The Special meeting of the Kings County Association of Governments was called to order by Joe Neves, Chairperson, at 1:30 p.m., on July 2, 2013 in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, Administration Building, Kings County Government Center, 1400 W. Lacey Blvd., Hanford, California. Chairperson conducted roll call.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Joe Neves, Mark Cartwright, Harlin Casida, Russ Curry, John Gordon, Doug Verboon

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

STAFF PRESENT: Victoria Hall, Terri King, Chris Lehn; Kris Pedersen, Counsel

VISITORS PRESENT: Paul Marquez, Angie Dow, Greg Gatzka. Glen Rider, Glenda Dwyer

UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES

Ms. Dwyer expressed her concerns regarding the KCAG Employee Compensation.

KCAG COMMISSION

A. General Transportation Items

1. KCAG Employee Compensation - Unrepresented Employees and Management

Ms. King stated that labor negotiations were held to consider the compensation salary and benefits for the KCAG unrepresented employees and management. During the discussion regarding the compensation salary and benefit package, instruction from the KCAG Commission to the KCAG Labor Negotiator was to have KCAG staff prepare for KCAG Commission action, a resolution to approve a salary and benefit package for unrepresented and management employees. Ms. King summarized the items in the resolution.

Commissioner Gordon expressed his concerns regarding salary increases.

A motion was made and seconded (Casida / Verboon) to adopt Resolution No. 13-04, approving the Salary and Benefits for Unrepresented Employees and Management, specifying a 5% salary increase, the employees shall pay from their salaries 3% of their contribution to PERS, and the addition of ½ day of holiday on
Christmas Eve and ½ day of holiday on New Year’s Eve. Motion carried with Commissioners Gordon and Cartwright voting no.

2. FY 2013-14 Overall Work Program and Budget

Ms. King stated that the draft FY 2013-14 Overall Work Program was released for review and comment and that comments were received and appropriately incorporated in the final document. The proposed final FY 2013-14 Overall Work Program was included as an attachment. She noted that no significant changes in work element tasks from the draft document are being proposed and any funding changes are highlighted in the proposed final document. A heavy effort will be placed on the preparation of an updated Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and the development of the first ever Sustainable Communities Strategies (SCS) and associated activities. KCAG is applying for a Caltrans Transit Planning grant to prepare the update to the Transit Development Plan (TDA) with the use of a consultant. The total cost of next year’s activities is $1,103,000. The total cost includes salaries and benefits, services and supplies and fixed assets to upgrade computers and software. Consultants will be used in FY 2013-14 for the Environmental Impact Report, for the RTP update, the public participation element of the SCS, traffic modeling services, TDA financial audits, AVA audits, Climate Action Plan, Transit Development Plan, the Valley wide air quality planning and coordination services. Funding sources include Federal Planning funds, federal toll credits, STIP Planning Programming and Monitoring (PPM) funds, Local Transportation Fund (LTF), Abandoned Vehicle Abatement (AVA) funds, Proposition 84 grant funds, and City and County local general funds.

Commissioner Gordon expressed his concerns regarding the break down of employee’s time.

A motion was made and seconded (Verboon / Curry) to adopt Resolution No. 13-05, approving the final FY 2013014 OWP and Budget. Motion carried, with Commissioner Gordon voting no.

MISCELLANEOUS

A. Correspondence

None

B. Staff Comments

Ms. King announced there was a SJV Directors meeting in Lemoore this morning and indicated she is Chairing that Committee this year. There will be San Joaquin JPA meeting in Fresno on July 26. She also noted that Lemoore is starting a Tuesday night farmers market on D Street beginning July 9th.

C. Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Curry reported the San Joaquin JPA Board of Directors would be going on a road trip to Hanford on August 8 and attending the Thursday Night Market. They are working with the Chamber to provide goodies. Ms. Dow indicated KCAPTA could provide transportation. Commissioner Gordon reported Congressman Valado would be speaking at the Lemoore 4th of July event. Commissioner Cartwright asked if any decision had been reached on the CAP and Ms. King replied not at this time, but a conference call is
being scheduled. Commissioner Casida said Avenal is having a tribute to the military on the 4th of July and asked Caltrans to look into the fixing of Skyline Blvd.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Kings County Association of Governments Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 1:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

KINGS COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

Terri King, Executive Director