

ALAMEDA COUNTY MAYORS' CONFERENCE MINUTES

Meeting of June 10, 2020

This telephonic/video meeting, held in compliance with Alameda County's shelter in place order, was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President David Haubert using a Zoom software interface.

1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance

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

City	Member Attendee
Alameda	Mayor Ezzy Ashcraft
Albany	Mayor Nick Pilch
Berkeley	Mayor Jesse Arreguin
Dublin	Mayor Dave Haubert
Emeryville	Mayor Christian Patz
Hayward	Mayor Barbara Halliday
Livermore	Mayor John Marchand
Newark	Mayor Al Nagy
Oakland	Mayor Libby Schaaf
Piedmont	Mayor Robert McBain
Pleasanton	Mayor Jerry Thorne
San Leandro	Mayor Pauline Russo Cutter
Union City	Mayor Carol Dutra-Vernaci

2. Approval of the May 13, 2020 Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Mayor Haubert and seconded by Mayor Marchand to approve the May 13, 2020 meeting minutes. The motion was approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

3. Agenda Amendments

No agenda amendments.

4. Public Comments and Other Announcements

Stephen Baiter, Executive Director of the East Bay Economic Development Alliance provided information on its spring membership meeting and informed members of its 2020 East Bay Economic Outlook report.

John Bauters, councilmember, City of Emeryville provided an update on recent Bay Area Air Quality Management District activity including its board's decision to forego an annual fee increase and the approval of its annual budget.

5. Member Reports on Regional Activities and Committees

Mayor Arreguin provided an update on the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) indicating that its board voted against placing an affordable housing funding measure on the November ballot but that this would be considered at a later date. However, the board directed ABAG staff to explore a regional housing portfolio. He also indicated there is support for ABAG continuing to play a leadership role in the region's housing matters.

Mayor Halliday provided an ABAG update focusing on its meetings dedicated to defining the roles of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and ABAG boards.

Mayor Dutra-Vernaci updated members on recent activity of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) discussing its approach for allocating \$1.3B CARE funding including the \$780M that is being allocated for local transit. She also indicated that the MTC supports ABAG retaining a leadership role on housing.

6. Appointments to Regional Boards and Call for Applications

It was moved by Mayor Haubert and seconded by Mayor Marchand that the membership accept the Nominating Committee's recommendation to reappoint Mayor Jesse Arreguin to the Association of Bay Area Governments, Executive Committee for a term of two years effective July 1, 2020. The motion was approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

It was moved by Mayor Haubert and seconded by Mayor Marchand that the membership accept the Nominating Committee's recommendation to reappoint Mayor Barbara Halliday to the Association of Bay Area Governments, Executive Committee for a term of two years effective July 1, 2020. The motion was approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

It was moved by Mayor Haubert and seconded by Mayor Ezzy Ashcraft that the membership accept the Nominating Committee's recommendation to appoint Oakland resident Jean Walsh to the Alameda County Transportation Commission, Independent Watchdog Committee for a term of two years effective June 10, 2020. The motion was approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

2.) Sitting as the Alameda County City Selection Committee:

It was moved by Mayor Haubert and seconded by Mayor Russo Cutter that the Alameda County City Selection Committee accept the Nominating Committee's recommendation to reappoint Mayor John Marchand to the Alameda County Local Agency Formation Commission as member for a term of four years effective June 10, 2020. The motion was approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

President Haubert informed members of the current regional board vacancies and directed them to review Item 6 of the Executive Director's Report, which provides detailed vacancy information.

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

Samantha Caygill, Regional Public Affairs Manager, East Bay Division, League of California Cities (League) discussed the recent actions of the League's committees and indicated that its analysis projects a significant governmental funding shortfall, including a \$500B federal funding shortfall. The League, along with its coalition of partners, is encouraging the availability of flexible funding.

8. Meeting Presentation

Barbara Laurenson, MTC Express Lane Program, led a PowerPoint presentation regarding the public information program currently underway and projected for the next few months intended to educate the public on changes to the I-880 corridor as MTC gears up for opening the I-880 Express Lanes later this year. Barbara Laurenson and Andrew Fremeir, MTC Deputy Executive Director, Operations answered member's questions following the presentation.

9. Other Business Matter

a) Discussion Regarding COVID-19. Dr. Erica Pan, Alameda County Interim Health Officer provided an update on recent COVID-19 studies, developments and shelter in place orders and addressed a range of members' questions related to topics such as available models, contact tracing, testing, the likelihood that haircuts will be permitted in the near future, the effectiveness of COVID-19 testing, and recent research into the area. She commented on her recent Zoom community meeting held in the City of Alameda and provided information regarding the need for securing more people as contact tracers.

b) Mayors Pauline Russo Cutter, Patz and Schaaf discussed recent civil unrest, looting and other types of protesting and violence that occurred recently in their communities.

10. Request for Future Agenda Items and Meeting Dates

Members requested the Executive Director contact Mayor Schaaf regarding the availability of Darlene Flynn, Director of the City of Oakland's Department of Race and Equity to present at the July 8, 2020 Mayors' Conference meeting.

11. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Steven Bocian

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