SAN BENITO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL JOINT MEETING WITH CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOLLISTER AND COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

February 27, 2006 6:00 p.m. Veterans Memorial Building, Dining Room, 649 San Benito Street, Hollister, CA

ACTION MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Council of Governments Chair Pat Loe called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chair Loe led the pledge.

ROLL CALL:Council of Governments:Chair Pat Loe, Directors Anthony
Botelho, George Dias, Robert Scattini, and Pauline Valdivia.
Alternates:Supervisor Jaime De La Cruz, Council Member Brad
Pike, and Council Member Arturo Medina, and Clerk Kathy Postigo.
All present with the exception of Council Member Arturo Medina.

COG staff present: Executive Director Tom Quigley; Transportation Planner Mary Dinkuhn and Secretary Debra Casella.

Board of Supervisors: Chair Pat Loe, Board Members Anthony Botelho, Don Marcus, Reb Monaco, and Jaime De La Cruz, CAO Susan Thompson, Deputy County Counsel Shirley Murphy and Clerk of the Board Linda Churchill. *All present.*

City Council: Mayor Robert Scattini, Council Members Doug Emerson, Pauline Valdivia, Brad Pike, and Monica Johnson, City Manager Clint Quilter, City Attorney Elaine Cass, and City Clerk Geri Johnson. *All present.*

VERIFICATION OF AGENDA POSTING: Upon motion made by Director Anthony Botelho, and seconded by Supervisor Jaime De La Cruz, unanimously approved the Certificate of Posting.

1. Joint Meeting/Workshop of the San Benito County Council of Governments,

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San Benito County Board of Supervisors, and the City Council of the City of Hollister to discuss the Highway 25 Bypass Project.

Council of Governments Executive Director Tom Quigley gave an overview of the current and most pressing highway projects including the Highway 25 Bypass project, what the funding looks like and what needs to be done to complete the projects as well as alternatives to the projects. Other projects discussed were the City's North Street extension project, the County's realignment of John Smith Road with St. Benedicts Way and COG's Highway 25 safety enhancements.

Received comments from Carla Vincent, the Design Engineer with Parson Transportation, regarding the Highway 25 Bypass Project, the lanes to be constructed, and increased costs for fuel, asphalt, Right of Way acquisition, drainage issues and Traffic Impact Fees.

Joe Thompson, San Benito County resident, addressed the boards.

Discussion was held. No action was taken.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

PAT LOE, CHAIR San Benito County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: Linda Churchill, Clerk of the Board

**The complete minutes for this meeting were prepared by the Council of Governments staff and may be obtained from that office.