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MEETING AGENDA

C/CAG Legislative Committee

*****HYBRID MEETING - IN-PERSON AND BY VIDEOCONFERENCE*****

<p>Date: Thursday, May 11, 2023</p> <p>Time: 5:30 p.m.</p> <p>Primary Location: San Mateo County Transit District Office 1250 San Carlos Ave, 2nd Fl. Auditorium, San Carlos, CA</p> <p>Publicly-Accessible Teleconference Location: 675 Townsend Avenue, #118 New Haven, CT.</p>	<p>Join by Webinar: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87002113138?pwd=aG9xMFFGWk1xVEZZc0RkY2I5bEF3Zz09</p> <p>Webinar ID: 870 0211 3138</p> <p>Password: 051123</p> <p>Join by Phone: (669) 900-6833</p>
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Vice Chair: Gina Papan

Members: Davina Hurt (C/CAG Chair), Ricardo Ortiz (C/CAG Vice-Chair)
Elizabeth Lewis, Karen Cunningham, Lisa Gauthier,
Anders Fung, Sue Vaterlaus, Michael Salazar

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Meeting Agenda

1.	Call to Order	Rak	
2.	Brief overview of Hybrid teleconference meeting procedures	Springer	
3.	Roll call	Springer	
4.	Public comment on related items not on the agenda.	Rak	
5.	Review and approve the Legislative Committee meeting minutes from the meeting held on April 13, 2023.	Action Rak	Pages 4-7
6.	Review legislative update and, if appropriate, recommend approval of C/CAG legislative policies, priorities, or positions. (A position may be taken on any legislation, including legislation not previously identified in the legislative update. Action is only necessary if recommending approval of a policy, priority, or position.)	Possible Action Robinson/Antwih/Shaw Rak	Pages 8-15
7.	Adjournment	Rak	

Next Meeting: June 8, 2023

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3. You will be asked to enter an email address and name. We request that you identify yourself by your name as this will be visible online and will be used to notify you that it is your turn to speak.
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5. When called, please limit your remarks to the time allotted

If you have any questions about this agenda, please contact C/CAG staff:

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C/CAG AGENDA REPORT

Date: May 11, 2023
To: City/County Association of Governments of San Mateo County Legislative Committee
From: Sean Charpentier, Executive Director
Subject: Review and approve the Legislative Committee meeting minutes from the meeting held on April 13, 2023.

(For further information, contact Kim Springer at kspringer@smcgov.org)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Legislative Committee review and approve the Legislative Committee meeting minutes from the meeting held on April 13, 2023.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Draft C/CAG Legislative Committee Meeting Minutes, April 13, 2023

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

**Draft Meeting Minutes
April 13, 2023 Meeting**

Staff and Guests Attending:C/CAG Staff:

Sean Charpentier, Kim Springer, Kaki Cheung, Mima Crume

Legislative Consultant:

Matt Robinson, Andrew Antwih, Silvia Solis Shaw

Others Attending:

Drew – Public

1. Call to Order.

Vice Chair Papan called the meeting to order at approximately 5:30 p.m. in Chair Rak's absence.

2. COVID-19 announcement and brief overview of Zoom teleconference meeting procedures.

C/CAG staff referred to the in.

3. Roll call.

C/CAG staff conducted roll call, and a quorum of seven was present as shown below.

Agency	Name	In Person	Remote -2449
Atherton	Elizabeth Lewis	X	
Belmont	Davina Hurt		
Brisbane	Karen Cunningham	X	
Burlingame	Ricardo Ortiz	X	
East Palo Alto	Lisa Gauthier	X	
Millbrae	Gina Papan (Chair)	X	
Millbrae	Anders Fung		X
Pacifica	Sue Vaterlaus		
San Bruno	Michael Salazar	X	
San Carlos	Adam Rak (Vice Chair)		

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

There were no written or public comments.

5. Review and approve the Legislative Committee meeting minutes from the meeting held on March 9, 2023.

The Committee approved the meeting minutes from the March 9, 2023 C/CAG Legislative Committee Meeting. Member Lewis motioned approval, seconded by Member Salazar. A vote was taken. Motion passed (7,0,0).

6. Review legislative update and, if appropriate, recommend approval of C/CAG legislative policies, priorities, or positions. (A position may be taken on any legislation, including legislation not previously identified in the legislative update. Action is only necessary if recommending approval of a policy, priority, or position.)

C/CAG Legislative Consultant, Matt Robinson from Shaw Yoder Schmeltzer & Lange provided an update to the Committee, based on their monthly report provided in the agenda packet. There is a fiscal deadline at the end of May and, in June, there's a deadline where bills have to leave to the other house for review. There, the bills will have similar deadlines for working through committees by the end of the session.

A May revised budget is expected from the governor around the 14th of May, which may be rough given the later income tax filing deadline this year. The June (probably placeholder) budget has to be delivered by June 15th. Budget requests for specific projects will likely be limited, but C/CAG staff is working with the consultant team to make asks as feasible.

Robinson and consultant staff also discussed the governor's efforts on Oil Company accountability, housing and homelessness, and the so-called fiscal cliff for public transit. The Seamless effort may be a success in terms of getting all the agencies to the table to develop solutions, and Senator Becker has been added to the Committee, so now all the SMC delegation is involved on behalf of SMC.

Robinson then moved on to Brown Act bills, which the Committee discussed and voted on with the following results:

- SB 537 (Becker) – Support
- AB 1397 (Papan) – Support

The motions for both bills were taken together: Motion: Fung, Second: Gauthier, Vote: (7,0,0)

The Committee also discussed SB 511 (Blakespear), directing the Air Resource Board to provide GHG emission inventories for cities and counties in CA. The Committee voted, with the Motion by: Lewis, Second by: Gauthier, Roll Call Vote: (7,0,0).

The Committee then discussed AB 84 (Ward) – welfare exemptions, but no position was taken. AB 1532 (Haney) was also discussed, and no position taken as it is a two-year bill.

Public comments were taken on this item, related to Brown Act legislation.

7. Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:30 P.M.

Next meeting is May 11, 2023.

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RECOMMENDATION

That the C/CAG Legislative Committee review the legislative update and, if appropriate, recommend approval of C/CAG legislative policies, priorities, or positions. (A position may be taken on any legislation, including legislation not previously identified in the legislative update. Action is only necessary if recommending approval of a policy, priority, or position.)

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

SOURCE OF FUNDS

N/A

BACKGROUND

The C/CAG Legislative Committee receives monthly written reports and oral briefings from C/CAG's State legislative advocates. Important or interesting issues and votes on positions taken by the Committee, or that arise out of the committee meetings, are reported to the full C/CAG Board.

The attached report may include various updates from Sacramento with respect to the State Budget process, State grant programs, recent committee hearings, and bill progress of interest to C/CAG since the Committee last met. The new session began on December 5, 2022 and new bills for the 2023-24 Legislative Session were introduced through February 17, 2023. There were approximately 2500+ bills, many of which were "spot" bills.

The Legislative Committee may also discuss current or past bills, those already voted on by the Committee, funding requests, sponsorship of legislation, preparing for meetings with delegation, or providing letters supporting or opposing bills already on the Governor's desk.

At this Committee meeting, the Committee will mainly receive updates on the legislative calendar for 2023, State budget updates, and any additional information from Sacramento on initial bills discussed in the attached C/CAG Legislative Update. The Legislative Committee may want to take positions by roll call vote on initial bills, which will then be presented to the C/CAG Board for their consideration and action.

The Legislative Committee approved sending a letter to the legislature requesting additional flexibility in the Brown Act, at the January 12, 2023 meeting. The letter was drafted, reviewed, signed, and delivered through SYASL at the end of January.

At the March 9, 2023 meeting, the Committee voted to support ACA-1 (Aguiar-Curry). In addition, the Legislative Committee took position on two ballot measures: Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act – Oppose, and a ballot measure to repeal the majority voter approval requirement for Low-Rent Housing – Support. The C/CAG Board approved of these positions.

Brown Act Legislation:

There are currently five bills related to the Brown Act for this session and SYASL is tracking their value to C/CAG's goals as expressed in the letter sent in January. They are listed below. Two of those bills were acted upon by the Legislative Committee and the Board at the March 9, 2023 meeting. At the April 13, 2023 meeting, the Legislative Committee and the Board acted on two additional Brown Act bills:

- AB 557 (Hart) – Support
- AB 817 (Pacheco) – Support
- AB 1379 (Papan) – Support
- SB 411 (Portantino)
- SB 537 (Becker) – Support

Three support letters have been sent. Unfortunately, SB 537 (Becker) underwent significant amendments such that staff and SYASL believe the bill should be re-presented to the Legislative Committee this month for reconsideration.

In April, the Legislative Committee and Board also acted in support in SB 511 (Blakespear) and that letter has also been sent.

The SYASL monthly Legislative Update is attached to this staff report for review. The Legislative Committee will review and possibly vote on some bills, including those listed. There are eight bills for the Legislative Committee to review and possibly take positions on at its meeting.

C/CAG leadership is working to meet with Senator Wiener on two bills: SB 423 – Extension of SB 35 and SB 4 – Housing Development on Higher Education and Religious Institution Properties. These will likely be discussed for possible positions at this Committee meeting.

For additional information with respect to what the Metropolitan Transportation Commission/Association of Bay Area Governments Joint Legislative Committee, California League of Cities, California State Association of Counties (CSAC), and California Association of Councils of Government (CALCOG) are tracking, staff has included informational links to the relevant bill tracking websites, as well as the full legislative information for the State Legislature and the 2021 calendar of legislative deadlines. Lastly, staff have also included links to the 2022 legislation websites

for the San Mateo County delegates for information only.

Committee members may view the bills being tracked at the following link provided by SYASL:
[C/CAG Bill Tracking](#)

ATTACHMENTS

1. C/CAG Legislative Update, May 1, 2023 from Shaw Yoder Antwih Schmelzer & Lange

Below are informational links:

2. [Recent Joint ABAG MTC Legislation Committee Agendas](#)
3. [California State Association of Counties \(CSAC\) bill positions and tracking](#)
4. [California Associations of Councils of Government \(CALCOG\) bill tracking](#)
5. Full Legislative information is available for specific bills at <http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/>
6. [2023 California State Calendar of Legislative Deadlines](#)
7. San Mateo County Delegation Sponsored Legislation 2021
 - [Legislation from Assemblymember Marc Berman](#)
 - [Assemblymember Diane Papan](#)
 - [Legislation from Assemblymember Phil Ting](#)
 - [Legislation from Senator Josh Becker](#)
 - [Legislation Senator Scott Wiener](#)
8. Bill Tracker for C/CAG by SYASL: [C/CAG Bill Tracking](#)
9. Current client roster for Shaw Yoder Antwih Schmelzer & Lange - <https://syaslparkers.com/clients/>



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May 1, 2023

To: Board of Directors
City/County Association of Governments of San Mateo County

From: Matt Robinson, Andrew Antwih and Silvia Solis Shaw
Shaw Yoder Antwih Schmelzer & Lange

Re: **STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – May 2023**

Legislative Update

The Legislature adjourned for Spring Recess on March 30, and reconvened on April 10. Immediately upon legislators' return to Sacramento, key policy committees resumed hearings to discuss legislation introduced in the 2023-24 Regular Session. These policy committees had until April 28 to hear and report bills *with* a fiscal impact to the state to their respective appropriations committees; they will have until May 5 to hear and report bills *without* a fiscal impact to the state to their respective floors. Similarly, the budget subcommittees with oversight over discrete aspects of the state budget continue to meet to review the Governor's proposed Fiscal Year 2023-24 state budget. These hearings will continue until the release of the Governor's proposed May Revise, the next milestone in the development of the FY 2023-24 state budget, which is expected to occur on May 12 or 15. Following the release of the May Revise, budget subcommittee hearings will resume. The Legislative Calendar, which sets the deadlines for the year and can be viewed [here](#).

Statewide Effort on Transit Operations Funding

On April 25, the California Transit Association released its [letter](#) outlining the Association's transit operations funding request and its commitment to reform and ridership growth. The Association, in partnership with regional partners, continues to lead the statewide effort to secure transit operations funding in the FY 2023-24 state budget. As we have reported, the Association adopted a set of principles that served as the basis for the transit industry's budget request. The principles commit to a two-track process, focused on addressing our industry's short- and long-term operations funding needs. Under the principles, any short-term transit operations funding the industry secures must be available to address budget shortfalls that would lead to service cuts and/or layoffs as well as to address ridership retention and growth strategies. Any long-term transit operations funding the industry secures must be flexible and available to address a broad range of service needs and will come with a broader set of transit reforms. The Association is also turning its attention to working on both near- and long-term suggestions for the Legislature to consider on how best to bring back riders, the possibility of new metrics for gauging transit's success, and appropriate reporting information.

Senate Budget Plan Released

On April 26, the California Senate Democrats released their "[Protect Our Progress](#)" budget plan. The budget plan builds on Governor Newsom's proposed January budget and is intended to serve as a starting point for negotiations with the Assembly and the Governor's Administration. Included in the plan are the following recommendations supporting transportation:

- Rejection of the Governor's proposed reductions and shifts to key programs in the energy and ZEV packages, including the following:
 - Rejection of the proposed \$210 million cut for ZEV Fueling Infrastructure Grants;
 - Rejection of the proposed \$242 million cut for Transit Buses & Infrastructure;
 - Rejection of the proposed \$98 million shift to the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund for Clean Trucks, Buses, and Off-Road Equipment; and,
 - Rejection of the proposed \$70 million cut for Emerging Opportunities.
- Rejection of the Governor's proposed reductions and shifts to the Transportation Infrastructure Package, including the following:
 - Rejection of the proposed \$2 billion cut to the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program;
 - Rejection of the proposed \$350 million delay to Grade Separations; and,
 - Rejection of the proposed \$500 million cut to the Active Transportation Program.

Additionally, the plan "sets the expectation of working with stakeholders, the Assembly, and the Administration in establishing local flexibility opportunities with various transportation funding streams to assist transit agencies with operations expenses. This will be paired with reform and accountability measures and will serve as a bridge until additional long-term operations funding can be established. Critical infrastructure projects will be identified and protected in these discussions."

The Senate Budget Plan also calls for greater accountability and ongoing funding of \$1 billion for the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention (HHAP) Program and provides an additional \$800 million for the California Dream for All down payment assistance program to for first-time homebuyers. Finally, the Senate proposes to maintain funding for coastal resilience and adaptation.

Bills with Positions

SB 511 (Blakespear) Local Emissions Inventories – C/CAG SUPPORT

Before January 1, 2028, this bill would require the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to develop and publish a report on greenhouse gas emission inventories for calendar year 2025 for each city, county, city and county, and special district and to periodically update the report consistent with updates to CARB's scoping plan. The bill would require CARB to establish a local government advisory committee to inform the development of the inventories. The bill would appropriate \$2,500,000 in the Fiscal Year 2024–25 budget for the bill's purposes. *Recommend: SUPPORT.*

SB 537 (Becker) Brown Act – Multijurisdictional Legislative Bodies – C/CAG SUPPORT

This bill also provides a narrow exemption under the Brown Act for certain legislative bodies to participate in meetings via teleconferencing outside of a declared state of emergency without posting the physical location of members or requiring a quorum to be present at a meeting location. The bill would define "legislative body" to mean a board, commission, or advisory body of an appointed

multijurisdictional cross county agency and defines “multijurisdictional” to mean a legislative body that includes representatives from more than one county, city, city and county, special district, or a joint powers entity. The bill would also expand the circumstances of “just cause” under the AB 2449 (Rubio) authorization to apply to the situation in which an immunocompromised child, parent, grandparent, or other relative requires the member to participate remotely. **Recommend: WATCH**

ACA 1 (Aguiar-Curry) Lower-Vote Threshold – C/CAG SUPPORT

This measure would authorize a local government, including a special district, to impose, extend, or increase a sales and use tax or transactions and use tax imposed, or a parcel tax, for the purpose of funding the construction, rehabilitation, or replacement of public infrastructure, defined to include projects for the reduction of pollution from stormwater runoff, improvements to transit and streets and highways and projects for the protection of property from the impacts of sea level rise, as well as for affordable housing, if the proposition proposing that tax is approved by 55% of its voters.

AB 557 (Hart) Brown Act – Extension of Existing Authority – C/CAG SUPPORT

Beginning on January 1, 2024, this bill would extend the existing teleconferencing/remote-meeting authority that can be used when a declared state of emergency is in effect and would also extend the period for a legislative body to make the required findings related to the continuing state of emergency and social distancing from 30 days to 45 days after the first teleconferenced meeting, and every 45 days thereafter, in order to continue to meet.

AB 817 (Pacheco) Brown Act – Advisory Bodies – C/CAG SUPPORT

This bill provides a narrow exemption under the Brown Act for non-decision-making legislative bodies to participate in meetings via teleconferencing outside of a declared state of emergency without posting the physical location of members or requiring a quorum to be present at a meeting location.

AB 1379 (Papan) Brown Act - Remote Meeting Flexibility – C/CAG SUPPORT

This bill also provides a broad interpretation of the Brown Act for all legislative bodies to participate in meetings via teleconferencing outside of a declared state of emergency without posting the physical location of members or requiring a quorum to be present at a meeting location, but would require a local agency to have a physical meeting location open to the public and follow certain notification procedures and meeting procedures.

Bills of Interest

SB 4 (Wiener) Housing Development on Higher Education and Religious Institution Properties

This bill would require that a housing development be a use by right eligible for streamlined approval on any land owned by an institution of higher education or religious institution on or before January 1, 2024, if the development satisfies specified criteria (including that the development is not adjoined to any site where more than one-third of the site is dedicated to industrial use). The bill would require that 100 percent of these units be affordable to lower income households, except that 20% of the units may be for moderate-income households, and projects are also eligible for density bonuses. The bill would authorize the development to include ancillary uses on the ground floor of the development. The bill would require a development subject to these provisions to provide off-street parking of up to one space per unit, unless a local ordinance provides for a lower standard of parking, in which case the ordinance applies. However, the bill would prohibit a local government from imposing any parking

requirement if the development is located within one-half mile walking distance of a high-quality transit corridor or major transit stop, and within one block of a car share vehicle. Finally, the bill would require a local government that determines a proposed development is in conflict with any objective planning standards to provide the developer with written documentation explaining those conflicts under a specified timeframe (90-180 days depending on the development size) and would require a local government to approve a development if the local government fails to provide the requisite documentation explaining any conflicts.

SB 423 (Wiener) SB 35 Extension

This bill permanently extends the provisions of SB 35 (Wiener) and expands them to cover mixed-income housing developments. SB 35 is scheduled to sunset in 2026. SB 423 will require that cities, including charter cities, approve a housing development application if the project is located on an urban infill site & 75% of the lot borders other developed parcels of land, the site is zoned for residential or mixed uses in the general plan & is consistent with objective design standards, developers pay prevailing wage on all projects with more than 10 units & healthcare benefits to projects with more than 50 units, the project site is not located in farmland, wetlands, a very-high fire risk zone, a hazardous waste site, floodplains and floodways, a habitat for protected species, or land under a conservation plan or easement, and the project follows all other applicable objective laws and ordinances, such as zoning rules & environmental safety rules. SB 423 would also apply in the coastal zone (unlike SB 35).

SB 450 (Atkins) Updates to Ministerial Approvals for Parcel Subdivisions (SB 9)

This bill would make several changes to the ministerial approval process created by SB 9 for a housing development of no more than two units in a single-family zone (duplex), the subdivision of a parcel zoned for residential use into two parcels (lot split), or both by requiring that that an application for a duplex or a lot split shall be considered and approved or denied within 60 days from the date the local agency receives a completed application. If the local agency has not approved or denied the application in that timeframe, it shall be approved. This bill also states that if a local agency denies an application for a duplex or lot split, the permitting agency shall return in writing a full set of comments to the application with a list of deficient items and a description of how the application can be remedied by the applicant. This bill would also prohibit a local agency from imposing objective zoning standards, objective subdivision standards, and objective design standards that do not apply uniformly to developments within the underlying zone.

AB 321 (Wilson) Sales and Use Tax Exemptions: Zero-Emission Public Transportation Ferries

This bill would until January 1, 2034, exempt from those taxes the gross receipts from the sale in this state of, and the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of, zero-emission public transportation ferries. This bill is sponsored by WETA. **RECOMMEND SUPPORT.**

AB 463 (Hart) Electricity: Prioritization of Service: Public Transit Vehicles

This bill would provide transit agencies with priority access to electricity when facing grid disruptions caused by natural or man-made disasters, rolling blackouts, utility company "Public Safety Power Shutoffs" (PSPS), and increasing demand on California's electrical grid. **RECOMMEND SUPPORT.**

AB 756 (Papan) Stormwater Runoff

This bill would require Caltrans and the State Water Resources Control Board, the Department of Toxic Substances Control, and the Department of Fish and Wildlife, to develop a programmatic environmental review process to prevent toxic compounds generated from vehicle tires (6PPD) from entering salmon and steelhead trout bearing waters. The bill would require Caltrans' process to include a pilot project at a highway crossing over the San Mateo Creek to study the effectiveness and cost effectiveness of installing and maintaining bioretention and biofiltration systems. No later than December 31, 2026, Caltrans would need to submit a report to the Legislature describing its strategy to eliminate the discharge of 6PPD. Commencing January 1, 2027, the bill would require Caltrans to begin installing bioretention or biofiltration systems for 10 years, until it has covered all points where there is a likely discharge stormwater into salmon or steelhead trout bearing surface waters of the state. **RECOMMEND SUPPORT.**

AB 1532 (Haney) Office to Housing Conversion Projects – TWO-YEAR BILL

This bill would allow an office conversion project - the conversion of a building used for office purposes or a vacant office building into residential dwelling units - that meets certain requirements as a use "by right" in all zones subject to ministerial review by a local agency. The project must dedicate at least 10 percent of the housing units to low or moderate income individuals and must commit to a land use restriction providing that any lower or moderate income housing units remain available as affordable housing for 55 years for units that are rented and 45 years for units that are owned. The project must use a skilled and trained workforce. If a local government determines that an office conversion project is consistent with the above it shall approve the project. If the project is in conflict, a local government shall provide the project proponent written documentation of which standard or standards the project conflicts with, and an explanation for the reason or reasons the project conflicts. Finally, (d) A local government shall not impose new parking or open space requirements that were not imposed on the original office use and a project is exempt from all impact fees not directly related to the conversion.

AB 1525 (Bonta) Transportation Project Impacts to Priority Populations

This bill would require CalSTA, Caltrans, and the California Transportation Commission (CTC), by July 1, 2025, to jointly develop and adopt criteria and an evaluation process for purposes of jointly evaluating each project, as defined, to determine if the project would be located in a priority population, address an important need of a priority population, and provide a direct, meaningful, and assured benefit to a priority population. Beginning July 1, 2025, the bill would require the above agencies to evaluate all new proposed projects using the criteria and then submit a report to the Legislature that evaluates how projects funded during the prior year impacted priority populations. Beginning July 1, 2026 (and every three years thereafter), the bill would require at least 60 percent of the agencies' transportation funds be allocated for projects that serve priority populations.

For a full list of the bills we are tracking for C/CAG, please click [here](#).