CITY/COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS COMMITTEE ON CONGESTION MANAGEMENTAND ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (CMEQ)

MINUTES MEETING OF June 28, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Chair Richardson in Conference Room A at City Hall of San Mateo at 3:00 pm.

Attendance sheet is attached.

1. Public comment on items not on the agenda.

None.

2. Minutes of May 24, 2010 meeting.

Motion: To approve the Minutes of the May 24, 2010 meeting. Motion was moved, member Dworetzky abstained.

3. Report Back on San Mateo County Energy Watch Energy Savings Results (Information).

Kim Springer of San Mateo County Recycle Works provided handouts on updated "Performance to Date / Forecast" and powerpoint copy showing definitions and energy savings. Kim also gave graphic presentation of the energy saving goals versus actual saving to-date. A question was asked regarding ramification for not meeting the goals at the end of three years. The answer was that we won't have an energy watch program. However, every effort is being taken now to meet the goals, and it is expected that we will.

4. Review and recommend approval of the funding for the provision of Congestion Relief Program shuttle services from July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

Tom Madalena presented the recommendations from staff and from the Shuttle Review Committee, which is to fund all shuttle applications with the exception of that from East Palo Alto (EPA). The Shuttle Review Committee has requested staff to obtain the missing information from EPA before a funding recommendation can be made.

A discussion took place regarding the pros and cons of consolidating all local shuttles and put them under one umbrella in the county. It would be more efficient to run the shuttles under a centralized organization in the county. However, local control and local flexibility are important. CMEQ members suggested to invite Richard Cook of SamTrans to come to a future meeting to further discuss the role SamTrans plays.

Motion: To recommend approval of funding all shuttle applications with the exception that East Palo Alto must provide missing information prior to funding approval. Pierce/Koelling. Motion approved unanimously.

5. Review and recommend approval of a \$10 Vehicle Registration Fee (VRF) Expenditure Plan.

John Hoang presented the staff recommendation on a C/CAG resolution authorizing a measure to be put on the November ballot for voter approval of a \$10 vehicle registration fee for local and countywide transportation programs. John stated the current staff recommendation deviates from what is shown on page 70 of the meeting packet in such that staff recommends taking 5% off the top for program administration.

Pat Dixon, urged the CMEQ to not approve the recommendation to impose the \$10 fee because many senior citizens in this county, particularly those live on social security, did not get a COLA this year. They simply cannot afford to pay the added fee. She said at the May 2010 C/CAG Board meeting, some C/CAG members suggested keeping the current C/CAG \$4 license fee, and wait for a couple of years when the economy gets better before proceeding with this additional \$10.

John Hoang reported that the Congestion Management Program Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) recommended no minimum guarantee for small jurisdictions, and further stated only one member representing a small jurisdiction was present at that TAC meeting. Rich Napier asked the CMEQ committee to consider a guarantee minimum for smaller jurisdictions. The reason is that it costs the same for a small or large jurisdiction to pave a street. Chair Richardson stated the TAC has made that kind of mistake in the past. Chair Richardson suggested the \$100,000 minimum per jurisdiction. Member Robinson disagreed.

CMEQ members agreed there should be a minimum, however, did not have a consensus on the dollar amount. CMEQ agreed to defer that decision to the C/CAG Board.

Motion: To recommend \$50,000 minimum per jurisdiction. Robinson/Pierce. Motion failed.

Motion: To recommend \$100,000 minimum per jurisdiction. Kersteen-Tucker/Richardson. Motion failed.

Motion: To recommend \$75,000 minimum per jurisdiction. Pierce/Lempert. Support:Lloyd, Pierce, Roberts, Koelling, Trapp, Richardson, Dworetsky, Kersteen-Tucker. Opposed: Papan, Robinson, Garbarino, Lempert. Motion carried.

Motion: To recommend no term limit for this measure. Robinson/Roberts. Unanimous.

6. Receive an update on the San Mateo County Safe Route to School (SR2S) Program.

John Hoang provided a brief update on the Safe Route to School program. CMEQ members mentioned one of the biggest challenges is to figure out what are the barriers preventing parents from letting kids walk/bike to school. One major barrier is security and safety.

Motion: To accept the update on the San Mateo County Safe Route to School (SR2S) Program. Lloyd/Papan. Unanimous.

7. Executive Director Report.

Richard Napier reported there will be a special C/CAG Board meeting on July 8, 2010 at 6:30 PM to vote on the \$10 Vehicle Registration Fee item.

8. Member comments and announcements.

Chair Richardson asked to oppose the bill that would stop AB 32. She handed out the paper titled "Stop The Texas Oil Companies' Dirty Energy Proposition". She will send out sample resolutions to members.

9. Adjournment and establishment of next meeting date.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:50 pm. Next meeting is scheduled for August 30, 2010.