

Local Transportation Authority

MINUTES FOR JANUARY 27, 2016

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

City of Calexico Maritza Hurtado
City of Calipatria Maria Nava-Froelich
City of El Centro Cheryl Viegas-Walker
City of Holtville Jim Predmore – Chairman

City of Imperial Doug Cox

City of Westmorland Lawrence D. Ritchie

County of Imperial Jack Terrazas County of Imperial Ryan Kelley

Executive Director Mark Baza (non-voting)

OTHERS PRESENT: Cristi Lerma (staff), Kathi Williams (staff), David Salgado (staff), Michelle Bastidas (staff), Virginia Mendoza (staff)

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Meeting was called to order by Chair Predmore at 6:18 p.m. and roll call was taken.

II. EMERGENCY ITEMS

There were none.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comment

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. A motion was made by Ritchie and seconded by Hurtado to approve the September 23, 2015 Minutes for the LTA Board, Motion Carried unanimously.

V. REPORTS

- A. Ms. Mendoza provided the Board with a PowerPoint presentation regarding the LTA Bond. She reminded all the total amount of the bonds including the amounts for each agency. She described the amounts that were expended in Fiscal Years 13-14, 14-15, 15-16 (thus far). A summary of the presentation is below.
 - Total bond dated May 1, 2012 is for \$53,975,000
 - The participating agencies are the City of Brawley (\$8,155,00); City of Calexico (\$15,410,000); City of Calipatria (\$2,305,000); City of Imperial (\$6,170,000); County of Imperial (\$21,935,000).
 - Requested in FY 2013-14 was \$7,395,998.24
 - Requested in FY 2014-15was \$7,377,516.08
 - Requested in FY 2015-16 (thus far) is \$16,526,005.22
 - Remaining funds are \$22.6 million (remaining funds include reserve fund amounts that

will not be available to participating agencies until the completion of the LTA bond. The 20^{th} payment will be made by the reserve amounts.) The remaining funds breakdown for each agency is below.

Brawley: \$4,586,736.66Calexico: \$6,555,431.32

o Calipatria: \$0

Imperial: \$541,055.99County; \$6,960,575.12

VI. ACTION CALENDAR

A. Appointment of the LTA Chair and Vice-Chair Positions

A motion was made by Kelley to appoint James Predmore as the Chair and Doug Cox as the Vice-Chair of the LTA Board and seconded by Walker, Motion Carried unanimously.

B. Fund Request to the Local Transportation Authority (LTA) - Extension of Existing Concrete Island at Intersection of Austin Road and Brewer Road in Imperial County

Mr. Baza stated that the County of Imperial made a request for funds from the regional highway set-aside for the extension of the existing concrete island at the intersection of Austin Road and Brewer Road in Imperial County. Austin Road is identified in our Imperial County Long Range Transportation Plan as one of our regionally significant corridors as it serves our agricultural truck traffic/farm equipment, and county-wide vehicle traffic. Austin Road is a two-lane road that handles over 3,000 vehicles per day. The intersection is in need of improvements because of safety concerns identified by the County and community stakeholders. The total project cost is \$362,735. The County will be using \$125,000 in available funding sources and are requesting \$237,735 in LTA funds. The proposed improvement is a short term solution to a longer term need to expand the intersection. Mr. Brunet provided a letter and supporting documents for the request. He also reiterated that this request is a short term solution and that a proper fix would need the installation of an additional lane and would require an estimated \$4.2 million of utility work by the IID. Mr. Kuhn, as an IID Director and member of the public, expressed his disapproval of the request and stated that he would approach the IID so a proper resolution can be made. He urged the board to not approve the request at this time and give him an opportunity to speak to the IID about a long term solution.

The formal request is stated below.

The ICTC Management Committee met on January 13, 2016 and forwarded this item to the LTA Board for review and approval after public comment, if any:

- 1. Approve the allocation for additional funding needed in the amount \$237,735 from the Regional Highway set-aside from the Measure D allocations.
- 2. Authorize the Executive Director to execute the necessary agreements between the County and ICTC.

This item was not approved.

VII. ADJOURMENT

Meeting Adjourned at 6:50 p.m.