## CITY/COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

# Meeting Minutes December 12, 2024 Meeting

#### **Staff and Guests Attending:**

C/CAG Staff:

Sean Charpentier, Kim Springer, Melissa Andrikopoulos, Reid Bogert, Mima Crume, Kaki Cheung, Jeffery Lacap, Susy Kalkin, Eva Gaye, Van O Campo, Audrey Shiramizu

## **Legislative Consultants:**

Matt Robinson Andrew Antwih Ken Brown

## Others Attending:

Marc Hershman

## 1. Call to Order.

Chair Papan called the meeting to order at approximately 5:31 p.m.

#### 2. Roll call.

C/CAG staff conducted roll call, and a quorum of eight was eventually present.

Agency	Name	In Person	Remote AB 2449
Atherton	Elizabeth Lewis	X	
Brisbane	Karen Cunningham		
East Palo Alto	Lisa Gauthier		
Foster City	Stacy Jimenez	X	
Millbrae	Gina Papan (Chair)	X	
Millbrae	Anders Fung	X	
Pacifica	Sue Vaterlaus (Vice-Chair)	X	
Pacifica	Tygarjas Bigstyck	X	
San Bruno	Michael Salazar	X	
San Carlos	Adam Rak	X	

## 3. Public comment on 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 14, 2024.

The Committee voted on approval of the minutes of the November 14, 2024 meeting, with a motion from Member Vaterlaus, seconded by Member Rak. A vote was taken, and the motion passed (6,0,0).

#### 5. Review and approval of C/CAG Legislative Committee meeting calendar for 2025.

C/CAG Executive Director, Sean Charpentier presented the language in Resolution 24-79 to be proposed to the C/CAG Board later in the evening, for discussion and approval. After brief discussion, the language was approved through by a vote, motioned by Member Salazar, and seconded by Member Lewis. The motion passed (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 updated the committee on various topics, including the legislative session calendar, governor priorities, budget, and election outcomes.

Robinson shared that the election results are final and updated the committee on the results. The legislature convened for the 2025-26 session on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Several bills were introduced. Robinson mentioned that the democratic supermajority was reduced somewhat and Chair Papan notes that there are now more women legislators that ever before. Robinson also shared the results of Proposition 5 by county and transportation measures. The consultant team will work with C/CAG staff to betting understand funding opportunities coming from Proposition 4, the Climate Bond.

Legislative consultant staff are working on identifying a date for a C/CAG Legislative trip to Sacramento in early 2025.

Andrew Antwih mentioned that the legislature formed a special session to address on sufficient funding for legal resources to address federal threats to California's values, funding to the Department of Justice for the attorney general. Antwih also mentioned that the number of bills a legislator may introduce down to 35 for the two-year cycle, from 50 in the previous two-year session.

Executive Director, Sean Charpentier provided an update on work on the Regional Transportation Measure. Chair Papan share her concerns on both the Measure and polling efforts to be undertaken for the Measure.

Member Fung asked whether information on exactly how much funding San Mateo County has been providing to BART and how it has been spent has been shared, for transparency. Staff did not have those numbers but suggested that the TA does. The Committee continued the conversation on the likelihood of a measures success as it move to the legislature for introduction.

Charpentier mentioned staff's work on updating the C/CAG legislative priorities. Chair Papan share other items, including bridge toll increases to support bridge maintenance, standardization of high occupancy rates for tolls, need for improvement of access to Fastrack,

Sean Charpentier, along with Ken Brown, C/CAG's federal advocate in Washington, provided a short presentation on potential federal funding requests for 2025.

# 7. Adjournment.

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

Next meeting is scheduled for January 9, 2025.