

Alameda County Mayors' Conference

Alameda County Mayors' Conference Amends its Bylaws

The Alameda County Mayors' Conference (Mayors' Conference) is responsible for making approximately 60 appointments to fifteen regional boards including the Alameda County Local Agency Formation Commission, Association of Bay Area Governments, Executive Board, the Bay Area Air Quality Management District, and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission.

The Mayors' Conference is typically one of multiple agencies that makes appointments to a single regional board. For example, Alameda County Local Area Formation Commission is comprised of eleven members (seven regular members and four alternate members) and the Mayors' Conference is responsible for appointing two regular members and one alternate member.

The specific eligibility and qualification requirements of appointees, length or term of office, responsibilities and meeting frequencies, etc., are determined by each regional board through its enabling ordinance, bylaws, state law, or other formation and/or administrative documents. Utilizing the Mayors' Conference for making appointments assures that there is a broad county-wide perspective on the qualification of applicants. Appointees include mayors from Alameda County cities, city council members, and members from the public.

At its meeting of October 11, 2017, the Mayors' Conference approved an amendment to its bylaws to clarify provisions related to regional board appointments including:

- J) Providing that a mayor appointed to a one-year or two-year term may be considered for a regional board appointment and may continue serving on the regional board after her/his mayoral term expires provided she/he remains a member of the city council.
- J) Expanding the process for assuring that mayors have opportunities to respond to regional board openings by extending the application submittal period by one month.
- J) Establishing that a city councilmember may be considered for appointment provided no mayor has applied and if she/he has been nominated by the current mayor of her/his city.

To be considered for appointment, an applicant is required to apply to the Mayors' Conference. An application and specific requirements are posted on the Mayors' Conference website located at <http://www.acmayorsconference.org/regional-committees/>. All applications are reviewed by the Mayors' Conference Nominating Committee which makes its recommendations to the Mayors' Conference membership for its consideration.

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About the Alameda County Mayors' Conference

The Alameda County Mayors' Conference was formed in 1954 and its current membership includes all city mayors of the incorporated cities in Alameda County including Alameda, Berkeley, Dublin, Emeryville, Fremont, Hayward, Livermore, Newark, Oakland, Piedmont, Pleasanton, San Leandro, and Union City. The focus of the Mayors Conference is to develop and maintain a means of cooperative effort and understanding in matters of mutual interest including assembling information helpful in the consideration of problems peculiar to various areas of the County, providing guidance for united action dealing with municipal affairs, meeting requirements established by regional and state agencies, and exploring all practicable avenues of thought advanced in the interest of local public welfare and policies. The Mayors' Conference meets monthly. Additional information is available at its website located at <http://www.acmayorsconference.org/>.