

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

**MEETING MINUTES
December 12, 2019**

At 5:30 P.M. the Legislative Committee meeting was called to order in the 2nd Floor auditorium at the San Mateo Transit District Office.

Attendance sheet is attached.

Guests or Staff Attending:

Andrew Antwih – Shaw/Yoder/Antwih Inc.

Matt Robinson - Shaw/Yoder/Antwih Inc.

Sandy Wong, Matt Fabry, Susy Kalkin, Kim Springer - C/CAG Staff

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

None.

2. Approval of Minutes from September 12, 2019.

Member Masur moved and member Lewis seconded approval of the September 12, 2019 minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Matt Robinson and Andrew Antwih, from Shaw/ Yoder/ Antwih,Inc. provided a legislative update from Sacramento.

The legislative session reconvenes from recess on January 6, 2019 to start the second year of the two-year legislative session, which will adjourn August 31 due to the election year.

There are two two-year bills of interest that will be active in the coming session. These bills have a very short window to get the bills out of their house of origin, by January 31, 2020. Second-year bills may have to be reheard in committees that they had already been heard in in the prior year of legislative session.

Two-year bills of interest:

- SB 50 (Weiner) – Senator Weiner has been working with local housing groups and CSAC on a revised version of this bill. Senator Weiner’s team will bring back a different version that focuses on providing direction to municipalities for adoption of local housing elements and emphasis on equity, affordability, anti-displacement, etc. It is understood

that if municipalities do not adopt local plans that adhere to the guidance, then the full force of SB 50 will go into place.

Senator Weiner's staff plans to host a meeting in early January for legislative advocates of local governments to hear the details of the proposal. There is an anticipated transition period for municipalities to adopt plans with guidance. It is unclear at this time who the enforcing agency will be and the duration of the transition period, e.g., California Department of Housing and Community Development.

Members of the Committee questioned whether there should be more action now on behalf of C/CAG to address the proposed changes. It was recommended that C/CAG and the Legislative Committee wait to hear the proposal and then develop a position in January or February.

- SB 278/FASTER (Beall) – This is the new “mega” regional transportation measure bill, which proposes a \$100 billion measure over 40 years for a half-cent sales tax across the nine-county Bay Area region. This tax bill comes on the heels of SB 1, which focused on road maintenance and Regional Measure 3, which was intended to fill in the gaps for funding existing regional infrastructure projects. Currently, the bill is in the Senate Transportation and Housing Committee (house of origin), with a potential goal for 2020 or 2022 ballot measure. To get onto the 2020 ballot, the bill would need to get through the policy committees in the Senate and into the Assembly, by Jan 31, then through the Assembly and back to Senate and signed by Governor by June/July, under an urgency clause. There would also need to be a two-thirds vote under the urgency clause. Once signed into law the Boards of Supervisors for all nine counties would need to take action to put the tax into place. There are also other competing priorities that some counties are taking into consideration, like the Caltrain funding measure and housing. Members also discussed Seamless Bay Area, which advocates for regional integrated transit via this mega funding initiative and better coordination among regional transportation agencies. Robinson will follow the developments of that group. Members mentioned development of the Housing Alliance for the Bay Area as a result of SB 1487 (Chiu) which was signed by the Governor in fall and the potential for a competing regional housing measure in 2020.

Other policy areas to track in 2020:

- PG&E and wildfire preparedness.
- Climate resiliency bond likely to come together in 2020, with potential implications for stormwater and water quality.
- Homelessness is a budget priority going into 2020. Regards state funds used for emergency intervention. There was a \$2 billion spending package for homeless assistance outlined in the Governor's budget last year. Currently, the state is on-pace for its “rainy day fund” developed under Jerry Brown, but it is unclear now how a budget surplus will be expended now that there are signs of a recession.

- Governor Newsom may also have his own proposals on housing that have yet to be introduced.

Given the evolving dynamics around SB 50, Robinson recommended planning to visit Sacramento earlier than usual, perhaps in March, to ensure adequate time and opportunity to provide meaningful input on the new version of the bill.

4. Review and recommend approval of the Annual C/CAG Legislative Policies for 2020.

No action taken. Members discussed several potential revisions to the draft legislative policies for 2020. Proposed revisions included minor editorial changes and several policy-based modifications in specific policy areas. Potential policy additions or modifications include – issues of equity in application among jurisdictions under Policy #2; including the “101 Express Lanes Project” in Policy #6.7; potentially adding SamTrans to Policies #6.4 and #6.5; adding a policy about bike/ped improvements; adding Policy #6.11 for legislation in support of interconnectivity among transportation agencies; changing Policy #6.10 to include “regional funding measures;” addressing Policy #8.2 and climate legislation “that would conflict with or override projects approved by the voters,” as well as addressing the placement of policies under Policy #10 – Other; and including policies for supporting legislation wildfire prevention and regulations regarding PG&E.

5. Review and approval of the 2020 C/CAG Legislative Committee calendar.

Member Lewis moved and member Chuang seconded to recommend approval of the 2020 C/CAG Legislative Committee calendar. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Election of a C/CAG Legislative Committee Chairperson and Vice Chairperson.

Member Papan moved and member Chuang seconded the nomination of Catherine Mahanpour to be the Chair of the C/CAG Legislative Committee. Motion passed unanimously.

Member Moise Derwin and member Mahanpour seconded the nomination of Member Masur for the Vice Chair of the Legislative Committee. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:25 P.M.

Legislative Committee 2019 Attendance Record

Agency	Name	Jan 10	Feb 14	March 14	April 11	May 9	June 13	July 11	August	Sept 12	Oct	Nov	Dec 12
Atherton	Elizabeth Lewis	N/A	N/A	x	x	x	x	x		x			x
Foster City	Catherine Mahanpour (Leg Vice Chair)	x		x	x		x	x		x			x
Hillsborough	Marie Chuang (C/CAG Vice Chair)	x	x	x	x		x	x		x			x
Menlo Park	Catherine Carlton		x		x	x	x	x		x			x
Millbrae	Gina Papan	x	x		x		x	x		x			x
Pacifica	Sue Vaterlaus	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x			x
Portola Valley	Maryann Moise Derwin (C/CAG Chair)	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x			x
Redwood City	Shelly Masur	x		x	x	x		x		x			x
San Bruno	Irene O'Connell (Leg Chair)	x	x	x	x	x	x			x			
South San Francisco	Richard Garbarino	x	x	x	x	x							

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