



REGIONAL COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2007

MAMMOTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MAMMOTH, ARIZONA

M I N U T E S

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hing called the meeting to order at 6:50 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Hing led the Regional Council, guests and CAAG staff in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

Members Present: Mayor Michael Hing, Supervisor Lionel Ruiz, Supervisor Joe Sanchez, Mayor Monica Badillo, Mayor Stanley Gibson, Councilmember Paul Licano, Councilmember Gail Barney, Mayor Tom Rankin, Mayor Debra Sommers, Mayor Byron Jackson, Councilmember John Wilson, Councilmember Anita Hinojos, Councilmember Paul Prechel, Mayor Craig Williams

Members Absent: Mayor Kelly Anderson, Councilmember John Insalaco, Mayor Charles Walton, Mayor Chuck Heron

Management Committee Present: Shannon Ortiz, Manny Gonzalez, Gary Eide, Fred Carpenter, Bob Flatley, Robert Mawson, Mark Young

Guests: Angel Medina, Maria Louisa Medina, Brian Davidson, Greg Brown,

Staff: Maxine Leather, Craig Ringer, Yvonne Kube, Robert Wilson, Peter Armenta, Heather Patel, Cathy Melvin, Bill Leister, Larry Rogers, Roy Chavez, Andrea Robles

Consultants: Liz Rueter, Jack Tomasik

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

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

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

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

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from November 29, 2006 were approved under the consent agenda item IV.

VI. FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial reports ending November 30, 2006 were approved under the consent agenda item IV.

VII. REPORTS

A. Director's Report

Ms. Leather introduced Brian Davidson, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) Liaison. She reviewed a handout on the upcoming Pinal County Town Hall, in which CAAG will be presenting a Pre-Session the first day. Ms. Leather also reviewed a handout from Joe Hughes, Arizona General Contractors on the Del E. Webb School of Construction (DEWSC) and Construction Industry Fact Sheet. She then introduced Ms. Patel who addressed concerns she has with the Arizona Department of Housing changing their application deadlines. She explained the deadlines, funding and project completion. Questions and discussion followed. In closing Ms. Leather thanked her staff for a job well done on the Rural Transportation Summit. She stated that the Summit was a success with an attendance of approximately 300 people.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Update on Arizona's Data Estimates and Projections Task Force and Department of Economic Security Population

Mr. Tomasik provided a Power Point Presentation on Arizona's Data Estimates and Projections Task Force and Department of Economic Security Population. He explained the DES 2006 population estimates, DES methodology and the current status of 2006 estimates. Mr. Tomasik briefed the Council on the Arizona Data Estimates and Projections Task Force (ADEPT) meetings which he and Ms. Leather attend. Questions and discussion followed. This item was for information only.

B. CAAG 208 Areawide Water Quality Management for Johnson Utilities Company, LLC Service Area Expansion.

- a. Review, Discussion and Decision on approving the above proposed amendment.**

Mr. Armenta explained that the Environmental Planning Committee (EPC) and the Management Committee recommended approval of the CAAG 208 Plan Update Amendment for Johnson Utilities Company, LLC Service Area Expansion contingent upon an issuance of a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity from the Arizona Corporation Commission. Mr. Brown was present for questions. Mayor Rankin made a motion to approve the CAAG 208 Areawide Water Quality Management Plan for Johnson Utilities Company, LLC Service Area Expansion, contingent upon an issuance of a CC&N. Mayor Williams seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

b. Review, Discussion and Decision on accepting Resolution No. 2007-1 in support of the above amendment.

Mr. Armenta stated that Resolution No. 2007-1 formally adopts the CAAG 208 Areawide Water Quality Management Plan for Johnson Utilities Company, LLC Service Area Expansion. Ms. Leather read the title of Resolution No. 2007-1. Mayor Rankin made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2007-1 in support of the above amendment. Mayor Jackson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Review, Discussion and Decision on the Amendment to the CAAG 208 Areawide Water Quality Management Plan Update (1994), allowing Designated Management Agencies to adjust their boundary to conform with current City/Town Limits.

Mr. Armenta stated that the Environmental Planning Committee (EPC) and the Management Committee recommended approval of the Amendment to the CAAG 208 Areawide Water Quality Management Plan (AWWQMP) Update, allowing Designated Management Agencies (DMA) to adjust their boundary to conform with current City/Town limits. He stated that CAAG has amended Section 8.2.3 to allow a municipality to adjust their DMA boundary to conform with their corporate limits through an expedited application process. This will allow a municipality to change their DMA boundaries without having to go through the full 208 application process. Mayor Jackson motioned to approve the Amendment to the CAAG 208 Areawide Water Quality Management Plan (AWWQMP) Update, allowing Designated Management Agencies (DMA) to adjust their boundary to conform with current City/Town limits. Mayor Rankin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Review, Discussion and Decision on Legislative Issues and Priorities

Ms. Leather stated that CAAG's Legislative Day will be held on Thursday, February 1, 2007 at the League of Arizona Cities and Towns Building in Phoenix. She explained at the November Regional Council Meeting it was suggested that a discussion of possible topics, issues and concerns be brought forward at the January meeting. Some of the issues suggested are identified by the Rural Transportation Advisory Council (RTAC), the STAN Account, how to fund current and future transportation needs, State Land Department Reform, and funding for Planning Departments at COG levels in Rural Arizona. Councilmember Barney motioned to approve the CAAG Legislative Issues and Priorities. Councilmember Prechel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Transportation Planning Update

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Item VIII-E was approved under the consent agenda item IV.

F. Economic Development Update

Item VIII-F was approved under the consent agenda item IV.

G. Retired and Senior Volunteer Program Update

Item VIII-G was approved under the consent agenda item IV.

X. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Ms. Leather stated that CAAG's Legislative Day will be held on Thursday, February 1, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. at the League of Arizona Cities and Towns Building in Phoenix, AZ.

XI. DATE-TIME-LOCATION

Ms. Leather announced that the next Regional Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 28, 2007 and will be hosted by the City of Globe.

XII. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No one answered the Call to the Public.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Rankin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Williams seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Chair Hing adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Approved on _____