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**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MAY 10, 2016**

Meeting Location

**Bakersfield City Hall,
Bakersfield City Council Chambers
1501 Truxtun Avenue
Bakersfield, CA 93301**

The public meeting of the California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) Board was called to order on May 10, 2016 at 9:34 a.m. at Bakersfield City Hall, Bakersfield, CA.

Members Present: Mr. Dan Richard, Chair
Mr. Tom Richards, Vice-Chair
Ms. Lynn Schenk
Ms. Bonnie Lowenthal
Mr. Daniel Curtin

Absent: Mr. Michael Rossi
Ms. Lorraine Paskett
Mr. Lou Correa

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The Meeting Minutes were prepared in the order items were presented during the meeting; some items were taken out of order.

Agenda Item #3- Consider Concurring with an Initial Staff Recommended Preferred Alternative Alignment in the Bakersfield Area for Inclusion in the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement for the Fresno to Bakersfield Project Section.

Chairman Richard informed those in attendance that the staff presentation on this item would take place before the public comment period to allow the public the benefit of hearing the presentation before commenting on the item. Diana Gomez, Central Valley Regional Director, and Mark McLoughlin, Director of Environmental Services, presented to the Board. Alan Tandy, City Manager for the City of Bakersfield also presented to the Board on this item. Questions were asked and answered.

Public Comment on all Agenda and Non-Agenda items followed the discussion on Agenda Item #3.

Agenda Item #1- Consider Approval of Board Meeting Minutes from April 21, 2016.

Director Lowenthal motioned, Vice-Chair Richards seconded and the April 21, 2016 Meeting Minutes were adopted (5 – 0).

Agenda Item #4- Consider Approving a Mitigation Agreement with the City of Wasco

Jeff Morales, Diana Gomez and Mark McLoughlin presented to the Board. Director Lowenthal motioned and Director Curtin seconded; Resolution #HSRA 16-14 passed (5 – 0).

Agenda Item #5- Consider Extending the Environmental and Engineering Services Contract for the Altamont Corridor for Time Only

Mark McLoughlin answered questions from the Board. Director Curtin motioned and Director Schenk seconded; Resolution #HSRA 16-15 passed (5 – 0).

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After discussion, the Board amended the draft resolution to include additional language. Director Lowenthal motioned and Director Curtin seconded; the amended Resolution #HSRA 16-13 passed (5 – 0).

Agenda Item #6- Consider Extending the Legal Services Contract with Nossaman LLP for Time Only

Tom Fellenz, Chief Counsel, presented to the Board. Director Curtin motioned and Director Schenk seconded; Resolution #HSRA 16-16 passed (5 – 0).

Agenda Item #2- Central Valley Construction Update.

Diana Gomez presented to the Board; questions were asked and answered.

Agenda Item 7- Closed Session Pertaining to Litigation

Board Chair Dan Richard announced that no Closed Session of the Board would be held.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30p.m.