

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES OF THE BUTTE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS OCTOBER 24, 2019

The following minutes are a summary of actions taken by the Board of Directors. A digital recording of the actual meeting is available at BCAG's office located at 326 Huss Drive, Suite 150, Chico, CA.

Board Member Connelly called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. at the BCAG Board Room, 326 Huss Drive, Suite 100, Chico CA.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Tami Ritter Supervisor District 3 Jody Jones Mayor Town of Paradise Randall Stone Mayor City of Chico Chuck Reynolds Mayor City of Oroville Debra Lucero Supervisor District 2 Angela Thompson Councilmember City of Biggs Quintin Crye Councilmember City of Gridley

MEMBERS ABSENT

Doug TeeterSupervisorDistrict 5Bill ConnellySupervisorDistrict 1Steve LambertSupervisorDistrict 4

STAFF PRESENT

Jon Clark **Executive Director** Ivan Garcia **Transportation Programming Specialist** Chris Devine Planning Manager Brian Lasagna Regional Analyst Victoria Proctor Administrative Assistant Sara Cain Associate Senior Planner Cheryl Massae Human Resources Manager Julie Quinn Chief Fiscal Officer

OTHERS PRESENT

Nima Kabirinassab, Caltrans Bruce Johnson, City of Gridley Lance Atencio. Transdev

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Roll Call

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CONSENT AGENDA

- **3.** Approval of Minutes from the September 19, 2019 BCAG Board of Directors Meeting
- **4.** Authorization for Executive Committee to work with Executive Director on 2019 Annual Personnel Evaluation

On motion by Board Member Stone, seconded by Board Member Thompson, the Consent Agenda was unanimously approved.

ITEMS FOR ACTION

There were no items for action.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

5: Provisional Long-Term Regional Growth Forecasts 2018-2040

Staff presented the Board with information pertaining to the need to update long-term growth forecasts for housing, population, and employment within Butte County. A draft of the forecasts was made digitally available to the Board and the public. Because of the Camp Fire, these forecasts are provisional and will be updated as more information becomes available.

There was general discussion between the Board and Staff regarding these forecasts and how they will be used.

6: BCAG Strategic Partnerships Transit Grant Application

Staff informed the Board that BCAG has submitted an application for the FY 2020-21 California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Strategic Partnerships Transit Grant application for the Chico to Sacramento Inter-City Transit Strategic Plan. If successful, this would help identify solutions to consolidate the Butte Regional Transit and San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority's bus and rail services from Butte County to Sacramento County.

There was general discussion between Staff and the Board regarding logistics of this plan being put in place, the potential for farebox recovery on the service, and other sources of funding for the day-to-day activities of the line. Board asked Staff if there were numbers on ridership for the current San Joaquin route, as well as projected ridership for the proposed route.

There is a feasibility study already planned to look into ridership and logistics of merging these two services. This item was presented for information purposes only.

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7: Update on BCAG Post Camp Fire Regional Population & Transportation Study

Staff presented the Board with an update on the Post Camp Fire Regional Population & Transportation Study. Staff formed the Project Development Team from the Technical Advisory Committee and the Planning Directors Group to ensure valuable feedback, ideas and concerns are shared as the plan is developed.

The Board had questions concerning the methodology being used to track population in Paradise. Staff informed them that the consultant will be using multiple methods including the Department of Finance information, cell phone usage, and census numbers. The Board suggested that Staff also look at who is using garbage pick-up services on the Ridge, and who is getting mail delivered there.

There was general discussion about how the numbers and information will be used, and what other agencies will have access to this study. This was presented for information purposes only.

8: Governor Newsom Signs Executive Order N-19-19 Aligning Transportation Funding with Climate Goals

Staff informed the Board that Governor Newsom signed Executive Order N-19-19 on September 20, 2019 which immediately redirects California's transportation funding to projects and programs that are intended to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and mitigate the impacts of climate change.

There was discussion between Staff and the Board regarding what impacts this will have on Butte County and if any distinction has yet been made between rural and urban environments in California. Staff has already received the funding to complete the Butte County portions of the SR 70 widening, and is already in the process of purchasing electric buses; it is the future projects that are not currently funded that will need to be re-assessed at a later date.

This item was presented for information purposes only.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

9: There were no items from the floor.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items to discuss, the BCAG Board meeting adjourned at 9:30 AM.

12/12/19

Attest:

Jon Clark, Executive Director Victoria Proctor, Board Clerk Butte County Association of Governments