

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

**MEETING MINUTES  
May 8, 2014**

At 5:32 P.M. Chair Gordon called the Legislative Committee meeting to order in the Second Floor Auditorium at the San Mateo Transit District Office.

**Committee Members Attending:**

Irene O'Connell (City of San Bruno)  
Deborah Gordon (Town of Woodside)  
Art Kiesel (City of Foster City)  
Richard Garbarino (City of South San Francisco)  
Mary Ann Nihart (City of Pacifica)  
Laurence May (Town of Hillsborough)  
Catherine Carlton (City of Menlo Park)

**Guests or Staff Attending:**

Andrew Antwih, Matt Robinson, Shaw/ Yoder/ Antwih Inc.  
Sandy Wong, Jean Higaki, Matt Fabry, 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 February 13, 2014 and Approval of Minutes from March 13, 2014.**

Member Kiesel moved and member O'Connell seconded approval of the February 13, 2014 and March 13, 2014 minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

**4. Stormwater legislative activities update.**

This item was moved up in the agenda. A written report was included as Matt Fabry was not present at the meeting. There was unanimous decision on the part of the C/CAG's Stormwater Committee to slow down the funding initiative effort. There are significant remaining activities that need to be performed and concerns that need to be addressed before asking the C/CAG Board to make a decision on whether to move forward on an initiative.

Member Gordon requested to have this item on the next agenda with a description of what is keeping C/CAG from making progress on the funding initiative.

- 3. Update from Advocation & Shaw/ Yoder/ Antwih**
- 5. Review and recommend that the C/CAG Board send support letters for AB 2170, AB 2194, and AB 1690.**
- 6. 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).**

The update from legislative advocates (Item 3) was merged, with recommendations on support letters (Item 5), and recommendation of C/CAG positions on legislative policies (Item 6).

Andrew Antwih provided a general legislative update. All assembly bills and appropriation bills have to go to the floor and/or pass out of their house of origin by the end of May so things are moving pretty fast. The State Assembly will swear in a new speaker, Toni Atkins, which may result in some changes.

The Governor is also expected to release the May revise of the budget on May 14. After May the budget subcommittees will meet to finalize the budget and elevate unresolved budget issues to a conference committee. So far there is agreement about introducing a proposition to revise the rainy day funds plan. It is expected that a new pro-tem will be selected after the budget is adopted.

AB 418 – This is the C/CAG sponsored bill authorizing C/CAG to move forward with a storm-water initiative. The bill is currently on the assembly floor but needs a 2/3 vote due to the urgency clause however, it is looking that it will be difficult to get the 2/3 vote. They are looking at pulling the AB 418 bill back to make it a majority vs a 2/3 bill.

AB 2170 – This is a broader bill that would act as a backup bill that is in the Senate and it is not expected to have an issue passing with a majority vote.

AB 2194 – Is another effort to facilitate local funding for storm water through amendment of the Mello - Roos Community Facilities Act.

Member Garbarino moved to recommend support for both AB 2170 and AB 2194. Member May seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

AB 1690 – This bill expands the zone opportunities to provide very low income and low income housing associated with RHNA allocations.

Member Carlton moved to recommend support for AB 1690. Member May seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

AB 1970 – Would like a dedicated part of the Cap and Trade funds for local governments to compete for GHG reduction projects.

Member O'Connell moved to recommend that the board take a position on AB 1970 to support

the concept of local control on a portion of Cap and Trade funds. Member Nihart seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Water Bond – There are multiple bills out there. The Senate is now requiring capture and recycling of water for all proposals. There is still a bond on the ballot which will go to the voters unless one of these options looks more promising.

Cap and Trade – Governor has proposed \$850 mil for 2014/2015, appropriating funds for sustainable communities, high-speed rail, rebates for clean vehicles, green energy and housing weatherization, urban forestry, and a myriad of other programs. Steinberg introduced a proposal with 30% to transit, 20% to sustainable Communities, 20% to affordable housing, 20% for high-speed rail, 10% for State Highway Operations Protection Program (SHOPP) improvements that have a GHG impacts and complete streets elements. It is estimated that Cap and Trade revenues will be a much higher than \$850 mil due to gas fuels revenues. Steinberg has a lot of support for his proposal.

Member O'Connell asked what is the next step now that the proposal is out. It is thought that much of the proposal will be a part of the budget process. Negotiations are in progress possibly till the end of the session.

Member Carlton asked if it was possible to track AB 1826 regarding the use of compost from large restaurants for methane production. It was noted that if a bill is in the prevue of the annual board adopted policies it can be tracked. As the item falls under the GHG reduction policy, Matt Robinson can add this bill as an item to watch.

## **7. Adjournment**

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