AMENDED FEBRUARY 13, 2025

REGULAR MEETING
LEGISLATIVE ACTION COMMITTEE

CITIES ASSOCIATION OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY

North Bay Conference Room, Room 145
Sunnyvale City Hall
456 W. Olive Avenue
Sunnyvale, CA 94086

FEBRUARY 13, 2025
5:30 PM

Meeting Information:

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- *Members of the public* may use the information below to join the webinar:
  - **Webinar ID: 823 1430 2917**
  - **Passcode: 254352**
- *More information on public comment and accessibility is given at the end of the agenda.*

Mayor Greg Bozzo will attend via teleconference from the Mayor's Office, Gilroy City Hall, 7351 Rosanna Street, Gilroy, CA 95020. This teleconference location is open to the public and any member of the public may address the Board of Directors members from the teleconference location.

Hon. Greer Stone will attend via teleconference from the Mayor's Office, Palo Alto City Hall, 250 Hamilton Avenue, Palo Alto, CA 94301. This teleconference location is open to the public and any member of the public may address the Board of Directors members from the teleconference location.

WELCOME & CALL TO ORDER – (Fruen)

ROLL CALL (Sirkay)

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NONAGENDIZED ITEMS

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AGENDA

1. Consent Agenda (Fruen)
    a. Approve Minutes from Legislative Action Committee meeting on November 14, 2024
2. Introduction to the Legislative Action Committee (Fruen)
    a. Overview of Legislative Action Committee Process (Walia)
    b. Overview of Legislative Action Committee Calendar (Fruen)
    c. Sacramento Legislative Calendar (Fruen)
3. Legislative Update and Outlook (Fruen)
    a. Speaker: California Public Policy Group
4. Guest Speaker (Fruen)
    a. Asm. Patrick Ahrens, Assembly District 26: Legislative Priorities
5. Cities Association Board of Directors Priorities (Fruen)
    a. Discussion of Bills to Watch
    b. Discussion of Bill Ideas to Support

ADJOURN (Fruen)

PUBLIC COMMENT

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REGULAR MEETING
LEGISLATIVE ACTION COMMITTEE

Los Altos Community Center
Sequoia Room
97 Hillview Avenue
Los Altos, CA 94022

NOVEMBER 14, 2024
5:30 PM

AGENDA IN BLACK/MINUTES IN RED

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WELCOME & CALL TO ORDER – (Walia)

Meeting called to order at 5:38 PM

ROLL CALL (Sirkay)

LAC Members Present (9):

Campbell	Anne Bybee
Cupertino	J.R. Fruen
Los Gatos	Matthew Hudes
Monte Sereno	Javed Ellahie
Morgan Hill	Mark Turner
Palo Alto	Greer Stone
Santa Clara	Kathy Watanabe
Saratoga	Tina Walia
Sunnyvale	Larry Klein

LAC Members Absent: (5)

Los Altos	Pete Dailey
Los Altos Hills	Stanley Mok
Milpitas	Carmen Montano
Mountain View	Pat Showalter
San Jose	Peter Ortiz

Staff Present (1):

Shali Sirkay	Executive Director

Members of the Public Present (3):

Kristine Guerrero	California League of Cities, Peninsula Division
Carly Shelby	Townsend Public Affairs, Inc.

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AGENDA

1. Consent Agenda (Walia)
    a. Approve Minutes from Legislative Action Committee Meeting on August 8, 2024

Motion to *approve the consent agenda as presented* by Turner

Second by Fruen

AYE: 9

NAY: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 5

Motion passes 9-0-0-5

2. Chair Update (Walia)
    a. California League of Cities Peninsula Division Legislative Address
3. 2024 Legislative Action Committee Year in Review (Walia)
4. **2024 Legislative Session (Walia)**
    a. Overview of 2024 Legislative Session
        i. Guest Speaker: Kristine Guerrero, California League of Cities Peninsula Division
    b. Update On Legislative Status of 2024 Bills Previously Considered By Cities Association Legislative Action Committee
        i. Guest Speaker: Carly Shelby, Townsend Public Affairs, Inc.
5. Feedback from Committee Members (All)

ADJOURN (Walia)

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM

Respectfully submitted on February 13, 2025,

Vaishali Sirkay

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Executive Director
Cities Association of Santa Clara County

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APPROVED BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON JANUARY 30, 2025

CITIES ASSOCIATION OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY

2025 Meeting Calendar of the CASCC Joint Powers Agency

Executive Committee	Board of Directors	Legislative Action Committee	City Selection Committee
January 21	January 30	No meeting	January 30
February 3	February 13	February 13	
February 27	March 13	March 13	
March 27	April 10	April 10	
April 24	May 8	May 8	
May 22	June 12 Special Meeting	June – no meeting	
June – no meeting	July – no meeting	July – no meeting	
July 24	August 14	August 14	
August 28	September 11	September 11	
September 25	October 9	October 9 - tentative	
October 23	November 13	November 13	
November 27	December – no meeting	December – no meeting	

The **Executive Committee** typically meets on the fourth Thursday of the month at 4:30 PM

The **Board of Directors** typically meets on the second Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM

The **Legislative Action Committee** typically meets on the second Thursday of the month at 5:30 PM, and as needed based on the state legislative cycle

The **City Selection Committee** meets twice per calendar year, and as needed

CASCC Annual Holiday Party is scheduled on Sunday, December 7, 2025

JANUARY							
	S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
				1	2	3	4
Wk. 1	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Wk. 2	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Wk. 3	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Wk. 4	26	27	28	29	30	31	

FEBRUARY							
	S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
Wk. 4							1
Wk. 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Wk. 2	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Wk. 3	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Wk. 4	23	24	25	26	27	28	

MARCH							
	S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
Wk. 4							1
Wk. 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Wk. 2	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Wk. 3	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Wk. 4	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Wk. 1	30	31					

APRIL							
	S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
Wk. 1			1	2	3	4	5
Wk. 2	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Spring Recess	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Wk. 3	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Wk. 4	27	28	29	30			

MAY							
	S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
Wk. 4					1	2	3
Wk. 1	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Wk. 2	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Wk. 3	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Wk. 4.	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

*Holiday schedule subject to final approval by Rules Committee.

DEADLINES

Jan. 1 Statutes take effect (Art. IV, Sec. 8(c)).

Jan. 6 Legislature reconvenes (J.R. 51(a)(1)).

Jan. 10 Budget bill must be submitted by Governor (Art. IV, Sec. 12(a)).

Jan. 20 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day observed.

Jan. 24 Last day to submit **bill requests** to the Office of Legislative Counsel.

Feb. 17 Presidents' Day observed.

Feb. 21 Last day for bills to be **introduced** (J.R. 61(a)(1), J.R. 54(a)).

Mar. 31 Cesar Chavez Day observed.

Apr. 10 **Spring Recess** begins upon adjournment (J.R. 51(a)(2)).

Apr. 21 Legislature reconvenes from Spring Recess (J.R. 51(a)(2)).

May 2 Last day for **policy committees** to hear and report to fiscal committees **fiscal bills** introduced in their house (J.R. 61(a)(2)).

May 9 Last day for **policy committees** to hear and report to the Floor **nonfiscal** bills introduced in their house (J.R. 61(a)(3)).

May 16 Last day for **policy committees** to meet prior to June 9 (J.R. 61(a)(4)).

May 23 Last day for **fiscal committees** to hear and report to the **Floor** bills introduced in their house (J.R. 61(a)(5)).

Last day for **fiscal committees** to meet prior to June 9 (J.R. 61(a)(6)).

May 26 Memorial Day observed.

OVER

JUNE							
	S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
No Hrgs.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Wk. 1	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Wk. 2	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Wk. 3	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Wk. 4	29	30					

June 2-6 Floor Session only. No committee may meet for any purpose except Rules Committee, bills referred pursuant to A.R. 77.2, and Conference Committees (J.R. 61(a)(7)).

June 6 Last day for each house to pass bills introduced in that house (J.R. 61(a)(8)).

June 9 Committee meetings may resume (J.R. 61(a)(9)).

June 15 Budget bill must be passed by midnight (Art. IV, Sec. 12(c)(3)).

JULY							
	S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
Wk. 4			1	2	3	4	5
Wk. 1	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Wk. 2	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Summer Recess	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Summer Recess	27	28	29	30	31		

July 4 Independence Day observed.

July 18 Last day for **policy committees** to hear and report bills (J.R. 61(a)(10)).

Summer Recess begins upon adjournment, provided Budget Bill has been passed (J.R. 51(a)(3)).

AUGUST							
	S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
Summer Recess						1	2
Summer Recess	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Summer Recess	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Wk. 3	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Wk. 4	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
No Hrgs.	31						

Aug. 18 Legislature reconvenes from **Summer Recess** (J.R. 51(a)(3)).

Aug. 29 Last day for **fiscal committees** to hear and report bills to the Floor (J.R. 61(a)(11)).

SEPTEMBER							
	S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
No Hrgs.		1	2	3	4	5	6
No Hrgs.	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Interim Recess	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Interim Recess	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Interim Recess	28	29	30				

Sept. 1 Labor Day observed.

Sept. 2-12 Floor session only. No committees may meet for any purpose, except Rules Committee, bills referred pursuant to Assembly Rule 77.2, and Conference Committees (J.R. 61(a)(12)).

Sept. 5 Last day to **amend** on the Floor (J.R. 61(a)(13)).

Sept. 12 Last day for each house to pass bills. (J.R. 61(a)(14)).

Interim Recess begins upon adjournment (J.R. 51(a)(4)).

IMPORTANT DATES OCCURRING DURING FINAL RECESS

2025

Oct 12 Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills passed by the Legislature before Sept. 12 and in the Governor's possession on or after Sept. 12 (Art. IV, Sec. 10(b)(1)).

2026

Jan. 1 Statutes take effect (Art. IV, Sec. 8(c)).

Jan. 5 Legislature reconvenes (J.R. 51(a)(4)).

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THE LIFE CYCLE OF LEGISLATION – From Idea Into Law

SUGGESTIONS FOR NEEDED LEGISLATION
FROM AGENCIES, CITIZENS, GOVERNOR, LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATES

PREPARED BY LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL

SENATOR

SENATE BILL → INTRODUCED BY MEMBER FIRST READING NUMBERED PRINTED → RULES COMMITTEE ASSIGNS BILL TO COMMITTEE → Bill may not be heard or acted upon by committee until 31st day after introduction → COMMITTEE HEARING: Policy or Appropriations CHAIRPERSON **AND MEMBERS** TESTIFY: BILL AUTHOR CITIZENS EXPERTS LOBBYISTS → COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS DO PASS → SECOND SENATE READING → THIRD SENATE READING DEBATE VOTE → TO ASSEMBLY

PASSAGE REFUSED → MAY BE RECONSIDERED

Proposed Amendments ↔ Revised Third Reading Analysis

FIRST ASSEMBLY READING → RULES COMMITTEE ASSIGNS BILL TO COMMITTEE → COMMITTEE HEARING: Policy or Appropriations CHAIRPERSON **AND MEMBERS** TESTIFY: BILL AUTHOR CITIZENS EXPERTS LOBBYISTS → COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS DO PASS → SECOND ASSEMBLY READING → THIRD ASSEMBLY READING DEBATE VOTE

PASSAGE REFUSED → MAY BE RECONSIDERED

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THIRD ASSEMBLY READING DEBATE VOTE → **PASSED** → WITH ASSEMBLY AMENDMENTS

WITHOUT ASSEMBLY AMENDMENTS → RETURN TO SENATE FLOOR

RETURN TO SENATE FLOOR For Concurrence in Assembly Amendments

- YES
- NO* → CONFERENCE COMMITTEE (3 Senate Members & 3 Assembly Members) → CONFERENCE REPORT → SENATE and ASSEMBLY Adopt Conference Report → NO

*Follow same conference procedures as in the Senate

- YES
- NO → RETURN TO ASSEMBLY FLOOR For Concurrence in Senate Amendments

WITHOUT SENATE AMENDMENTS → RETURN TO ASSEMBLY FLOOR

VETO

LEGISLATURE HAS 60 DAYS (not including joint recesses) TO OVERRIDE VETO WITH 2/3 VOTE IN EACH HOUSE

SIGN GOVERNOR

BILL IS CHAPTERED BY SECRETARY OF STATE

Bill becomes law January 1st of the following year unless it contains an urgency clause (takes effect immediately) or specifies its own effective date.

BECOMES LAW WITHOUT SIGNATURE

THE CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE

Although the procedure can become more complicated, this chart shows the essential steps for passage of a bill.

Typical committee actions are used to simplify charting the course of legislation.

Some bills require hearing by more than one committee, in which case a committee may re-refer the bill to another committee. For example, bills with monetary implications must be re-referred to the proper fiscal committee in each House before they are sent to the floor for consideration and vote.

A bill may be amended at various times as it moves through the Houses. The bill must be reprinted each time an amendment is adopted by either House. All bill actions are printed in the DAILY FILES, JOURNALS and HISTORIES.

If a bill is amended in the opposite house, it is returned to the House of Origin for concurrence in amendments. If the House of Origin does not concur, a Conference Committee Report must then be adopted by each House before the bill can be sent to the Governor.

COMPLIMENTS OF SENATOR BEN HUESO

ASSEMBLY MEMBER

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THIRD SENATE READING DEBATE VOTE → **PASSED** → WITH SENATE AMENDMENTS

WITHOUT SENATE AMENDMENTS → RETURN TO ASSEMBLY FLOOR

6/06

2025 Priority Setting Activity Results

From January 30, 2025 Board of Directors Meeting

Priority Area and Votes* Received

Public Safety and Disaster Preparedness: 16 votes

Older Adults: 12 votes

Council Governance: 10 votes

Homelessness and Housing: 9 votes

Mental Health: 8 votes

Childcare: 7 votes

Federal Response: 3 votes

*votes = stickers