

Riverside County
Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee (CBC)

City of Banning Council Chambers
99 East Ramsey Street, Banning

April 26, 2004
3:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Members present: Supervisor Wilson, Chair; Ms. Barbara Lyons, Vice Chair; Council Member Mike Wilson (alternate for Mayor Ron Oden); Council Member Ron Roberts; Mr. Butch Murphy, Tribal Alternate; Mayor Art Welch; Supervisor Ashley.

Members absent: Mayor Ron Oden, Tribal Chairman Robert Salgado.

I. Call to Order, roll call, and Welcome

Supervisor Wilson called the meeting to order at 3 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. CBC staff called the committee's roll.

II. Adoption of Minutes – March 22, 2004

Supervisor Ashley noted that he was present at the March 22, 2004 meeting, but this was not reflected in the minutes. Vice-Chairman Lyons mentioned that titles should be used for everyone, if they are used for anyone. The minutes of the March 22, 2004 meeting were approved with these two corrections.

III. Approval of Letter on Conflict of Interest

Minh Tran, Deputy County Counsel, reviewed a letter from the office of County Counsel stating that a potential conflict of interest may exist in County Counsel's representation of the CBC, since various county departments may apply to the committee for funding. The letter also stated that, presently, there does not appear to be any actual conflicts of interest and therefore separate counsels are not necessary. In the event of an actual conflict, County Counsel will immediately advise the committee and all interested parties of the nature and extent of such

conflict. The letter requested a signature of acknowledgement and acceptance. The committee voted to act accordingly on the letter.

IV. Correspondence with the State

Barbara Dunmore, County staff, read the comments she provided to CSAC, on behalf of the committee, regarding the proposed extension of the SB 621 reversion date.

Ms. Dunmore also reviewed SB 621 §12715, which describes the Controller's division of the County Tribal Casino Account into the Individual Tribal Casino Accounts. Further, there was discussion regarding an error made by a staff person with Cahuilla Creek, whereby a small payment was issued to the Special Distribution Fund. Because of this error, the Cahuilla Creek Tribe is not considered a non-SDF paying Tribe.

➤ Individual Tribal Casino Account (ITCA) Balances

Barbara Dunmore, County staff, reviewed the Individual Tribal Casino Account balances that were provided by the State. In response to a prior request, a division of the Agua Caliente account balance was provided, based on the number of machines at each casino.

V. Update – Application Process

The proposed Grant Application Evaluation Process was reviewed. There was discussion by the committee about having the alternates rank applications. It was decided that all committee members should rank all applications; alternates' ranking would be tracked separately to determine whether their rankings dilute the members' votes.

Minh Tran, County Counsel, was asked to check with the State for the intent on the geographical terminology in the Bill. An option was provided that the applications could be ranked on the basis of mitigating impacts, with the geographic component set aside for determination following the State's intent.

Mr. Welch requested that a map be obtained from the Building Industry Association (BIA) showing dimensions of each tract for subsequent discussions.

VI. Update – Distribution of Packets

Jennifer Sargent, County staff, reported that today is the CBC's deadline for the Tribal Governments to forward the sponsored applications and letters of sponsorship to CBC staff. It was also reported that the

applications would be summarized and copied by Friday, April 30, 2004, and distributed to the committee members (via overnight mail) by Monday, May 3, 2004.

VII. Review of Evaluation Tool

Jennifer Sargent, County staff, reviewed the Grant Request Evaluation Form, which was modeled after a Tribal evaluation ranking form.

VIII. Legislative Update – SB 769 Analysis

Jennifer Sargent, County staff, reported that she spoke with Jim Battin's staff, Mark Reeder, who said that SB 769 is still active, and it is intended to clean-up/clarify SB 621. Mr. Reeder said the specific issues to be cleaned-up/ clarified are unknown at this time. The Bill will probably be heard again at the end of July 2004.

IX. Other Business

None

X. Future Agenda Items

Review of application rankings

XI. Public Comment

None

XII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5 p.m. The next meeting will be held on May 24, 2004, at 3:00 p.m., at the Banning City Council Chambers.