

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

**MEETING MINUTES
February 13, 2019**

At 5:34 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:

Matt Robinson (phone) - Shaw/Yoder/Antwih Inc.
Sandy Wong, Matt Fabry, Susy Kalkin, Kim Springer, Mikaela Hiatt, Mima Guilles, Jeff Lacap,
Kim Wever - C/CAG Staff
Pamela DiGiovanni – Council Member, City of Daly City
Betsy Nash – Council Member, City of Menlo Park

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

None.

2. Approval of Minutes from December 12, 2019.

Member Garbarino moved and member Vaterlaus seconded approval of the December 12, 2019 minutes. Motion passed, 7:0 (1 abstained).

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

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

Updates from Sacramento:

Two-year bills had until January 31, 2020 to pass out of the house of origin and the deadline for introducing new bills in the second year of the legislative cycle is February 21, 2020. The Governor released his 2021 budget proposal on January 10, and he will hold his State of the State Address on February 19. C/CAG staff will circulate an email briefing after the address.

The California Transportation Commission (CTC) appointed a new executive director, Mitch Weiss, on January 31, 2020. Mr. Weiss was Deputy Director of the CTC prior to his new appointment.

SB 50 (Weiner) fell short of the 21 votes needed to pass out of the Senate and is now dead for the 2020 legislative session. As mentioned in an email to the Legislative Committee and the

C/CAG Board, Senate Pro Tem Toni Atkins is committed to a new housing production bill in the current session, as is Governor Newsom, so there will likely be additional housing bills to consider.

Governor's Proposed 2021 Budget:

The Governor's 2021 budget proposal has a focus on climate change and housing with additional attention to transportation, healthcare and education. The proposed budget references the Governor's Executive Order on Climate Change and the establishment of a Climate Catalyst Fund, which includes a \$1 billion low interest loan program to fund zero-emissions technologies, and alternative fuels businesses and programs. The budget also proposes a new Executive Order on Homelessness, including more than \$1 billion in one-time funding for homelessness assistance. Seven hundred and fifty million dollars (\$750 million) are slated for providing direct assistance for transition housing and shelters, etc. Governor Newsom is developing a bill proposal to provide funding to local non-profit providers rather than to local municipalities. The state has provided funds to cities in the recent past, and there seems to be a shift toward supporting on-the-ground organizations that can take action now. Members discussed working with the County Health System to work on a regional plan to develop a coordinated strategy through existing infrastructure and resources. This effort could help leverage the existing work that non-profits are doing and help ensure accountability for achieving state mandates. M. Robinson clarified there is a distinction between what the Governor's Task Force on Homelessness has recommended versus what the Governor is stating should be done via this proposed bill. The proposal by the Governor focuses more on emphasizing cities should increase resources and focus on this topic, but not necessarily take on all of the recommendations of the Task Force.

Other Bills of Interest:

There are ongoing proposals for a "Water Resiliency Bond" for 2020 or 2022, including SB 45 (Allen) and the Governor's trailer bill. Matt Fabry and C/CAG staff are working on supporting the bill by working with members of the San Mateo delegation to ensure the funds are maintained for stormwater projects.

The proposed budget does not include significant changes for transportation, other than continued increases in revenue and local funds from SB 1 implementation.

FASTER/SB 278 (Beall), proposing a mega regional transportation measure, did pass the two-year deadline of January 31, 2020 and has moved out of the Senate into the Assembly. It is not clear whether this is achievable for a 2020 ballot measure, given the two-thirds vote requirement for the legislature to put this measure on the ballot for 2020. Member Papan noted MTC has clarified that based on recent polling does not support a separate transportation and housing measure on a single ballot. MTC proposes merging both bills into a single measure. There was some discussion about what would happen should FASTER fail, regarding the Caltrain's proposed eight-cent sales tax.

Seamless/AB 2057 (Chiu), which Senator Beall has considered to be part of the FASTER bill,

proposes greater interconnectivity among regional transportation agencies and funding in support of integration and ridership incentives. Member Papan mentioned she is working with Assembly Member Chiu and Assembly Member Mullin on developing this bill. Member Papan mentioned the need to focus on better accountability of the transit agencies.

AB 725 (Wicks), is being proposed to increase housing density in moderate to above-moderate income housing, with requirements for 25% of housing in these areas accommodate two or more units. There was a question as to whether this policy would have implications for accounting RHNA numbers; however it does not state specifically in the current bill language whether ADUs can be counted as RHNA numbers.

No legislative positions were taken by the Committee.

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

Reid Bogert summarized the requested changes to the draft C/CAG Legislative Policies for 2020 at the December 12, 2019. Proposed revisions included minor editorial changes and several policy-based modifications in specific policy areas. Edits to the draft policies included: adding a policy about bike/ped improvements as Policy #6.6; adding the “101 Express Lanes Project” in Policy #6.7; adding a policy about bike/ped improvements; adding Policy #6.11 to include “regional funding measures”; adding Policy #6.12 for legislation in support of interconnectivity among transportation agencies; addressing Policy #8.2 and climate legislation “that would conflict with or override projects approved by the voters,” adding Policy #8.10 to support legislation that provides access to green house gas emissions and energy use data; and addressing the placement of policies under Policy #10 – Other; and including policies for supporting legislation wildfire prevention and regulations regarding PG&E under Policies #8.13 and #8.14.

Motion to approve recommendation to the C/CAG Board to review and approve the C/CAG 2020 Legislative Policies. Motion (Masur); Second (Chuang). Motion passed 7:0 (1 abstained).

7. Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:10 P.M.