

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

**Meeting Minutes
April 8, 2021 Meeting**

At 5:30 P.M. the Legislative Committee meeting was called to order via Zoom remote conferencing by Chair Papan

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, Kim Springer - C/CAG Staff

1. Call to Order.

Chair Papan called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Note Vice Chair Rak and Members Hurt and Gauthier joined the meeting at 5:32 p.m.; Member Lewis joined the meeting at 5:33 p.m. The three above noted Members were not present for roll call for attendance, but were added to the attendance record.

2. Brief overview of teleconference meeting procedures.

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

3. Public Comment.

None.

4. Approval of Minutes from March 11, 2021.

Committee approved the meeting minutes from the March 11, 2021 C/CAG Legislative Committee Meeting. Member Chuang MOTIONED approval, SECONDED by Member Gauthier. Roll-call vote was taken.

Motion to approve the meeting minutes from the March 11, 2021 meeting. MOTION: Member Vaterlaus; SECOND: Member Chuang. Motion passed unanimously. (10:0:0)

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

C/CAG legislative consultants, Matt Robinson and Andrew Antwih, provided updates from the state capitol. Robinson noted Antwih will be attending C/CAG Legislative meetings in future. Updates focused on the policy committee hearings well underway since the return of the

Legislature from the Spring Recess. C/CAG's consultants will be attending policy committees on hearings of interest to provide testimony and track bill progress. Robinson noted, he will be working with staff to submit SUPPORT/OPPOSE letters approved at prior meetings.

Robinson introduced two bills for recommended SUPPORT on behalf of C/CAG. AB 117 (Boerner Horvath) proposes an electric bike incentive program to support Greenhouse Gas emissions, first-and-last mile commute alternatives, and accessibility to electric bikes for lower income families. The bill would provide small dollar rebates to incentivize electric bicycle purchases, especially for families who might otherwise not be able to afford them. The bill's author is also proposing a \$10 million Appropriations request to supplement the proposed funding from the Air Quality Improvement Program, under which this incentive program would be administered. Members discussed the target recipients of the incentive program and whether there may be unintended consequences of micromobility business subsidies. C/CAG's consultants confirmed the program is for individuals, not businesses, and the program is expressly intended to address issues of equity with respect to supporting lower income families. Member Cunningham MOTIONED to approve a SUPPORT position on AB 117. Member Salazar SECONDED.

Motion to approve a SUPPORT position on AB 117 (Boerner Horvath). MOTION: Member Cunningham; SECOND: Member Salazar. Motion carried unanimously (10:0:0).

Robinson next introduced AB 1200 (Ting), which proposes to ban the manufacture, sale, and distribution of food packaging containing certain toxic chemicals, including polyfluorinated alkyl substances (PFAS), a widely used class of compounds now considered a contaminant of emerging concern, starting in January 1, 2023. The bill would take a proactive approach to preventing human health and water quality impacts, especially as more municipalities adopt ordinances banning single-use plastic foodware and identifying replacement plant-based products that may contain PFAS. Members raised the issue of the proposed timeline for implementation of the ban on food packaging containing PFAS, referring to the existing ban on cosmetics containing PFAS starting in January 2025. Robinson stated this is likely the outcome of engagement from industry stakeholders on the prior legislation, which could happen in this bill as it proceeds through committees. Members also discussed the issue of outreach to local businesses if the bill is passed, and the potential cost implications of switching to plant-based packaging. Member Rak Motioned to approve a SUPPORT position on AB 1200. Member Salazar seconded.

Motion to approve a SUPPORT position on AB 1200 (Ting). MOTION: Member Rak; SECOND: Member Salazar. Motion carried unanimously (10:0:0).

Member Hurt requested further information at a future meeting on the CalSTA Draft Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure. The plan focuses on evaluating transportation infrastructure investments across overlapping housing/growth, mobility, transit, and climate resiliency goals. The California Transportation Committee (CTC), State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), and California Air Resources Board held a joint meeting on the draft plan on April 8, and the CTC will be holding engagement workshops on April 20 and April 23. Staff will plan to include time on the next agenda for an additional update.

Chair Papan mentioned two attachments to the legislative update for information only, including SB 82 (Skinner) regarding petty theft and crimes not involving firearms being considered misdemeanors, as well as the City of Millbrae's OPPOSE letter regarding SB 9 (Atkins) – Ministerial approval of duplexes.

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

C/CAG staff, Reid Bogert, presented this standing item for scheduling meetings with San Mateo delegates or other state representatives and staff. Chair Papan restated the intent and benefit of holding meetings with state representatives. Chair Papan mentioned the newly appointed CalSTA Transportation Secretary and new leadership of Caltrans District 4, as potential state staff with which to meet. Vice Chair Rak inquired about scheduling, and staff will work with Matt Robinson to propose dates for the Committee to consider.

Chair Papan also addressed the issue of governance and transparency in regional transportation planning efforts. Papan suggested Committee Members continue to stay engaged and informed and that C/CAG's consultant track relevant legislation, including Assemblymember Chiu's reintroduced SEAMLESS bill AB (629).

7. Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:28 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	X	X								
Belmont	Davina Hurt (C/CAG Vice Chair starting April 2020)		X	X	X	X								
Brisbane	Karen Cunningham		X	X	X	X								
East Palo Alto	Lisa Gauthier		X	X	X	X								
Hillsborough	Marie Chuang (C/CAG Vice Chair through April 2020 and Chair starting April 2020)		X	X	X	X								
Millbrae	Gina Papan (Chair from December 2020)		X	X	X	X								
Millbrae	Anders Fung		X	X	X	X								
Pacifica	Sue Vaterlaus		X	X	X	X								
San Bruno	Michael Salazar		X	X	X	X								
San Carlos	Adam Rak (Vice Chair from February 2021)			X	X	X								

 no meeting