

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

Held: March 9, 2020

A regular meeting of the Commission of the Greater Bakersfield Separation of Grade District was held on March 9, 2020, 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. Ruetters
Terry A. Murray
John Spaulding

Also present were Sheila K. Plane and John D. Schuler, District Engineers; and Bernard C. Barmann, Jr., District Legal Counsel.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES,)
REGULAR MEETING OF)
FEBRUARY 10, 2020:)
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On motion of Commissioner Ruetters, seconded by Commissioner Murray, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the regular meeting of February 10, 2020, were approved.

LEGAL COUNSEL'S REPORT:)
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Nothing new to report.

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

Project Funding Sources The County submitted a federal INFRA grant program application for Morning Drive design and right-of-way. No changes on the state and local funding fronts.

High Speed Rail Project. The 2020 Business Plan draft for Shafter to Bakersfield is out. GET relocation will be required, possibly to the Baker area. The EIR for the Bakersfield to Palmdale segment is out for review. Morning Drive would involve an underpass.

Specific Plan Lines. Mr. Schuler is coordinating with the City of Bakersfield Planning Department regarding resolution for the specific plan line for Renfro-Jenkins at BNSF.

Morning Drive Project. As reported earlier, the County INFRA grant application is in.

Baker/Truxtun/Beale @ BNSF & UPRR. GET is looking to relocate its bus facility.

Rosedale Highway at Landco. No news to report.

CPUC Nominations 2020-2022. The latest rankings are out. Mr. Schuler's office has submitted comments with corrections. The hearing is scheduled for April 15, 2020, in San Francisco.

Cherry Ave. & Los Angeles St/Beech Ave. @ BNSF. Shafter/Caltrans roundabout is being discussed. Caltrans wants to close the Los Angeles & Beech intersection. Cherry at BNSF could become a significant item.

FINANCIAL REPORT:)
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The Secretary then presented the Financial Report for February, 2020, in the form attached as **Exhibit A**. Following discussion, on motion of Commissioner Murray, seconded by Commissioner Spaulding, and unanimously carried, the report was approved and ordered filed, vouchers to pay the bills from the District Expense Fund as noted in part A(1) of the report and were ordered to be drawn and presented to the County Controller for payment.

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:)
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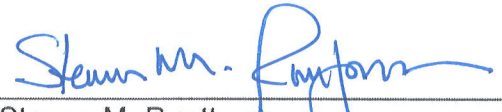
Nothing new to report.

CORRESPONDENCE:)
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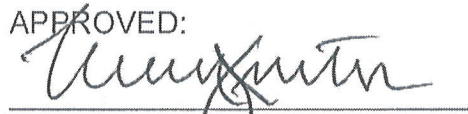
Commitment letter from District to U.S. Department of Transportation for County of Kern Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA), dated 2/25/20 was filed.

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 5:30 p.m. The Commission will next meet at a regular meeting on Monday, April 13, 2020, at 5:00 p.m.



Steven M. Ruettgers
Secretary of the Commission

APPROVED:


Mark J. Smith
President of the Commission

MONTHLY MEETING MARCH 2020

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

A(1) DISTRICT EXPENSE FUND:

Mark Smith	Commissioner Expense - February 2020	\$	100.00
Steven Ruettgers	Commissioner Expense - February 2020	\$	100.00
Patrick Marchbanks	Commissioner Expense - February 2020	\$	100.00
Terry Murray	Commissioner Expense - February 2020	\$	100.00
John Spaulding	Commissioner Expense - February 2020	\$	100.00
Kuhs & Parker	Professional Services - January 2020	\$	751.45
Ruettgers & Schuler	Engineering Services - February 2020	\$	5,527.50
Ruettgers & Schuler	High Speed Rail - February 2020	\$	465.00
Kern County Auditor	Vouchers or Accounts Payable Warrants	\$	134.71
Daniells Phillips Vaughn & Bock	Audit for year ended June 30, 2019	\$	2,650.00
		\$	10,028.66