

**ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS
LEGISLATION AND GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE**

**Thursday, January 21, 2010
Summary Minutes**

Members Present:

Supervisor Dave Cortese, County of Santa Clara, ABAG Immediate Past President
Councilmember Carole Dillon-Knutson, City of Novato, *Chair*
Councilmember Dan Furtado, City of Campbell
Supervisor Rose Jacobs Gibson, County of San Mateo, ABAG President
Mayor Jack Gingles, City of Calistoga
Mayor Mark Green, Union City, ABAG Vice President
Supervisor Scott Haggerty, County of Alameda
Councilmember Kasie Hildenbrand, City of Dublin
Supervisor Mike Kerns, County of Sonoma, Vice Chair
Supervisor Barbara Kondylis, County of Solano
Supervisor Mark Luce, County of Napa
Vice Mayor Pete McHugh, City of Milpitas
Mayor Pam Torliatt, City of Petaluma

Staff Present:

Patricia Jones—ABAG
Ezra Rapport – ABAG
Kathleen Cha – ABAG
Ceil Scandone – ABAG

- 1. Introductions:** Novato Councilmember Carole Dillon-Knutson, L&GO Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:40.
- 2. Minutes:** November 19, 2009, minutes were approved.
- 3. 2010 LEGISLATIVE SESSION—BILLS FOR CONSIDERATION**
The Committee reviewed carry-over bills from 2009 Legislative Session and considered one new bill being proposed at the beginning of the 2010 Legislative Session. The committee recommended the following positions:

AB 118 (Logue) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 : **Oppose**
because it would suspend AB 32 until the state unemployment rate is 5.5% or lower for four consecutive calendar quarters, and other stipulations.

AB 283 (Chesbro) California Product Stewardship Act: Support in Concept
It was noted that this bill which will be re-introduced by Assemblymember Chesbro with a new number.

AB 1343 (Huffman) Architectural Paint Recycling: Support

SB 26 (Simitian) Home-Generated Pharmaceutical Waste: withdraw from consideration since it has just been gutted to deal with recycling oil.

SB 346 (Kehoe) Hazardous Materials: Motor Vehicle Brake Friction Materials: Watch with questions about any potential unintended consequences from phasing out copper in brake pads.

4. AMEND POLICIES ON ABAG COMMITTEE FORMATION, STRUCTURE, AND MEMBERSHIP

Committee recommends support for adding two members from the Executive Board to the Administrative Committee to better maintain the geographical and jurisdictional diversity representation of ABAG membership.

5. FOLLOW-UP LEGISLATION TO SB 406

Ezra Rapport, ABAG Deputy Director discussed policy actions to create a new bill in 2010 Legislative Session to address planning funding issues proposed in SB 406 that was vetoed by the Governor at the end of last session. Understanding the funding needs of regional and local jurisdictions and the many lessons learned from the veto of SB 406, Ezra Rapport discussed 2010 strategies and how a new bill is being doubly submitted by Senator Loni Hancock and Senator DeSaulnier. Specifics on this new bill will be brought to the Committee for consideration at the next L&GO meeting.

6. REVIEW OF 2010 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

Committee fully reviewed 2010 Legislative Priorities and discussed them in light of budget crisis, need for budget reform, long term planning and funding issues. The issues were then re-prioritized. There was additional discussion regarding the strategic emphasis of these focused issues with legislators attending the January 27th Legislative Reception in Sacramento.

7. YOUTH GUN VIOLENCE TASK FORCE—UPDATE

Supervisor Rose Jacobs Gibson, Chair of the ABAG Youth Gun Violence Task Force, updated the committee on San Mateo County's experience with implementing the resolutions and ordinances addressing gun violence. The Committee discussed opportunities for providing legal support if necessary, building a regional coalition, and developing the necessary messaging. This would include raising awareness of the public safety, public health and economic impacts of gun violence on cities and counties and its residents.

8. **Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 5 p.m. The next meeting: **March 18, 2010.**