

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE COMMISSION OF THE
GREATER BAKERSFIELD SEPARATION OF GRADE DISTRICT

Held: December 9, 2019

A regular meeting of the Commission of the Greater Bakersfield Separation of Grade District was held on December 9, 2019, at 1800 30th Street, Suite 260, Bakersfield, California.

CALL TO ORDER:)
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President, Mark J. Smith, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and presided thereat.

ROLL CALL:)
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The following Commissioners were present:

Mark J. Smith
W. Patrick Marchbanks
Steven M. Ruettgers
Terry A. Murray
John Spaulding

Also present were Emma Stubbs, for a Bakersfield College Civic Engagement course; Sheila K. Plane and John D. Schuler, District Engineers; and Bernard C. Barmann, Jr., District Legal Counsel.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES,)
REGULAR MEETING OF)
NOVEMBER 18, 2019:)
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On motion of Commissioner Marchbanks, seconded by Commissioner Murray, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the regular meetings of November 18, 2019, were approved.

LEGAL COUNSEL'S REPORT:)
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Reappointment of Commissioner Steven M. Ruettgers – Per direction of the President of the Commission, on December 2, 2019, Mr. Barmann submitted a letter to the Kern County Board of Supervisors requesting reappointment of Commissioner Steven M. Ruettgers to the Commission of the Greater Bakersfield Separation of Grade District for another four-year term. No appointment has yet been made.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-03)
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RESOLUTION OF THE)
COMMISSION OF THE)
GREATER BAKERSFIELD)
SEPARATION OF GRADE)
DISTRICT DECLARING A)
HARDSHIP FOR SB 929)
COMPLIANCE:)
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Resolution No. 19-03 - "Resolution of the Commission of the Greater Bakersfield Separation of Grade District Declaring a Hardship for SB 929 Compliance" was brought before the Commission for consideration. Following discussion, on motion of Commissioner Marchbanks, seconded by Commissioner Ruettgers, and unanimously carried, Resolution 19-03 was approved and adopted on the following vote:

AYES: Mark J. Smith
W. Patrick Marchbanks
Steven M. Ruettgers
Terry A. Murray
John Spaulding

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

President and Secretary were authorized to sign Resolution 19-03.

Joint Agencies Agreement with City of Bakersfield Following Mr. Schuler's discussions with the City of Bakersfield's Public Works Department regarding an agreement to complete the specific plan line for the Kraztmeyer Road crossing at BNSF, Mr. Barmann prepared a Joint Agencies Agreement for Mr. Schuler to provide to the City for consideration. The draft agreement would provide for the City and the District to share equally in the cost of the planning work to be performed by the District's Consulting Engineers, not to exceed \$40,000 without further approval of the City.

DISTRICT ENGINEER'S)
REPORT:)
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Mr. Schuler reported as follows:

Project Funding Sources. Regarding federal and state funding sources there were no new developments. Mr. Schuler will be meeting with Kern County Public Works Department this Thursday to discuss Morning Drive. As mentioned in the report of the Attorney of the District, Mr. Schuler is in discussions with the City of Bakersfield

COMMITTEE REPORTS)
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Nothing new to report.

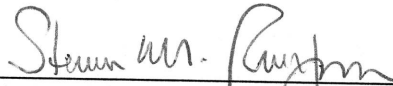
CORRESPONDENCE:)
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Mr. Barmann's audit response letter dated November 26, 2019, to Daniels, Phillips, Vaughn & Bock was received and filed.

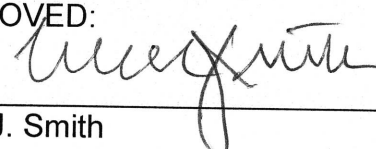
Mr. Barmann's letter dated December 2, 2019, to the Kern County Board of Supervisors regarding reappointment of Commissioner Steven M. Ruettgers to the Commission was received and filed.

ADJOURNMENT:)
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There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was, on motion of Commissioner Ruettgers, seconded by Commissioner Murray, and unanimously carried, adjourned at 5:17 p.m. The Commission will next meet at a regular meeting on Monday, January 13, 2020, at 5:00 p.m.



Steven M. Ruettgers
Secretary of the Commission

APPROVED: 

Mark J. Smith
President of the Commission

MONTHLY MEETING DECEMBER 2019

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

A(1) DISTRICT EXPENSE FUND:

Mark Smith	Commissioner Expense - November 2019	\$	100.00
Steven Ruettgers	Commissioner Expense - November 2019	\$	100.00
Patrick Marchbanks	Commissioner Expense - November 2019	\$	100.00
Terry Murray	Commissioner Expense - November 2019	\$	100.00
Kuhs & Parker	Professional Services - October 2018	\$	1,088.30
Ruettgers & Schuler	Engineering Services - November 2019	\$	6,600.15
Ruettgers & Schuler	High Speed Rail - November 2019	\$	<u>387.50</u>
		\$	<u>8,475.95</u>