

**CITY/COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS COMMITTEE ON CONGESTION
MANAGEMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (CMEQ)**

**MINUTES
MEETING OF September 24, 2012**

The meeting was called to order by Acting Chair Irene O’Connell in Conference Room A at City Hall of San Mateo at 3:02 pm. Attendance sheet is attached.

1. Public comment on items not on the agenda.

None.

2. Minutes of August 27, 2012 meeting.

Motion: To approve the Minutes of the August 27, 2012 meeting, Lloyd/Bigelow. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Update on San Mateo County Energy Watch Program and Discussions With PG&E for the 2013-14 Contract Transition Period. (Information)

Susan Wright of San Mateo County Public Works (Energy Watch Program) provided a presentation on information update on the San Mateo County Energy Watch Program. For fiscal year 2013/14, the program will expand to serve residential, school, small to medium size business, agricultural sectors. Susan also stated that city by city “report card” is now available. Graphics showing the Energy Watch Program actual savings in terms of kilowatts as well as projected savings from pipeline projects were presented.

4. Presentation on the Joint Venture Silicon Valley, Joint Solar Purchase Program. (Information)

Kim Springer of San Mateo County Public Works (Energy Watch Program Manager) presented the Joint Venture Silicon Valley “Joint Solar Purchase” program. The program benefits include savings in staff time on procurement, more competitive pricing based on volume and group purchase, and can demonstrate leadership in climate protection. Alameda and Contra Costa counties are the lead agency in this cycle. There is a best practice guidebook available. Cities of Redwood City, Menlo Park, Pacifica, and the County of San Mateo are participating.

5. Review and Recommend Approval of a Call for Projects for the OneBayArea Grant (OBAG) Federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Funds Consisting of the Bicycle/Pedestrian Improvement Program and Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC) Program.

Jean Higaki provided a revised OBAG Call for Projects Guidelines sheet handout which included the recommended changes made by the CMP TAC on September 20, 2012. The call for project will make available \$6.5 million and \$4.5 million for the Bicycle/Pedestrian Improvement program and TLC program, respectively. MTC requires a minimum of 70% of overall OBAG fund be invested in PDA or in PDA Proximate Access. CMEQ members asked for clarification on how the 70/30 split works with regard to project merit. Staff responded that given the 70% PDA requirement, it is possible that a lower scored PDA project be funded over a higher scored non-PDA project in the event that the 30% flexible money runs out.

Motion: To recommend approval of the Call for Projects for the OneBayArea Grant (OBAG) Federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds consisting of the Bicycle/Pedestrian Improvement Program and Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC) Program, Patridge/Richardson; member Roberts abstain; Motion carried.

6. Executive Director Report.

Richard Napier, Executive Director reported that he and the Bay Area Regional Water Quality Control Board Executive Director Bruce Wolfe attended a City Manager Association meeting to begin a dialogue regarding the challenges faced by cities/county in the implementation of the Municipal Regional Permit requirements. He also announced San Mateo County agencies will host the October 25 and 26 California Transportation Commission (CTC) Reception and meeting.

7. Member comments and announcements.

Member Lloyd announced the CalTrain will hold a press conference on 9/26 regarding the Positive Train Control project.

Member Patridge announced the Half Moon Bay Pumpkin Festival will be on October 13 & 14.

11. Adjournment and establishment of next meeting date.

The next regular meeting was scheduled for October 29, 2012. Meeting was adjourned at 4:40 pm.