



CALIFORNIA CONTRACT CITIES ASSOCIATION

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES – MARCH 03, 2010**

*Location:* Monterey Hill Restaurant, Monterey Park, California

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**Board Members:**

*Present:* President Lois Gaston, Vice President Laura Olhasso, Secretary/Treasurer John Noguez, Past President Frank Zerunyan, Director-at-Large Stefan Wolowicz, Committee Chairs Bob Archuleta, Randy Bomgaars, James R. Bozajian, Darrell George, Diane Martinez and Committee Vice-Chair Ray T. Smith

*Absent:* Margaret E. Finlay, Mario Guerra, Doug Stern and Kris Valstad.

*Quorum Present?* Yes

*Others Present:* CCCA Staff Sam Olivito, Executive Director, Sharon Olivito, Tony Olivito and Maria Montes.

**Proceedings:**

- Meeting called to order at 6:37 p.m. by President Lois Gaston.
- The meeting Minutes of February 3, 2010 were presented. Motion was made by Randy Bomgaars, seconded by Diane Martinez to approve the meeting Minutes as distributed. Motion adopted unanimously.
- The Treasurer’s Report for February was presented. Motion was made by Randy Bomgaars, seconded by Diane Martinez to approve the Treasurer’s Report and authorize the payment of Disbursements for the month of February. Motion adopted unanimously.

	Operating Fund	PAC Fund	Cash in CD's	Total All Funds
<b>Beginning Balance</b>	\$194,491.00	\$22,228.00	\$186,343.00	\$403,062.00
<b>Receipts</b>	\$3,072.00	\$500.00		\$3,572.00
<b>Disbursements</b>	(\$45,907.00)	\$0.00		(\$45,907.00)
<b>Ending Balance</b>	\$151,656.00	\$22,728.00	\$186,343.00	\$360,727.00

**Executive Director’s Report provided by Sam Olivito, Executive Director:**

- The long standing concerns of many cities over the law and policies of the State Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) with regard to storm water runoff, has resulted in a request from the League of California cities to join them in an Amicus letter to the Court of Appeals. This will ensure the RWQCB will properly evaluate and develop water quality standards that will limit fiscal impacts on cities, without sacrificing water quality.

*MOTION by Frank Zerunyan, seconded by Stefan Wolowicz to include the CCCA’s signature in the Amicus Letter. Letter will be reviewed by Zerunyan and Stern. Motion approved unanimously*

- Members were asked to join-in and volunteer their time to gather signatures for the Ballot Measure that prohibits the State from raiding or borrowing vital local funds. Signature gathering event will take place on Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at several locations throughout the County. This event only requires a three to four hour commitment.
- Olivito provided comments on information obtained at the Gateway Cities COG meeting, about SCAG's Fiscalization of Land Use Subcommittee. SCAG's Community, Economic & Human Development (CEHD) Committee has recommended a combined option to cities to swap sales tax for property taxes. Olivito explained that he made it clear at the GCCOG meeting, the CCCA would take an oppose position on any spot bill introduced that would call for shared property/sales tax with other cities.
- There was a general discussion regarding concerns of dependency on sales tax during an economic downturn. It was suggested that the CCCA's Legislative Committee monitor any legislation on this matter.
- Details provided on the John Sanford Todd Memorial Freeway sign by Olivito included a status of contributions. Total cost for the sign is \$7,500 which includes \$5,000 to CalTrans for placement and the remaining \$2,500 for a replacement, if needed. Letters were sent to member cities asking for additional donations to subsidize the cost. A total of \$3,200 has been collected and the City of Lakewood has agreed to pay the balance. Olivito recommended a contribution be made on behalf of CCCA in the amount of \$500.

*MOTION by Bob Archuleta, seconded by Laura Olhasso, to contribute \$500 on behalf of CCCA to the John Sanford Todd Memorial Freeway sign. Motion approved unanimously.*

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Bylaws Committee Report provided by James Bozajian, Chair:**

- Bozajian reported the Committee will meet soon to review any suggested changes and report back to the Executive Board in April.

### **City Managers/Administrator's Committee Report provided by Darrell George, Chair:**

- Chairman George advised members of plans to pursue the matter of a reduction in the Sheriff's liability surcharge on the service contract, from 6% to 4%. Further recommendations include an increase in all other County Department surcharges from 3% to 4%. These recommendations are based on the Actuarial Study, which shows an excess of funds in LTF account.
- The next meeting of the Committee is Thursday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. Topics for this meeting will include an update on the prisoner early release program and discussion on how to improve upon the Annual LASD/City Manager conference for next year.

### **Legislative Committee Report provided by Laura Olhasso, Chair:**

- Members were informed about Speaker John Perez's swearing-in ceremony, March 12<sup>th</sup> in Los Angeles. Facts provided about the Gubernatorial 2010 race included the announcement by Jerry Brown to run as the Democratic nominee.

### **Membership Committee Update provided by Bob Archuleta, Chair:**

- A meeting is being scheduled with Sam and Tony Olivito to discuss language for a letter to target non-active cities. The letter will focus on money saving advantages of joining CCCA.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**51<sup>st</sup> Annual Municipal Seminar Report provided by Laura Olhasso, Vice President:**

- Information was provided on seminar registration, hotel reservation, golf and the youth program. An outline of program topics was provided. These topics will focus on economic development and recovery, and what cities can do to create jobs in their communities.
- Olhasso expressed her intention to acquire dynamic and topical speakers for the luncheon sessions on Friday and Saturday. A session on media relations will feature Eric Rose, who was instrumental in assisting the City of La Cañada Flintridge during the recent floods and fires.
- The Associate Member program will be an integral part of funding for this event; therefore, Olhasso asked members to become involved in encouraging affiliates to join the program. While several affiliates have expressed interested and have given their commitment to join, the CCCA has not received payments from all.

**Nominating Committee Report provided by Randy Bomgaars, Chair:**

- Bomgaars announced the Committee will be selecting nominees as follows: one nominee for Vice President, one for Secretary/Treasurer and two nominees for Director-at-Large. He confirmed the several letters received from potential candidates seeking the open seats are as follows: James R. Bozajian of Calabasas for Vice President; Mike A. Gipson, Carson and Steve Tye of Diamond Bar for Secretary/Treasurer; Sandra Armenta of Rosemead and Kris Valstad of Hercules for Director-at-Large.
- A recommendation will be made to the Board of Directors, by the Committee on March 17<sup>th</sup>. After the Committee announces its recommendation, nominations are then accepted from the Floor.
- Annual Election of Officers takes place in the City of Duarte on Wednesday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at approximately 8:30 PM.

**NEW BUSINESS****PAC Meeting:**

- **The Executive Board meeting was recessed at 8:16 pm, and the PAC meeting convened.** Executive Director Olivito recommended the Executive Board receive and file several requests for donations for State and County offices.
- A recommendation was made by Executive Director Olivito, to contribute \$5,000.00 to the League of California Cities in support of the Local Taxpayer, Public Safety and Transportation Protection Act for the November Ballot.

*MOTION by Frank Zerunyan, seconded by John Noguez to contribute \$5,000.00, on behalf of CCCA. Motion approved unanimously.*

- **The PAC meeting was adjourned at 8:29 pm, and the Executive Board meeting reconvened.**

**Announcements & Acknowledgements**

- President Gaston reported on a presentation by Todd Rogers at the Countywide Criminal Justice Coordination Committee regarding the prisoner early release program. Staff was asked to invite Todd Rogers and/or Chief Cecil Rhambo to speak at a Board of Directors meeting and discuss the program in further detail.
- The County of L.A efforts to go green by scanning of court documents raised questions about security. The savings to the County is estimated at \$40,000.
- President Gaston attended the Governor’s Summit on Obesity. Among the changes to be made were the elimination of sport drinks on school campuses and legislation proposed by Assembly member Isadore Hall that would enforce thirty-minutes of vigorous exercise. Other topics of discussion included how obesity is tied to poor work attendance, poor grades and higher healthcare costs.

**Executive Board Meeting Adjournment:**

- There being no further business to conduct or actions required, President Gaston adjourned the March 3<sup>rd</sup> Executive Board meeting proceedings at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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John Noguez  
Secretary/Treasurer

Recorded by: Sam Olivito, Executive Director  
Maria G. Montes, Staff Secretary