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SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
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The Special Meeting of the Civic-Recreational-Industrial Authority of the City of Industry, California, was called to order by Chairman Eric Benavidez at 9:00 a.m., in the City of Industry Council Chamber, 15651 Mayor Dave Way, California.

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Chairman Benavidez.

AB 2449 VOTE ON EMERGENCY CIRCUMSTANCES (IF NECESSARY)

There was no need for AB 2449 vote since there were no Board Members taking part remotely. The webcast was then terminated.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Eric Benavidez, Chairman
Ronald Whittemore, Vice Chairman
Alex Bauman, Board Member
Ronald McPeak, Board Member

ABSENT: Sean Lee, Board Member

STAFF PRESENT: Bing Hyun, Assistant Executive Director; James M. Casso, General Counsel; Cory Moss, Expo Facility Ops Manager; and Julie Gutierrez-Robles, Secretary.

PRESENTATIONS

There were none.

CONSENT CALENDAR

6.1. CONSIDERATION OF THE REGISTER OF DEMANDS SUBMITTED BY THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT FOR JANUARY 14, 2026

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the Register of Demands and authorize the appropriate Authority Officials to pay the bills.

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6.2 CONSIDERATION OF THE REGISTER OF DEMANDS SUBMITTED BY CNC EQUESTRIAN MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE INDUSTRY HILLS EXPO CENTER FOR NOCEMBER AND DECEMBER 2025

RECOMMENDED ACTION: *Receive and file.*

6.3 CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENT NO. 4 TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH VENEKLASEN ASSOCIATES, INC., TO PROVIDE DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE GRAND ARENA AUDIO VISUAL AND LIGHTING UPGRADES PROJECT, EXTENDING TERM THROUGH JUNE 30, 2028, REVISING THE SCOPE OF SERVICES, REVISING THE RATE SCHEDULE, AND INCREASING COMPENSATION BY \$100,000.00 (MP 01-34 #33)

RECOMMENDED ACTION: *Approve the Amendment.*

6.4. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. CRIA 2026-01, CONFIRMING THE CONTINUED EXISTENCE OF AN EMERGENCY CONDITION AT THE EXPO CENTER, AND DECLARING THAT THE PUBLIC INTEREST AND NECESSITY REQUIRE CERTAIN WORK TO BE PERFORMED WITHOUT FORMAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE SECTION 22050 AND SECTION 3.52.110 OF THE CITY'S MUNICIPAL CODE

RECOMMENDED ACTION: *Adopt Resolution No. CRIA 2026-01.*

Chairman Benavidez asked if there were any comments or questions from the Authority regarding the Consent Calendar. There were none.

MOTION BY BOARD MEMBER MCPEAK, AND SECOND BY VICE CHAIR WHITTIERMORE TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR. MOTION CARRIED 4-0, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:	BOARD MEMBERS:	BAUMAN, MCPEAK, VC/WHITTEMORE, C/BENAVIDEZ
NOES:	BOARD MEMBERS:	NONE
ABSENT:	BOARD MEMBERS:	LEE
ABSTAIN:	BOARD MEMBERS:	NONE

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ACTION ITEMS

7.1 PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION REGARDING THE CIVIC-RECREATIONAL-INDUSTRIAL AUTHORITY'S FINANCIAL REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 30, 2025

RECOMMENDED ACTION: *Receive and file the report.*

Dean Yamagata from Frazier LLP provided a staff report regarding the Financial Report for November 30, 2025. He was available to answer any questions.

Chairman Benavidez asked if there were any comments or questions from the Authority regarding Item No. 7.1. There were none.

MOTION BY VICE CHAIR WHITTEMORE, AND SECOND BY BOARD MEMBER MCPEAK BENAVIDEZ TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE REPORT. MOTION CARRIED 4-0, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:	BOARD MEMBERS:	BAUMAN, MCPEAK, VC/WHITTEMORE, C/BENAVIDEZ
NOES:	BOARD MEMBERS:	NONE
ABSENT:	BOARD MEMBERS:	LEE
ABSTAIN:	BOARD MEMBERS:	NONE

7.2 UPDATE ON THE EXPO CENTER

RECOMMENDED ACTION: *Receive and file.*

Cory Moss, Expo Facility Ops Manager, provided a staff report and a handout on the recent events that have taken place at the Expo Center and was available to answer any questions.

Chairman Benavidez asked if there were any comments or questions from the Authority regarding Item No. 7.2. There were none.

MOTION BY BOARD MEMBER MCPEAK, AND SECOND BOARD MEMBER BAUMAN TO RECEIVE AND FILE. MOTION CARRIED 4-0, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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AYES: BOARD MEMBERS: BAUMAN, MCPEAK, VC/WHITTEMORE,
C/BENAVIDEZ

NOES: BOARD MEMBERS: NONE

ABSENT: BOARD MEMBERS: LEE

ABSTAIN: BOARD MEMBERS: NONE

PUBLIC HEARINGS-NONE

CLOSED SESSION-NONE

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

AB 1234 REPORTS

There were none.

BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

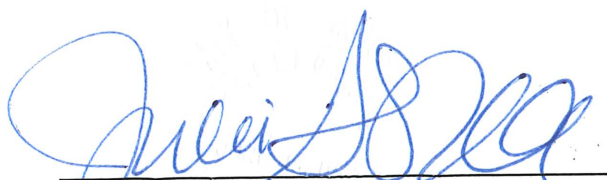
There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Civic-Recreational-Industrial Authority adjourned at 9:08 a.m.



Julie Gutierrez-Robles, Secretary



Eric Benavidez, Chairman