

# Western Riverside Council of Governments Planning Directors Committee

## Minutes

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Planning Directors Committee was called to order by Chair John Hildebrand at 9:33 a.m. on June 10, 2021, on the Zoom platform.

### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Hildebrand led members and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 3. ROLL CALL

- City of Banning - Adam Rush\*
- City of Beaumont - Christina Taylor
- City of Corona - Joanne Coletta
- City of Eastvale - Gustavo Gonzalez
- City of Hemet - Monique Alaniz-Flejter
- City of Lake Elsinore - Richard MacHott
- City of Menifee - Doug Darnell
- City of Moreno Valley - Patty Nevins
- City of Murrieta - Jarrett Ramaiya
- City of San Jacinto - Travis Randel
- City of Temecula - Matt Peters
- City of Wildomar - Matt Bassi
- County of Riverside - John Hildebrand (Chair)
- March Joint Powers Authority - Mathew Evans
- Riverside Transit Agency - Kristin Warsinkski

\*Arrived after roll call

### 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR** – (San Jacinto / Beaumont) 12 yes; 0 no; 2 abstention. Items 5.A was approved. Representatives from the Cities of Lake Elsinore and Wildomar abstained.

### A. Summary Minutes from the April 8, 2021, Planning Directors Committee Meeting

**Action:**

1. Approved the Summary Minutes from the April 8, 2021, Planning Directors Committee meeting.

## **6. REPORTS / DISCUSSION**

### **A. 2021 TUMF Credit Agreement Template Update**

Cameron Brown, WRCOG Program Manager, presented on the updated TUMF Credit Agreement template. This revised template was provided to this Committee at its April 2021 meeting for review and comment. The purpose of the update is so WRCOG can become the third party on the Credit Agreement. By being added as the third party on the Agreement, WRCOG can verify the estimated TUMF obligation on a development and confirm the maximum amount of credit that can be given on the construction of a TUMF facility. Another positive to being added is that upon reconciliation of a credit agreement, whereas the developer shows all invoices for TUMF-eligible work and the development constructed, WRCOG can confirm the amount a developer can be repaid, and/or how much a developer owes on their project.

Next steps will include requesting a recommendation be forwarded to the Executive Committee for consideration at its July 2021 meeting.

#### **Action:**

1. Recommended that the Executive Committee approve the revised 2021 TUMF Credit Agreement Template.

(San Jacinto / Menifee) 14 yes; 0 no; 0 abstention. Item 6.A was approved.

### **B. Indirect Source Rule Presentation**

Dr. Kalam Cheung, Research Assistant with the South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD), provided an update on AQMD's recently adopted Warehouse Indirect Source Rule (ISR). This rule focuses on reducing emissions associated with vehicles and mobile equipment operating in and out of warehouse distribution centers. With consumer demand for online retail and just-in-time delivery increasing, goods delivered between the region's seaports, airports, and businesses across the nation may increase mobile source emissions, even with the deployment of newer, cleaner vehicles and equipment. The Warehouse ISR provides multiple options for warehouse operators to reduce emissions associated with their facility.

#### **Action:**

1. Receive and file.

### **C. Subregional Cannabis Activities Update**

Mark Teague, Principal at PlaceWorks, provided an update on cannabis policies throughout the subregion with a focus on micro-businesses. Proposition 64, the Adult Use of Marijuana Act, took effect January 1, 2018. Since then, WRCOG member agencies have each enacted local ordinances to regulate cannabis activities locally. In January 2018, staff surveyed member agencies on local policies planned or in place related to cannabis activity. At the time of the survey, some agencies had already taken action, many to ban all cannabis activity, while others had not yet made final determinations on which activities to ban or allow. The most recent update on local permitting was presented to the

Planning Directors Committee (PDC) in March 2019. In June 2019, WRCOG invited the City of Desert Hot Springs to present to the PDC its insights related to challenges encountered and strategies employed by the City to regulate cannabis uses.

Since WRCOG last updated the PDC in May 2019 on local cannabis permitting regulations, local policies have continued to evolve. In May 2021, WRCOG surveyed its members to confirm the current policies related to cannabis across the subregion. Information was provided on the advantages, costs, and logistics to enact and implement a new ordinance allowing micro-business permits, along with case studies on agencies with active micro-businesses, offering insights into best practices, some of which are applicable to all permit types.

**Action:**

1. Received and filed.

**D. Legislative Activities Update**

Bill Blankenship, WRCOG's On-Call Legislative Consultant, provided an update and overview of current key legislative dates and deadlines for the month of June and July.

Mr. Blankenship is available for consultation regarding legislation primarily focused on planning.

**Action:**

1. Received and filed.

**7. REPORT FROM THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Chris Gray reported that registration for WRCOG's 30th Annual General Assembly is now open. The event will take place Thursday, June 24, 2021, from 4:00 - 5:00 p.m., and features Daymond John. Mr. Gray included that this event will only be broadcasted one time. At the June Executive Committee meeting the Committee appointed Dr. Kurt Wilson as WRCOG's new Executive Director.

**8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

There were no items for future agendas.

**9. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no general announcements.

**10. NEXT MEETING**

The July 8, 2021, Planning Directors Committee meeting is CANCELED. The next Planning Directors Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 12, 2021, at 9:30 a.m., in-person at the WRCOG's office and virtually on the Zoom platform.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting of the Planning Directors Committee adjourned at 10:38 a.m.