

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



ITEM: 3.4
(ID # 29369)

MEETING DATE:
Tuesday, January 27, 2026

FROM : EXECUTIVE OFFICE

SUBJECT: EXECUTIVE OFFICE: Approve the Coachella Valley Agency Joint Powers Authority (CVPA JPA) Funding Regarding Growth and Development of Electrical Power in the Eastern Coachella Valley, District 4. [Total Cost \$166,666 - 100% General Fund Contingency](4/5 Vote Required)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Authorize the use of County General Fund Contingency to pay for the membership dues for the Coachella Valley Agency Joint Powers Authority (CVPA JPA) for one year.
2. Approve and direct the Auditor-controller to make budget adjustments for the Executive Office as shown in Attachment A.
3. Direct the Purchasing Agent to issue a Purchase Order that does not exceed the Board approved amount.

ACTION:Policy

Juan C. Perez, Chief Operating Officer 1/21/2026

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Perez, seconded by Supervisor Gutierrez and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Medina, Spiegel, Washington, Perez, and Gutierrez
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: January 27, 2026
xc: EO

Kimberly A. Rector
Clerk of the Board
By:
Deputy

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$166,666	\$0	\$166,666	\$0
NET COUNTY COST	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: General Fund Contingency 100%			Budget Adjustment: Yes	
			For Fiscal Year: 25/26	

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

Addressing electrical infrastructure needs in the Coachella Valley region served by the Imperial Irrigation District (IID) has been a key regional priority for several years. Following years of technical analysis and coordination through the Coachella Valley Energy Commission (CVEC), regional stakeholders determined that the formation of the Coachella Valley Power Agency Joint Powers Authority (CVPA JPA) represented the most effective approach to improving system reliability, enhancing regional coordination, and ensuring meaningful local input on power-related matters.

On May 6, 2025 (Item 3.8), the County Board of Supervisors approved participation in the CVPA JPA and authorized the County’s involvement in its formation. As the JPA has commenced operations, an initial funding contribution from the current member agencies (County, La Quinta, and Indio) is required to support organizational startup activities. These include administrative and governance setup, technical support, evaluation of power delivery models, engagement and close coordination with IID, and development of long-term regional power planning strategies.

On July 28, 2025, the CVPA Board approved an equal funding contribution among the three CVPA member agencies. The total initial funding amount of \$500,000 will be allocated evenly, resulting in a County contribution of \$166,666 from General Fund Contingency.

This \$166,666 contribution will enable the CVPA JPA to establish its operational framework, secure necessary administrative and technical support, initiate discussions with IID, and advance coordinated regional planning efforts critical to ensuring system reliability and supporting future growth in the Coachella Valley.

Impact on Residents and Businesses

The CVPA JPA will give the Coachella Valley a voice in how power is planned for, managed, and delivered in the area. The JPA provides a forum for local input on prioritizing improvements that would promote facilities that increase reliability, sustainability, and provide for growth.

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Additional Fiscal Information

Funding for the CVPA membership dues will be paid from County General Fund Contingency for FY 25/26, as the funding need was not identified at the time of budget adoption.

Contract History and Price Reasonableness

Ordinance 459, Section 7, Category II Exceptions a and b allows for the payment of memberships, sponsorships and registration without bidding as these costs are pre-established fees or dues associated with the prescribed service.

ATTACHMENTS: Schedule A

**SCHEDULE A
FY25/26**

Increase Appropriations:

10000-1100100000-523100 Memberships	\$166,666
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Anticipated Use of Unassigned Fund Balance

10000-1100100000-370100 Unassigned Fund Balance	\$166,666
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Decrease Appropriations:

10000-1109000000-581000 Appropriation for Contingency	\$166,666
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Anticipated Increase of Unassigned Fund Balance

10000-1109000000-370100 Unassigned Fund Balance	\$166,666
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Stacy Orton, Assistant Director of Purchasing 12/31/2025

Flores, Kate

From: Acquia Mail
Sent: Tuesday, January 27, 2026 8:52 AM
Cc: Clerk of the Board
Subject: Request to Speak Web Submission



Thank you for submitting your request to speak. The Clerk of the Board office has received your request and will be prepared to allow you to speak when your item is called. To attend the meeting, please call (669) 900-6833 and use **Meeting ID # 864 4411 6015 . Password is 20260127**. You will be muted until your item is pulled and your name is called. Please dial in at 9:00 am with the phone number you provided in the form so you can be identified during the meeting.

Submitted on January 27, 2026

Submitted values are:

First Name

Ivanna

Last Name

Uriarte

Phone

7607995418

Agenda Date

01/27/2026

Agenda Item # or Public Comment

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State your position below

Support

Do you need a Spanish translator?

No

Online



Riverside County Board of Supervisors Request to Speak

Submit request to the Clerk of the Board (right of podium), Speakers are permitted to three (3) minutes, subject to Board Rules listed on the reverse side of this form. The Board may limit the public input on any item, based on the number of people requesting to speak and the business of the Board.

SPEAKER'S NAME: Ivanra Uriarte

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone #: _____

Date: _____ Agenda # 3.4

PLEASE STATE YOUR POSITION BELOW:

Position on "Regular" (non-appealed) Agenda Item:

_____ Support _____ Oppose _____ Neutral

Note: If you are here for an agenda item that is filed for "Appeal", please state separately your position on the appeal below:

_____ Support _____ Oppose _____ Neutral

I give my 3 minutes to: _____

Do you need a Spanish translator? Yes _____ No _____

Parking validations available for speakers only – see Clerk of the Board.

(Revised: 1/13/2026)

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Requests to Address Board on "Agenda" Items:

You may request to be heard on a published agenda item. Requests to be heard must be submitted to the Clerk of the Board before the scheduled meeting time.

Requests to Address Board on items that are "NOT" on the Agenda:

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these rules, member of the public shall have the right to address the Board during the mid-morning "Oral Communications" segment of the published agenda. Said purpose for address must pertain to issues which are under the direct jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors. **YOUR TIME WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTES.** The Board may limit the public input on any item, based on the number of people requesting to speak and the business of the Board.

Power Point Presentations/Printed Material:

Speakers who intend to conduct a formalized Power Point presentation or provide printed material must notify the Clerk of the Board's Office by 12 noon on the Monday preceding the Tuesday Board meeting, ensuring that the Clerk's Office has sufficient copies of all printed materials and at least one (1) copy of the Power Point CD. Copies of printed material given to the Clerk (by Monday noon deadline) will be provided to each Supervisor. If you have the need to use the overhead "Elmo" projector at the Board meeting, please ensure your material is clear and with proper contrast, notifying the Clerk well ahead of the meeting, of your intent to use the Elmo. Speakers are prohibited from bringing signs, placards, or posters into the hearing room.

Individual Speaker Limits:

Individual speakers are limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes. The Board may limit the public input on any item, based on the number of people requesting to speak and the business of the Board. Please step up to the podium when the Chair calls your name and begin speaking immediately. Pull the microphone to your mouth so that the Board, audience, and audio recording system hear you clearly. Once you start speaking, the "green" podium light will light. The "yellow" light will come on when you have one (1) minute remaining. When you have 30 seconds remaining, the "yellow" light will begin flash, indicating you must quickly wrap up your comments. Your time is up when the "red" light flashes. The Chair adheres to a strict three (3) minutes per speaker. ***Note: If you intend to give your time to a "Group/Organized Presentation", please state so clearly at the very bottom of the reverse side of this form.***

Group/Organized Presentations:

Group/organized presentations with more than one (1) speaker will be limited to nine (9) minutes at the Chair's discretion. The organizer of the presentation will automatically receive the first three (3) minutes, with the remaining six (6) minutes relinquished by other speakers, as requested by them on a completed "Request to Speak" form, and clearly indicated at the front bottom of the form.

Addressing the Board & Acknowledgement by Chair:

The Chair will determine what order the speakers will address the Board and will call on all speakers in pairs. The first speaker should immediately step to the podium and begin addressing the Board. The second speaker should take up a position in one of the chamber aisles to quickly step up to the podium after the preceding speaker. This is to afford an efficient and timely Board meeting, giving all attendees the opportunity to make their case. Speakers are prohibited from making personal attacks, and/or using coarse, crude, profane or vulgar language while speaking to the Board members, staff, the public and/or meeting participants. Such behavior, at the discretion of the Board Chair may result in removal from the Board Chambers by Sheriff Deputies.