



**HIGH DESERT CORRIDOR  
JOINT POWERS AGENCY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**MEETING AGENDA**

**Thursday, January 12, 2023 – 2:00 p.m.**

Members of the public may participate in the virtual meeting via Zoom info below.  
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**HDC JPA Board Meeting Virtual Info:**

**Join HDC JPA Board of Directors Meeting via Zoom, click link  
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**HDC JPA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBERS**

Kathryn Barger, Supervisor, 5<sup>th</sup> Supervisorial District, Los Angeles County  
Vacant, City of Palmdale (appointment pending)  
Darrell Dorris Council Member, City of Lancaster  
Ara Najarian, Chair, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority  
Gabriel Reyes, Mayor, City of Adelanto  
Elizabeth Becerra, Council Member, City of Victorville

**HDC JPA BOARD MEMBER ALTERNATES**

Richard Loa, Council Member, City of Palmdale  
Bob Harriman, Council Member, City of Victorville  
Daniel Ramos, Council Member, City of Adelanto

**HDC JPA STAFF**

Executive Director: Arthur V. Sohikian  
Legal Counsel: Laura Jacobson, Deputy County Counsel, Los Angeles County

**OPEN SESSION**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Barger
2. **ROLL CALL** – Secretary Sohikian
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
4. **HDC JPA VIRTUAL/REMOTE BOARD MEETING OPT-IN UNDER AB 361** – Laura Jacobson, Legal Counsel, Los Angeles County Deputy County Counsel

**Recommended Action:** *Adopt findings and approve January 12, 2023, virtual meeting under AB 361 during Proclaimed State of Emergency with findings as follows:*

1. *There exists a “proclaimed state of emergency”, pursuant to the Governor’s State of Emergency Declaration, issued on March 4, 2020.*
2. *State and/or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing.*

**Future Meetings** – Discussion and potential setting of special meetings.

*If HDC JPA wishes to consider invoking AB 361 virtual meetings for subsequent meetings:*

- a. *The proclaimed state of emergency must remain active; or*
- b. *State or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing;*

AND

c. Not later than 30 days after teleconferencing for the first time under the AB 361, and every 30 days thereafter, the board shall again make the following findings by majority vote:

The board has reconsidered the circumstances of emergency, and at least one of the following circumstances exist:

- a) The state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person; or,
- b) State or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.

## 5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

HDC JPA is conducting business remotely. HDC JPA is committed to ensuring that our public meetings are accessible to the public and that the public can observe and address the meeting and to participate by providing written and oral comment on HDC matters. Please do not hesitate to reach out to Executive Director Arthur Sohikian at [sohikian@highdesertcorrdior.org](mailto:sohikian@highdesertcorrdior.org). At this time members of the public can address the HDC JPA Board of Directors regarding any items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the agency that are not separately listed on this agenda. When possible, lengthy testimony should be presented to the Board in writing and only pertinent points presented orally.

### **HDC JPA BOARD CONSENT CALENDAR**

*All items listed under the Consent Calendar are routine and may be enacted by one motion. Prior to the motion to consider any action by the Board, any public comments on any of the Consent Calendar items will be heard. There will be no separate action unless Board Members request items be removed from the Consent Calendar.*

## 6. HDC JPA BOARD MEETING MINUTES/RECAP OF PROCEEDINGS

**Recommended Action:** *Approve November 9, 2022, HDC JPA Board Meeting Minutes/Recap of Proceedings held via virtual zoom webinar format.*

### **HDC JPA BOARD REGULAR CALENDAR**

## 7. BRIGHTLINE WEST HIGH-SPEED RAIL PROJECT UPDATE — Brightline West Staff

**Recommended Action:** *Receive and file report.*

## 8. HDC JPA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT – HDC JPA Executive Director

**Recommended Action:** *Receive and file report.*

## 9. HDC JPA BOARD MEMBER FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

## 10. ADJOURNMENT. Next HDC JPA Board Meeting is April 20, 2023, 2pm.