

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

**MEETING MINUTES
January 8, 2015**

At 5:31 P.M. Chair Gordon called the Legislative Committee meeting to order in the 4th Floor “Dining Room” at the San Mateo Transit District Office.

Committee Members Attending:

Art Kiesel (City of Foster City)
Deborah Gordon (Town of Woodside)
Richard Garbarino (City of South San Francisco)
Laurence May (Town of Hillsborough)
Karen Ervin (City of Pacifica)
Catherine Carlton (City of Menlo Park)
Kirsten Keith (City of Menlo Park)

Guests or Staff Attending:

Matt Robinson, Andrew Antwih - Shaw/ Yoder/ Antwih Inc.
Gus Khouri – Khouri Consulting Inc.
Sandy Wong, Jean Higaki, Matt Fabry - C/CAG Staff
Shweta Bhatnagar – SamTrans Staff

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

None

2. Approval of Minutes from September 11, 2014.

Member Garbarino moved and Member May seconded approval of the September 11, 2014 minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Matt Robinson, from SYA provided a legislative update. The senate now has 25 Democrats and 12 Republicans, 11 are new senators. In the house there is a, 52 Democrats and 28 Republican split with 26 new members. So far 193 bills have been introduced.

SB 32 - establishes new GHG reduction targets to 80% below 1990 levels by 2050. Largest impact of SB 32 would allow Cap and Trade to go beyond 2020.

Other items that may appear in the future to watch are bills lowering voter thresholds from 2/3 to

55% for new tax authority, raising the sales tax limit above 2% cap, clean up with the water bond, and Prop 218 reform to include storm water. Governor's budget will come out tomorrow. SYA will prepare a memo highlighting C/CAG areas that will be forwarded to the Committee (sent on January 11, 2015). Final Strategic Growth Council (SGC) guidelines for the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) program will post final guidelines on January 9, 2015. A small (2 cent/gal) increase in gas prices that started in January cannot be attributed to Cap and Trade and may be a ploy by oil companies. Cap and Trade may double in years to come.

4. Review and Recommend Approval of the C/CAG Legislative Policies for 2015

Questions and answers about policies.

Member Carlton asked if C/CAG had a history of sponsoring legislation. C/CAG has sponsored several bills and worked with other bill authors in the past. Most recently, AB 418, AB 2170, and a \$4 vehicle license fees, and a \$10 vehicle license bill. Member Ervin asked for some clarifications in policy number 3.

Member May moved and Member Ervin seconded approval of the Legislative Policies for 2015. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Approval of the 2015 Legislative Committee Calendar.

Member Carlton noted that there was a conflict with the League of Cities Policy meeting in April and June. It was decided to move the April 9th meeting to April 2nd and the June 11th meeting to June 4th. The time would remain 5:30p.m.

Member Garbarino moved and Member Gordon seconded approval of the 2015 Legislative Committee Calendar with revisions to the April meeting date and June meeting date. Motion passed unanimously. (Note: Upon rescheduling the start time was moved to 6:45 p.m. to avoid conflicts with the San Mateo County Transportation Authority Board meetings.)

6. Review and recommend approval to execute an agreement with Shaw/ Yoder/ Antwih, Inc. to provide state legislative advocacy service in an amount not to exceed \$144,000 for the 2015 and 2016 legislative session.

Member Carlton requested that a standard severability clause be added to the contract.

Member Kiesel moved and Member Keith seconded recommending approval to execute an agreement with Shaw/ Yoder/ Antwih, Inc. to provide state legislative advocacy service in an amount not to exceed \$144,000 for the 2015 and 2016 legislative session. A severability clause will be added to the final contract. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:15 P.M.