

SUMMARY MINUTES

ABAG Executive Board Meeting No. 313
July 20, 2000 ■ MetroCenter Auditorium

1. Meeting called to order at 7:41 p.m. by President William Carroll at MetroCenter Auditorium, 101 8th Street, Oakland.

Representatives and Alternates

Supervisor William J. "Bill" Carroll
Supervisor Scott Haggerty
Supervisor Gail Steele
Supervisor Mark DeSaulnier
Supervisor Cynthia Murray
Supervisor Mike Rippey
Supervisor Michael Yaki
Supervisor Rose Jacobs Gibson
Supervisor Joseph Simitian
Supervisor Mike Kerns
Mayor Cathie Brown
Mayor Mark Green
Councilmember Gwen Regalia
Vice Mayor Terry Segerberg
Councilmember Carole Dillon-Knutson
Mayor Ken Slavens
Mr. Paul Horcher
Ms. Jennifer Kass
Ms. Alicia Bert
Councilmember Eugene Mullin
Councilmember Don Burnett
Councilmember Julia Miller
Mayor David Fleming
Councilmember Steve Rabinowitsh

Following Representatives and Alternates Absent

Supervisor John Gioia
Supervisor Joe Canciamilla
Supervisor Amos Brown
Supervisor Alicia Becerril
Supervisor Mark Leno
Supervisor Mary Griffin
Supervisor Richard Gordon
Supervisor Michael Nevin
Supervisor Peter McHugh
Supervisor Blanca Alvarado
Councilmember John Russo
Councilmember Richard Spees
Councilmember Nancy Nadel
Vice Mayor Henry Chang, Jr.
Councilmember Manny Diaz
Councilmember George Shirakawa, Jr.
Councilmember Charlotte Powers

Jurisdiction

Solano County
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Contra Costa County
Marin County
Napa County
San Francisco County
San Mateo County
Santa Clara County
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2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Carroll introduced new Board members attending their first meeting – Jennifer Kass and Alicia Bert from the City of San Francisco. Julia Miller, Sunnyvale, and Ken Slavens, St. Helena, former alternates, now serving as representatives on the ABAG Executive Board.

4. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Eugene Leong, ABAG Executive Director, pointed out information in the Board packet that would provide updates about ABAG programs and noted the following items would be reported on later in the meeting: 1) discussion will continue on Regional Housing Needs numbers; 2) alternative growth scenario update; 3) jobs/housing imbalances; and 4) several state budget items approved including \$7.5M for the Bay Trail that will dramatically move up the projected completion date and \$5M toward inter-regional partnership projects. Local elected officials DeSaulnier and Haggerty and Assemblymember Torlakson and Senator Figueroa have been extremely helpful in advancing ABAG issues.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approval of Executive Board Summary Minutes

Board approved Summary Minutes of Meeting No. 312, May 18, 2000.

B. Grant Applications

Board approved transmittal of federal grant applications to the State Clearinghouse.

C. Appointments to Committees

Board approved two appointments to the Seaport Planning Advisory Committee – Joan Lundstrom, City of Larkspur and Steve Messina, City of Benicia.

D. Authorization to Submit a Proposal to the U.S. Geological Survey for Improving Data Collection and Coordination Related to Earthquake-Induced Landslide Hazards – San Francisco Bay Area

The Board authorized a proposal to the U.S. Geological Survey for funding and, if accepted, for the Executive Director or designee to enter into an agreement to improve data collection and coordination on landslides occurring after future Bay Area earthquakes. The effort will include a workshop to develop a format for collecting landslide damage information. The project would start in Fall or Winter of 2000 and end 12 months later with a total budget of \$53,900 including an ABAG match of \$4,900 and \$18,000 in subcontracts.

E. Authorization to Submit a Proposal to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Board approved request to submit a proposal to the U.S. EPA and, if funded, for the Executive Director or designee to enter into an agreement to develop hazardous waste regulatory management strategies for Taiwan. If accepted, the proposal includes subcontracts to Environmental Resource

Management/Taiwan and Ms. Wei-Wei Chui, Hazardous Waste Specialist with the California Department of Toxic Substance Control, for up to \$50,000 to provide specialized technical consulting for the project. ABAG and its subcontractors will identify strategies that can be used by Taiwan to effectively manage and control the generation, transport, storage, and disposal of hazardous wastes in a regulatory framework. The grant would not exceed \$100,000 and ABAG would provide in-kind support totaling \$6,000.

F. Authorization to Enter Into a Lease Agreement for Office Equipment

Board approved request for Executive Director or designee to enter into an agreement to lease a networked, digital copier through a competitive bid process for 2-3 years at an amount not to exceed \$55,000.

It was moved by Murray/S/Brown/C that the consent calendar be approved.

6. REGIONAL AIRPORT SYSTEM PLAN UPDATE 2000

Hayward Councilmember William Ward and MTC Planning Manager Chris Brittle presented the following major conclusions and recommendations contained in the *Draft Final Report*:

- demand will exceed the available runway capacity at all three major airports;
- alternatives to construction of new runways does not adequately close the gap between demand and capacity by 2020;
- continue to monitor developments that may change alternative options;
- runway improvements are needed at SFO & OAK to provide more reliable air transportation during good and bad weather;
- runway improvements will not eliminate delays but will reduce them to a more acceptable level;
- significant technical and environmental issues must be resolved before an increase in runway capacity can be supported;
- recommends process proceed to complete essential environmental analysis of new runway options;
- recommends the plan continue to indicate a regional interest in civil aviation use at Travis and Moffett airfields; and
- understands that choices will need to be made between 1) expansion, 2) tolerating increasing delays to protect the environment, or 3) limiting passenger choices through flight restrictions to achieve a better balance between demand and capacity.

Francois Gallo, representing the Neighborhood Aviation Advisory Committee San Leandro, spoke requesting the Board to consider other alternatives to airport expansion and Bay fill.

7. JOINT ACQUATIC RESOURCES PERMIT APPLICATION (JARPA)

Jennifer Krebs, ABAG Senior Environmental Planner presented an overview of the JARPA permitting process. Krebs introduced Will Travis, Executive Director of the Bay Conservation and Development Commission, who lauded the fourteen-page application that eliminates the confusion of filling out forms for multiple agencies. The one-stop form is efficient, effective, and makes a faster permitting process while addressing environmental concerns of regional, state and federal agencies.

8. JOINT REGIONAL AGENCY SMART GROWTH STRATEGY

Deputy Executive Director, Gary Binger, reported on the recently endorsed Regional Agencies' Smart Growth Strategy. Elected officials Greenberg, Burnett, and Carroll have represented ABAG and joined with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission and Bay Area Air Quality Management District in the work plan development. The Board approved the work plan's dual goals – land use changes and an incentive plan supported by local governments; and a set of smart growth projections to guide implementation policies for the regional agencies and the development of the Regional Transportation Plan and other regional plans. It was moved by Murray/S/Burnett/C/.

Executive Director, Eugene Leong, announced that Gary Binger would be leaving ABAG at the end of August. Mr. Binger was presented with a plaque thanking him for thirteen years of exemplary and dedicated service to ABAG and the region.

9. REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS DETERMINATION METHODOLOGY

Senior Planner, Alex Amoroso presented the status of the Housing Needs Determination process. It was moved by Jacobs Gibson/S/Bert to reopen discussion on the jobs/housing weighting ratio. The motion was defeated by a vote of 5-17 with Miller and Simitian abstaining. It was moved by DeSaulnier/S/Dillon-Knutson/C/ to reaffirm the jobs/housing factor in the methodology that was approved by the Board on May 18, 2000. No votes were recorded by Bert, Green, Horcher, Kass, Miller, Simitian and Yaki. Steele abstained.

10. LEGISLATION AND GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE

Chair, Scott Haggerty, Alameda County, reported on the status of legislation discussed in Committee. It was moved by Haggerty/S/Ripsey/C/ that the Board support the Committee's recommendation. No votes were recorded from Fleming and Green on SB1629. A complete list of legislation may be obtained from Kathleen Cha, ABAG Senior Communications Officer, at 510/464-7922.

11. FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

A. The Board approved Chair, Mike Ripsey's, recommendation to approve Resolution 04-00 allowing ABAG's line of credit to be used by ABAG POWER as needed to address cash flow challenges. It was moved by Carroll/S/Green/C/.

B. CLOSED SESSION

1. Personnel Matter: Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Title: Legal Counsel
The Board continued this item to the September 2000 meeting.
2. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
The Board granted settlement authority to the Executive Director and Legal Counsel.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Eugene Y. Leong, Secretary-Treasurer