

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

**Meeting Minutes
November 9, 2023 Meeting**

Staff and Guests Attending:

C/CAG Staff:

Sean Charpentier, Kaki Cheung, Mima Crume, Jeff Lacap, Susy Kalkin, Audrey Shiramizu, Reid Bogert

Legislative Consultant:

Matt Robinson

Others Attending:

1. Call to Order.

Chair Rak called the meeting to order at approximately 5:37 p.m.

2. Roll call.

C/CAG staff conducted roll call, and a quorum of seven was present. Member Ortiz arrived after the minutes were approved for a total quorum of eight as shown below.

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

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

There were no written or public comments.

4. Review and approve the Legislative Committee meeting minutes from the meeting held on November 9, 2023.

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

5. 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 (SYASL) provided an update to the Committee, based on their monthly report provided in the agenda packet. Robinson provided an overview of the monthly report, and some key dates related the legislature.

Legislators will return after the new year on January 3, 2024 and need to begin work on clearing out all the remaining two-year bill upon their return in January. Bills need to pass committee hearings and move out of their current house by the end of January deadline, including some Brown Act bills. All new bills will need to begin drafting in January for introduction by February 16, 2024.

Robinson also discussed SB 450 (Atkins), extension of SB 9, is a two-year bill. ACA 1, reduced voter threshold for certain infrastructure projects is headed for the November ballot, as is ACA 13, higher voter threshold for approval for more restrictive amendments on voting for local funding. AB 557 (Hart), extension of AB 361 (Rivas) with modifications is also a two-year bill. SB 4 (wiener), ministerial approvals for housing on religious and institutional properties was signed by the governor, as was SB 423, extension of SB 35. SB 617 (Newman), progressive design-build was signed by the governor.

On transportation, funding for the Transit Transportation Task Force was approved and CALSTA will be launching that effort. Senator Wiener continues to have interest in his bridge toll legislation or some form of relief for transit. There may be a second bill, also to support transit, that could provide regional funding.

The committee discussed the following other topics: potential for a BART – Caltrain merger, MTC’s effort to study all lane tolling, the State budget in 2024, and new leadership and Bay Area representation.

6. Review of updated Legislative Policies for 2024

C/CAG Executive Director, Sean Charpentier, provided an overview of the recommended modifications to the 2023 Legislative Policies for the 2024 session. The Committee commented on the recommended changes and suggested a larger revision, recategorizing the list of priorities to simplify the document and make it more high level. The Committee established that Members Fung, Rak, and Salazar would work with staff in 2024 to further modify the document, including categorizing the Policies somewhat differently than they are currently. Staff will clean up the presented document for Committee approval in December.

7. Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:26 P.M.

Next meeting is December 14, 2023.