

ALAMEDA COUNTY MAYORS' CONFERENCE MINUTES

Meeting of February 15, 2018

The meeting, hosted by Mayor John Bauters, City of Emeryville, was called to order at 6:45 p.m. by President Pauline Russo Cutter. The meeting was held at Novartis Biomedical Research Institute located at 5300 Chiron Way in the City of Emeryville.

1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance

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

City	Member Attendee
Alameda	Mayor Trish Spencer
Albany	Mayor Peggy McQuaid
Berkeley	Mayor Jesse Arreguin
Emeryville	Mayor John Bauters
Hayward	Mayor Barbara Halliday
Livermore	Mayor John Marchand
Newark	Mayor Al Nagy
Piedmont	Mayor Robert McBain
San Leandro	Mayor Pauline Russo Cutter
Union City	Mayor Carol Dutra-Vernaci

2. Approval of the January 10, 2018 Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Mayor Dutra-Vernaci and seconded by Vice-President Halliday to approve the minutes of the meeting of January 10, 2018. Motion was unanimous and so ordered.

3. Agenda Amendments

There were no agenda amendments.

4. Public Comments and Announcements

Steven Nadel, Sunflower Alliance, Michael Kaufman, No Coal Oakland and Andres Soto, Committee for a Better Environment individually spoke in support of the reappointment of Rebecca Kaplan to the Bay Area Air Quality Management District's Board of Directors stating her experience, interest and overall qualifications to assume this position. In addition, they stated that Alameda County would benefit from her reappointment due to her commitment to environmental issues.

Darien Louie, Executive Director for the East Bay Economic Development Alliance informed members that the Bay Area Innovations Award event is sold out. She congratulated the eight cities who are finalist this year's East Bay Innovation Awards and the Mayors who have inductees for the Alameda County Women's Hall of Fame.

5. Member Reports on Regional Activities and Committees

Vice-President Halliday reported on the East Bay Economic Alliance congratulating the finalist cities.

Mayor Dutra-Vernaci provided an update on MTC including the proposed ballot measure regarding increased bridge tolls and support of a lower-income housing development.

6. Recommendation of the Nominating Committee and Call for Applications

President Russo Cutter indicated that the Nominating Committee met this evening and is recommending Sharon Petrehn be appointed to the Alameda County Commission on the Status of Women for a two-year term commencing January 2018. President Russo Cutter requested a motion on the Nominating Committee's recommendations.

It was moved by Mayor Dutra-Vernaci and seconded by Mayor Arreguin to accept the Nominating Committee's recommendation to appoint Sharon Petrehn to the Alameda County Airport Land Use Commission for a two-year term commencing February 2018. Motion was unanimous and so ordered.

President Russo Cutter announced that there are currently two openings for the ACTC Independent Watchdog Committee and that applications are now being accepted for the Bay Area Air Quality Management Board Director position that will filled at the March 14 meeting.

7. League of California Cities Report and Legislative Updates and Actions

Samantha Caygill, Regional Public Affairs Manager, East Bay Division, League of California Cities, informed attendees that tomorrow is the state's bill introduction deadline and that the League will notify cities of recent activity. She also discussed SB827 would exempt certain housing projects from many local planning requirements and oversight. Mayor Dutra-Vernaci indicated that the bill may also exempt these developments from local development related fees.

She provided information on Proposition's 69 which bans lawmakers from diverting transportation revenues to non-transportation uses and Proposition 68 which is a proposed \$4 Billion bond measure for state water projects. The next division meeting is March 22, 2018 at Campo di Bocce, Fremont. The topic is emergency preparedness.

9. Meeting Presentation

President Russo Cutter introduced Ryan Clausnitzer, General Manager of the Alameda County Mosquito Abatement District, who provided a PowerPoint presentation on Alameda County's program. He described the District's organizational structure and mission and provided a brief history.

He also spoke about the science of mosquitos indicating that only the female bites. He listed the many diseases that are derived from mosquitos including West Nile virus, Zika Virus, and the Yellow Fever virus. He indicated that some mosquitos live in abandoned swimming pools and others in drainage ditches. The County has about 700 traps throughout the County checking for the Zika virus.

He discussed the District's integrated vector management program and discussed its efforts to assess success and types of insect management including the use of mosquito fish. The District also provides community outreach and education and indicated it has a quality control program that responds to issues.

The agency is currently doing a strategic plan as a means of planning for the future.

10. Host City Introductions and Report

John Bauters, Mayor, City of Emeryville, welcomed attendees and introduced City of Emeryville councilmembers and staff. A PowerPoint presentation was used to highlight City of Emeryville history, demographics, business activity and current City projects. As part of the presentation, Mayor Bauters stated that the City is a leader in attracting venture capital and home of many corporations including Pixar, and Peet's Coffee, and major biotech firms such as Novartis. He provided information regarding the Stanford Medical Research Center, business innovation, the development plan for the former Sherwin Williams site, which will include housing, a park and a pathway, the South Bayfront Bridge project, planning for a proposed Emeryville Art Center, and the 3707 San Pablo Drive affordable housing development. He also discussed the City's proposed no smoking and lead protection ordinances, the Celebration of the Arts event held annually in October and Black History month events.

11. Request for Future Agenda Items

There were no recommendations concerning future agenda items.

12. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8.06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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