Arroyo Verdugo Communities Joint Powers Authority

REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

MINUTES
ARROYO VERDUGO COMMUNITIES JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

Thursday, October 30, 2025 - 4:00 p.m.
City of Pasadena – City Hall
Pasadena, CA 91101

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair called the meeting to order at 4:10pm

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Kim Bowman, Chair
Zizette Mullins, Vice Cahir
Daniel Brotman, Member
David Perry, Member
Sheila Rossi, Member

Excused: Justin Jones, Member

Not Present: None

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – None

V. PRESENTATIONS - None

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approval of the Arroyo Verdugo Communities Joint Powers Authority Minutes for the Regular Meeting of August 7, 2025
Staff Recommendation: To Approve Minutes of August 7, 2025

B. Treasurer's Report
Staff Recommendation: Receive and File

MOTION

Vice Chair Mullins moved, and Member Perry seconded, a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously with no abstentions.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS

A. League of California Cities Regional Director Appointments

Presenter: Joaquin T. Siques, Executive Director, AVCJPA

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the Governing Board appoint a city member representative to serve on the League of California Cities.

Executive Director Siques introduced the item**.** The League of California Cities bylaws allow for each area subregion to appoint a regional director to represent their respective subregion. The Board of Directors and Legislative Committee hold a combined meeting virtually once a month on the fourth Wednesday of the month. There was initial interest from Vice Chair Mullins, Member Brotman, and Member Rossi to serve as the representative from the Arroyo Verdugo Communities.

There was no public comment on this item.

Member Rossi commented that regardless of who is appointed, she hopes that they could prioritize the transportation infrastructure needs that the region will be facing due to the exponential growth it is about to experience.

Chair Bowman noted that the AVCJPA is expecting a more formal report on the impacts of SB 79 and more broad discussion.

Member Brotman stated that the entire body appears to agree that we need the state to support the communities that will be impacted by SB79. He said that he is a big believer in multimodal transportation and the need to create viable alternatives for people – giving incentives to promote walking, biking, and buses, not just making driving more difficult.

Vice Chair Mullins agreed with statements made by Member Brotman and Member Rossi. She withdrew her candidacy, saying that she would be happy to have either of them represent the AVCJPA. She requested that whoever is appointed make regular reports to the Board.

Chair Bowman noted that the board had two very good options and advised Member Brotman and Member Rossi to consider their other commitments to their respective cities.

Member Rossi withdrew her candidacy for this appointment. She noted that she wants our representative to offer reports and push for the infrastructure issue in response to SB79.

MOTION
Vice Chair Mullins moved, and Member Brotman seconded, a motion to appoint Board member Daniel Brotman as the AVCJPA's representative to the League of California Cities. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously with no abstentions.

B. Establishing the Place, Time, and Days of Regular Meetings in 2026
Staff Recommendation: To approve the established time, place, and days of regular meetings.

Executive Director Siques introduced the item, stating that the board must vote on the calendar for the upcoming year. He also noted that the scheduled date of April 2nd conflicts with the second night of Passover. After some discussion, the Board Members selected April 29th, 2026, as a new date for the April Regular Meeting. There was no public comment.

MOTION:
Member Perry moved, and Vice Chair Mullins seconded, a motion to approve the 2026 calendar of regular meetings with the update to the April meeting date. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously with no abstentions.

IX. REPORTS – INFORMATION ONLY

A. Reports from AVCJPA Appointees

1. SCAG Transportation Committee – No Update

2. SCAG Energy & Environment Committee (EEC) – Member Brotman provided a brief oral report and submitted a written report following the meeting.

3. SCAG Community, Economic & Human Development Committee – Member Rossi presented a summary of the written report she submitted. She noted that the committee discussed affordable homeownership models and looked at point-in-time demographic data that indicated significant changes in the future.

4. League of California Cities – L.A. County Division- No update

B. Report from AVCJPA Representative to Metro TAC
Presenter: David Kriske
Staff Recommendation: To Receive and File
A written report was provided by David Kriske and included in the meeting agenda packet. An oral update was provided as well. He noted that both Burbank and Pasadena had received grant funding through the Metro Active Transport Grant. He also added that the Active Transportation Plan Cycle 8 funding process would begin in early 2026 and awarded midyear.

C. Report from AVCJPA Executive Director (Oral)
Presenter: Joaquin T. Siques, Executive Director
Staff Recommendation: To Receive and File
Executive Director Joaquin T. Siques
Director Siques reported that staff will work with the AVCJPA TAC to put together updates on the SB79 legislation and how it impacts transportation funding and AVCJPA member agencies. No date is set for that report at this time.

X. REMAINING PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

XI. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS (For written or oral reports by Members; no discussion or action to be taken)

Member Rossi stressed the need for member cities to coordinate with each other for infrastructure updates and mentioned a high-speed chase that began in Pasadena and ended in South Pasadena with a car driving into a house.

Chair Bowman noted that the next Regular Meeting is scheduled for December 4th, but that it may get cancelled depending on the needs of the body and the business before it.

Member Perry announced that SCAG has listed the Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant on its latest Transportation Committee Agenda and some AVCJPA member agencies were identified on that list for potential funding.

XII. ADJOURN

On the order of Chair Bowman, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30pm.