

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

**Meeting Minutes
February 11, 2021 Meeting**

At 5:30 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, Sean Charpentier, Reid Bogert, Kaki Cheung - C/CAG Staff

1. Call to Order.

Chair Papan called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. Brief overview of teleconference meeting procedures.

C/CAG staff, Reid Bogert, read the teleconference meeting procedures.

3. Public Comment.

None.

4. Nominated and elected C/CAG Legislative Committee Chairperson and Vice Chairperson for 2021.

Chair Papan requested nominees for the C/CAG Legislative Committee Chairperson and Vice Chairperson for 2021. Member Lewis motioned to nominate Gina Papan for Chairperson, which was seconded by Member Cunningham. Member Hurt then motioned to nominate Adam Rak for Chairperson, seconded by Member Gauthier. The Committee conducted a roll-call vote for the initial motion, as follows.

Motion to elect Gina Papan as C/CAG Legislative Committee Chairperson for 2021. Motion: Member Lewis; second: Member Cunningham. Motion passed (6:4:0). Yes votes were provided by Members Lewis, Cunningham, Papan, Fung, Vaterlaus, Salazar. No votes were provided by Members Hurt, Gauthier, Chuang, Rak.

Chair Papan motioned to nominate Member Rak for Vice Chairperson of the Committee for 2021. Member Lewis seconded. The Committee conducted a roll-call vote for the following motion.

Motion to elect Adam Rak as the C/CAG Legislative Committee Vice Chairperson for 2021. Motion: Chair Papan; second: Member Lewis. Motion passed unanimously (10:0:0).

5. Approval of Minutes from January 27, 2021.

Committee approved the meeting minutes from the January 27, 2021 C/CAG Legislative Committee Special Meeting.

Motion to approve the meeting minutes from the January 27, 2021 Special Meeting. Motion: Member Vaterlaus; second: Member Chuang. Motion passed (9:0:1). Member Rak abstained.

6. Recommended approval of amendment to Policy #8 of the adopted C/CAG 2021 Legislative Policies.

Members discussed the term “bold” as the proposed amendment to language in Policy #8 of the adopted C/CAG 2021 Legislative Policies, regarding climate protection action and related greenhouse gas reduction policies. Member Hurt motioned approval of the recommendation to the C/CAG Board of Directors to amend Policy #8 accordingly, seconded by Member Chuang.

Motion: Recommend approval of amendment to Policy #8 of the adopted C/CAG 2021 Legislative Policies. Motion: Member Hurt; second: Member Chuang. Motion passed unanimously (10:0:0).

7. Received information on C/CAG legislative policies, priorities, and legislative update.

C/CAG legislative consultant, Matt Robinson, provided a summary of the Governor’s proposed draft state budget for FY2021-22, focusing on the newly projected budget resiliency currently estimated at \$34 billion for FY2021-22. Other budget related updates included a summary of the proposed expenditure plans for transportation funding programs and Cap & Trade funds, with significant investments proposed for electric vehicle infrastructure. Robinson also noted SB 1 funds are contributing in important ways to rebounding from the economic impacts of COVID-19 with trickle-down effects for local infrastructure projects. Other state budget updates include the proposal for an infill and housing program to support efforts to increase housing for homeless populations and the establishment of a housing accountability unit operated by the Department of Housing and Community Development to support compliance with the Regional Housing Needs Allocation and housing production targets. Robinson summarized the legislative topics in the February bill report, reminding committee members that new legislation may be introduced through February 19. The primary bills of interest to C/CAG to-date include a suite of housing production related bills (including SB 7 (Atkins – expedited judicial review), SB 9 (Atkins – ministerial review of projects including duplexes) and SB 10 (Weiner – density in urban infill areas), as well as SB 44 (Allen), pertaining to CEQA streamlining for “Environmental Leadership” transit projects and a new bill proposed by Assembly Member Rivas (AB 377), which proposes new regulations for National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permitting. As currently drafted, this bill would significantly alter the current permitting framework for municipalities currently regulated by the San Francisco Regional Water Quality Control Board under the Municipal Regional Stormwater Permit by making preventing

municipalities from successfully applying for coverage under NPDES permits if they discharge stormwater that causes or contributes to exceedances of water quality standards. C/CAG staff will work with the consultant and the C/CAG Stormwater Committee (as well as other regional stormwater program representatives) to monitor this bill. Lastly, Robinson presented the proposed SUPPORT position for ACA-1 (Aguiar-Curry), which proposes a reduced voting threshold for general obligation bonds and special taxes for housing and infrastructure projects. Member Lewis motioned approval of a recommended SUPPORT position, seconded by Member Chuang.

Motion to recommend a SUPPORT position for ACA-1 (Aguiar-Curry). Motion: Member Lewis; second: Member Chuang. Motion passed unanimously (10:0:0).

8. Discussed scheduling virtual meetings with the San Mateo County Delegation.

C/CAG staff, Reid Bogert, summarized the status of scheduling meetings with San Mateo County delegates, with a reminder about plans to have Senator Becker attend the March 11 Board of Directors meeting. Bogert also summarized staff's intent to coordinate with San Mateo representatives and their staff to engage on the developments around a climate resiliency bond and working through the Green Streets for Sustainable Communities Consortium with Senator Becker on the evolving discussion focused on the Complete Streets legislation and how to potentially amend the existing policies to better address the additional benefits of green infrastructure in Complete Streets programs and funding to allow for green infrastructure elements as eligible components. Chair Papan, addressed a need to set up calls with Senator Weiner and the Governor's staff to begin providing input on housing legislation that could be of importance to C/CAG member agencies. No action was taken, and C/CAG staff were directed to work with the legislative consultant and Committee Chairs to evaluate potential meeting opportunities.

9. Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:32 P.M.

Legislative Committee 2021 Attendance Record

Agency	Name	Jan 14	Jan 27	Feb 11	Mar 11	Apr 8	May 13	Jun 10	Jul 8	Aug	Sep 9	Oct 14	Nov 11	Dec 9
Atherton	Elizabeth Lewis		X	X										
Belmont	Davina Hurt (C/CAG Vice Chair starting April 2020)		X	X										
Brisbane	Karen Cunningham		X	X										
East Palo Alto	Lisa Gauthier		X	X										
Hillsborough	Marie Chuang (C/CAG Vice Chair through April 2020 and Chair starting April 2020)		X	X										
Millbrae	Gina Papan (Chair from December 2020)		X	X										
Millbrae	Anders Fung		X	X										
Pacifica	Sue Vaterlaus		X	X										
San Bruno	Michael Salazar		X	X										
San Carlos	Adam Rak (Vice Chair from February 2021)			X										

 no meeting