

# SUMMARY MINUTES

ABAG Executive Board Meeting  
No. 360, March 20, 2008  
MetroCenter Auditorium  
101 8th Street, Oakland, CA

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

President Rose Jacobs Gibson called the meeting to order at approximately 7:11 p.m. Quorum was present.

### Representatives and Alternates Present

Supervisor Susan Adams  
Mayor Len Augustine  
Councilmember Jane Brunner  
Supervisor Chris Daly  
Councilmember Carole Dillon-Knutson  
Mayor Jose Esteves  
Councilmember Dan Furtado  
Councilmember Richard Garbarino  
Mayor Jack Gingles  
Supervisor John Gioia  
Mayor Mark Green  
Supervisor Scott Haggerty  
Supervisor Rose Jacobs Gibson  
Supervisor Mike Kerns  
Director Nancy Kirshner Rodriguez  
Supervisor Barbara Kondylis  
Councilmember Sam Liccardo  
Mayor Janet Lockhart  
Supervisor Mark Luce  
Vice Mayor John Marquez  
Supervisor Peter McHugh  
Supervisor Ross Mirkarimi  
Vice Mayor Jean Quan  
Mayor Gwen Regalia  
Supervisor Gail Steele  
Mayor Pamela Torliatt  
Supervisor Gayle B. Uilkema  
Councilmember Forrest Williams  
Supervisor Ken Yeager

### Representatives Absent

Vice Mayor David D. Cortese  
Councilmember Nancy Nadel  
Mayor Gavin Newsom  
Mayor Pro Tem A. Sepi Richardson  
Supervisor Adrienne Tissier

### Jurisdiction

County of Marin  
City of Vacaville  
City of Oakland  
County of San Francisco  
City of Novato  
City of Milpitas  
City of Campbell  
City of South San Francisco  
City of Calistoga  
County of Contra Costa  
City of Union City  
County of Alameda  
County of San Mateo  
County of Sonoma  
City of San Francisco  
County of Solano  
City of San Jose  
City of Dublin  
County of Napa  
City of Richmond  
County of Santa Clara  
County of San Francisco  
City of Oakland  
City of Walnut Creek  
County of Alameda  
City of Petaluma  
County of Contra Costa  
City of San Jose  
County of Santa Clara

### Jurisdiction

City of San Jose  
City of Oakland  
City of San Francisco  
City of Brisbane  
County of San Mateo

## 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

**3. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

President Jacobs Gibson welcomed Richard Garbarino, Councilmember, City of South San Francisco, representing cities in San Mateo County, and Nancy Kirshner Rodriguez, Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, City and County of San Francisco, representing the City of San Francisco, to the Board.

Scott Haggerty, Supervisor, County of Alameda, suggested that a presentation on TOT hotel tax be agendized.

There were no other announcements.

President Jacobs Gibson announced that the Regional Housing Need Allocation public hearing is scheduled for 8:00 p.m. The Board next considered the Consent Calendar followed by a report on the Green Business Program and recognition ceremony.

**4. PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

President Jacobs Gibson reported that ABAG’s second Legislative Reception in Sacramento was held on January 30<sup>th</sup> at the Sheraton Grand Hotel. She thanked Supervisor Scott Haggerty, Alameda County, who helped raised funds for the event, and Supervisor Mike Kerns, County of Sonoma, who arranged for a donation of Sonoma County wine. Present at the reception were former Executive Board Member and current Assemblymember Mark DeSaulnier, Assemblymembers Lonnie Hancock, Ira Ruskin and Mary Hayashi. Senators Tom Torlakson and Gloria Negrete McLeod were also in attendance. Staff representing Senators Carole Migden, Darrell Steinberg, and Ellen Corbett also attended. Because of a legislative meeting, Councilmember Eugene Mullin was not able to receive a certificate of appreciation, but arrangements will be made to make the presentation to him. Each legislator or staff member received a flash drive with ABAG’s legislative priorities and general information about ABAG. The Metropolitan Transportation Committee, the League of California Cities, and the California State Association of Counties co-sponsored the event with ABAG. President Jacobs Gibson thanked members of the L&GO Committee and staff for their participation in this event and their work to ensure its success.

President Jacobs Gibson also reported that she and Ken Kirkey, ABAG Planning Director, attended The Third National Summit on Equitable Development, Social Justice and Smart Growth sponsored by the Oakland-based organization Policy Link in New Orleans March 5-8<sup>th</sup>.

Included in the agenda packet was a copy of a letter that was mailed to each city and county with ideas for promoting climate protection as part of Earth Day celebrations on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Members were encouraged to look for ways to incorporate some climate protection activity into their local Earth Day activities. With the support of PG&E funding, ABAG plans to discourage the continued use of plastic grocery bags by announcing a campaign to encourage the use of reusable bags for grocery shopping. Also, LED flashlights will be gifted to each attendee at the General Assembly on April 24<sup>th</sup>.

**5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT**

Executive Director Gardner reported on the following:

The state budget has grown from what was believed to be a \$14.5 billion deficit last month to \$16 billion, and likely growing. The Legislative Analyst issued the new estimate last month and made several recommendations to close the deficit, including shifting approximately \$175 million of Prop 172 funds from cities to counties for the Public Safety Realignment Accounts; eliminating a number of state subventions to local government and public safety; eliminating several sales and use tax exemptions, not borrowing local property taxes or transportation sales taxes. At the moment there are no proposals by any party that would substantially reduce funding that ABAG receives.

Assemblymember Mark DeSaulnier has introduced legislation (AB 2094) to formalize BCDC as a full voting member of the Joint Policy Committee.

The ABAG Research Department conducted its 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Economic Outlook Conference on January 24<sup>th</sup>. The conference opened with an overflow audience of almost 200 participants from local government, business and civic groups. Mini county wide conferences to provide an abbreviated economic outlook workshop for particular areas will be planned in as many locations that are interested to encourage participation of elected officials.

The Bay Area Council Economic Institute will be issuing its latest report entitled "Sustaining the Bay Area's Competitiveness in a Globalizing World" prepared in cooperation with McKenzie and Company. Each elected official will be sent a copy of this latest report.

The draft Long Range Strategic Plan was reviewed by the Finance and Personnel Committee and will be presented to the Executive Board for approval. The plan has been in the making for over a year. Both the external scan of members and the internal scan of employees have been taken into account in developing the draft plan. A primary focus of the plan is to develop long-term strategic financing options to make ABAG funding more predictable and more reliable in order to provide support and technical assistance to members in areas they find most useful.

ABAG's Bay Trail Project and the Bay Area Ridge Trail Council have together received a \$100,000 grant from the Richard and Rhoda Goldman Fund for a one year collaboration to focus on completing the Carquinez Strait Scenic Loop Trail, a 50-mile recreational trail and commute corridor through Contra Costa and Solano counties.

ABAG is holding a series of lunch-time workshops prior to Regional Planning Committee meetings to discuss several key issues that should be of concern to local elected officials, city managers and county administrators. Serving as training for Bay Area elected and appointed officials, and to ensure that the Regional Planning Committee is in a position to act as a Regional Recovery Task Force following a major disaster event, the second of these meetings on April 2<sup>nd</sup> will focus on Long-Term Housing Recovery.

Following Gardner's report, members discussed working with financial institutions to prepare for recovery and re-building following a major disaster; Berkeley and Oakland's model housing retrofit programs and minimum retrofit standards; and development of model ordinances.

**6. CONSENT CALENDAR**

President Jacobs Gibson recognized a motion by Susan Adams, Supervisor, County of Marin, and seconded by Pete McHugh, Supervisor, County of Santa Clara, to approve the consent calendar. The motion passed unanimously.

**A. Approval of Executive Board Summary Minutes\*\***

Summary Minutes of Meeting No. 359 held on January 17, 2008.

**B. Grant Applications**

A list of grant applications was approved for submission to the State Clearinghouse, having been circulated in ABAG's "Intergovernmental Review Newsletter" since the last Executive Board meeting.

**C. Appointment to Committees**

Regional Planning Committee

Jim Leddy, Executive Director, Napa County Transportation Authority, Representing Bay Area CMA Association (Replaces Mike Zdon)

Bay Area Council Economic Institute

Rose Jacobs Gibson, Supervisor, County of San Mateo (Other appointments to be made in May)

Earthquake Hazards and Lifeline Committee

Sandi Potter, Mayor Pro Tem, City of El Cerrito, Chair

**D. Authorization to Ratify Amended Contracts with California Department of Boating and Waterways (DBW) and Santa Monica Bay Restoration Foundation (SMBRF)\*\***

Authorization was approved to ratify the amended 2008-2009 contract with DBW and SMBRF by increasing the not to exceed amount to \$1,501,192.10 an increase of \$268,000.00. The time period of the contract is extended with the contract ending on December 31, 2009. The funds will be used to inform the boating community about proper vessel sewage disposal practices and encourage the use of pump-out and dump facilities. The San Francisco Estuary Project/ABAG will use \$85,000 to work with the boating community in the San Francisco Bay Delta Estuary. ABAG will provide an in-kind services match of \$21,250. A pass-through contract amendment for \$120,909 will go to the SMBRF to work with the boating community in Santa Monica Bay. The SMBRF will provide an in-kind services match of \$27,479.

**E. Financial Support to Bay Area Council Economic Institute (Formerly Bay Area Economic Forum)**

Authorization was approved for the FY 08-09 ABAG support to the Bay Area Council Economic Institute (BACEI) in the amount of \$50,000. The BACEI is a partnership of ABAG and the Bay Area Council. Formed in 1988 as a public-private partnership of business, government, university, labor and community leaders, the BACEI analyzes and implements programs to strengthen the region's competitive economy and quality of life.

**7. BAY AREA GREEN BUSINESS PROGRAM CERTIFIED PUBLIC AGENCY RECOGNITION\*\***

Ceil Scandone, ABAG Senior Planner, reported on the progress of the Bay Area Green Business Program and provided background on the program which is guided

by the Hazardous Waste Management Facility Allocation Committee. She described significant achievements in the nine Bay Area counties occurring in the last year and acknowledged county coordinators present. She requested Board recognition of 25 public agencies that have been certified in the last 12 months as "Green Businesses."

President Jacobs Gibson recognized a motion by Mark Green, Mayor, City of Union City, and seconded by Supervisor McHugh, to recognize the 25 public agencies that have been certified as "Green Businesses" in the last 12 months. The motion passed unanimously.

President Jacobs Gibson presented certificates of recognition to Senator Ellen Corbett, San Leandro Office; Albany Community Center; City of Livermore Facilities Maintenance; City of Livermore Parks & Trees; City of Livermore Streets; StopWaste.Org; UC Berkeley Cal Dining Café 3/Bear Market; UC Berkeley Cal Dining, Foothill; UC Berkeley Cal Overstocks & Surplus Den; Office of Supervisor Susan Bonilla; City of Concord City Hall; Contra Costa Water District; Tamalpais Community Services District; County of San Mateo, Department of Public Works Offices; City of San Mateo Public Library; San Carlos Youth Center; Town of Los Altos Hills; City of Mountain View City Hall; City of Mountain View Senior Center; City of Sunnyvale Corporation Yard; Ohlone Elementary School (Palo Alto); Cumberland Elementary (Sunnyvale); Sonoma County Water Agency Administrative Office.

President Jacobs Gibson thanked Ms. Scandone for her report.

## **8. REGIONAL HOUSING NEED ALLOCATION APPEALS AND COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION\*\***

Paul Fassinger, ABAG Research Director, reported on the Regional Housing Need Allocation appeals and the Appeals Committee recommendations and the proposed final Regional Housing Need Allocation. The Appeals Committee met on February 27<sup>th</sup> and heard appeals from the City of Berkeley, City of Palo Alto, City of Emeryville, City of Belvedere, and City of Mountain View, whose requests for revisions to their respective allocations were denied by the Executive Board. He commented on the appeals and recommendations.

The City of Berkeley had argued that the methodology failed to consider the impacts of the university as required by state law and believed that the appropriate consideration of that factor would reduce the city's allocation. Staff disagreed based on consideration of that factor through the survey completed, discussions at the Housing Methodology Committee, and staff work on technical documentation. While the Appeals Committee noted that the state should take responsibility for the impacts of its universities on local communities, and that some private universities have developed productive relationships with local communities on housing issues, it supported staff's position and voted four to one to reject the appeal.

The City of Palo Alto had stated that its allocation was unachievable due to limited land availability and infrastructure constraints, the underlying growth forecast was too high, and, given the costs of land in Palo Alto and impact on local needs, the goal was unattainable. Staff noted that the methodology was consistent with what had been done and recommended rejection of the appeal. The Appeals Committee noted that credit for prior housing production is an issue that might be important and recommended that the Executive Board consider it in future cases

but was unwillingly to make changes to the current allocation to Palo Alto and voted to reject the appeal five to zero.

The City of Emeryville, because of its past performance in producing housing in all income levels, had argued that it should be allowed to look at other land use issues in its community and that the allocation would force it to focus on housing. Staff recommended rejection of the appeal because the allocation was consistent with the methodology. The Appeals Committee supported staff's recommendation, noting that credits for prior housing production might be appropriate, and voted four to one to reject the appeal.

The City of Belvedere had requested a reduction of eight housing units from its allocation, stating that staff had used faulty data in its Projections process which was the basis of the RHNA allocation. The Appeals Committee accepted the city's argument and voted to uphold the appeal five to zero. Given the legal requirements for reallocation, the eight units will be assigned to other jurisdictions in the Bay Area, with the Cities of San Jose and San Francisco each receiving one unit in each of the four income categories to make up the eight units of the total.

The City of Mountain View had sought to ensure there was consistency in relation to the area of NASA Ames which is inside the city's sphere of influence, but outside the city's boundary, and that the allocation, and the jurisdiction receiving the allocation, would receive credit for any housing planned and constructed. Staff was asked to work with the city and county to try to resolve this issue. The Appeals Committee suggested that the appropriate resolution of this issue would be for the city and the county to come to a transfer agreement over this process. Staff received correspondence from the County of Santa Clara identifying the specifics of a transfer agreement of 280 units from the City of Mountain View to the county. The transfer agreement is acceptable to the state Department Housing and Community Development as long as the Executive Board agrees that it is appropriate.

Mr. Fassinger reported that the substitute allocation includes the transfer of units from the City of Mountain View to the County of Santa Clara and the specifics of the allocations inside the sub-region of the County of San Mateo.

Members discussed the revision to the allocation to the City of Palo Alto and the County of Santa Clara which was previously accepted by the Board.

A public hearing on appeals was conducted at 8:10 p.m.

Dan Marks, Director of Planning and Development, City of Berkeley, commented that the city believes that ABAG has not responded adequately to state law regarding the RHNA process and the consideration of the presence of a university. He noted that staff's response to the city was that the impact of students was considered in preparing Projections which is the basis of the RHNA allocation. While the intent of the Legislature in establishing the language in the law was not clear, the language of state law is clear in that it does not talk about students, but about the presence of a university. For the city, the RHNA process and the presence of the university come down to employees, not students. There are 17,000 University of California employees, in a city of 100,000 people, over which the city has no control, and for which the city is assigned the housing needs of those employees in the RHNA process. The city received a higher number than previously in this process. The city

believed it was not the intent of the Legislature to magnify the impacts of the university during the RHNA process, but that is the outcome of the application of the RHNA process to the City of Berkeley. The city believed that ABAG has yet to adequately respond to its concerns, and respectfully requested that the city's appeal be either granted or sent back to staff for consideration.

Amy Hiestand, Housing Coordinator, City of Emeryville, commented that the city submitted its appeal for a number of reasons, the key concern being the allocation amount relative to its 1.2 square miles size. The allocation of over 1,100 units equates to 932 units per square miles which far exceeds the level of any other city in the county or even the City of San Francisco. The city is committed to affordable housing production, and, while it recognizes this is a zoning matter addressed through its housing element, it wanted to carry on its track record for affordable housing production and the production of housing at a variety of income levels. From 1999 to 2006, the city produced more than double its 772 unit allocation and believed it should be recognized for these efforts. The city is concerned with the downturn in the economy and its effect on production in the next seven-year period. A number of residential projects have been changed to office or other uses. If a number of projects in the city given its size fall through, then the city will have serious issues in meeting these allocation goals. At a local level, the city is engaged in a comprehensive community-based general plan process. The city faces multiple demands not only to produce housing, but a variety of other uses like parks, schools, arts facilities, other retail and offices. As a former industrial city, the city does not have a lot of land set aside for open space and citizens seek to improve the quality of life. The city's goals over the next RHNA period is to produce a variety of housing types and housing that meets a variety of income levels and to keep its role as a leader in producing affordable housing. The city respectfully asked that the Executive Board consider its appeal and reduce the city's allocation.

Pierce McDonald, Planning Manager, City of Belvedere, along with the City Manager and City Attorney, thanked the Appeals Committee for reviewing the grounds for the city's appeal of its RHNA number. She noted that the city's RHNA number increased 150 percent, even though the city has the smallest land area in the region and is mostly surrounded by water. The city discovered that mistaken data and assumptions in both housing and jobs inflated the city's RHNA number. The city is pleased that the Appeals Committee was responsive to the city's concerns and encouraged the Executive Board to adopt the review committee's recommendation.

After public comments, Gwen Regalia, Mayor, City of Walnut Creek, and chair of the Appeals Committee, comprised of Pete McHugh, Supervisor, County of Santa Clara, Gayle B. Uilkema, Supervisor, County of Contra Costa, Susan Adams, Supervisor, County of Marin, and Sepi Richardson, Mayor Pro Tem, City of Brisbane, reported that the committee studied and heard the appeals completely. She commented on the committee recommendations.

For the City of Berkeley, the comments made by Mr. Marks were the same that were made at the Housing Methodology Committee. Housing given to each community is not based on population growth, but on housing growth, and, further, regarding employees, based on the housing methodology approved by the Housing Methodology Committee and Board, the Appeals Committee cannot change the

number. The committee acknowledged that in the future the University of California and the State of California need to do more in working with the city on housing.

In regards to the City of Palo Alto, before this appeal, Stanford University and the county agreed to a trade which was permissible. The city requested not to be given as many housing units because they are built out. The Appeals Committee recognized the issue of asking cities to take on more housing after this cycle ends in 2014, but the committee did not change the allocation.

The City of Emeryville exceeded its numbers in the last round for which HCD was not interested in giving them credit. The Appeals Committee suggested that the Board raise the issue of giving cities credit for exceeding their allocations with HCD.

In the case of the City of Belvedere, because staff relied on Marin County database which incorrectly listed the city's General Plan, the committee agreed not to compound the error by not making a change.

With the City of Mountain View, the city was encouraged to work out a transfer plan with the county, which is what occurred.

Members discussed the state's responsibility for providing housing through its public universities, credit for cities that exceed their allocations, the capacity of cities to meet future housing needs, the argument whether cities control expansion under permitted districts or projects, the problem of housing not being built, affordable housing development by public universities, density required to accommodate housing given the size of cities, equity in allocations to jurisdictions.

President Jacobs Gibson recognized a motion by John Gioia, Supervisor, County of Contra Costa, and seconded by Sam Liccardo, Councilmember, City of San Jose, to accept the RHNA Appeals Committee recommendations and the proposed final Regional Housing Need Allocation. The motion passed unanimously.

President Jacobs Gibson thanked Mr. Fassinger and Mayor Regalia for their report.

#### **9. PERFORMANCE TARGETS FOR PROJECTIONS 2009\*\***

Paul Fassinger and Christy Riviere, ABAG Senior Planner, reported on the use of performance targets in evaluating policy assumptions for Projections 2009. Smart Growth data shows that land use has positive impacts in meeting local and regional goals. Projections is not only a forecast of jobs and housing, but also a forecast of where those jobs and housing will occur, essentially a forecast of land development over time.

Performance targets include congestion (reduce person hours of delay by 20 percent); emissions (reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 40 percent, reduce PM<sub>2.5</sub> emissions by 10 percent, reduce PM<sub>10</sub> by 45 percent); Vehicle Miles Traveled (reduce VMT per capita by 10 percent); land consumption (accommodate all housing demand within the region, limit "green-field" development to 900 acres per year); affordability of housing and transportation (decrease housing and transportation costs by 10 percent).

Members discussed land use in regards to infrastructure and projected sea level rise, reviewing RHNA allocations based on changes in Projections, differentiating

performance targets for Projections and broadening performance criteria for PDAs, connecting housing with performance targets, reallocating benefits given the impacts of higher housing density, broadening goals to include water or energy consumption, adjusting vehicle licensing fees to incentivize vehicle size, exposure to diesel particulate matter and housing, the assumption that housing near jobs is occupied by people in those jobs.

President Jacobs Gibson recognized a motion, which was seconded, to adopt a draft set of performance targets and direct staff to develop a variety of land use assumptions that could make progress toward the targets. The motion passed unanimously.

President Jacobs Gibson thanked Mr. Fassinger and Ms. Riviere for their report.

#### **10. FOCUS – PERFORMANCE CRITERIA FOR PRIORITY DEVELOPMENT AREAS\*\***

Ken Kirkey, ABAG Planning Director, presented recommendations on Performance Criteria for the Priority Development Areas (PDAs) and a related local outreach effort. A means of distributing resources for infrastructure for jurisdictions that receive higher RHNA allocation and to the Priority Development Areas is through the Regional Transportation Plan. Performance expectations for PDAs include how regional resources are used. Potential performance criteria include Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT), community improvement, housing choice, transportation choice, land-use compatibility, sustainability. Outreach program will consist of outreach to PDA jurisdiction planning staff and FOCUS working group, county-level meetings with elected officials and senior staff, and presentations to the Joint Policy Committee, Regional Planning Committee, and MTC's Planning Committee.

President Jacobs Gibson recognized a motion by Barbara Kondylis, Supervisor, County of Solano, and seconded by John Marquez, Vice Mayor, City of Richmond, to accept the FOCUS performance criteria for Priority Development Areas. The motion passed unanimously.

President Jacobs Gibson thanked Mr. Kirkey for his report.

#### **11. APPROVAL OF STRATEGIC PLAN**

Henry Gardner presented the ABAG mission statement and strategic plan. The strategic planning process included a survey and focus groups of our members as well as an internal scan of staff. The strategic plan was presented to both the Administrative Committee and the Finance and Personnel Committee.

Goals include improving public understanding of ABAG; establishing long-term financial stability; attracting, developing, and retaining high quality employees; increasing housing supply at all income levels; improving mobility through coordination of land use, transportation, and planning decisions; conserving resources, promoting sustainability, improving environmental quality; maintaining and enhancing a disaster-resistant region.

Members discussed ABAG's representing member jurisdictions in dealing with the state and alternate work schedules.

President Jacobs Gibson recognized a motion by Mayor Regalia, and seconded by Supervisor Kondylis, to approve the ABAG Strategic Plan. The motion passed unanimously.

President Jacobs Gibson thanked Executive Director Gardner for his report.

## **12. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

Committee Chair Jacobs Gibson reported on the Administrative Retreat held February 21-22<sup>nd</sup>. The Administrative Committee discussed major initiatives and strategic options for advancing ABAG's mission and goals, received an update on the FOCUS Initiative including plans related to the PDAs and PCAs, and discussed the strategic plan.

The committee also discussed MTC's Resolution 3434 and the related Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Policy, and recommend that the TOD policy be amended to include jobs as well as transportation as a factor.

The committee considered whether ABAG and/or the Joint Policy Committee should conduct reviews of regionally significant projects. Staff will bring a recommendation back to the Board with a protocol and process for such reviews if it is determined that it would support the regional effort to do so.

The committee endorsed ABAG's support and participation in a press conference on February 25<sup>th</sup> announcing a new initiative, "Crime Stoppers," in partnership with the Bay Area Council. ABAG has agreed to assist with outreach to all our members.

## **13. LEGISLATION & GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE REPORT\*\***

President Jacobs Gibson recognized Committee Chair Pete McHugh, who reported on Committee activities, including legislation reviewed: AB 842 (Jones), Traffic Reduction Plans – Oppose; AB 1634 (Levine), California Healthy Pets Act -- Watch; AB 1756 (Caballero), Local Infrastructure Development Public/Private Partnerships -- Watch; AB 2016 (Committee on Housing and Community Development), Housing Omnibus Bill – Watch; AB 2069 (Jones), Local Planning Residential Development – Oppose, unless amended; AB 2094 (DeSaulnier, Laird), San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission – Support, with affirmation that BCDC members appointed are elected officials; AB 2182 (Caballero), Local Land Use Planning – Oppose, unless amended; AB 2466 (Laird), Government Energy Producers – Support; AB 2596 (Jones), California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, Cities and Counties, Projected Emissions – Watch; AB 2744 (Hoffman), Metropolitan Transportation Commission, Fee, Motor Vehicle Fuel – Watch; AB 2870 (DeSaulnier), Land Use, Environmental Quality – Supported, with amendment; ACA 10 (Feuer), Bonded Indebtedness, Local Government, Transportation Infrastructure – Support; SB 118 (Negrete, McLeod), Airports, Airport Land Use Commissions – Oppose; SB 1124 (Committee on Local Government), Local Government Omnibus Act of 2008 – To be reviewed in May; SB 1165 (Kuehl), Environment, Environmental Impact Report -- Oppose; SB 1508 (Corbett), Seismic Safety Standards, Cripple Walls – Support; SB 1732 (Romero), Local Agencies – To be reviewed in May; SB 375 (Steinberg), Transportation Planning, Improved Travel Models, Sustainable Communities Strategy, Environmental Review – Support, if amended.

Members discussed CSAC's position of support of SB 375 with amendments.

President Jacobs Gibson recognized a motion by Chair McHugh, and seconded by Supervisor Kondylis, to approve the committee report. The motion passed unanimously.

President Jacobs Gibson thanked Chair McHugh for his report.

**14. FINANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT\*\***

President Jacobs Gibson recognized Committee Chair Scott Haggerty, who reported on Committee activities, including a review of financial reports for January and February, a review the long-term Strategic Plan, a review of a contract extension with Maze and Associates not to exceed \$89,000, and consideration of financial support for the Bay Area Council Economic Institute in the amount of \$50,000. The committee recommended approval of these items.

President Jacobs Gibson recognized a motion by Chair Haggerty, and seconded by Supervisor McHugh, to approve the committee report. The motion passed unanimously.

President Jacobs Gibson thanked Chair Haggerty for his report.

**15. CLOSED SESSION – Public Employee Performance Evaluation**

Title: Executive Director

The Board entered closed session at 9:59 p.m.

The Board reconvened in open session at 10:04 p.m.

Chair Haggerty reported out from closed session that the committee met to discuss the performance of the Executive Director. The committee is pleased with the performance of the Executive Director and the direction being taken and agreed on a cost of living increase and equity adjustment.

President Jacobs Gibson recognized a motion by Chair Haggerty, and seconded by Supervisor McHugh, to approve a three percent cost of living increase and a \$3,991 equity adjustment to the Executive Director's salary. The motion passed unanimously.

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned in memory of Geraldine May Haggerty, mother of Immediate Past President Scott Haggerty, at approximately 10:06 p.m.

Henry L. Gardner, Secretary-Treasurer

\*\* Indicates attachments.

\*\*\* For information on the L&GO Committee, contact Patricia Jones at (510) 464 7933 or PatJ@abag.ca.gov, or Kathleen Cha at (510) 464 7922 or KathleenC@abag.ca.gov.

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