

ALAMEDA COUNTY MAYORS' CONFERENCE MINUTES

Meeting of November 11, 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
Dublin	Mayor Dave Haubert
Emeryville	Mayor Christian Patz
Fremont	Mayor Lily Mei
Hayward	Mayor Barbara Halliday
Livermore	Mayor John Marchand
Newark	Mayor Al Nagy
Oakland	Councilmember Loren Taylor
Piedmont	Mayor Robert McBain
Pleasanton	Mayor Jerry Thorne
San Leandro	Mayor Pauline Russo Cutter
Union City	Mayor Carol Dutra-Vernaci

2. Approval of the October 14, 2020 Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Mayor Marchand seconded by Mayor Ezzy Ashcraft to approve the October 14, 2020 meeting minutes. The motion was approved unanimously with a roll call vote. Mayors Halliday and Councilmember Taylor abstained.

3. Agenda Amendments

No agenda amendments.

4. Public Comments and Other Announcements

Mayor Marchand introduced Mayor Elect Bob Woerner, Livermore.

Mayor Haubert introduced Mayor Elect Karla Brown, Pleasanton

5. Member Reports on Regional Activities and Committees

John Bauters, Councilmember, City of Emeryville, provided an update on the Bay Area Air Quality Management District including activities of its Stationary and Source Committee and its Ad Hoc Committee on Equity, Access, and Inclusion indicating that the later committee will be converted to a standing committee. He also discussed new policies related to fee collection and fines.

Mayor Halliday discussed the \$5 million available from the Alameda County CARES ACT grant program that will be coordinated by the East Bay Economic Development Alliance and urged cities to contact East Bay EDA for applications and process information.

6. Appointments to Regional Boards and Call for Applications

a) No appointments were scheduled for this meeting

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) was absent from the meeting in observance of Veterans Day.

8. Meeting Presentation

Kerry Abbot, Director, Homeless Care and Coordination, Alameda County Health Services Agency made a PowerPoint presentation on ending homelessness in Alameda County during the COVID-19 pandemic touching on matters related to contract tracing, temporary housing locations, the purchase of the Comfort In and Days Inn hotels, the eight sites currently in use for various types of sheltering, including isolation and quarantine, the safer ground services, the various funding sources, including Homekey, Whole Person Care, HHAP sources.

Kerry Abbott also discussed the number of individuals that have received services, various exit strategies, including working closely with Bridge Housing, HomeKey, and supportive housing, needed funding including an estimated amount of \$820 million to fully address the homelessness problem, work on a strategic plan, and reentering, and existing housing sites services being used for the homeless.

John Marchand, Mayor Nagy, Mayor Ezzy Ashcraft asked questions regarding the topic.

9. Other Business Matter

a) Process for election a new Alameda County Mayors' Conference Vice President.

Mr. Bocian provided a summary of options for electing a vice president as detailed in the Executive Directors report. The membership directed Mr. Bocian to pursue Option 2 from the Executive Director's report that entails announcing the vacancy for the office of vice president at the December 9, 2020 meeting with an election scheduled for January 13, 2020.

b) Discussion regarding COVID-19 issues and related matters. '

Members discussed issues related to the need to urge residents to remain focused on being safe, school districts' decisions regarding reopening elementary and middle schools, elected official safety and the need for coordinated messaging. The members asked Mr. Bocian to attempt to have Dr. Nicholas Moss provide presentation on these matter at the December 9, 2020 meeting.

10. Request for Future Agenda Items and Meeting Dates

Mayor Halliday recommended the Mayor's Conference have an expert discuss the need for a broadband Internet services focusing on a discussion regarding expanding its availability throughout Alameda County.

Mayor Russo Cutter recommended that the Conference consider changing the month for the election of officers to better coincide with the November elections.

Mayors McBain, Thorne, and Patz indicated that this will be their last meeting and that they have enjoyed the meetings.

Karla Brown suggested consideration for arrangements to have in home food service during these meetings, perhaps providing food oriented gift cards.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven Bocian
Executive Director