

**KERN LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
MINUTES**

Kern Council of Governments (KernCOG) Conference Room
1401 19th Street Suite 300
Bakersfield CA 93301

In-Person, Zoom and Teleconference
Meeting of May 17, 2023

Pursuant to the Government Code § 54963. et seq., meetings were held both at a physical location and by video/teleconference to attend to any health and safety concerns of the panelist and/or participants.

Regular scheduled meeting called to order at 5:19 p.m. Chair Sanders presiding.

ROLL CALL

Present: Couch, Crump, Fowler, McKibbin, Sanders, Peters (alternate for Scrivner), Zaragoza
Absent: Ayon, Gonzales, Scrivner
Staff: Knox, Menchaca, Rice
Counsel: Gosling

Item 5/17/23-1:

VIDEO CONFERENCE EMERGENCY REQUEST (if necessary): (Agenda Item 3)

Chair Sanders announced Commissioners were present in-person, therefore the item is not necessary.

Item 5/17/23-2: *Approved as Presented*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: (Agenda Item 4a) March 15, 2023, Meeting

Chair Sanders presented the March minutes; Upon motion of Commissioner Couch, seconded by Commissioner Peters, IT IS ORDERED: The March 15, 2023, Minutes are approved as presented by the following votes:

AYES: Couch, Crump, Fowler, McKibbin, Sanders, Peters, Zaragoza
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Ayon, Gonzales

Item 5/17/23-3: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS: (Agenda Item 5)

No comments from the public were presented.

***5:25 p.m. Chair Sanders called a recess due to technical issues.**

***5:28 p.m. Chair reconvened the meeting.**

***It is noted that Agenda item 8(a) was heard at this time.**

COMMISSION ITEMS: (Agenda Item 8a)

Item 5/17/23-4: *Approved to Motion* –

REPORT: CalPERS 115 TRUST PRESENTATION (Agenda Item 8a)

Executive Officer Knox informed the Commission that in response to a referral by Commissioner Gonzales, Darren Lathrop, Customer Outreach and Support Manager with CalPERS, gave a presentation of CalPERS prefunding programs and answered Commissioner questions. Executive Officer Knox recommended sending this to Ad-hoc Committee. Upon motion of Commissioner Crump, seconded by Commissioner Couch, Chair Sanders nominated Commissioner McKibbin, Commissioner Couch and Commissioner Gonzales to the Ad-hoc Committee. IT IS ORDERED: The Ad-hoc Committee is formed, and CalPERS Prefunding programs is being sent to Ad-hoc Committee for further discussion approved as presented by the following votes:

AYES: Couch, Crump, Fowler, McKibbin, Sanders, Peters, Zaragoza
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Ayon, Gonzales

***5:50 p.m. Commissioner Peters stepped out of meeting and returned at 5:53p.m.**

DETERMINATION PROCEEDING: (Agenda Item 6)

None

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: (Agenda Item 7)

Item 5/17/23-5: *Approved to Motion* – *Resolution No. 23-02*

PROPOSED FINAL BUDGET 2023-2024 (Agenda Item 7a)

Executive Officer Knox recommended the Commission accept the Final Budget and consider using 50% of the carryover from the previous year to pay down CalPERS unfunded liability. Commissioner Couch made a motion to approve the budget and approve the 50% carryover for CalPERS unfunded liability. Upon motion of Commissioner Couch, seconded by Commissioner Crump, IT IS ORDERED: The Final Budget 2023-2024 and 50% carryover for CalPERS unfunded liability is approved as presented by the following votes:

AYES: Couch, Crump, Fowler, McKibbin, Sanders, Peters, Zaragoza
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Ayon, Gonzales

***Attorney Gosling requested Commissioner Zaragoza to sit in the audience while voting took place.**

***It is noted that Agenda Item 7b “Appointment of Public Member Seat” and 7c “Appointment Alternate Public Member Seat” were heard and voted on at the same time**

Item 5/17/23-6: *Approved to Motion*– *Resolution No. 23-03*

APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC MEMBER SEAT (Agenda Item 7b & 7c)

Executive Officer Knox recommended the Commission appoint a Public Member and appoint

an Alternate Public Member for another 4-year term. Tammy Johnson, Virginia Mello and Vince Zaragoza introduced themselves to the Commission and expressed why they should be chosen as Public Member and/or Alternate. Commissioner Couch made a motion to nominate Vince Zaragoza as Public Member and retain Virginia Mello as Alternate Public Member. Upon motion of Commissioner Couch, seconded by Commissioner Crump, IT IS ORDERED: Vince Zaragoza was appointed as Public Member for another 4-year term ending in 2027 and Virginia Mello was appointed as Alternate Public Member for another 4-year term ending in 2027, approved as presented by the following votes:

AYES: Couch, Crump, McKibbin, Sanders, Peters
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Ayon, Gonzales

***6:26 p.m. Commissioner Couch left the meeting and did not return.**

COMMISSION ITEMS: (Agenda Item 8)

Item 8a was presented to the Commission at the beginning of the meeting.

GENERAL BUSINESS: (Agenda Item 9)

***It is noted that Agenda item 9c was heard at this time.**

Item 5/17/23-7: Informational

CITY OF BAKERSFIELD: HOUSING ELEMENT PRESENTATION (Agenda Item 9c)

Executive Officer Knox informed the Commission that the City of Bakersfield would present their Housing Element presentation. Chris Boyle gave a presentation of the Housing Element and answered questions from Commissioners Fowler, Zaragoza, and Executive Officer Knox.

***6:38 p.m. Commissioner Crump stepped away from the meeting and returned at 6:40 p.m.**

***6:48 p.m. Commissioner Fowler stepped away from the meeting and returned at 6:51 p.m.**

***7:16 p.m. Commissioner McKibbin stepped away from the meeting and returned at 7:19 p.m.**

GENERAL BUSINESS: (Agenda Item 9)

***It is noted the Commission returned to Agenda item 9a “Approval of Monthly Expense List No. 23-02” & 9b “Approval of Monthly Expense List No. 23-03” which were heard at this time**

Item 5/17/23-8: Approved as Presented

EXPENSE LIST 23-02 (Agenda Item 9a)

Chair Sanders presented Expense List 23-02. Upon motion of Commissioner Fowler, seconded by Commissioner Crump, IT IS ORDERED: The general claims set forth in Expense List No. 23-02 are

approved for payment, and the Chairman is authorized to certify said list by the following votes:

AYES: Crump, Fowler, Sanders, Peters, Zaragoza
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Ayon, Couch, Gonzales, McKibbin,

Item 5/17/23-9: *Approved as Presented*

EXPENSE LIST 23-03 (Agenda Item 9b)

Chair Sanders presented Expense List 23-03. Upon motion of Commissioner Fowler, seconded by Commissioner Zaragoza, IT IS ORDERED: The general claims set forth in Expense List No. 23-03 are approved for payment, and the Chairman is authorized to certify said list by the following votes:

AYES: Crump, Fowler, Sanders, Peters, Zaragoza
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Ayon, Couch, Gonzales, McKibbin,

GENERAL BUSINESS: (Agenda Item 9)

Item 9c was presented to the Commission earlier in the meeting.

Item 5/17/23-10: *Informational*

EXECUTIVE OFFICER MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS: (Agenda Item 9d)

- 1yr anniversary for Ms. Menchaca
- CALAFCO Staff Workshop
- CSDA Legislative Days
- Projects List
- Commissioner McKibbins Honor Flight Recognition

Item 5/17/23-11:

CLOSED SESSION: (Agenda Item 10)

None

Item 5/17/23-12: *Adjourned*

ADJOURNMENT: (Agenda Item 11)

Chair Sanders announced the next meeting being June 21, 2023. There being no further business to come before the Commission, IT IS ORDERED: the meeting is adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Patty Menchaca
Clerk

Executive Officer