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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, August 5, 2020

1. CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority Executive Committee was called to order by Chairman Ingram at 12:32 p.m., Wednesday, August 5, 2020, via Zoom.

2. ROLL CALL – was taken by April Boydd.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT	COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT
Jonathan Ingram, Chair – City of Murrieta***	
Natasha Johnson, Vice Chair – City of Lake Elsinore***	
Larry Greene – City of Canyon Lake***	
Lesa Sobek – City of Menifee***	
Crystal Ruiz – City of San Jacinto***	
Kevin Jeffries – County of Riverside, District 1***	
Jeff Hewitt – County of Riverside, District 5***	

Arrived after start of meeting ** Departed before meeting adjourned *via teleconference*

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

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4. COMMITTEE MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Committee Member announcements.

5. CLOSED SESSION

5.1 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 Title: Executive Director

After closed session, the meeting was reconvened. There were no announcements from General Counsel on closed session.

6. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO CHANGE RCA'S MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Vice Chair Johnson stated that the RCA has had some challenges completing the MSHCP and it's important to stay focused on the main goal, to make sure the Plan is successful. Staff met with both the Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG) and Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) to see which agency best fit with RCA. Vice Chair Johnson thanked staff for working with both agencies and that both agencies are very impressive.

Vice Chair Johnson stated RCTC is the agency being recommended to take over as the management agency for RCA. RCTC is the single largest investor in the Plan and has contributed \$153 million in Measure A funding as well as land donations. Further, they have an active land acquisition and management department which dovetails with RCA's core mission of habitat acquisition and preservation. RCTC is also a Plan signatory and was instrumental in the development of the Riverside County Integrated Project and the MSHCP. They have an understanding of where RCA is going and believe in the Plan. The Integrated Plan was developed in part to ensure transportation projects could be completed quicker and more efficiently. The mission of the RCA is complementary to the mission of RCTC.

She stated that RCTC will need to bring the proposal to their Executive Committee and full Board to fully consider the proposal. RCA will also need to bring this to our full Board for consideration. Vice Chair Johnson along with the Chair and RCA staff wanted to bring this to the Executive Committee to make sure they were in support and didn't have any concerns or other recommendations before bringing it to the full RCA Board.

The Executive Committee, with input from staff, discussed changing the RCA's management agency agreement. They further discussed the two organizations that RCA was interested in merging with and explained why they chose RCTC. A due diligence period was also discussed.

M/S/C (City of Canyon Lake/County of Riverside District 5) to request RCTC to consider taking over as RCA's Managing Agency and agendaize this matter for discussion at the September 14, 2020, meeting of the RCA Board of Directors.

(7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain)

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7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no more items before the Executive Committee, Chairman Ingram adjourned the meeting at 1:26 p.m. The next meeting of the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority Executive Committee will be held on Wednesday, August 19, 2020, at 12:00 p.m., at the Riverside Centre, 3403 Tenth Street, Suite 320, Third Floor, RCA Conference Room, Riverside, California, 92501.

Prepared by:



April Boydd

Administrative Manager/Clerk of the Board

Respectfully submitted:



Jennifer Fuller

Director of Administrative Services