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MEETING AGENDA

C/CAG Legislative Committee

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

Date: Thursday, February 8, 2024			
Time: 5:30 p.m.	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89080712657?pwd= MIFBdG5uS2ZkMGpUNHRLM3N4dlBkQT09		
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Chair: Adam Rak

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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1.	Call to Order	Rak	
2.	Roll call	Springer	
3.	Public comment on related items not on the agenda.	Rak	
4.	Nominate and elect a Chairperson and a Vice Chairperson for the C/CAG Legislative Committee for 2024.	Action Rak	Pages 4-5
5.	Review and approve the Legislative Committee meeting minutes from the meeting held on December 14, 2023.	Action Springer	Pages 6-9
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 10-16
7.	Adjournment	Rak	

Meeting Agenda

Next Meeting: March 14, 2023

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2. Download the Zoom client or connect to the meeting using an internet browser. If using your browser, make sure you are using a current, up-to-date browser: Chrome 30+, Firefox 27+, Microsoft Edge 12+, Safari 7+. Certain functionality may be disabled in older browsers including Internet Explorer.

3. 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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Transportation Systems Coordinator: Kim Springer at <u>kspringer@smcgov.org</u> **Administrative Assistant:** Mima Guilles (650) 599-1406

C/CAG AGENDA REPORT

Date:	February 8, 2024
To:	C/CAG Legislative Committee
From:	Sean Charpentier, Executive Director
Subject:	Nominate and elect a Chairperson and a Vice Chairperson for the C/CAG Legislative Committee for 2024.
	(For further information, contact Kim Springer at kspringer@smcgov.org)

RECOMMENDATION

That the C/CAG Legislative Committee nominate and elect a Chairperson and a Vice Chairperson for the C/CAG Legislative Committee for 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

SOURCE OF FUNDS

N/A

BACKGROUND

Each year, the C/CAG Legislative Committee (Committee) nominates and elects a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Committee for the calendar year.

Staff recommends the Committee to elect a Chairperson and a Vice Chairperson to serve for the 2024 calendar year.

Staff proposes the following process, which would start with the nomination and election of a Chair first and then the Vice-Chair second.

- 1. Committee members nominate candidates for the Chair.
- 2. Staff add names to voting table. See Attachment 1.
- 3. Staff call for a roll call where each committee member would identify a choice for Chair.
- 4. Staff will add votes to Vote Table (a yes vote equals "1"), tally the votes, and the top vote recipient would be the next Chair. If there is a tie, a tie breaker vote would be held among the tied top scoring candidates.
- 5. Repeat process for Vice Chair.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Voting Table

Legislative Committee – 2024

Chair and Vice Chair Voting Table

	Atherton	Belmont	Brisbane	Burlingame	East Palo Alto	Millbrae	Millbrae	Pacifica	San Bruno	San Carlos	
	Lewis	Hurt	Cunningham	Ortiz	Gauthier	Papan	Fung	Vaterlaus	Salazar	Rak	Totals
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C/CAG AGENDA REPORT

Date:	February 8, 2024
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 December 14, 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 December 14, 2023.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Draft C/CAG Legislative Committee Meeting Minutes, December 14, 2023

CITY/COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Draft Meeting Minutes December 14, 2023 Meeting

Staff and Guests Attending:

<u>C/CAG Staff:</u> Kim Springer, Sean Charpentier, Kaki Cheung, Mima Crume, Jeff Lacap, Susy Kalkin, Kim Wever, Audrey Shiramizu, and Van O Campo

Legislative Consultant: Matt Robinson Andrew Antwih

Others Attending: None

1. Call to Order.

Chair Rak called the meeting to order at approximately 5:33 p.m.

2. Roll call.

C/CAG staff conducted roll call, and a quorum of nine was eventually present. Members Fung arrived in time for voting on the Legislative Priorities item, as did Member Papan.

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

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 Lewis. A vote was taken. Motion passed (6,0,0).

5. Review and approval of Legislative Committee meeting calendar for 2024.

Staff provided an overview of the planned meetings for calendar year 2024.

A motion to approve was made by Member Salazar and seconded by Vaterlaus. A vote was taken, and the item was approved (6,0,0).

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 (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.

The legislative consultant and the Committee discussed key dates for the start of the new legislative session, potential State budget shortfalls, changes in leadership and committee assignments, the potential regional measure. C/CAG staff also helped lead the discussion on the regional measure authorizing legislation, especially an addition in the measure suggesting consolidation.

Approval was requested to send a letter to MTC leadership regarding this issue after review by C/CAG Board and Legislative Committee leadership. A motion was made to approve by Member Ortiz and seconded by Member Salazar. A vote was taken and passed (6,0,1). Member Lewis abstained.

A draft Committee work plan calendar with draft dates for visiting both Sacramento and Washington was presented to the Committee, as well as proposed funding requests for 2024.

7. Review of updated Legislative Policies for 2024

Staff provided and overview of the recommended modifications to the 2023 Legislative Policies for the 2024 session, approved and incorporated since the November meeting, and requesting approval to take to the C/CAG Board at its next meeting.

A motion was made by Member Fung and seconded by Member Salazar with a modification of Item 5.3 in the Priorities, removing the added language. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed (8,0,0).

8. Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:27 P.M.

Next meeting is scheduled for January 11, 2023.

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RECOMMENDATION

C/CAG staff recommend that the C/CAG Board of Directors 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 advocate, Shaw Yoder Antwih Schmelzer & Lange (Consultant). 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 through this item.

The attached report (Attachment 1) from the Consultant may include various updates from Sacramento with respect to the legislative timelines, State Budget, State grant programs, recent committee hearings, and bill progress of interest to C/CAG since the Committee and Board last met. The 2024 Legislative Session began when the legislature reconvened on January 3, 2024. Remaining two-year bills will need to pass to the opposite house by the end of January to move forward. The deadline for new bills is February 16, 2024. The 2024 Legislative Calendar can be found here: <u>2024 Legislative Calendar</u>.

At this Legislative Committee meeting, held prior to the Board meeting, the Committee will mainly

receive updates from the Consultant on State budget, and any additional information from Sacramento on bills discussed in the attached C/CAG Legislative Update. In addition, the consultant may discuss transportation funding and changes in legislative leadership and committee assignments.

State Authorizing Legislation for a potential future Regional Transportation Revenue ballot measure:

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) has been discussed State Authorizing legislation to enable the region to put a regional transportation measure on a future ballot, possibly in 2026. The current schedule is to submit draft legislation in early 2024. The authorizing legislation does not require a regional ballot measure but provides the MTC the authority to pursue a regional measure. The C/CAG Legislative Committee, at its December meeting, discussed and voted to send a letter to MTC to reconsider inclusion of transit coordination/consolidation being included in the regional measure. The C/CAG Board voted in support of the letter in December.

EQUITY IMPACTS AND CONSIDERATIONS

The C/CAG Legislative Committee considers equity in its positions on legislation and has included equity language in the annual Legislative Priorities document. Decisions made in relation to transportation, housing, stormwater, and climate resilience have the potential to impact our most vulnerable communities in San Mateo County.

Additional Information

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: <u>C/CAG Bill Tracking</u>

ATTACHMENTS

1. C/CAG Legislative Update, January 31, 2024 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 <u>http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/</u>
- 6. 2024 California State Calendar of Legislative Deadlines
- 7. San Mateo County Delegation
 - 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://syaslpartners.com/clients/

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January 31, 2024

- 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 – February 2024

Legislative Update

The Legislature returned to Sacramento on January 3 to convene the second year of the two-year 2023-24 Legislative Session. Immediately upon their return, the Legislature's policy committees began to hear and act on bills introduced in the first year of the two-year session that did not move out of their first house (these bills are commonly referred to as "two-year bills"). Per the adopted 2024 Legislative Calendar, two-year bills still in their first policy committee are required to be acted on by January 22 to remain active, and all two-year bills must pass their first house by January 31. For more information about key legislative and budget deadlines, see the adopted 2024 Legislative Calendar, which is available here.

Governor Newsom Releases Proposed FY 2024-25 Budget

On January 10, Governor Newsom released his proposed <u>Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 budget</u>, based on the latest economic forecasts available to the Governor and his Department of Finance. Responding to a \$37.9 billion budget deficit (about half what the Legislative Analyst's Office estimated in December), the \$291.5 billion budget proposes to implement a series of funding delays and shifts (between fund sources) to maintain the state's commitments to addressing its top priorities – homelessness, education, public safety, and transportation.

The Governor is proposing to largely honor last year's \$5.1 billion transit funding deal. There is no proposed cut to the funds the Bay Area for transit operations and capital, only a proposed one-year delay of some TIRCP funding and fund source shift. The budget proposal does reduce the Active Transportation Program commitment by \$200 million.

The Governor is proposing cuts to housing programs, including reducing the REAP 2.0 program by \$300 million (about half of what was initially planned). The Administration has also indicated each region will be reimbursed for only half of their approved spending plans. The budget also proposes cuts to the Multifamily Housing Program and the Infill Infrastructure Grants Program.

Finally, \$54 billion identified in FY 2021-22 and 2022-23 budgets for various climate programs and the budget proposes to cut \$2.9 billion, delay \$1.9 billion, and shift \$1.8 billion from the General Fund to GGRF and other special funds. The budget proposes a \$221 million cut from sea level rise programs and \$171 million for coastal protection and adaptation.

Metropolitan Transportation Commission Approves Pursuit of Regional Transportation Measure, Identifies Framework for Investment

On January 24, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) voted to pursue state legislation to enable Bay Area voters to consider a new regional transportation measure as early as November 2026. With this action, MTC also approved a framework for the enabling legislation, which outlines funding categories and potential revenue options, and which aims to generate \$1 billion annually. Funding categories included in this framework include: transit transformation, focused on sustaining and expanding transit service and supporting the transition to zero-emission technologies; safe streets, focused on bike and pedestrian infrastructure, safe routes to transit, and fixing potholes; connectivity, focused on relieving bottlenecks in the transportation network; and climate resilience, focused on funding planning, design, and/or construction activities that protect transportation infrastructure from climate change.

Bill language to expand on the framework will be introduced and amended into SB 925, the "spot bill" for the regional transportation measure in mid-February. The bill is expected to be heard in its first policy committee in the State Legislature in March.

Assembly Speaker Rivas Announces Committee Rosters

On November 21, Assembly Speaker Robert Rivas (D-Salinas) announced his much-anticipated changes to policy and fiscal committee chairs in the Assembly. On the heels of that announcement, on December 27, 2023, the Speaker further announced the full rosters for the Assembly's various policy and fiscal committees. You can find those rosters <u>here</u>.

California State Senate Announces Timeline for Leadership Transition

On December 4, 2023, the California State Senate announced that incoming Senate President pro Tempore Mike McGuire (D-Healdsburg) will take the gavel from current Senate President pro Tempore Toni Atkins (D-San Diego) on February 5, 2024. Following his inauguration as Senate President pro Tempore, Senator McGuire will name his new Senate leadership team and could appoint new chairs to various Senate committees.

Bills of Interest

SB 450 (Atkins) Updates to Ministerial Approvals for Parcel Subdivisions (SB 9) – C/CAG OPPOSE

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. SB 450 adds 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. *This bill is in the Assembly.*

SB 532 (Wiener) Bridge Toll Increase

This bill would increase the toll for vehicles for crossing toll bridges in the San Francisco Bay area by \$1.50 until December 31, 2028, and require the revenues collected from this toll to be used by MTC for allocation to transit operators that provide service within the San Francisco Bay area and experiencing an operations funding challenge. Any transit operator seeking an allocation would be required to submit a 5-year projection of its operating need. *This bill is in the Assembly.*

SB 537 (Becker) Brown Act – Multijurisdictional, Cross-County Agencies

The bill would authorize the legislative body of a multijurisdictional, cross-county agency, as specified, to use alternate teleconferencing provisions if the eligible legislative body has adopted an authorizing resolution, as specified. The bill would also require the legislative body to provide a record of attendance and the number of public comments on its internet website within 7 days after a teleconference meeting, as specified. The bill would require at least a quorum of members of the legislative body to participate from locations within the boundaries of the territory over which the local agency exercises jurisdiction. The bill would require the legislative body to identify in the agenda each member who plans to participate remotely and to include the address of the publicly accessible building from each member will participate via teleconference. The bill would prohibit a member from participating remotely pursuant to these provisions unless the remote location is the member's office or another location in a publicly accessible building and is more than 40 miles from the location of the inperson meeting. The bill would repeal these alternative teleconferencing provisions on January 1, 2028. *This bill is on the Assembly Inactive File.*

SB 903 (Skinner) – PFAS Ban

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation to phase out the sale of products with avoidable perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances.

SB 925 (Wiener) Bay Area Regional Measure

This bill, which is a "spot" bill for the nine-county regional transportation measure, would state the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation to authorize the Metropolitan Transportation Commission to propose a revenue measure to the voters in its jurisdiction to fund the operation, expansion, and transformation of the San Francisco Bay area's public transportation system, as well as other transportation improvements.

SB 926 (Wahab) Bay Area Transit Consolidation

This bill would require the California State Transportation Agency to develop a plan to consolidate all transit agencies that are located within the geographic jurisdiction of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission.

SB 960 (Wiener) Complete Streets Projects on the State Highway System

This bill would require all transportation projects funded or overseen by Caltrans to provide "comfortable, convenient, and connected complete streets facilities" unless exempt pursuant to the bill and would require the State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) asset management plan to prioritize the implementation of "comfortable, convenient, and connected facilities" for pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit users on all projects in the program. The bill would require the CTC to adopt 4-year and 10-year objective targets and performance measures reflecting state transportation goals and objectives, including for complete streets assets that reflect the existence and conditions of bicycle, pedestrian, and transit facilities on the state highway system. The bill would require Caltrans and CTC to use the updated asset management plan and to guide the selection of transit priority projects for the SHOPP.

This bill would define "transit priority project" as a roadway design, operations, and enforcement action, treatment, or project that helps transit buses and other transit vehicles avoid traffic congestion, reduce signal delays, and move more predictably and reliably. The bill would require Caltrans to adopt a policy on transit priority projects for state and local highways and require Caltrans to take certain actions to streamline the approval of transit priority projects. The bill would require Caltrans to establish 4-year and 10-year targets for the fast and reliable movement of transit vehicles on state highways. Finally, this bill would require the Caltrans to establish a process to streamline the approval of pedestrian facilities, traffic calming improvements, bicycle facilities, and transit priority projects at locations where a local highway is above, below, or otherwise intersects with, a conventional state highway.

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. *This bill passed the Assembly and is in the Senate.*

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. *This bill failed the two-year deadline.*

AB 1798 (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 from entering salmon and steelhead trout bearing waters. The bill would require Caltrans' process to include a pilot project at an unspecified location to study the effectiveness and cost effectiveness of installing and maintaining bioretention and biofiltration systems. *C/CAG supported a similar bill in 2023 and should consider a SUPPORT position on this bill.*

AB 1837 (Papan) Bay Area Transit Coordination

This bill, which is a spot bill, would state the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation to encourage coordination and collaboration among transit agencies in the San Francisco Bay area.

For a full list of the bills we are tracking for C/CAG, please click here.