



January 2018 City Selection Committee & Board Meeting Summary

City Selection Committee appointments

- Mayor Liz Kniss, Palo Alto to Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD), current term expires 3/18, appointment for 2 years and will expire in 3/20;
- Hon. Cat Tucker, Gilroy, to Recycling and Waste Reduction Commission (RWRC), South County (Morgan Hill or Gilroy), term expired 7/17, term will expire 7/23;
- Hon. Liz Gibbons, Campbell, to Santa Clara County Emergency Operation Area Council (OAC) – ALTERNATE South County & West Valley Cities, term expired 9/17, will expire 9/19.

Board of Directors Meeting

Consent Agenda: Motion from Peter Leroe-Munoz, and a second from Chappie Jones to approve the Consent Agenda with the addition of Gary Waldeck in attendance of the November 2017 meeting. Approved unanimously by consensus.

Presentation by Santa Clara Valley Water District: Santa Clara Valley Water District Chair, Richard Santos and Deputy Operating Officer, Garth Hall District Board Director, Nai Hsueh, Rachael Gibson, Interim Deputy Administrative Officer-Government Relations, presented information in support of the Pacheco Reservoir expansion project and provided a water supply update and overview.

- The 2014 voter approval of Proposition 1: Water Quality, Supply and Infrastructure Act provided Californians a vision of improved water security and environmental stewardship through strategic investment in projects and programs that deliver regional benefits. The Pacheco Reservoir Expansion Project fulfills that vision and delivers critical environmental and water supply benefits to Santa Clara, San Benito, Monterey and Santa Cruz counties.
- Once established, the expanded Pacheco Reservoir provides a water storage resource separate from the operational constraints of San Luis Reservoir. This expansion advances water supply reliability and water security for Santa Clara Valley.
- This project also would bolster water supply reliability for not just Silicon Valley, but the region as a whole, which supports local and regional economies of statewide significance.
- Pacheco Reservoir expansion will replace intermittent seasonal flows in Pacheco Creek with year-round flows at temperatures suitable for spawning, rearing and migration of steelhead. Through this project, Pacheco Creek will now provide year-round habitat for the threatened South-Central California Coast steelhead and deliver on a Core 1 recovery objective as described in the National Marine Fisheries Service's South-Central California Steelhead Recovery Plan
- Motion by Manny Cappello and a 2nd by Jeffrey Christina to send a letter of support for the Proposition 1 grant application, asking for our region's share of the Proposition 1 funds for the Pacheco Reservoir. Board approved unanimously by consensus.

Legislative Update: Betsy Shotwell, City of San Jose gave a legislative update.

- Governor Brown proposed 2018-2019 State Budget
 - Filling the rainy-day fund
 - Funding education including higher education
 - Health care expansion

- Transportation infrastructure
- League of California Cities is closely watching the repeal effort of SB 1 Ballot Measure.
- Calendar deadlines for introducing legislation is January 19.
- Reminder – 2nd year of a 2 year legislative cycle.

Shotwell announced her retirement and that this was her last meeting of the Cities Association. President Sinks presented Shotwell with a certificate and pin from the Cities Association for her continued support and service to the organization. The Board also thanked Shotwell for her service and she was presented with pins from each of the cities.

Old Business - Organizational status: Executive Director Andi Jordan presented proposals from two firms for the CASC to engage in services to update the organizational formation and status. After discussion Past-President Greg Scharff motioned, Chappie Jones seconded, to authorize the Executive Director and the Executive Board to engage in the legal services of HansonBridgett for the purpose of resolving the legal status of the Cities Association by adjusting the professional services line item of approximately \$9,000 to include legal services and up to \$11,000 from reserves. Approved by unanimous consensus.

Old Business - Review of December General Membership Dinner/Holiday Party and suggestions for future events include:

- Asking the Los Altos Stage Company to perform at future events
- Try a Friday night event for 2018.

New Business - 2018 Board Meeting Calendar was approved with these noting:

- Board meetings are typically 2nd Thursday of the month.
- No meeting in July
- May 10– General Membership Meeting with City Managers
- Sept. 6 – changed due to conflict with League of California Cities
- Dec. 14 - FRIDAY General Membership Dinner/Holiday Dinner

2018 Goal Setting: President Rod Sinks presented an overview of where the Cities Association has been and previous goals/accomplishments. Sinks presented topics for consideration as goals for 2018 reviewed by the Executive Board for consideration of the Board:

- Transportation & Funding:
 - Collaboration between cities and major employers on transit solutions to serve all
 - New models to fund mass transit given new Federal tax & funding realities
 - Public-Private Partnerships
 - Headcount or Payroll Taxes
 - Local and/or regional transit agency governance reform
 - Leverage requests to support RM3 or mega-measures
- Housing & Homelessness
 - ADUs
 - Collaborative Partnerships
 - Vehicle Dwellers
 - Measure A Housing Bond
 - RHNA Sub-Region Task Force

- Ongoing Analysis of State Legislation
- Aircraft Noise Roundtable (continuation)
- Sustainability (what isn't being done in other agencies)
 - Greenhouse emissions
 - EV infrastructure – no cohesive plan & possible partnership with the County (Net Zero)
- Smart Cities
- Age Friendly Implementation
- EMS Option
 - **It was agreed that this list would be sent to the board in a survey and find areas of mutual interest (at least 3 board members interested in working on the topic) or the topic may fall from the workplan).

SPUR partnership: President Rod Sinks presented a proposed partnership with SPUR-San Jose.

i. Goals

- Collaborate on items of mutual importance
- Build relationships between the leaders of the two organizations
- Support positive exposure and branding of each organization
- Engage Cities Association in meaningful role as part of SPUR Impact Awards and ensure regional representation

ii. Agreements

- SPUR to present on two policy reports/issues to CASCC Board of Directors
- Public forums
- SPUR to invite CASCC executive board members to serve as panelists at two SPUR-hosted public forums
- SPUR & CASCC to coordinate on two jointly-presented forums (AVs, ADUs, Sustainability)
- SPUR invites CASCC to partner on its SPUR Impact Awards (March 2019)
 - CASCC Executive Board listed as Honorary Host Committee
 - One member of CASCC serves on the Awards Selection Committee
 - One table is reserved at event at cost for CASCC
 - CASCC is invited to present one award
- Public comment was received from Omar Chatty who urged the group not to form a partnership with SPUR.
- After discussion that CASCC would remain autonomous and independent and that the partnership is an opportunity to work together in a more collaborative way, a motion from Greg Scharff, and a second from Larry Klein, the Board unanimously approved the partnership.

City Manager's Report: Cupertino City Manager and SCCMA representative David Brandt discussed the previous SCCMA meeting and the discussion of priorities. As in the past, the City Managers look forward to working together to create a workplan with the Cities Association for the year.

Joys and Challenges

- Peter Leroe-Munoz shared the passing of Gilroy City Councilor Paul Kloecker, a long time civic leader. The City Council will appoint someone to fill the seat for the remainder of the term, a 3-year term.

- Greg Scharff shared that Palo Alto is partnering with a start-up to have FAA approval to have blood flown blood bank to Stanford Hospital which is a few miles and flies over the Stanford Research Park.
- Marsha Grilli shared that Milpitas spent the day interviewing City Manager candidates - - exciting possibilities and recently represented Milpitas on the Silicon Valley Clean Energy (SVCE) Board for the first time.
- Jan Pepper, shared that Los Altos has been trying to build a community center for many years and a bond measure previously failed. On January 9th, Los Altos City Council approved a \$34.7 million (\$23 million general fund) budget for a new community center to be completed by December by 2020.
- Manny Cappello, shared that Saratoga held the 2nd Annual “Celebration of Light” on December 16th interfaith event, which honored four of the biggest religious traditions represented by Saratoga residents: Christianity, Islam, Hinduism and Judaism. The event featured symbols representing the four religions, each one about 6 feet tall and illuminated: a crèche for Christianity, a green crescent moon and star for Islam, a menorah for Judaism and a trident and om for Hinduism. Children’s choirs from local faith communities in Saratoga performed, and guests lit candles together.
- Steve Tate, Morgan Hill, reported that the day of their tree lighting also was the opening of three new parks in Morgan Hill: The Creek Park (located between West Second and Third streets) and Hilltop Park (at the end of West Third Street), The Railroad Park (on Depot Street next to the old train station building), on 3rd street a passive park. The parks are already proving to be quite successful.
- Lenny Siegel reported that on December 12th, Mountain View voted unanimously to approve the Bayshore Precise Plan. North Bayshore Precise Plan calls 9,850 new apartments near Google. The plan lays out a vision for a new urban community where corporate tech workers could live, work, dine and shop -- possibly all within the same building.
- Debi Davis reported the challenge and disappointment that on Wednesday, January 10th agents with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement descended on 7-Eleven franchises in Santa Clara (as they did in other areas across the country). ICE reported in the press they were beginning audits and interviewing employees and managers. There were no arrests in Santa Clara.

Announcements:

Policy Workshop: Put a Lid on Sugary Drinks

Cosponsored by Cities Association and Santa Clara Public Health

Friday, February 9th: 11AM – 1PM

Location: Santa Clara County Dental Society | 1485 Park Ave. | San Jose, CA 95126

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