



LEGISLATIVE ACTION COMMITTEE AGENDA
JUNE 14, 2018 | 6 PM
SUNNYVALE CITY HALL | WEST CONFERENCE ROOM
456 WEST OLIVE AVENUE | SUNNYVALE, CA

1. Call to order & roll call 6:00 PM
2. Consent Agenda- recommendation to approve the following: 6:05 PM
 - a. Minutes of the April 2018 meeting
 - b. RM3 confirm votes of April 2018
3. Legislation: updates, discussions and recommendations related to state 6:10 PM
legislation on housing, transportation, clean energy, regional and state-wide
measures and other areas of interest
Information and Action may occur on these bills:

SB 827
SB 828
AB 1771
AB 1912
AB 2353
AB 1775
AB 2268
AB 2812
AB 3162
SB 833
SB 834
AB 3
AB 3121
SB 1302
AB 2923
AB 1771
SB 831
AB 2890
Federal Legislation: HR 620
4. Public Comment 6:40 PM
5. Adjournment 6:45 PM



Legislative Action Committee Meeting – Agenda Report

Meeting Date: June 14, 2018

Subject: 2a March meeting minutes
2b RM3 votes of April 2018 Legislative Action Committee Meeting

Initiated by: Andi Jordan, Executive Director

Previous Consideration: 2b: April 2018

Summary: A question was raised by a member of the public about whether the discussion of RM3 was properly noticed in the April agenda and if a Brown Act violation occurred. After discussing with staff of 3 member cities, it was decided to eliminate any possible issue, notice the action, and vote again.

Motion: Rod Sinks, Cupertino, motioned to “do not support” RM3, seconded by Lenny Siegel, Mountain View.
Vote failed (2-7-5, 1 absent)

- 2 ayes (Rod Sinks, Lenny Siegel),
- 7 nos (Marico Sayoc, Burton Craig, Steve Tate, Anthony Phan, Peter Leroe-Muñoz, Chappie Jones, Jeffrey Cristina)
- 6 abstentions (Mary-Lynne Bernald, Debi Davis, Larry Klein, Gary Waldeck, Jan Pepper).

Motion: Anthony Phan, Milpitas, motion to support RM3, seconded by Peter Leroe-Muñoz, Gilroy.
Vote failed (5-3-5, 1 absent)

- 5 ayes (Peter Leroe-Muñoz, Anthony Phan, Steve Tate, Burton Craig, Jeffrey Cristina, Chappie Jones)
- 3 nos (Rod Sinks, Lenny Siegel, Mary-Lynne Bernald)
- 5 abstentions (Debi Davis, Jan Pepper, Gary Waldeck, Larry Klein, Marico Sayoc)

Recommended Action: Approve consent agenda



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APRIL 12, 2018 | 6 PM
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Legislative Action Committee Chair Marico Sayoc called the meeting to order at 6:10 PM

Present at the meeting:

Campbell – Jeffrey Cristina 6:16 PM
Cupertino – Rod Sinks
Gilroy – Peter Leroe-Muñoz
Los Altos – Jan Pepper
Los Altos Hills – Gary Waldeck
Los Gatos – Marico Sayoc
Millpitas – Anthony Phan 6:20 PM
Monte Sereno – Burton Craig
Morgan Hill – Steve Tate
Mountain View – Lenny Siegel
Palo Alto – absent
San Jose – Charles “Chappie” Jones
Santa Clara – Debi Davis
Saratoga – Mary-Lynne Bernald
Sunnyvale – Larry Klein

Also present:

Jeannie Bruins, Los Altos
Andi Jordan, Executive Director
Michael Lomios, Silicon Valley Leadership
Group

Consent Agenda- motion to approve the Minutes of the March 2018 meeting by Chappie Jones and a second by Gary Waldeck. The motion was unanimously approved 12-0-2 vote (Peter Leroe-Muñoz abstained, Anthony Phan absent, Greg Scharff absent.)

Cities Association President Rod Sinks discussed the VTA transit guideway study. Phase 1 has been complete and upwards of \$1 million dollars or more is needed to complete the study as VTA money is tied up in Measure B litigation. Rod Sinks request is to send a request to the VTA Board to continue the Funding for the Highway 85 study out of Measure A 2000 funds (which is where Phase I study funds came). Recent survey of employees that serve a high school district in West San Jose, Cupertino and Sunnyvale & small parts of other communities say they are 68% satisfied with their jobs and yet 56% plan on leaving their jobs within 6 years because they can't afford housing and the long commutes. After discussion, Rod Sinks motioned to send the VTA Board a letter requesting that the VTA Board find a way to pay for the SR 85 Study through phase 3. Motion seconded by Mary-Lynne Bernald.

Motion passes 11-0-2 (Peter Leroe-Muñoz, Steve Tate abstained, Anthony Phan & Greg Scharff not present).

Legislative updates: Andi Jordan and Marico Sayoc have created a Legislative Watch list. Members are allowed to request that the Committee follow or take action on any piece of legislation.

Larry Klein motioned, with a second by Rod Sinks, to **send a letter to Senator Scott Weiner**

1. Many of our member cities have opposed SB 827
2. Cities Association of Santa Clara County hasn't taken a position

3. appreciate the amendments to SB 827
4. like to begin a dialogue with you

Anthony Phan, Milpitas, asked for the letter to say “a number” instead of “many”. The Committee unanimously agreed.

Motion passes 12-0-2 with Jeff Cristina, Campbell, and Anthony Phan, Milpitas, abstaining. Greg Scharff absent.

Marico Sayoc, Rod Sinks, Larry Klein, Lenny Siegel will help formulate letter.

UPDATE: An in-person invitation was given to Senator Scott Wiener at the Regional Economic Forum on April 13th. Senator Wiener will attend if his calendar allows.

Legislative Committee Chair Marico Sayoc, Los Gatos, asked the members to review the legislative list and ballot measure list to see if there was anything they wished to discuss.

RM3 Discussion: Lenny Siegel, Mountain View, asked if there has been discussion of Regional Measure 3 and asked if it could be discussed. Lenny Siegel is concerned that in the lead up to the 2016 Measure B election:

- Many cities worked hard to ensure that the funding was shared throughout the county and RM3 funding is centralized in San Jose.
- While not against BART or San Jose, the funding allocation process failed to include the North County and West Valley Cities of Santa Clara County.
- Transit investments should address the real transit needs. North County & West Valley will continue to be ignored unless we are at the table with these discussions.

Rod Sinks, Cupertino, added that in a discussion with Senator Beall, Senator Beall stated the funding requests came from VTA, Nuria Fernandez. Sinks stated he felt this was a bad process:

- The allocation of funding was a done deal by the time the bill was put together.
- Bill was a done deal before anyone new about the bill
- Bill was a “gut and stuff” as the bill began as a Cal Trains bill.
- Allocation didn’t go before VTA Board.
- No collaboration

Chappie Jones, San Jose, posed the question “are you proposing that we oppose a measure that our residents don’t pay the tax and yet they benefit?”. This particular measure is not the measure to take a stand.

Lenny Siegel, Mountain View, said we have a responsibility to our employees as well as a citizen and I’m proposing that we take a position of “do not support”, not opposed.

Jeannie Bruins, Council Member, Los Altos, spoke to issue as she was VTA Chair at time this bill was proposed. Senator Beall and contingent that he led asked transit agencies a request with very little criteria and maybe 72 hours of response time. Some of the list was given accepted and some was rejected. We were then given more definition. All of the agencies were displeased with proposals. How to define a bridge corridor – only 2% of tolls are paid by Santa Clara residents. I’m with Chappie Jones. I encourage you to take no action if you can’t support.

Larry Klein, Sunnyvale, asked Bruins a few questions:

1. How are future projects defined for CPI increases in the future?
 - a. Bruins responded: There is nothing in the bill. It’s permanent. We need to make good on what the bill is supposed to fund. There could be ongoing fund

2. 2 project lists were mentioned, the list now and a second list of future projects. Are the lists available?
 - a. Bruins responded she does not have the lists. Seeing 101 express lanes was encouraging, SR 85 was hard pressed to make it the list because it isn't tied to a bridge. Senator Beall is a big proponent of bringing BART to San Jose.
 - b. Lenny Siegel commented that express lanes on 101 works against what we are trying to do in terms of transportation demand management, trying to limit Single Occupancy Vehicle (SOV) to North Bayshore to 45%. Express lanes (HOV) allows people to pay to drive SOV in HOV.

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Meeting adjourned at 7: 06 PM



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April 16, 2018

Board of Directors
Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA)
3331 North First Street
San Jose, CA 95134-1906

RE: State Route (SR) 85 Transit Guideway Study

Dear VTA Board:

On behalf of the Cities Association of Santa Clara County (CASCC), I am writing to respectfully request that the VTA Board of Directors immediately prioritize SR 85 Transit Guideway Study and fund the study through its entirety, Phase 3. The CASCC believes that this is a crucial step in improving mobility options for those who live along the corridor, which interconnects 5 of the 6 densest cities in the county and those with high concentrations of existing jobs.

A recent survey of employees at the high school district serving West San Jose, Cupertino, Sunnyvale and parts of Santa Clara and Los Altos speaks to the housing and mobility crises we face. While 68% of their employees are very satisfied with their employment, 56% plan on leaving their jobs within 6 years, and a major factor is frustration with their commutes. While many of our cities are working to build housing for the missing middle, given housing price differentials, we recognize that many employees will continue to choose to live in south San Jose, Morgan Hill and Gilroy, and would welcome a transit option that keeps them moving when the car lanes are stuck.

With continued robust growth in Silicon Valley, further delay in completing the SR 85 Transit Guideway Study will only exacerbate the commuting problem for all those who sit in stop-and-go traffic daily.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Rod Sinks
President, Cities Association of Santa Clara County
Vice Mayor, Cupertino