



**VENTURA COUNCIL
OF GOVERNMENTS**

ITEM 7A

MINUTES

Thursday, January 14, 2010
5:00 p.m.

City of Camarillo
Council Chambers
601 Carmen Drive, Camarillo, CA 93010

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Chair Gabino Aguirre.

2. **FLAG SALUTE**

3. **ROLL CALL**

Chair Gabino Aguirre	City of Santa Paula
Member Janice Parvin	City of Moorpark
Member Michael Morgan	City of Camarillo
Member Thomas Holden	City of Oxnard
Alternate Barbra Williamson	City of Simi Valley
Member Carl Morehouse	City of San Buenaventura
Member Carol Smith	City of Ojai
Member Linda Parks	County of Ventura

Absent: Cities of Fillmore, Port Hueneme, Thousand Oaks

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

5. **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Member Parks reported that she is the current Vice Chair of the Emergency Planning Council for the County. Supervisor Long is the Chair. The membership is comprised of many different entities from the private sector and the County. The group meets quarterly.

Member Morehouse reminded everyone of the 2010 census kick off and the importance of getting realistic numbers.

Chair Aguirre reported that he and Member Holden sit on a subcommittee to address early prisoner release. Member Holden commented that it would be foolish to think anyone will be immune to the impacts of early release. We are faced with a "double negative" - unfunded mandates that are also unscripted. No parameters have been set, no outreach, no background or helpful information. Prisoners will be released with \$200 and a bus ticket. The subcommittee is looking at coordinated outreach with the County.

6. **APPROVAL OF THE FINAL AGENDA**

Member Holden made a motion to approve the Final Agenda. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Parvin and passed.

7. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A. **Minutes** – Member Morehouse made a motion to adopt the Minutes of the November 12, 2009 meeting. The motion was seconded by Member Holden and passed, with Member Williamson abstaining.

8. **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

A. **Ventura County's Five-Year Review Report of Countywide Integrated Waste Management Plan:**

A power point presentation was provided by Bruce Belluschi, Manager, County Integrated Waste Management Division, detailing the schedule and process for the 5 Year Update of the CIWMP.

Public Comment

Wayne Fishback, Simi Valley resident, provided a handout regarding the Countywide Siting Element from 2001. There is a massive landfill in the process of being approved. The Siting Plan needs to be revised, not just updated.

Kate Neiswender, representing residents fighting the landfill expansion, said that they are being told the Siting Element is fine as it is. The law says it needs to be updated under certain circumstances, including expansion. The Siting Element needs to be up to date and valid. Currently, it does not meet 6 of the 13 pass/fail criteria of the California Code of Regulations minimum siting criteria, which is not mentioned in this EIR. This expansion is in conflict with the general plan for the County and the City of Simi Valley.

Member Holden made a motion to receive the Presentation. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Parvin and passed.

- B. **Budget Update**: Member Williamson made a motion to receive and file the budget update. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Parvin and passed.
- C. **Financial Audit Contract**: Member Parks made a motion to approve an agreement with Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co., LLP for professional financial auditing services at a not-to exceed cost of \$2,300 for Fiscal Years 2009/2010. The motion was seconded by Member Morehouse and passed.
- D. **Administrative Committee Composition**: Member Williamson made a motion to designate Chair Aguirre, Vice Chair Parvin, Past Chair Miller and Member Morehouse as the VCOG 2010 Administrative Committee. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Parvin and passed.
- E. **2010 Legislative Program**: Member Parks made a motion to adopt the 2010 Legislative Program with the following additional language to legislation regarding solid waste: Oppose legislation that would restrict local jurisdictions from protecting, limiting, or restricting landfill capacity. The motion was seconded by Member Morehouse and passed.
- F. **SB 375 Recommendation: Holden/Morehouse**
Member Holden made a motion to: 1) Adopt the recommendation of the SB 375 Joint Subcommittee to choose the "Collaborative Process" in working with the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) to address the requirements of SB 375 and the development of a regional Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS); 2) Adopt the recommendation of the SB 375 Joint Subcommittee to retain the SB 375 Joint Subcommittee as the oversight committee for SB 375 related work and to expand its membership to include elected officials serving on SCAG's Regional Council, currently,

Councilmember Glen Becerra, Simi Valley, Councilmember Bryan MacDonald, Oxnard and Councilmember Carl Morehouse, San Buenaventura; and 3) Issue a joint letter with the Ventura County Transportation Commission (VCTC) to SCAG stating that, Ventura County, as a sub-region, is choosing the “Collaborative Process” rather than taking “Delegation” for the purposes of SB 375 and the development of a regional Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS). The motion was seconded by Member Morehouse and passed.

9. AGENCY REPORTS

A. Southern California Association of Governments

Member Morehouse reported on 2 debriefings last Thursday, one being a report by Hassan Ikhata regarding what delegation would mean. There was also a presentation of the process tying land use and transportation and the regional needs assessment process.

B. Ventura County Transportation Commission

Darren Kettle reported that VCTC is participating on the Emergency Planning Council as a major bus operator.

10. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

There was no further report from the Executive Director.

11. REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Member Parks requested a future item to discuss plastic bags.

Chair Aguirre requested a future item to provide an update on the early prisoner release issue.

12. ADJOURNMENT TO MARCH 11, 2010

At 6:25 pm Vice Chair Parvin made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Member Morehouse.