

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

**MINUTES
MEETING OF August 29, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair O'Neill in Conference Room C at City Hall of San Mateo at 3:05 p.m. Attendance sheet is attached.

1. Public comment on items not on the agenda.

None.

2. Issues from the August 2016 C/CAG Board meeting.

C/CAG Staff Jeff Lacap provided updates on items that were previously brought to the CMEQ committee and been brought to the Board meeting thereafter.

3. Approval of minutes of June 27, 2016 meeting (Action).

Motion: To approve the minutes of the June 27, 2016 meeting, Lee/Lewis. Keener, Roberts, O'Neill, Aguirre, and Beach approve. Bonilla, Levin, and Stone abstain.

4. Receive a presentation on the San Mateo County Safe Routes to School Program School Year 15-16 (Information).

Due to technical difficulties, item was moved after Item 5.

Theresa Vallez-Kelly, San Mateo County Safe Routes to School Program Coordinator with the San Mateo County Office of Education, provided a presentation about the San Mateo County Safe Routes to School Program. The presentation offered an update on the program's progress during the 2015-2016 school year as well as background on the program's goals, structure, and approaches. Program performance through data collection efforts and future goals for the program was a key focus of the presentation.

5. Receive a presentation on the Smart Mobility Project (Information).

Steve Raney from Joint Venture Silicon Valley provided a presentation to provide the CMEQ Committee information on ideas, opportunities, and challenges in addressing commute mode shift for traffic congestion relief and reduction in vehicle miles traveled. Potential solutions include concepts for the integration of enterprise commute trip reduction software with smartphone mobility aggregation, viability of pricing as a motivation for mode shift, availability of new commute options, as well as overcoming systematic obstacles.

6. Receive the revision to the One Bay Area Grant 2 (OBAG 2) Framework (Information).

C/CAG Staff Jean Higaki presented the Board approved revision to the One Bay Area Grant 2 (OBAG 2) framework. On August 11, 2016 the Board adopted the revisions to the OBAG 2 framework which included increased funding to Local Streets and Roads, Transportation for Livable Communities, Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvement Program, and Safe Routes to School programs. The Federal Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act provided an additional \$72 million in STP/ CMAQ funds to the region (MTC). MTC in turn has proposed

that \$32 million be distributed to the counties based on the OBAG 2 county distribution formula. C/CAG will receive an additional \$2.69 million for the county share.

7. Receive the Board approved definition of “proximate access” as it relates to Priority Development Areas (PDAs) in the One Bay Area Grant 2 (OBAG 2) Program (Information).

C/CAG Staff Jean Higaki presented the Board approved definition of “proximate access” as it relates to Priority Development Areas (PDAs) in the One Bay Area Grant 2 (OBAG 2) Program. On August 11, 2016 the C/CAG Board approved the definition of proximate access to a PDA with the modification of raising the ½ mile radius of a PDA boundary to 1 mile as recommended by the CMP TAC and CMEQ Committees.

8. Review and Recommend Approval of the One Bay Area Grant 2 (OBAG 2) Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC) Program Call for Projects (Action).

C/CAG Staff Jean Higaki presented the proposed screening and scoring criteria for the One Bay Area Grant 2 (OBAG 2) Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC) Program.

On July 27, 2016 the MTC Commission adopted a screening requirement that all general law cities and counties must adopt a surplus land resolution by the date the CMAs submit their OBAG 2 project recommendations to MTC in order to be eligible for OBAG 2 funds. The resolution states that a jurisdiction complies with the State Surplus Land Act. Charter cities and counties are exempt at this time, until the court makes a determination that charter cities must comply with the Surplus Land Act.

The MTC Commission also adopted revisions to the county program that requires CMAs to adopt a specific scoring methodology for selecting projects within PDAs or Transit Priority Areas (TPAs) that rewards jurisdictions “with the most effective housing anti-displacement policies.” Jean presented an example list of fourteen anti-displacement policies that jurisdictions can have at the time of submission. She mentioned that the list is not comprehensive, but they are most applicable to the Bay Area and peninsula.

Two options were presented for consideration by the committee to address the anti-displacement scoring methodology requirement. One option was to modify the affordable housing criteria to award projects based on the number of adopted specific housing preservation/community stabilization policies but keep the existing criterion cap at five points. The second option was to increase the weight of this modified criterion to ten points by shifting five points away from the project readiness design criterion.

Members discussed at length the anti-displacement policies presented and the potential of adding additional policies such as:

- Mobile home sites be re-zoned as affordable housing
- Low cost loan program for landlords
- Deed restricted affordable housing
- Anti-displacement policies for small businesses in PDA’s
- Minimum wage increases

Bob Allen from Urban Habitat and Belén Seara from SMC Union Community Alliance were given two minutes for public comment.

Member Bonilla made a motion to send a letter to the C/CAG Board stating that the committee was unable to make a recommendation due to lack of information and insufficient time to conduct proper analysis on the effectiveness of the various anti-displacement policies. It was requested to state that while the committee supports the idea of controlling displacement with some methods, they are not sure that the list of the anti-displacement policies presented to them has any effectiveness. The committee is also deeply concerned with the issue of affordable housing in San Mateo County. The committee requested a more detailed study describing the value and nexus of each anti-displacement policy. Member Stone seconds the motion.

Motion: To send a letter to the C/CAG Board saying that the committee was unable to make a recommendation based on the information provided in One Bay Area Grant 2 (OBAG 2) Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC) Program Call for Projects, Bonilla/Stone. Keener, Roberts, O'Neill, Lewis, Lee, Levin approve. Beach opposes.

9. Executive Director Report (Information).

None.

10. Member comments and announcements (Information).

None.

11. Adjournment and establishment of next meeting date.

The meeting adjourned at 5:05 pm.

The next regular meeting was scheduled for September 26, 2016.