

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

Held: June 8, 2020

A regular meeting of the Commission of the Greater Bakersfield Separation of Grade District was held on June 8, 2020, via video and teleconference as authorized by Governor Newsom's Executive Orders issued during the state of emergency as a result of COVID-19.

CALL TO ORDER:)
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President, Mark J. Smith, called the meeting to order at 5:01 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 Sheila K. Plane and John D. Schuler, District Engineers; and Bernard C. Barmann, Jr., District Legal Counsel.

PUBLIC STATEMENTS)
& COMMENTS)
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None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES,)
REGULAR MEETING OF)
MAY 11, 2020:)
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On motion of Commissioner Ruettgers, seconded by Commissioner Murray, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the regular meeting of May 11, 2020, were approved.

LEGAL COUNSEL'S REPORT:)
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Mr. Barmann presented Kuhs & Parker's letter regarding rate increase effective June 1, 2020. On motion of Commissioner Spaulding, seconded by Commissioner Marchbanks, and unanimously carried, the rate increase was approved.

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

Project Funding Sources. The federal CRISI application for \$40 million was unsuccessful. State and local funding sources are unstable with the COVID emergency.

High Speed Rail Project. The comment period on the 2020 draft business plan, which includes Shafter to Bakersfield, closed.

Specific Plan Lines. Mr. Schuler is coordinating with City Public Works Department.

Morning Drive Project. Waiting for news on INFRA application.

Baker/Truxtun/Beale @ BNSF & UPRR. No news.

Rosedale Highway at Landco. No news.

CPUC Nominations 2020-2022. Updated list was distributed today.

Cherry Ave. & Los Angeles St./Beech Ave. @ BNSF. Shafter is discussing closure of Los Angeles Ave. at BNSF and a Santa Fe Way at SR 43 roundabout.

FINANCIAL REPORT:)
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The Secretary then presented the Financial Report for May, 2020, in the form attached as **Exhibit A**. Following discussion, on motion of Commissioner Ruettgers, seconded by Commissioner Murray, 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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No activity.

CORRESPONDENCE:)
_____)

No correspondence to report.

ADJOURNMENT:)
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There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was, on motion of Commissioner Spaulding, seconded by Commissioner Ruettgers, and unanimously carried, adjourned at 5:18 p.m. The Commission will next meet at a regular meeting on Monday, July 13, 2020, at 5:00 p.m.



Steven M. Ruettgers
Secretary of the Commission

APPROVED:



Mark J. Smith
President of the Commission

MONTHLY MEETING JUNE 2020

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

DISTRICT EXPENSE FUND:

Mark Smith	Commissioner Expense - May 2020	\$	100.00
Steven Ruettgers	Commissioner Expense - May 2020	\$	100.00
Patrick Marchbanks	Commissioner Expense - May 2020	\$	100.00
Terry Murray	Commissioner Expense - May 2020	\$	100.00
John Spaulding	Commissioner Expense - May 2020	\$	100.00
Kuhs & Parker	Professional Services - April 2020	\$	1,113.90
Ruettgers & Schuler	Engineering Services - May 2020	\$	2,196.25
Kern County Auditor-Contrller	Vouchers or Accounts Payable Warrants	\$	170.16
SDRMA	General Liability - Inv. # 68307	\$	11,109.43
		\$	15,089.74