

**CITY/COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

**MEETING MINUTES
August 14, 2014**

At 5:31 P.M. Vice Chair Kiesel called the Legislative Committee meeting to order in the Second Floor Auditorium at the San Mateo Transit District Office.

Committee Members Attending:

Art Kiesel (City of Foster City)
Richard Garbarino (City of South San Francisco)
Mary Ann Nihart (City of Pacifica)
Karen Ervin (City of Pacifica)
Kirsten Keith (City of Menlo Park)

Guests or Staff Attending:

Matt Robinson, Andrew Antwih, Shaw/ Yoder/ Antwih Inc. (Call in)
Sandy Wong, Jean Higaki, Matt Fabry, Ellen Barton, C/CAG Staff
Jim Bigelow, Redwood City Chamber of Commerce

1. Public comment on related items not on the agenda.

None

2. Approval of Minutes from June 12, 2014.

Member Garbarino moved and Member Keith seconded approval of the June 12, 2014 minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Stormwater legislative activities update.

Matt Fabry and Matt Robinson provided a brief update of stormwater legislation activities. AB 418 will be amended into a majority bill by taking out the urgency clause. It is anticipated to go to the Governor's office next week. It will now serve as a back up to AB 2170. AB 2170 gives JPAs general authority to pursue a property related fee or special tax. AB 2170 is approved by both houses and is going to the Governor's office today for signature. When a bill goes the Governor's office, the Governor has 12 days to act (sign, approve, or veto). If the bill is signed it will go to effect in January.

AB 2194 allowing stormwater activities to be financed under Mello-Roos was retaken and turned into an unrelated elections bill.

4. Update from Advocation & Shaw/ Yoder/ Antwih

Matt Robinson and Andrew Antwih from Shaw/ Yoder/ Antwih gave a legislative update. August 15 is the Fiscal Committee deadline. If Bills are to move forward they must clear the appropriations committee by August 15. August 31 is last day of this session and any bill that makes it through will go to Governor's desk for signature. The Governor will have till September 30 to sign any bills into law.

AB 2403 was signed by the Governor at the end of June. AB 2403 expands the definition of water to include "water from any source," associated with Proposition 218. This technical change clarifies recent court decisions that include stormwater in the definition of water. Prop 218 still requires a protest process but not a voter approval process.

Member Kiesel asked about the probability of San Mateo being able to obtain some of the Cap and Trade funds. Transit (SamTrans and Caltrain) will receive a formula share of Cap and Trade funds.

The water bond proposal was signed by the Governor at about 10:00 p.m. last night. Republicans made sure that there was ample funding dedicated towards storage facilities. Remaining funding will be directed to ground water cleanup, delta restoration, and stormwater. Most of the project funding would have to be listed in the Bay Area Integrated Regional Management Plan (IRWMP) plan. A breakdown of the funds was distributed to committee members. Member Keith asked if the Hetch Hetchy mountain tunnel project would be an eligible project under drought preparedness. Guidelines and criteria would be further developed should the voters approve and pass the bond.

There is no new language regarding Infrastructure Financing Districts (IFD)s but the legislature is still working on this issue to enhance the role of IFDs.

SB 983 did not pass committee but had it passed it would have specified what agencies would be allowed to apply to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) to convert High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes to High Occupancy Toll (HOT) lanes. Controversy in Southern California and hesitance during an election year resulted in the bill not passing out of committee.

5. Review and recommend approval of the C/CAG legislative policies, priorities, positions, and legislative update (A position may be taken on any legislation, including legislation not previously identified).

No recommended legislative action was recommended by the committee.

6. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:12 P.M.