caltrans, the Blueprint Planner's Network, the building/development community, the environmental protection/conservation community, the environmental justice community, and two representatives from the agricultural community. Outreach efforts to assemble the committee roster began in November 2014. The first meeting was held Thursday, February 26, 2015, where the group appointed John Wright (Planning Consultant, and former Planning Director for the City of Clovis) to the Committee Chair position, with Mohammad Khorsand (Senior Planner, Fresno County) to serve as Vice-chair. The first meeting was largely dedicated establishing the background and purpose of the Committee. To begin this process, the group began discussing previous activities, programs, studies, etc., that relate to Ag mitigation for use and/or reference by the Committee. The Committee directed staff to first organize a whitepaper detailing the history and formation of the Committee; intended to update new Board members, and to serve as a platform to receive clarification on the overall scope of the Committee from the Board. This whitepaper will be provided to each Board member as a handout at the Policy Board Meeting, following review by the Ad-hoc Committee at their next meeting, which is scheduled to take place March 25, 2015 at 1:30 at the Fresno COG Offices. Staff asks that the Board review the whitepaper prior to the April Board meeting, and be prepared to provide firm clarification regarding the bounds of the Committee and ultimate deliverables desired by the Board as part of the April agenda.

During the PAC Meeting on March 13, 2015, the group expressed unanimous consensus that the activities of the Ad-hoc Committee address only the impacts on agricultural lands associated with transportation projects; in-line with the original recommendation provided by both the TTC and PAC prior to the adoption of the RTP/SCS last year.

Jeff Roberts, Granville Homes, concurred with staff's recommendation. This item will be brought back in April.

This was an information item and required no further action by the Policy Board.

C. Keep Fresno County Beautiful [Dawson] [INFORMATION]

Lauren Dawson (FCOG) presented this item. In response to recommendations from Fresno County Grand Jury and the Fresno COG Policy Board, Fresno Council of Governments is in the process of becoming an affiliate of the national Keep America Beautiful organization. This is an update on progress since the last Committee/Board updates provided in September 2014.

In the meeting package was 1) a summary of the benefits of becoming a Keep America Affiliate, 2) some interesting data from the Keep America Beautiful *National Visible Litter Survey and Litter Cost Study*-including the costs of littering, who litters, why they litter, and the hot-spots for litter accumulation and 3) the text of SB516. For a complete summary of this item, please see the March 26, 2015 Annotated Agenda.

Fresno COG and our member agencies are invited to support the Caltrans-CHP Litter Clean-Up and Enforcement Day. This annual event will be held on Thursday April 23, 2015. The CHP will implement maximum enforcement effort-focusing on uncovered loads, improperly maintained equipment, and waste material spilled or thrown onto the roadways. Caltrans crews will provide maximum staffing

available to clean-up efforts along the highways within the District. Another large clean-up event will be held in September.

April 21, 2015 is designated Caltrans Clean Up Day.

The Caltrans PIO is in the process of contacting local media (radio/TV) to get PSA's that have already been developed for the "Don't Trash Fresno" campaign aired. In addition, anti-litter messaging will be added to the Caltrans' Facebook and Twitter social media pages.

Just a few of the other activities in process include the addition of additional litter penalty signs, a request was made to the CHP to add a tag line to their morning TV and radio traffic reports: "Litter Laws are being Enforced" or "Don't Trash Fresno", COG staff will inquire about the status of a court referral program for litter removal, Caltrans will check into the possibility of adding an anti-litter message to the changeable message signs above the highways, and the thirty-three School Superintendents in Fresno County received notification about a school-based recycling contest sponsored by the Keep California Beautiful organization.

Gail Miller, Caltrans, commented on the free ads. There was a brief discussion about the cost of cleaning up litter in Fresno County. Mr. Boren gave a brief overview of why Fresno COG is involved in Keep America Beautiful.

It was suggested that the audio ad be cut down in time so that people do not turn it off.

This was an information item and required no further action by the Policy Board. Staff will report back as needed.

D. High Speed Rail Update [Boren] [INFORMATION]

Tony Boren, Executive Director gave a brief update at the meeting. Mr. Boren gave an update on the Heavy Maintenance Facility and efforts to have it located in Fresno County. The marketing video was shown at the meeting.

There was a brief discussion. This was an information item and required no further action by the Policy Board.

E. Caltrans Report [Caltrans] [INFORMATION]

Gail Miller, Caltrans, gave an update on current Caltrans activities at the Policy Board meeting. The Quarterly Update was included.

This was an information item and required no further action by the Policy Board.

Fresno COG Sitting as the Fresno Council of Governments Policy Board

III. REAFFIRM ALL ACTIONS TAKEN WHILE SITTING AS THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Mayor Hill (Kerman) and seconded by Mayor Cardenas (Fowler) to reaffirm all actions taken while sitting as the Transportation Policy Committee. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT ITEMS

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- A. [Executive Minutes of February 26, 2015 \[APPROVE\]](#)
- B. [Monthly Legislative Update \[Garza\] \[INFORMATION\]](#)
- C. [Regional Clearinghouse \[Arnest\] \[APPROVE\]](#)

For a complete summary of these items, please see the March 26, 2015 Annotated Agenda.

After an expressed opportunity for public comment, a motion was made by Mayor Lopez (Orange Cove) and seconded by Mayor Chavez (Huron) to approve the Administrative Consent Items as presented. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

V. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. 2015 One Voice Regional Priorities [Garza] [APPROVE]

Melissa Garza (FCOG) presented this item. The Annual Fresno COG One Voice trip to Washington D.C. for elected officials, business leaders, and community partners is scheduled for April 11th -16th, 2015. This trip provides an opportunity for a delegation of local public and private representatives to expand upon the relationships with Congressional representatives and federal staff members, while advocating for legislative relief for priorities of regional significance. There are currently 29 delegates registered to participate in the 2015 One Voice trip to Washington, DC.

During the One Voice kick-off meeting in late September, the One Voice steering committee recommended that amongst other possible issues, the One Voice delegation focus trip efforts on water policy, transportation, jobs, and jobs training for skilled labor, and the Fresno COG Policy Board agreed with this recommendation. Fresno COG then issued a call for regional priorities in December and closed it in January. During the month of January and February the One Voice Steering Committee met to review and discuss the regional priorities submitted. Taking into consideration the direction from the Policy Board, the One Voice steering committee recommended the following:

- That Fresno COG continue the requirement that each regional priority must have a designated representative going on the trip who can speak and present the priority issues and requests to those we will meet with in Washington DC.

- As part of the Call for Regional Priorities, each request submitted for consideration must have included a white paper explaining the request in detail. Those requests that did not include a white paper were considered incomplete and subject to either full withdrawal from consideration or became part of a larger discussion, if applicable, but would not be considered a stand-alone priority request.
- The steering committee also reviewed each priority submitted on the basis of whether it was “regional” or “local”. The committee gave preference to “regional” priorities instead of those that seem to be more applicable to individual jurisdictions.
- The steering committee took into consideration the direction given by the Policy Board in 2010 regarding One Voice priorities, that Fresno COG would not support taking positions or advocating for issues that could adversely be “divisive” and that jurisdictions would have to take those issues to each individual councils/boards before the Fresno COG Policy Board could entertain a position or action.

Therefore, the One Voice Steering committee, on February 23, 2015, recommended consideration for approval of the following seven One Voice Regional Priorities to be presented in Washington, DC. Delegates will focus their efforts on bringing prosperity to Fresno County, and seeking potential short-term and long-term relief on the following:

WATER

1. Water Policy: Support for Federal legislation and funding to assist the San Joaquin Valley in dealing with the negative impacts of continuing drought conditions, improved flexibilities to existing Delta pumping restrictions and the construction of long term water supply reliability projects.
 - a. Support for Community Services Block Grant Program as a tool used in the region to mitigate the impacts of emergencies and disasters, such as a drought.

TRANSPORTATION

1. Surface Transportation Reauthorization: A long term transportation bill, continued federal formula allocations to regions, streamlining efforts, and flexibility in grant requirements
2. High Speed Rail Training Facilities: Create requirements that high-speed rail training facilities be located alongside high-speed rail testing facilities in the Central Valley.

AGRICULTURE

1. Pest Prevention and Exclusion of Pests Programs: Increased funding to support California’s high-risk pest and Disease Prevention and exclusion programs. In FY 2014-15 Fresno County received \$50,775 compared to \$92,712 in FY 2009-10.
2. Agriculture Canine Inspection to protect agriculture from invasive pest introduction: Increased funding to support existing and additional canine detection teams to protect agriculture from invasive pest introduction through parcel facilities.

3. Expand Drip Opportunities to Tenants: A temporary waiver to USDA regulations during times of officially declared drought so small-scale farmers who use temporary irrigation systems can access USDA EQIP funding as well as the inclusion of programs benefiting small-scale farmers when federal emergency drought assistance funds are released.

AIR QUALITY

*****Funding and support for projects that establish community urban forestry*

1. Designation of an Air and Health Quality Empowerment Zone, new incentive funding, and tax incentives for plant/fleet modernization.

COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

1. Community and Economic Development

- a. Economic Development and Redevelopment: Creation of federal legislation and programs that provide financial assistance directly to communities designated as “disadvantaged” for the purpose of economic development and/or redevelopment of blighted areas.

- b. Continued and increased funding to \$3.3 billion for the Community Development Block Grant Program: The FY 2015 funding for CDBG as set by Congress and signed by the President was \$3 billion, a total of \$30 million below the FY 2014 levels.

2. Workforce Development

- a. Funding for developing Career Technical Educational Training Programs or specific skill certifications, grants or other funding mechanisms for area businesses that provide internships to vocational program(s) participants.

- b. US DOT to Establish Consistent Policies for Targeted Hiring Program & Workforce Development Funds: A uniform policy pertaining to focused hiring programs within the U.S. DOT and U.S. DOT should identify workforce training funds that can be used by schools screened by Workforce Investment Act-recognized workforce boards and those used by union apprentice programs.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY

1. Public Safety:

- a. Future Funding through the US Dept. of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance for the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP)

OTHER

1. Continuation of Payments in Lieu of Taxes Program (PILT): Loss of funding will impact essential County services, such as search and rescue operations, law enforcement, sanitation, and road maintenance.

Fresno COG requested financial sponsorship support for the 2015 One Voice advocacy effort. We would like to thank the following organizations who have graciously committed and/or contributed to our One Voice endeavor:

Hatch Mott MacDonald - \$2,000
AECOM-\$2000 (*committed but not confirmed*)
Quad Knopf Inc. - \$1,000
Granville Homes - \$1,000
Kleinfelder Inc.- \$1,000
The Hospital Council - \$1,000
Placeworks - \$1,000
Precision Civil Engineering, Inc. - \$1,000
VRPA Technologies - \$750
Parsons Brinckerhoff Inc. - \$250

Ms. Garza noted that another sponsor, Quincy Engineering was added at \$1,000.

There was a brief discussion about the trip.

Following an expressed opportunity for public comment, a motion was made by Mayor Cardenas (Fowler) and seconded by Mayor Silva (Mendota) to approve the 2015 One Voice Regional Priorities for the Washington, DC trip. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

B. Sacramento Valley Voice Update [Boren/Garza] [INFORMATION]

Mr. Boren gave a brief summary. The eight Council of Governments representing the San Joaquin Valley held their annual advocacy trip to the State Capitol on Wednesday, March 4, 2015. The topic of discussion was “how to fix our ailing transportation system” along with detailed discussions pertaining to goods movement, Amtrak passenger rail, water and other regional priorities specific to the San Joaquin Valley. Approximately 13 elected officials from the policy boards of our Valley COGs lead the discussions including Fresno COG’s board members, Mayor Dhaliwal of the city of San Joaquin and Councilmember Gary Yep of the City of Kerman. The agenda and regional priorities brochure with a list of participants was included in the meeting package.

This was an information item and required no further action by the Policy Board.

VI. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Current Chair and Vice Chair

- **Mayor Amarpreet Dhaliwal, City of San Joaquin, Chair**
- **Mayor David Cardenas, City of Fowler, Vice Chair**

Mayor Dhaliwal (San Joaquin) was nominated by Mayor Chavez (Huron) and seconded by Mayor Cardenas (Fowler) for the position of Chair. There were no other nominations. A vote was called for and passed unanimously.

Mayor Cardenas (Fowler) was nominated by Mayor Chavez (Huron) and seconded by Mayor Knight (Firebaugh) for the position of Vice Chair. There were no other nominations. A vote was called for and passed unanimously.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Items from Staff

1. All Form 700s Due by March 26th
2. Bicycle Transportation Workshop flyer was distributed.
2. Reminder that April meeting will be held on April 30th – last Thursday of the month.

B. Items from Members

Mayor Dhaliwal was appointed to the SJV Partnership Board. Mayor Dhaliwal commented on attending his first partnership meeting.

VIII. PRESENTATIONS

A. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons wishing to address the Policy Board on items within its jurisdiction but not on this agenda. **Note: Prior to action by the Policy Board on any item on this agenda, the public may comment on that item. Unscheduled comments may be limited to 3 minutes.**

No public presentations.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:24 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Tony Boren, Executive Director

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Others Attending:

Daniel Hartman, AECOM
Jeff Roberts, Granville Homes
David Fey, LAFCo
Jim Avalos, City of Selma
Lydia Zabrycki, Quad Knopf
Daniel Parra, City of Fowler
Earl White
Moses Stites, FCRTA

Fresno COG Staff:

Mike Bitner
Melissa Garza
Rob Terry
Les Beshears
Lauren Dawson
Peggy Arnest
Toni Graham