CALIFORNIA JPIA

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

July 24, 2024

7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

President Finlay called the regular meeting of the of the Board of Directors of the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority to order at 7:05 p.m. in the California Room at the California JPIA, 8081 Moody Street, La Palma, CA 90623.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Bob Newell. Gunnery Sergeant, U.S. Marine Corps (retired), led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

A quorum was established by roll call.

James Bukowski, Agoura Hills Calabasas Community Center
Scott Nassif, Town of Apple Valley
Caren Ray Russom, City of Arroyo Grande
Rene Trevino, City of Artesia
Sergio Gonzalez, City of Azusa
Marco Barcena, City of Bell Gardens
Sonny Santa Ines, City of Bellflower
Erik Sund, City of Big Bear Lake
Karen Kong, City of Bishop
Dave King, City of Buellton
Michelle D'Anna, City of Camarillo
Chuong Vo, City of Cerritos
Ray Marquez, City of Chino Hills
Sal Medina, City of Claremont
Hugo Argumedo, City of Commerce
V. Manuel Perez, Coachella Valley Association of Governments
Claude Kilgore, Coachella Valley Conservation Commission
Steve Tye, City of Diamond Bar
Margaret Finlay, City of Duarte
Erika Herrera, City of Fillmore
John Curley, Foothill Transit

Maggie Le, City of Fountain Valley
Doug Wilson, City of Grand Terrace
Clint Weirick, City of Grover Beach
Ray Jackson, City of Hermosa Beach
Larry Weber, City of Hidden Hills
Kevin McCarthy, City of Indian Wells
Jeanne Hobson, City of La Cañada Flintridge
Carol Engelhardt, City of La Habra Heights
Jeff Boynton, City of La Mirada
Marshall Goodman, City of La Palma
Gabriel Quinones, City of La Puente
Ken Domer, City of La Verne
Annie McCary, City of Laguna Woods
Timothy J. Sheridan, City of Lake Elsinore
Benjamin Yu, City of Lake Forest
Steve Croft, City of Lakewood
Robert Pullen-Miles, City of Lawndale
Jennifer Mendoza, City of Lemon Grove
Jarb Thaipejr, City of Loma Linda
Mark Waronek, City of Lomita
Thomas Frayeh, Los Angeles Interagency Metro Police Apprehension Crime Task Force
Stefan Jaskulak, Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District
Becky Shevlin, City of Monrovia
Daniel Groff, City of Moorpark
Kyle Schulty, Mountain Area Regional Transit Authority
Janet Jernigan, City of Needles
Jennifer Perez, City of Norwalk
Evan Trubee, City of Palm Desert
Vilma Cuellar Stallings, City of Paramount
Shannon Foutz, City of Paso Robles
Mary Ann Reiss, City of Pismo Beach
Nora Garcia, Pomona Valley Transportation Authority
Jodene Dunphy, City of Poway
Bea Dieringer, City of Rolling Hills
Sean Dang, City of Rosemead
Tony DeMarco, Rossmoor Community Services District
Steve Knoblock, City of San Clemente
Chris Constantin, City of San Dimas
Tony Ding, City of San Gabriel
Howard Hart, City of San Juan Capistrano
Juanita Martin, City of Santa Fe Springs

Cindy Giraldo, Southern California Association of Governments
Gloria Olmos, Southeast Area Animal Control Authority
Shelly Sustarsic, City of Seal Beach
Lori Woods, City of Signal Hill
David Brown, City of Solvang
Gloria Olmos, City of South El Monte
Gary Taylor, City of Stanton
Tom Chavez, City of Temple City
John Higgins, Ventura Port District
Analisa Holbrook, City of Vista
Stephanie Sikkema, City of West Covina

ATTENDEES:

Jamie Earl, City of Claremont
Chuck Belba, City of Duarte
Larry Breceda, City of Duarte
Brian Villalobos, City of Duarte
Robin Saemann, City of Hermosa Beach
Christopher Macon, City of Laguna Woods
Keith Neves, City of Lake Forest
Jose Gomez, City of Lakewood
Thaddeus McCormack, City of Lakewood
John Lewis, City of La Mirada
Tony Moreno, City of La Mirada
James Ranells, City of La Verne
Sean Gillingham, Mountain Area Regional Transit Authority
Grissel Chavez, City of Paramount
Jorge Garcia, City of Pismo Beach
Erika Jacquez, Pomona Valley Transportation Authority
Joe Mendoza, Rossmoor Community Services District
Andy Hall, San Clemente
Brad McKinney, City of San Dimas
My Lam, City of San Gabriel
Rene Salas, City of South El Monte
Bryan Cook, City of Temple City
Guillermo Gonzalez, Riverside County
Byrne Conley, Gibbons & Conley
Fred Groehler, Protelligent

STAFF:

Alexander Smith, Chief Executive Officer
Michelle Aguayo, Training Coordinator
Habib Ali, Accounting Specialist
Edith Avina, Administrative Assistant

Olga Berdial, Communications Director
Lucy Brockmeier, Senior Risk Manager
Grazyna Buchowiecki, Senior Accountant
Lyndsie Buskirk, Administrative Assistant
Toni Consolo, Senior Risk Manager
Denise Covell, Administrative Assistant
Maria Daniels, Administrative Assistant
Melaina Francis, Senior Risk Manager
Abe Han, Senior Risk Manager
Tim Karcz, Senior Risk Manager
Garret Marchese, Maintenance Worker
Jason McBride, Finance Director
Alex Mellor, Risk Services Director
Veronica Ruiz, Agency Clerk
Jeff Rush, Workers' Compensation Program Manager
Nikki Salas, Administrative Services Director
Carl Sandstrom, Business Projects Manager
Ryan Thomas, Senior Training Specialist
Jim Thyden, Insurance Programs Manager
Jennifer Torres, Administrative Assistant
Kelly Trainer Policky, Employment Practices Manager
Aaron Webb, Data and Underwriting Analyst
Chris Yanonis, Facilities Specialist
Paul Zeglovitch, Claims and Insurance Director

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

There were no requests to address the Board of Directors.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
July 19, 2023

President Finlay presented the minutes of July 19, 2023.

It was moved by Director Trevino, Artesia, seconded by Director Constantin, San Dimas, and carried by 63 votes; In Favor by Agoura Hills Calabasas Community Center, Apple Valley, Arroyo Grande, Artesia, Azusa, Bellflower, Bell Gardens, Big Bear Lake, Bishop, Camarillo, Cerritos, Chino Hills, Claremont, Coachella Valley Association of Governments, Commerce, Diamond Bar, Duarte, Fillmore, Grover Beach, Hermosa Beach, Hidden Hills, Indian Wells, La Cañada Flintridge, La Habra Heights, La Mirada, La Palma, La Puente, La Verne, Lake Elsinore, Lake Forest, Lakewood, Laguna Woods, Lawndale, Lemon Grove, Loma Linda, Lomita, Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District, Monrovia, Moorpark, Mountain Area RTA, Needles, Norwalk, Palm Desert, Paramount, Paso Robles, Pismo Beach, Pomona Valley Transit Authority, Poway, Rolling Hills, Rosemead, San Clemente, San Dimas, San Juan Capistrano, San Gabriel, Santa Fe Springs, Signal Hill, Solvang, South El Monte,

Stanton, Temple City, Ventura Port District, Vista, and West Covina; and 6 Abstentions by Buellton, Coachella Valley Conservation Commission, Foothill Transit, Fountain Valley, Seal Beach, and Southern California Association of Governments; and zero Oppositions by electronic vote, to approve the minutes of July 19, 2023.

ANNUAL REPORT
President Margaret Finlay

President Finlay presented the Annual Report. Finlay introduced members of the Executive Committee and Chairs of the Managers, Finance Officers and Risk Managers Committees. An overview of the Authority's accomplishments in the past year was shared.

President Finlay recognized the Authority's newest member: Foothill Transit.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

President Finlay opened nominations to fill one, two-year term for the office of Vice President, and stated there was one announced candidate: Mary Ann Reiss, City of Pismo Beach.

Hearing no further nominations, nominations were closed.

Those present voted electronically to elect Mary Ann Reis, City of Pismo Beach, as Vice President for a full, two-year term.

President Finlay opened nominations to fill four, full, two-year terms for the Executive Committee, and stated there were five announced candidates: Tom Chavez, City of Temple City; Steve Tye, City of Diamond Bar; Chuong Vo, City of Cerritos; Mark Waronek, City of Lomita; and Benjamin Yu, City of Lake Forest.

Hearing no further nominations, nominations were closed.

Those present voted electronically to elect Tom Chavez, City of Temple City; Steve Tye, City of Diamond Bar; Chuong Vo, City of Cerritos; and Mark Waronek, City of Lomita to the Executive Committee for a full, two-year term.

PRESENTATION
Risk Management Awards

President Finlay presented the Risk Management Awards to members who have instituted excellent risk management practices and programs and have achieved superior results as demonstrated by their cost of claims in both the liability and workers' compensation programs.

President Finlay announced the Liability Program winners:

- Non-municipal category:

Mountain Area Regional Transit Authority

- Members without police exposure:
  City of La Mirada
- Members with police exposure:
  City of La Verne

President Finlay announced the Workers' Compensation Program winners:

- Non-municipal category:
  Rossmoor Community Services District
- Members without public safety exposure:
  City of Camarillo
- Members with public safety exposure:
  City of Paso Robles

PRESENTATION
Strategic Plan and Operational Overview

Alexander Smith, Chief Executive Officer, presented the Strategic Plan, Operational Overview, and Current Initiatives of the Authority, with emphasis on continued commitment to the foundational principals: Integrity, Excellence, Innovation, and Teamwork.

Mr. Smith presented an overview of the Sequoia Pacific Reinsurance Company which is the captive insurance company for the California JPIA.

Mr. Smith also presented the design concept for the Authority's facility expansion, which will include a state-of-the-art studio for production of risk management and training content for members.

ADOPT
Proposed Budgets for Fiscal Years 2024-25 and 2025-26

President Finlay presented the Proposed Budgets for Fiscal Years 2024-25 and 2025-26 item.

Alexander Smith, Chief Executive Officer, introduced Finance Director, Jason McBride, who presented financial elements of the proposed budgets. McBride reported that the Finance Officers Committee, Budget Committee, and Executive Committee previously reviewed the proposed budgets and have recommended approval and adoption by the Board of Directors.

It was moved by Director Constantin, San Dimas, seconded by Director Herrera, Fillmore, and carried by 65 votes In Favor by Agoura Hills Calabasas Community Center, Apple Valley, Arroyo Grande, Artesia, Azusa, Bell Gardens, Bellflower, Big Bear Lake, Bishop, Buellton, Camarillo, Cerritos, Claremont, Coachella Valley Association of Governments, Coachella Valley

Conservation Commission, Commerce, Diamond Bar, Duarte, Fillmore, Foothill Transit, Fountain Valley, Grand Terrace, Grover Beach, Hermosa Beach, Hidden Hills, Indian Wells, La Cañada Flintridge, La Habra Heights, La Mirada, La Palma, La Puente, La Verne, Laguna Woods, Lake Elsinore, Lakewood, Lawndale, Lemon Grove, Loma Linda, Lomita, Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District, Monrovia, Moorpark, Mountain Area RTA, Needles, Norwalk, Palm Desert, Paramount, Paso Robles, Pomona Valley Transportation Authority, Poway, Rolling Hills, Rossmoor CSD, San Clemente, San Dimas, San Gabriel, San Juan Capistrano, Santa Fe Springs, Signal Hill, Solvang, South El Monte, Southern California Association of Governments, Stanton, Temple City, Ventura Port District, and West Covina; and zero Abstentions; and zero Oppositions by electronic vote, to adopt the Proposed Budgets for Fiscal Years 2024-25 and 2025-26.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, President Finlay adjourned the meeting at 8:26 p.m.

Tom Chavez, Secretary