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## REGIONAL COUNCIL MEETING

**FRIDAY, JUNE 23, 2006**

**PAYSON TOWN HALL  
PAYSON, ARIZONA**

# M I N U T E S

## I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Hing called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

## II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice 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, Councilmember Mike Vogel, Supervisor Joe Sanchez, Supervisor Sandie Smith, Councilmember Paul Prechel, Mayor Craig Williams, Mayor Stanley Gibson, Councilmember Paul Licano, Councilmember Anita Hinojos, Councilmember Gail Barney, Mayor Tom Rankin, Mayor Doug Coleman, Mayor Debra Sommers, Mayor Chuck Heron, Mary Anne Moreno, Lori Gary, Barbara Ganz

**Members Absent:** Mayor Monica Badillo, Mayor Byron Jackson, Mayor Charles Walton, Mayor Kelly Anderson

**Management Committee Present:** Terry Doolittle, Manny Gonzalez, Fred Carpenter, Himanshu Patel, Robert Mawson, Gary Eide, Bryant Powell, Jim Thompson, Jill Dusenberry, Shannon Ortiz, Mark Young

**Guests:** Representative Pete Rios, Bill Rappaport, Jill Dusenberry, Ross Eide, Joe Severs, Bret Anderson, Janine Solley, Louis Bracamonte, Nolberto Waddell, Su Connell, Carlos Sierra, Ginny Dickie, Jennifer Sommers, Margaret Gaston, Juan Ponce, Art Sanders, Stacey Espinoza, John Wilson, John Breninger, Ruth Garcia, Trevor Hill, Robin Bain, Graham Symmonds, Jon Thompson, Rosanna Ringer

**Staff:** Maxine Leather, Craig Ringer, Yvonne Kube, Robert Wilson, Peter Armenta, Heather Patel, Joan Phillips, Cathy Melvin, Bill Leister, Angela Gotto, Tanya Marez, Laura Winsor, Andrea Robles

**Consultants:** Elizabeth 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 Gibson made a motion to accept the consent agenda items. Councilmember Prechel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes from May 3, 2006 were approved under the consent agenda item IV.

#### **VI. FINANCIAL REPORT**

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

#### **VII. REPORTS**

##### **A. Director's Report**

Ms. Leather stated her report was enclosed in the packet. She announced that the PRIDE Program won a National Award from NADO and staff would be attending the conference in Reno, NV. Ms. Leather explained that CAAG has received four new funding sources since completing the budget. She then introduced Mr. Ringer who explained the detail on the box cars that were given to each of the Regional Council members.

##### **B. Planning Director's Report**

Mr. Tomasik provided a Power Point presentation on Population Estimates and Development Project Database. He provided handouts for the council. Mr. Tomasik updated the Regional Council on Population Estimates and Development Projects. He informed the council of meetings that he and Ms. Leather have been attending. Questions and discussion followed. This item was for information only.

#### **VII. NEW BUSINESS**

##### **A. Review, Discussion, and Decision on FY 2005-06 Budget Amendment Resolution No. 2006-6**

Ms. Leather informed the Regional Council that every year a Resolution amending the Budget needs to be passed. She read the title of Resolution No. 2006-6. Mayor Williams made a motion to approve the FY 2005-06 Budget Amendment Resolution No. 2006-6. Mayor Gibson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

##### **B. Review, Discussion and Decision on FY 2006-07 General Assessment**

Ms. Leather explained that every year the Regional Council passes a General Assessment for the operation of CAAG. She stated this year it was suggested to increase the General Assessment from \$50,000 to \$75,000 to cover any additional expenses. Questions and discussion followed. Mayor Gibson made a motion to approve the FY 2006-07 General Assessment. Councilmember Prechel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**C. Review, Discussion and Decision on FY 2006-07 Special Assessment**

Ms. Leather stated the Special Assessment will provide a total of \$425,535 to the CAAG budget to fund the Planning Department. She stated that several meetings had been held to discuss the Special Assessment. Handouts were provided by Mayor Rankin regarding an alternative formula to fund the Special Assessment. Questions and discussion followed. Councilmember Prechel made a motion to approve the figures (sent with the packet) of the Pinal County assessment (tan area See Attachment A) and the Gila County assessment (blue area) would be determined by each individual community in Gila County. Mayor Sommers seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**D. Review, Discussion and Decision on FY 2006-07 Budget Adoption**

Ms. Leather stated the handouts included with the budget were revised pages that will replace the original pages in the budget. Questions and discussion followed. Mayor Williams made a motion to approve the FY 2006-07 Budget as presented. Supervisor Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**E. Review, Discussion and Decision on Revisions to the CAAG Bylaws**

Ms. Leather stated that it was suggested that if a CAAG Special Assessment was passed affecting only certain member entities, then only those members paying the Special Assessment should be allowed to vote on issues regarding the Special Assessment. Mayor Gibson made a motion to not approve the revisions to the CAAG bylaws. Mayor Rankin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**F. CAAG 208 Areawide Water Quality Management Plan Update Amendment for Palo Verde Utilities Company Consolidated Service Area**

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

Mr. Armenta stated that the Environmental Planning Committee and Management Committee recommended approval of the CAAG 208 Plan Update Amendment for Palo Verde Utilities Company (PVUC) Consolidated Service Area and construction of five new Water Reclamation Facilities, contingent upon an issuance of a CC&N from the Arizona Corporation Commission. Questions and discussion followed. Supervisor Smith made a motion to approve the CAAG 208 Plan Update Amendment for Palo Verde Utilities Company (PVUC) Consolidated Service Area. Councilmember Prechel seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**b. Review, Discussion and Decision on accepting Resolution No. 2006-7 in support of the above proposed amendment**

Mr. Armenta explained that the Management Committee recommended approval of adopting Resolution No. 2006-7 which supports the CAAG 208 Plan Update Amendment for Palo Verde Utilities Company (PVUC) Consolidated Service Area and new construction of five new Water Reclamation Facilities. Ms. Leather read the title of Resolution No. 2006-7. Councilmember Prechel motioned to accept Resolution No. 2006-7 in support of the CAAG 208 Plan Update Amendment for Palo Verde Utilities Company (PVUC) Consolidated Service Area as presented. Supervisor Sanchez seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**G. Review, Discussion and Recommendation to Move the CDBG FY 2006 Regional Account Applications Forward, to the Arizona Department of Housing**

Ms. Patel stated that the Management Committee recommended moving the CDBG FY 2006 Regional Account Applications forward to the Arizona Department of Housing (ADOH). She explained that 13 applications were received for the CDBG FY 2006 Regional Account funding and will be submitted to the ADOH. Mayor Rankin made a motion to move the CDBG FY 2006 Regional Account Applications forward, to the ADOH. Councilmember Prechel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**H. Review, Discussion and Decision on the SFY 2007 Social Service Block Grant (SSBG) Allocations**

Ms. Melvin explained that the Percentage Allocations that were passed in January were based on the State's assumption that funding would be at the 2006 level. She stated that CAAG had been notified by the State that the SSBG program may receive reductions in the amount of 19.72 % or the reduction of funding to individual programs. Ms. Melvin stated that staff had held a joint meeting of the HSAC and TAC meeting and due to the lack of a quorum there was no recommendation. Ms. Melvin stated that the Management Committee recommended approval of the SSBG Percentage Allocations (See Attachment B). Supervisor Sanchez made a motion to approve the SFY 2007 SSBG Allocations. Mayor Gibson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**I. CAAG FY 2005-06 Annual Report**

Ms. Leather presented the 2005-06 Annual Report. She thanked Mr. Ringer for creating the report, and Ms. Kube, Ms. Patel and Ms. Robles for assembling the annual report. Mr. Ringer explained to the Regional Council and guests that the annual report is set up as a calendar and the theme of the report.

**J. Transportation Planning Update**

The Transportation Planning update was approved under the consent agenda item IV.

**K. CDBG Update**

Ms. Patel provided an update on the CDBG Department. She stated that Staff is working on ten CDBG Regional Account projects from FY's 2004 and 2005 and one State project from FY 2006. Ms. Patel explained that six State Special Projects and thirteen Regional Account

Applications have been completed on behalf of our communities. This item was for information only.

**L. Environmental Planning Update**

The Environmental Planning update was approved under the consent agenda item IV.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD**

**A. Approval of the CAAG 2006 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy**

Mr. Ringer stated that each year CAAG is required to submit an update of its Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). He informed the Council that just the pages that have been revised are being submitted and that next year's update will be a submission of the complete document. Councilmember Prechel made a motion to approve the CAAG 2006 CEDS. Mayor Rankin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**X. RECOGNITIONS**

Ms. Leather presented Mary Anne Moreno with a copper clock thanking her for the time she has served on the CAAG Economic Development Board, as well as Barbara Brewer (Regional Council) and Cynthia Seelhammer (Management Committee) who were not present. Mr. Leister read his nomination letter for Employee of the Year and presented Ms. Robles with a plaque and thanked her for her hard work and great attitude. Ms. Phillips recognized Ms. Leather for her service with the RSVP program. Mr. Wilson presented Mr. Breninger with a copper clock recognizing him for his service as an Environmental Planning Committee member.

**XI. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

Representative Pete Rios provided the Legislative update during the introductions.

**XII. DATE-TIME-LOCATION**

Ms. Leather announced that the next Regional Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 27, 2006 which will be hosted by the Town of Kearny.

**XIII. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Mayor Rankin briefed those present on the Transportation Board Meeting.

#### **XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Prechel made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Gibson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Vice Chair Hing adjourned the meeting at 3:50 p.m.

Approved on \_\_\_\_\_