



AUGUST BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING SUMMARY

Board of Directors Meeting Summary

Consent Agenda: The board unanimously approved minutes and budget amendment for administrative costs and registration for the Annual Conference of the League of California Cities for the Executive Director.

New Business: Cities Association received a request from Representatives Eshoo, Khanna, Panetta to coordinate establishment of a South Peninsula Airport/Community Roundtable. Executive Director Andi Jordan gave an overview of communications with various stakeholders, including the Congressional Offices, Select Committee Members, and the San Jose Airport and San Francisco Airport staff. After Board discussion, Motion (Scharff) and second (Gibbons) that the Cities Association of Santa Clara County create an Ad Hoc Committee of less than 8 people, who are on least one of the committees of the Association: Legislative Action Committee, City Selection Committee, or Board of Directors. Motion passed unanimously agrees to form the Ad Hoc Committee. Those volunteering to serve on the Ad Hoc Committee consist of Councilmember Larry Klein, Sunnyvale; Mayor Gary Waldeck, Los Altos Hills; Mayor Savita Vaidhyanathan, Cupertino; Council Member Mary-Lynne Bernald, Saratoga; Mayor Greg Scharff, Palo Alto; Council Member Pat Showalter, Mountain View; Mayor Steve Tate, Morgan Hill.

City Selection Committee Appointee Updates:

- **Association of Bay Area Government:** Update from Campbell Mayor Liz Gibbons and Cities Association President, Mayor Greg Scharff. Campbell Mayor Gibbons presented information regarding [Plan Bay Area 2040](#). Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) – voted to adopt an **Action Plan** that commits them to a workplan of concrete, near-term actions to promote housing affordability, access to middle-wage jobs, and community resilience. The regional long-range plan directs over \$300 billion in infrastructure funds and sets a framework for how the Bay Area will grow through 2040. In that timeframe, Santa Clara County is projected to experience 31% of the region's population growth, more than any other Bay Area county. President Scharff discussed the merger of MTC and ABAG

- **Metropolitan Transportation Committee (MTC):** Update from Los Altos Council Member and MTC appointee Jeannie Bruins. Bruins discussed the integration of MTC and ABAG, BATA (Bay Area Toll Authority) bridge toll increases, Express Lanes Expansion, Caltrain 1/8 cent tax Initiative, and SB 595 (Bell), VTA.
- **Bay Area Quality Management District:** 1st Vice President and Cupertino Council Member Rod Sinks presented the update on behalf of himself and Council Member Liz Kniss on the Clean Air Plan, Improving Human Health, Protecting Climate, Reducing Refinery Emissions, Impact of California's Climate (AB 398 & AB 617).

Legislation Action Committee Report and Action: Pat Showalter stated the LAC had met just prior to the Board meeting and discussed several bills that had been reviewed SB 35 oppose AB 574 support, SB 611 support. Motion (Scharff)/Second (Sinks). Motion carried 13-1 absent (Tran) -1 abstention (Jones)

The legislation reviewed and the recommended actions are below:

Bill Number & Name	Brief description	Action Taken
SB 35	Planning and zoning. Affordable housing: Cities Association previously opposed. Bill has been significantly amended and now affects all cities over 2500 people. streamlined approval process	Motion and second to oppose & send letter
AB 574 (Quirk)	Potable Water	Support, send letter
SB 611 (Hill and Allen)	Vehicles: (DMV to issue special license plates or distinguishing Placards to disabled people – DMV to conduct quarterly random audit;etc.)	Support, send letter
SB 797 (Hill, Beall, Wieckowski, Weiner)	Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board: transactions and use tax. (1/8-cent sales tax to be used by the board for operating and capital purposes of the Caltrain rail service	Place on Sept. LAC Agenda
SB 595 (Beall)	Metropolitan Transportation	Place on Sept. LAC Agenda

	Commission: Toll Bridge Revenues (Increase in tolls)	
SB 540 (Roth)	Workforce Housing Opportunity Zone: streamline the housing approval process by having cities identify Workforce Housing Opportunity Zones	Place on Sept. LAC Agenda

Betsy Shotwell urged members to continue opposing SB 649 (Wireless Telecommunications). Encourage others to oppose as well.

City Managers' Report: Ed Shikada, Assistant City Manager, Palo Alto, reported the City Managers did not meet in July and therefore there is no report.

Joys & Challenges:

- Los Gatos: Mayor Marico Sayoc reported that Los Gatos' 130 birthday is today, August 10,
- Gilroy: Peter Leroe – Muñoz reported that Gilroy held National Night Out last Tuesday. The new police chief is really invested in working with the community through community policy.
- Campbell: Mayor Liz Gibbons reported that the City of Campbell received [Age Friendly Cities](#) designation. There will be two “ [A Dinner to Die For](#)” [murder mystery fundraisers](#) in downtown Campbell, September 15 & 16, benefitting the Campbell Museum Foundation and Kiwanis.
- Cupertino: Council Member Rod Sinks reported that Cupertino receiving Beacon Award from the Institute for Local Government for greenhouse gas emissions reduction
- Monte Sereno: Vice Mayor Burton will be attending legislative visits with Youth Commissioners and Assemblyman Evan Low.
- Morgan Hill: Mayor Steve Tate reported that Morgan Hill is looking for a new city manager as Steve Rymer is leaving for Rochester, MN. The new downtown parking structure is receiving the 22017 APWA Silicon Valley Project Award for design.
- Palo Alto: Mayor Greg Scharff reported that from the 1990s - 2017, Palo Alto has had a 60% greenhouse gas emission reduction.
- Sunnyvale: Council Member Jim Griffith reported that [San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara are the number one](#) most sustainable region in the Country by CityLab.com