

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

**Meeting Minutes  
December 10, 2020**

At 5:31 P.M. the Legislative Committee meeting was called to order via Zoom remote conferencing by C/CAG staff, Reid Bogert.

**Attendance sheet is attached.**

**Guests or Staff Attending:**

Matt Robinson – Shaw / Yoder / Antwih / Schmelzer and Lange, Inc.  
Sandy Wong, Matt Fabry, Kim Springer, Sean Charpentier, Reid Bogert, Susy Kalkin, Van Ocampo - C/CAG Staff

**1. Call to Order.**

Due to the vacant position of Committee Chair and Vice Chair, C/CAG staff, Reid Bogert, called the meeting to order and called roll for attendance. See attached meeting attendance.

**2. Nominate and elect interim Chair for the C/CAG Legislative Committee.**

C/CAG staff, Reid Bogert, announced the current vacancies on the Committee, including the seats occupied by the Committee Chair and Vice Chair. Bogert summarized the history in 2017 that changed the total seats on the Committee from nine to ten. Bogert further described a proposal to fill three of the four current and upcoming vacancies and return to the original Committee structure. Staff anticipates the C/CAG Board of Directors will make appointments to the Committee at its January 14, 2021 meeting, with the expectation that the Committee would nominate and elect a Chair and Vice Chair for the year at its February 11, 2020 meeting. Staff proposed the Committee nominate and elect an interim Chair until the Committee vacant seats are filled so that the full Committee can vote for the regular Chair and Vice Chair. Members discussed the basis for this recommendation and a motion was made to nominate Gina Papan for interim Chair, which was seconded by Member Lewis; followed by a second motion to nominate the current Chair of the C/CAG Board of Directors, Marie Chuang; which was seconded by Member Rak. The Committee chose to take a vote on nominating and electing the interim Chair in order of the motions made, with Member Papan receiving a majority of yes votes.

Motion 1 nominating and electing Member Papan for interim Chair. Motion: Member Vaterlaus; second: Member Lewis. Motion passed (4:3:0).

Motion 2 nominating and electing Member Chuang for interim Chair. Motion: Member Hurt; second: Member Rak. Motion not voted on because original motion passed.

**3. Public Comment.**

None.

**4. Approval of minutes from September 10, 2020.**

Committee approved the meeting minutes from the September 10, 2020 C/CAG Legislative Committee meeting.

Motion to approve the meeting minutes from the September 10, 2020 meeting. Motion: Member Carlton; second: Member Vaterlaus. Motion passed unanimously (7:0:0).

**5. Recommended approval of Amendment No.1 to the agreement with Shaw Yoder Antwih Schmelzer & Lange, Inc. to add an additional amount not-to-exceed \$156,000 to provide state legislative advocacy services for the 2021- 2022 Legislative Session, for a new total amount not-to-exceed \$302,250, and further to extend the contract term to December 31, 2022.**

C/CAG staff, Reid Bogert, summarized the current two-year contract with Shaw Yoder Antwih Schmelzer & Lange, Inc. (SYSL), which is expiring on December 31, 2020, and the proposal for recommending approval of Amendment No. 1 to the agreement with SYSL for additional services covering the 2021-2022 Legislative Session. Bogert also summarized the Request for Proposals process that was conducted in November 2018, which included an option to propose scope and budget for the next (2021-2022) two-year legislative session. At the December 2018 C/CAG Board of Directors meeting, the agreement with SYSL was approved with the recommendation to consider extending the agreement through the 2021-2022 session. The proposed Amendment No. 1 includes additional funds at the same billing rate, adding \$156,000 for additional services for the 2021-2022 Legislative Session, for a new total contract amount not-to-exceed \$302,250, and extends the contract term to December 31, 2022. The amendment also includes minor changes, including the firm's legal name change to Shaw Yoder Schmelzer & Lange, Inc., providing quarterly updates to the Committee of SYSL's clientele list and modifying the C/CAG staff name under "Notifications."

Motion to recommend approval of Amendment No.1 to the agreement with Shaw Yoder Antwih Schmelzer & Lange, Inc. to add an additional amount not-to-exceed \$156,000 to provide state legislative advocacy services for the 2021- 2022 Legislative Session, for a new total amount not-to-exceed \$302,250, and further to extend the contract term to December 31, 2022. Motion: Member Carlton; second: Rak. Motion passed unanimously (7:0:0).

**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).**

C/CAG legislative consultant, Matt Robinson, provided a summary of the California election results, including a brief overview of the outcomes for the 12 Propositions on the ballot, Senate and Assembly seats/committee chairs and the swearing in of the new member to the San Mateo County delegation, Senator Josh Becker. Senator Becker has agreed to meet with the C/CAG

Board of Directors at the January 14 meeting. Robinson summarized notable bill introductions, including Pro Tem's spot bill on a housing bond and a by right duplex bill; Senator Weiner's density bill proposal; and a proposal for a climate resiliency bond. The Governor has brought in a new top advisor, Jim Deboo, to support the Governor's campaign in two years. Regarding the state budget, there are estimates for available funds for a California stimulus package to supplement a federal package. The draft budget will be released on January 10, 2021.

No action was taken by the Committee.

#### **7. Review and recommend approval of the Annual C/CAG Legislative Policies for 2021.**

C/CAG staff, Reid Bogert, summarized proposed changes to the C/CAG Legislative Policies for 2021, including support for funding COVID emergency response, additional funding/financing options for stormwater and transportation projects, support of developing a local greenhouse gas mitigation bank and better alignment with regional priorities for safety with active transportation and safe, equitable, economic and environmentally sustainable acceleration of transportation technologies. Other proposed changes include monitoring legislation that streamlines CEQA, permitting and grant applications for transportation projects. The Committee also addressed a regionally observed need for better and equitable access to broadband services, especially for underserved communities. The Committee made a motion to recommend adopting the proposed C/CAG Legislative Policies for 2021 with the addition of "broadband" to Policy #6.9.

Motion to adopt the proposed C/CAG Legislative Policies for 2021, contingent on adding "better access to broadband" to Policy #6.9. Motion: Member Vaterlaus; second: Member Lewis. Motion passed unanimously (7:0:0).

#### **8. Review and approve the C/CAG Legislative Committee meeting calendar for 2021.**

C/CAG staff provided the list of proposed meeting dates for the Legislative Committee for 2021.

Motion to approve the C/CAG Legislative Committee meeting calendar for 2021. Motion: Lewis; second: Chuang. Motion passed unanimously (7:0:0).

#### **9. Discuss scheduling a virtual meeting with the San Mateo County Delegation at the outset of the 2021-22 Legislative Session.**

C/CAG staff, Reid Bogert, provided a brief update on plans to host virtual meetings with the San Mateo County delegation in early 2021. Matt Robinson offered to schedule Senator Josh Becker to join the C/CAG Board of Directors for the January 14, 2021 meeting. C/CAG staff will work with Robinson to look at scheduling additional meetings with the San Mateo delegates in February after the vacant seats on the Legislative Committee have been filled.

#### **10. Adjournment.**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:33 P.M.

**Legislative Committee 2020 Attendance Record**

Agency	Name	Jan 9	Feb 13	Mar 12	Apr 9	May 14	Jun 11	Jul 9	Aug	Sep 10	Oct 8	Nov 12	Dec 10
Atherton	Elizabeth Lewis					x	x	x					x
Belmont	Davina Hurt (C/CAG Vice Chair starting April 2020)					x	x	x		x			x
Foster City	Catherine Mahanpour (Leg Chair through November 2020)		x		x	x	x	x		x			
Hillsborough	Marie Chuang (C/CAG Vice Chair through April 2020 and Chair starting April 2020)		x		x	x	x	x		x			x
Menlo Park	Catherine Carlton				x	x	x	x		x			x
Millbrae	Gina Papan (Interim Chair from December 2020)		x		x	x	x	x		x			x
Pacifica	Sue Vaterlaus		x		x	x	x	x		x			x
Portola Valley	Marian Moise- Derwin (C/CAG Chair through April 2020)		x		x								
Redwood City	Shelly Masur (Leg Vice Chair through November 2020)		x		x	x	x	x		x			
San Carlos	Adam Rak		x		x	x	x	x		x			x
South San Francisco	Richard Garbarino (through November 2020)		x		x	x	x			x			

 no meeting