



**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
STANCOG BOARD ROOM  
1111 I STREET, SUITE 308  
MODESTO, CA  
JUNE 16, 2010  
3:30 PM**

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**AGENDA**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. ROLL CALL**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*The public may comment on each item on the agenda as it arises.*

**4. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Motion to Approve Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of 4-21-10**

- B.** Motion to Approve Nomination of FY 2010/11 Policy Board Chair and Vice Chair
- C.** Discussion of Consideration of a Two-Year Contract Extension with the Audit Firm of Dedekian, George, Small and Markarian
- D.** Discussion of Regional Growth Planning Strategy Consultant

**5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

**Next Regularly Scheduled Executive Committee Meeting:**

**JULY 21, 2010 (WEDNESDAY) @ 3:30 PM  
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**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
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**Minutes of April 21, 2010**

**PRESENT:** Chair Jeff Grover (Stanislaus County); Member Jim Ridenour (City of Modesto); Farrell Jackson (City of Oakdale); Bill O'Brien (Stanislaus County); Charles Goeken (City of Waterford) (arrived during Item 4D)

**ALSO PRESENT:** Rod Attebery (Neumiller and Beardslee); Vince Canales, Vince Harris, Cindy Malekos (StanCOG)

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Jeff Grover called the meeting to order at 3:34 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**4. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Motion to Approve Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of 3-17-10**

**\*By Motion (Member Farrell Jackson/Member Jim Ridenour)**, and unanimous vote, the Executive Committee approved the Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of March 17, 2010.

**B. Motion to Approve Appointment of New Citizens Advisory Committee Member**

Vince Harris explained that Joe Hollstein of Ceres is being recommended for appointment on the Citizens Advisory Committee.

**\*By Motion (Member Jim Ridenour/Member Bill O'Brien)**, and unanimous vote, the Executive Committee approved the Appointment of Joe Hollstein as a new Citizens Advisory Committee Member.

**C. Discussion of Cancellation of May Executive Committee Meeting**

It was discussed that the Amgen Bike Race will be held on the date and at the time of the next scheduled Executive Committee meeting. The consensus of the Executive Committee was to not hold an Executive Committee meeting on May 19 for this reason.

**D. Discussion of FY 2009-10 Budget Report**

Vince Harris stated that this is a summary report on the budget for the period from July 1, 2009, through March 31, 2010, or through three-quarters of the year. Vince Canales provided more detailed information explaining that Salaries and Benefits are under budget at 60%, Services and Supplies are under budget at 46%, and Fixed Assets are under budget at 24%.

**E. Discussion of Regional Growth Planning Strategy Consultant**

Chair Grover explained that he asked for this item to be included on the Agenda so that the Executive Committee could have a means by which to discuss a regional growth management strategy that the mayors and county supervisors have previously discussed. He displayed some maps of the general plans of each of the cities for the Committee to review that County staff put together. Vince Harris added that the Blueprint, SB375, AB32, and the RTP all fit in with this discussion. It was discussed that an RFP would need to be developed for a consultant, and that the County had set aside some funding for this. It was also discussed that the consultant would review the Region's general plans, facilitate a meeting with each of the City Councils, and then compile a report with recommendations and ideas for going forward. Rod Attebery asked what StanCOG's role would be in this effort. The Chair replied that StanCOG would provide the mechanism through the Executive Committee for this topic to be discussed on a regular basis and by which the StanCOG Executive Director could provide input as well.

**5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT-None**

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

The Executive Meeting was adjourned by Chair Grover at 4:28 pm. He noted that the next regularly scheduled meeting would not be May 19<sup>th</sup> due to the discussion in Item 4C above.

**Next regularly scheduled Executive Committee Meeting:**

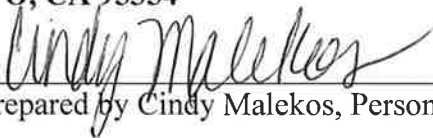
**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 2010 @ 3:30 P.M.**

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Signed \_\_\_\_\_



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**TO:** Executive Committee **Staff Report**  
**THROUGH:** Vince Harris, Executive Director *Vc for HA* **Motion**  
**FROM:** Cindy Malekos, Personnel and Administration Manager *CM*  
**DATE:** June 8, 2010  
**SUBJECT:** Nomination of FY 2010/11 Policy Board Chair and Vice Chair

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**Recommendation**

**By Motion:**

Nominate a Fiscal Year 2010/11 Policy Board Chair and Vice-Chair to recommend to the Policy Board for election.

**Background**

The Policy Board annually elects a Chair and a Vice-Chair. The Executive Committee, acting as the Nominating Committee, will present the nominations to the Policy Board. The FY 2009/10 Chair is Jeff Grover (Stanislaus County) and the Vice-Chair is Jim Ridenour (City of Modesto).

**Discussion**

StanCOG Bylaws, Article IV: Officers, states that the Policy Board shall elect from among their numbers a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson to serve a one-year term of office beginning with the first regular meeting of each fiscal year. The term of office for fiscal year 2010/11 will be from July 2010 through June 2011.

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**TO:** Executive Committee STAFF REPORT  
**Discussion**  
**THROUGH:** Vince Harris, Executive Director *VC per VH*  
**FROM:** Vince Canales, Finance Director *VC*  
**DATE:** June 10, 2010  
**SUBJECT:** Consideration of a Two Year Contract Extension – with the Audit Firm of Dedekian, George, Small and Markarian

**Background**

By law, StanCOG is required to issue annual financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principals issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). These financial statements must be audited in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards.

On August 29, 2007, the Policy Board approved the selection of Dedekian, George, Small and Markarian to perform StanCOG’s financial audit for a three year period. The table below summarizes the Request for Proposals (RFPs) received at that time.

Firm	June 30, 2007	June 30, 2008	June 30, 2009	Total
Dedekian, George, Small, & Markarian	\$28,500	\$30,500	\$32,500	\$91,500
Pressley & Associates	\$32,920	\$33,908	\$34,925	\$101,753
Brown, Armstrong	\$33,100	\$34,600	\$36,100	\$103,800

Prior to this, the accounting firm of Pressley and Associates had performed StanCOG’s financial audit for seven years.

**Discussion**

Staff is requesting that the contract with the accounting firm of Dedekian, George, Small and Markarian be extended to include an additional two years. The firm has experience in auditing other Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs). In addition to preparing and auditing the financial statements, the firm has provided staff with helpful advice on accounting and reporting matters.

In speaking with firm partner, Jeff Markarian, the firm would accept a proposal to perform the audit for an additional two fiscal years for an amount not to exceed \$32,500 for each fiscal year. Staff wishes to bring this request to the Policy Board meeting of July 21, 2010.

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