

Alameda County Mayors' Conference

BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

October 14, 2026

6:30 p.m.

The Alameda Food Bank

[677 W Ranger Road, Alameda, CA](#)

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of September 9, 2026, Meeting Minutes*
3. Agenda Amendments
4. Public Comments and Other Announcements
 - a) Heather Peters, Principal, Bay Area Housing Finance Authority
 - b) BART Director Barnali Ghosh
5. Member Reports on Regional Boards and Activities
6. Appointments to Regional Boards and Call for Applications

Board Name/ Appointment	District	Incumbent	Applicant(s)	Start	End
No Appointments Anticipated					

*Applications submitted for appointment are included with the Nominating Committee agenda packet, which also includes a listing of current regional board vacancies.

7. League of California Cities' Report, Legislative Updates, and Actions
 - a) Samantha Brightman, East Bay Regional Public Affairs Manager, League of California Cities
8. Other Business Matters*
 - a) Consideration to approve a Professional Services Agreement with Steven Bocian to serve as the Mayors' Conference Executive Director for the 2027 calendar year
 - b) Consideration to approve the Alameda County Mayors' Conference CY 2027 Budget and Membership Dues Schedule
9. Request for Future Agenda Items and Presenters
 - October 14, 2026 – Alameda County Health
 - November 11, 2026 – Meeting Canceled
 - December 9, 2026 – Alameda County Area Agency on Aging
10. Adjournment

*Denotes report included below or attached material. Regional board applications are included with the Nominating Committee agenda packet

Note: The Mayors' Conference or the Alameda County City Selection Committee may act on any subject posted on this agenda, including nominations from the floor for regional boards.

For questions or information regarding this Agenda, contact Steven Bocian, Executive Director at: sbocian@acmayorsconference.org

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After Meeting Dinner Events

a) Host City Mayors' Report

a) Mayor Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft

b) Meeting Presentation

Presenter: Aneeka Chaudhry, Director, Alameda County Health, and Jonathan Russell,
Housing and Homeless Director, Alameda County Health

Presentation Topic: Home Together Plan and Measure W update

Attachments

- A. September 9, 2026, Meeting Minutes
- B. Proposed agreement with Steven Bocian
- C. Proposed CY 2027 Budget

Executive Director's Report

Item 6 – Appointment to Regional Boards and Call for Applications

No appointments are scheduled for this meeting.

Item 9(a) - Consideration to approve a Professional Services Agreement with Steven Bocian to serve as the Alameda County Mayors' Conference Executive Director for the 2027 calendar year
The Executive Committee will recommend renewing, amending, or rejecting the attached Professional Services Agreement with Steven Bocian to serve as the Alameda County Mayors' Conference Executive Director for the 2027 calendar year. There are no changes to the agreement, including compensation for the Executive Director. Please refer to the attached Executive Committee agenda packet for a full report on this matter.

RECOMMENDATION – Consider the Executive Committee's recommendation regarding renewing the professional services agreement with Steven Bocian to serve as the Alameda County Mayors' Conference Executive Director for the 2027 calendar year, and take appropriate action.

Item 9(b) –Consideration to approve the Alameda County Mayors' Conference Budget and Membership Dues Schedule for Calendar Year 2027

The Executive Committee will make a recommendation on the CY 2027 budget, including the assessment of membership dues. The Budget is consistent with previous budgets except for a one-time 2027 reduction of \$1,000 to the Dinner Fee, \$3,000 for website services related to moving to a new hosting service, and Microsoft fees for Office 365 and webmail services. Annual revenue is estimated at \$69,990, and expenditures are estimated at \$77,609. The estimated end-of-year reserve is \$67,768.81.

Please refer to the Executive Committee's agenda packet for a full report on this matter.

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RECOMMENDATION – Consider the Executive Committee's recommendation to adopt the CY 2027 Alameda County Mayors' Conference Budget, including the membership dues assessment. Please refer to the Executive Committee agenda packet for a full report.

CALENDAR OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Meeting Date	Host City
October 14, 2026	Alameda
November 11, 2026	Meeting Canceled
December 9, 2026	Albany
January 13, 2027	San Leandro
February 10, 2027	Oakland

Meeting information is available at www.alamedacountymayorsconference.org

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ALAMEDA COUNTY MAYORS' CONFERENCE MINUTES

Meeting of September 9, 2026

The meeting was called to order by President González on September 9, 2026, at Concannon Winery, 4590 Tesla Road, Livermore, California.

1. Roll Call

The following mayors, or their elected alternates, were present during the proceedings:

City	Member Attendee
Alameda	Mayor Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft
Albany	Mayor Peggy McQuaid
Berkeley	Mayor Adena Ishii
Dublin	Mayor Sherry Hu
Emeryville	Mayor Sukhdeep Kaur
Fremont	Mayor Raj Salwan
Hayward	Mayor Mark Salinas
Livermore	Mayor John Marchand
Newark	Mayor Michael Hannon
Oakland	Mayor Barbara Lee
Piedmont	Mayor Betsy Smegel Andersen
Pleasanton	Mayor Jack Balch
San Leandro	Mayor Juan González
Union City	Mayor Gary Singh

2. Approval of the July 8, 2026, Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Mayor Salinas and seconded by Mayor Salwan to approve the July 8, 2026, meeting minutes. The motion was approved unanimously.

3. Agenda Amendments

There were no agenda amendments.

4. Public Comments and Other Announcements

Mona Favorite-Hill, Senior Community Affairs Representative with the East Bay Municipal Utility District, discussed plans for testing of emergency generators and events scheduled for the Agency's 75th anniversary.

Stephen Baiter, Executive Director for the East Bay Economic Development Alliance, provided an update on the Bay Area Challenge and the Resilient by Design effort.

Olivia Salwong, Director with the East Bay Regional Park District, provided an update on the future disposition of Golden Gate Fields Race Track.

5. Member Reports on Regional Activities and Committees

Mayor Ezzy Ashcraft provided an update on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, reminding attendees that September is Transit Month and that \$3.5 billion has been approved for regional transportation improvements.

President González provided an update on the Bay Area Air Quality Management District, indicating cooperation with the BCDC on permitting requirements.

Mayor Ishii provided an update on the Alameda County Mayor's Conference Working Group on Homelessness, discussing the Home Together plan and Measure W.

6. Appointments to Regional Boards and Call for Applications

President González announced that no appointments are scheduled for this meeting.

7. League of California Cities Reports, Legislative Updates, and Actions

Samantha Brightman, East Bay Regional Public Affairs Manager for the League of California Cities (League), provided an update on League activities, including Propositions 1 and 43 and SB922.

8. Other Business Matters

President González indicated that the Executive Committee reviewed the Alameda County Mayors' Conference Draft Resolution 2026-01, A Resolution of the Alameda County Mayors' Conference opposing Proposition 43 (ACA22), the two-thirds vote requirement for local special taxes, and recommended membership approval.

After discussion, it was moved by Mayor Salinas and seconded by Mayor Ezzy Ashcraft that the Alameda County Mayors' Conference approve Resolution 2026-01, A Resolution of the Alameda County Mayors' Conference opposing Proposition 43 (ACA22), the two-thirds vote requirement for local special taxes, and that the resolution be distributed to all member cities.

The motion was approved unanimously by a roll-call vote and was so ordered. Mayor Lee was not present for the vote.

9. Request for Future Agenda Items and Presenters

Recommendations were made to invite Aneeka Chaudhry, Director, Alameda County Health, to present at the October 14, 2026 meeting, and Mayor Salinas expressed interest in inviting officials from local colleges and universities to discuss the state of affairs at these schools.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven Bocian
Executive Director

POST MEETING NOTES

Mayor's Report

Mayor John Marchand welcomed guests and thanked staff for their work. He provided an overview of City of Livermore activities and discussed the celebration of its 150th anniversary.

Guest Speaker

Lisa Tucker, President of the Tucker Group, presented on behalf of the San Francisco Bay Area Planning and Urban Research Association (SPUR) on the Connect Bay Area tax measure on the November 4, 2026, ballot.

Lisa Tucker addressed questions from Mayors Marchand and Ezzy Ashcraft.

Melissa Hernandez, BART President, addressed the membership regarding member comments and questions.

The membership wished Mayor Singh a happy birthday.

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ALAMEDA COUNTY MAYORS' CONFERENCE

This Agreement is entered into this 1st day of January 2027, by and between the Alameda County Mayors' Conference, a voluntary organization of cities hereinafter called "Conference," and Steven Bocian, hereinafter called "Contractor."

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, Conference is desirous of securing certain professional services in order to carry out the purposes of the organization; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor is organized and equipped for the purpose of providing such professional services.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises hereinafter set forth, the parties do hereby agree as follows:

1. The Contractor shall perform the following activities and services:
 - a. To serve as the Executive Director of the Conference, working cooperatively with Alameda County cities and regional agencies, coordinating monthly Conference business and legislative meetings.
 - b. To insure proper communication with and representation before all regional and State agencies and the Alameda County Board of Supervisors, including recording minutes and processing board, commission, and committee applications and appointments made by the Conference and the Alameda County City Selection Committee to regional boards and state agencies, as required.
 - c. To keep a good and sufficient record of the proceedings of the Conference.
 - d. To keep a record and ascertain the qualifications of each member and alternate member.
 - e. To maintain files for all reports, correspondence, and other business of the Conference, including Conference meeting minutes.
 - f. Upon request, to attend meetings of the various committees of the Conference so as to lend any technical guidance, conduct of research, or the provision of whatever clerical assistance that may be needed.
 - g. Annually, with assistance from the Conference Treasurer, to prepare and present a proposed budget and assessment schedule to the Executive Committee and to control the approved budget.

- h. Retain digital files of all matters related to the Conference and post-meeting agenda, as well as related documents and business meeting minutes on the Conference website for public access.
 - i. Continue to maintain and regularly update the Alameda County Mayors' Conference website.
 - j. To work cooperatively with the City of San Leandro and the Conference Treasurer concerning their overall financial administration of the Conference, including utilization of Quickbooks for invoicing, accounts payable, preparation of an annual financial report, and other financial matters.
 - k. To perform such other duties as the Conference may from time to time direct.
1. In consideration for providing the Conference specified professional services the Contractor shall be compensated at the rate of Three Thousand Sixty-Four Dollars and 00 Cents (\$3,064) per month. The Contractor shall also receive an automobile allowance of One Hundred Twenty-Three Dollars (\$123.00) per month. The total compensation and auto allowance shall be (\$3,187) per month. Contractor shall also be reimbursed for out-of-pocket expenses incurred on behalf of the Conference.
 2. The Contractor and Conference understand Steven Bocian is not acting hereunder in any manner as an employee of the Conference but solely under this Agreement as an independent contractor. Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Conference, its boards and commissions, officers, and employees from and against any and all loss, damages, liability, claims, suits, costs, and expenses whatsoever, including reasonable attorneys' fees, regardless of the merits or outcome of any such claim or suit arising from or in any manner connected to Contractor's negligent performance of services or work conducted or performed pursuant to this Agreement.

Because the Conference has relied on the specific background and capabilities of Contractor in awarding this Agreement, any assignment of Contractor's interest in this Agreement shall be null and void and shall confer no right, title, or interest in this Agreement.
 3. This Agreement supersedes any existing contract for these services and shall be in effect from January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2027. It will automatically terminate on December 31, 2027, unless extended by mutual Agreement of the parties in conjunction with the annual budget term. This Agreement may be terminated by either party upon ninety (90) days written notice to the other party.

NOTICES: All notices or other communications required or permitted hereunder shall be in writing and shall be personally delivered, sent by courier, messenger services, or sent by registered or certified mail, postage paid, return receipt requested, and shall be deemed received upon the earlier of (1) the date of delivery to the address of the person to receive such notice at the following addresses, or (2) five (5) business days after the date of posting by the United States Post Office:

To Conference: President
Mayor Juan González
City of San Leandro
835 E 14th Street
San Leandro, CA 94577

To Contractor: Steven Bocian
4887 Merganser Court
Pleasanton, CA 94566

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Agreement to be executed.

CONTRACTOR

ALAMEDA COUNTY MAYORS'
CONFERENCE

Steven Bocian,
a sole proprietor

Juan González,
President

Dated: _____

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**ALAMEDA COUNTY MAYORS CONFERENCE
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS & EQUITY
ACTUAL AND ESTIMATED BUDGET FOR 2025 THROUGH 2027**

	ACTUAL C.Y. 2025	ESTIMATED C.Y. 2026	Proposed C.Y. 2027
CASH RECEIPTS (INCOME) -			
MEMBERSHIP DUES	\$ 45,240.00	\$ 45,240.00	\$ 45,240.00
MEMBERSHIP DINNER FEE	32,900.00	32,900.00	18,900.00 (1)
INTEREST INCOME	0.00	0.00	0.00
DINNER REIMBURSEMENTS	5,925.00	4,800.00	5,850.00 (2)
TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS	<u>\$ 84,065.00</u>	<u>\$ 82,940.00</u>	<u>\$ 69,990.00</u>
CASH DISBURSEMENTS (EXPENSES) -			
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CONTRACT	\$36,768.00	\$36,768.00	\$36,768.00
ACCOUNTING SERVICES (San Leandro)	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00 (3)
OFFICE SUPPLIES	0.00	0.00	340.00 (4)
QUICKBOOKS SERVICES	1,107.07	1,239.25	1,400.00 (5)
CAR ALLOWANCE (Executive Director)	1,476.00	1,476.00	1,476.00
DINNER EXPENSE/ REMBURSEMENTS	25,833.59	20,925.00	30,525.00 (6)
BANK SERVICE CHARGES	241.63	430.55	500.00
WEBPAGE ADMINISTRATION	0.00	0.00	3,000.00 (7)
MISCELLANEOUS	297.07	627.59	600.00 (8)
TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ 68,723.36</u>	<u>\$ 64,466.39</u>	<u>\$77,609.00</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	15,341.64	18,473.61	(7,619.00)
EQUITY, BEGINNING	<u>41,572.56</u>	<u>56,914.20</u>	<u>75,387.81</u>
EQUITY, ENDING (DEFICIT)	<u><u>\$ 56,914.20</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 75,387.81</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 67,768.81</u></u>

Notes:

1. Includes a \$1,000 reduction in annual Dinner Fee for each member city due to budget surplus.
2. Estimated dinner reimbursements from regional agencies at \$75 per person (7 regional agency attendees per meeting times eleven meetings equals \$5,850)
3. The City of San Leandro is paid \$3,000 annually for financial administration services
4. Includes annual subscription to Microsoft Office 365 (\$240) and Email (\$100).
5. Includes QuickBooks annual subscription (\$810) and Transaction Fees (\$590)
6. Assumes 11 dinners annually for 37 attendees each meeting. The Conference reimburses a member city hosting a monthly business meeting and dinner a total of \$75 for each mayor, city manager (or alternates), a guest speaker and the Executive Director and each regional agency representative who RSVPs to attend the event. If the reimbursement amount exceeds the host city's total expenses for hosting the event, the reimbursement amount will be equal to the host city's total event cost.
7. This includes annual website hosting (\$300), domain name registration (\$100), Site maintenance (\$1,000) and site modifications to meet new hosting requirements (\$1,600).
8. Includes IRS submittal fees

**ALAMEDA COUNTY MAYORS CONFERENCE
CY 2027 MEMBERSHIP DUES AND DINNER EXPENSE FEE**

<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>Membership Dues (1)</u>	<u>Dinner Fee (2)</u>	<u>Total Dues</u>
Alameda	\$ 3,480.00	\$ 1,350.00 (3)	\$ 4,830.00
Albany	2,610.00	1,350.00	\$ 3,960.00
Berkeley	3,480.00	1,350.00	4,830.00
Dublin	3,480.00	1,350.00	4,830.00
Emeryville	2,610.00	1,350.00	3,960.00
Fremont	3,480.00	1,350.00	4,830.00
Hayward	3,480.00	1,350.00	4,830.00
Livermore	3,480.00	1,350.00	4,830.00
Newark	2,610.00	1,350.00	3,960.00
Oakland	3,480.00	1,350.00	4,830.00
Piedmont	2,610.00	1,350.00	3,960.00
Pleasanton	3,480.00	1,350.00	4,830.00
San Leandro	3,480.00	1,350.00	4,830.00
Union City	3,480.00	1,350.00	4,830.00
Total	<u>\$ 45,240.00</u>	<u>\$ 18,900.00</u>	<u>\$ 64,140.00</u>

Notes:

1. Membership Dues for cities with population less than 50,000 are reduced by 25%
2. Each member city is assessed \$100 for its mayor and city manager plus the guest speaker and executive director for dinner costs. The Conference will reimburse a member city hosting a monthly business meeting and dinner a total of \$75 for each mayor, city manager (or alternates) a guest speaker and the Executive Director and each regional agency attendee who RSVPs to attend the event. If the reimbursement amount exceeds the host city's total expenses, the reimbursement amount will be equal to the host city's total event cost.
3. For budget year 2027, the Dinner Fee is reduced from \$2,350 to \$1,350 in view of the existing project surplus. It is anticipated that the the Dinner Fee will return to previously adopted amount of \$2,350 for the 2028 budget year.