

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

**MEETING MINUTES
August 11, 2016**

At 5:31 P.M. Chair Gordon called the Legislative Committee meeting to order in the 2nd Floor auditorium at the San Mateo Transit District Office.

Guests or Staff Attending:

Matt Robinson - Shaw/ Yoder/ Antwih Inc.
Sandy Wong, Jean Higaki, Matt Fabry - C/CAG Staff
Seth Miller – League of California Cities

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

None

2. Approval of Minutes from May 12, 2016.

Member O'Connell moved and Member Derwin seconded approval of the May 12, 2016 minutes. Member Nihart abstained. Motion passed 6-0.

3. Update from Shaw/ Yoder/ Antwih (SYA).

Matt Robinson, from Shaw/ Yoder/ Antwih provided an update from Sacramento.

The State Legislature was off in July and reconvened on August 1st. The last day of formal session is August 31st. The Governor has till end of September to sign any bill from the last day of session.

The two chairs of the house and senate (Frazier and Beall) are working to merge the two transportation funding packages. Some differences regarding CEQA reform, transit funding, alternative procurement issues are being worked out. There is the effort to have an identical bill in each house during the special session and then work on obtaining the 2/3 support. It is unlikely that something will happen by end of August before November elections. The thought is that something may be able to move after the election and before the end of the special session at the end of November.

The Governor may have to make transportation funding a priority to get a bill passed but right now the priority is housing and extension of CAP and Trade beyond 2020. Transportation funding is around 3 to 4 on the priority list at this time.

In general, the bills that C/CAG is strongly opposing are dead (SB 1170 and SB 885) and the

bills that C/CAG is supporting are progressing or are signed (AB 2126 and AB 516). ACA 4 is still in limbo but may not pass.

The last Cap and Trade auction was generated around \$10 million but was estimated to generate \$500 million. Currently there is approximately \$1.4 billion carry over from last year. Governor wants to wait on spending it to stabilize existing programs. The Senate wants to spend it. Another auction is scheduled for Tuesday (August 16). The California Chamber of Commerce currently has a lawsuit in the Supreme Court stating that Cap and Trade is an illegal tax. Businesses may be waiting for the results of the lawsuit.

4. 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).

There is a request to send in a support letter for SB 1298 (Hertzberg) which would revise a definition in the government code which would allow storm water to be included in the definition of sewers. This would make it less cumbersome for local governments to generate funding to manage storm water.

Member Nihart moved and Member O'Connell seconded recommending the C/CAG Board to send a letter of support for SB 1298. Motion passed unanimously. The legislative committee requested that a template be distributed so that Cities could individually send in letters of support. (A factsheet and template was emailed to the Board on August 18, 2016)

Seth Miller, from the League of California Cities, was introduced to the Legislative Committee and will stay to be introduced to the full C/CAG Board.

5. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:05 P.M.

Legislative Committee 2015 Attendance Record

Agency	Name	Jan 14	Feb 11	March 10	April 14	May 12	June 9	July	August 11	Sept 8	Oct	Nov	Dec 8
Menlo Park	Catherine Carlton		x	x		x			x				
Millbrae	Gina Papan		N/A			x							
Pacifica	Mary Ann Nihart	Canceled	x	x	Canceled	x	Canceled		x				
Pacifica	Karen Ervin			x		x							
Portola Valley	Maryann Moise Derwin (C/CAG Vice Chair)		N/A	N/A		x			x				
Redwood City	Alicia Aguirre (C/CAG Chair)		x	x		x			x				
San Bruno	Irene O'Connell		x	x		x			x				
Sounth San Francisco	Richard Garbarino			x		x							
Woodside	Deborah Gordon (Leg Chair)		x	x		x			x				

 no meeting