



REGIONAL COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2009

CITY OF APACHE JUNCTION MULTI GENERATIONAL CENTER
APACHE JUNCTION, ARIZONA

M I N U T E S

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Heron called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Heron led the Regional Council, guests and CAAG staff in the Pledge of Allegiance. Chair Heron asked for a moment of silence for Peter Armenta's father.

III. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

Members Present: Mayor Chuck Heron, Mayor John Insalaco, Mayor Fernando Shipley, Supervisor Shirley Dawson, Mayor Bob Jackson, Councilmember Edward Farrell, Vice Mayor Jon Thompson, Vice Mayor Tom Smith, Mayor Monica Badillo, Councilmember Mike Vogel, Mayor Debra Sommers, Councilmember Anita Hinojos

Members Absent: Mayor Michael Hing, Mayor Craig Williams, Vice Mayor Gail Barney, Mayor Chuy Canizales, Mayor Byron Jackson, Supervisor Bryan Martyn, Mayor Ed Honea,

Management Committee Present: Ruth Giese, Manny Gonzalez, Debra Galbraith, Paul Jepson, Gary Eide

Guests: Kevin Adam, Greg Mendoza, Robin Barker, R.E. Eck, Tony Smith

Staff: Maxine Brown, Craig Ringer, Cathy Melvin, Bill Leister, Vickie Smith, Roy Chavez, Cindy Schofield, Andrea Robles

Consultant: Jack Tomasik

IV. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No one answered the Call to the Public.

GILA COUNTY: GLOBE, HAYDEN, MIAMI, PAYSON, STAR VALLEY, WINKELMAN

PINAL COUNTY: APACHE JUNCTION, CASA GRANDE, COOLIDGE, ELOY, FLORENCE, KEARNY, MAMMOTH, MARANA, MARICOPA, QUEEN CREEK, SUPERIOR

TRIBAL GOVERNMENT: AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY, GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY, SAN CARLOS APACHE TRIBE

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Review, Discussion and Decision on the CAAG Strategic Action Plan 2008-2010 to Form a Pinal County Transportation Policy Committee

Ms. Brown stated this agenda item was tabled from the last Regional Council Meeting to give members additional time to select a representative from their community/county to serve on the Pinal Transportation Policy Committee. She informed the Council that she had received names of Representatives for Coolidge, Maricopa, Florence and Eloy. Supervisor Dawson stated she would like a Transportation Policy Committee formed for Gila County. No action was taken at this time.

VI. CONSENT ITEMS

Mayor Insalaco made a motion to accept the consent agenda items. Councilmember Vogel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. Approval of Minutes

The Regional Council minutes from November 20, 2008 were approved under the consent agenda item VI.

VIII. Financial Report

The financial reports ending November 30, 2008 were approved for filing under the consent agenda item VI.

IX. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Brown stated that CAAG would be hosting an Economic Development Summit in March. She explained to the Council that CAAG has received several requests for headshots of our Regional Council members to add to our website. Ms. Brown stated that the photos could be sent in to Mr. Armenta or Ms. Robles.

X. PRESENTATIONS

A. Economic Stimulus Plan

Kevin Adam provided a brief update on the Economic Stimulus Plan. He stated he would be available after the meeting to meet with anyone who had questions. Questions and discussion followed. This item was for information only.

B. Sun Valley Corridor Projection Study

Mr. Tomasik presented a Power Point on the Sun Valley Corridor Projection Study. He briefly explained the final Sun Corridor Scenarios. Questions, comments and discussion followed. This item was for information only.

C. Pinal County Town Hall

Presentation to be held at March Regional Council Meeting.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Review, Discussion and Decision on an Amended TIP to Include Proposed Stimulus Package Projects

Ms. Brown stated that the Transportation Technical Advisory Committee and Management Committee met on January 16th to amend the Transportation Improvement Program to be included in the proposed Stimulus Package. Mr. Leister provided handouts for the Council. Questions, comments and discussion followed. Councilmember Farrell made a motion to approve the Amended TIP to Include Proposed Stimulus Package Projects and if more money should become available the money should be divided more evenly among the communities. Supervisor Dawson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

B. Review Discussion and Decision on Legislative Issues and Priorities

Ms. Brown stated that CAAG's Legislative Day will be held on Thursday, February 5, 2009 at the League of Arizona Cities and Towns Building in Phoenix. Some of the issues and concerns suggested are Budget Shortfalls, Federal Stimulus Package Distribution, State Shared Revenues and HURF Under Attack, How to fund current and future transportation needs, LTAF Funding Issues, State Land Department Reform, funding for Planning Departments at COG levels in Rural Arizona and Reauthorization of Federal Highway Funding Bill. Mayor Jackson made a motion to approve the Legislative Priorities and Issues. Councilmember Farrell seconded the motion. The motion passed.

C. Review, Discussion and Decision of the SFY 2010 Social Service Block Grant (SSBG) Percentage Allocations

Ms. Melvin stated that staff has recommended to the Management Committee recommended that the SFY 2010 SSBG allocation percentages remain the same. Mayor Shipley made a motion to approve the SFY 2010 SSBG Allocations. Mayor Insalaco seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Planning Department Update

Item XI – D was approved under the consent agenda item VI.

E. Transportation Planning Update

Item XI – E was approved under the consent agenda item VI.

F. Community Development Update

Item XI – F was approved under the consent agenda item VI.

G. Economic Development Update

Item XI – G was approved under the consent agenda item VI.

XII. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

CAAG's Legislative Day will be held Thursday, February 5, 2009.

XIII. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No one answered the Call to the Public.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Vogel made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Insalaco seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Chair Heron adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

Approved on _____