

SUMMARY MINUTES

ABAG Executive Board Meeting No. 401
Thursday, July 17, 2014
Joseph P. Bort MetroCenter
101 8th Street, Oakland, California

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Julie Pierce, Councilmember, City of Clayton, called the meeting of the Executive Board of the Association of Bay Area Governments to order at about 7:05 p.m.

President Pierce led the Board and the public in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Pierce welcomed Candace Anderson, Supervisor, County of Contra Costa; Greg Scharff, Mayor, City of Palo Alto; Dan Kalb, Councilmember, City of Oakland; and Jim Davis, Vice Mayor, City of Sunnyvale.

A quorum of the Board was present.

Representatives and Alternates Present Jurisdiction

Supervisor Candace Andersen	County of Contra Costa
Councilmember Desley Brooks	City of Oakland
Supervisor David Cortese	County of Santa Clara
Vice Mayor Jim Davis	City of Sunnyvale
Dep Dir Tamsen Drew, Leg/Gov Affairs	City of San Francisco
Councilmember Pat Eklund	City of Novato
Mayor Leon Garcia	City of American Canyon
Councilmember Pradeep Gupta	City of South San Francisco
Supervisor Scott Haggerty	County of Alameda
Mayor Bill Harrison	City of Fremont
Vice Mayor Dave Hudson	City of San Ramon
Councilmember Dan Kalb	City of Oakland
Councilmember Sam Liccardo	City of San Jose
Supervisor Mark Luce	County of Napa
Supervisor Eric Mar	County of San Francisco
Supervisor Karen Mitchoff	Count of Contra Costa
Mayor Mary Ann Nihart	City of Pacifica
Councilmember Julie Pierce	City of Clayton
Supervisor Dave Pine	County of San Mateo
Supervisor Katie Rice	County of Marin
Mayor Greg Scharff	City of Palo Alto
Supervisor Richard Valle	County of Alameda

Representatives Absent

Mayor Jack Batchelor
Supervisor Cindy Chavez
Councilmember Kansen Chu
Dir Jason Elliott, Leg/Gov Affairs
Councilmember Ash Kalra
Supervisor Jane Kim

Jurisdiction

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Director William Kissinger
Councilmember Jake Mackenzie
Mayor Jean Quan
Supervisor David Rabbitt
Supervisor Linda Seifert
Supervisor Warren Slocum
Mayor Jerry Thorne

RWQCB
City of Rohnert Park
City of Oakland
County of Sonoma
County of Solano
County of San Mateo
City of Pleasanton

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pat Eklund, Councilmember, City of Novato, commended President Pierce on her leadership in having SB 792 amended. She announced an upcoming meeting of ABAG General Assembly Delegates from Marin County. She introduced Jessica Jackson, Councilmember, City of Mill Valley, as the Alternate from the cities and towns in the County of Marin.

Bill Harrison, Mayor, City of Fremont, announced an upcoming event marking the start of the Fremont Downtown Plan.

There were no other announcements.

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Pierce reported on the following:

A meeting on May 27, 2014, with John Laird, Secretary, Natural Resources Agency; Karla Nemeth, Project Director, Bay Delta Conservation Plan; and Felicia Marcus, Chair, and Steven Moore, Board member, State Water Resources Control Board, on behalf of the San Francisco Estuary Partnership regarding the San Francisco Estuary and continuing adequate fresh water flows for a healthy estuary. Meeting participants included Steve Kinsey, Supervisor, County of Marin; Mark Luce, Supervisor, County of Napa; Karen Mitchoff, Supervisor, County of Contra Costa; Mary Piepho, Supervisor, County of Contra Costa; Susan Gorin, Supervisor, County of Sonoma; Judy Kelly, Director, San Francisco Estuary Partnership; and President Pierce. President Pierce encouraged jurisdictions whose water source is the Delta to support by resolution to improve fresh water flows.

The Friends of the San Francisco Estuary will have its *Bay+Delta+Water: Better Together, A Conference on Fresh Water in Our Bay-Delta Estuary* on September 24, 2014.

Fundraising on behalf of the San Francisco Bay Trail Project at various local events has raised \$27,000. Bay Trail events are being scheduled in Santa Clara County, Napa County, and Vallejo and Benicia.

5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Rapport reported on the following:

Ayana Dominguez, an 18-year-old recent graduate of Berkeley Technical Academy and ABAG intern working with Communications, was gunned down and killed on July 10, 2014 in a Wendy's restaurant parking lot in the Fruitvale district of East

Oakland. He requested that the Executive Board adjourn its meeting in memory of Ayana Dominguez.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

President Pierce removed the appointment of Pat Eklund, Councilmember, City of Novato, to the Finance and Personnel Committee as At-Large Alternate, from Item 6.C., due to pending updates to the committee assignments.

President Pierce recognized a motion by Karen Mitchoff, Supervisor, County of Contra Costa, which was seconded by Dave Hudson, Vice Mayor, City of San Ramon, to approve the Consent Calendar, except for the appointment of Pat Eklund, Councilmember, City of Novato, to the Finance and Personnel Committee under Item 6.C.

There was no discussion.

The aye votes were: Andersen, Brooks, Cortese, Davis, Drew, Eklund, Garcia, Gupta, Haggerty, Harrison, Hudson, Kalb, Liccardo, Luce, Mar, Mitchoff, Pierce, Pine, Rice, Scharff, Valle.

The nay votes were: None.

Abstentions were: None.

Absent were: Batchelor, Chavez, Chu, Elliott, Kalra, Kim, Kissinger, Mackenzie, Nihart, Quan, Rabbitt, Seifert, Slocum, Thorne.

The motion passed unanimously.

A. Approval of Executive Board Summary Minutes of Meeting No. 400 held on May 15, 2014

B. Approval of Transmission of Federal Grant Applications to State Clearinghouse

The Executive Board consented to ABAG transmitting an attached list of federal grant applications to the State Clearinghouse. These applications were circulated in ABAG's Intergovernmental Review Newsletter since the last Executive Board meeting.

C. Ratification of Committee Appointments

The Executive Board ratified the following committee appointment.

Regional Planning Committee

Martin Engelmann, Deputy Director for Planning, Contra Costa Transportation Authority (replaces Linda Jackson, Planning Director, Transportation Authority of Marin)

D. Adoption of Resolution No. 10-14 Authorizing Submitting Grant Application and Entering into Contract with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) for Bridge Toll Funds to Support the San Francisco Bay Trail Project

The Executive Board adopted Resolution No. 10-14.

E. Ratification of Application to US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for FY 2014-2015 National Estuary Program Funding

The Executive Board ratified the application to US Environmental Protection Agency for FY 2014-15 National Estuary Program funding.

F. Ratification of Application to US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for Suisun Marsh Water Quality Objectives Attainment: Source Reduction Field Testing Project

The Executive Board ratified the application to US Environmental Protection Agency for Suisun Marsh Water Quality Objectives Attainment: Source Reduction Field Testing Project.

G. Ratification of Application to US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for Urban Greening Bay Area: LID Planning, Implementation and Tracking

The Executive Board ratified the application to US Environmental Protection Agency for Urban Greening Bay Area: LID Planning, Implementation and Tracking.

H. Ratification of Amendment to the Interagency Agreement with the County of Marin to Provide Technical Support for Permit Writing

The Executive Board ratified the amendment to the Interagency Agreement with the County of Marin to provide technical support for permit writing.

I. Adoption of Resolution No. 11-14 Authorizing Entering into and Executing a Cooperating Technical Partners Partnership Agreement with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

The Executive Board adopted Resolution No. 11-14 authorizing entering into and executing a cooperating technical partners partnership agreement with the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

J. Adoption of Resolution No. 13-14 Authorizing Executing a License Agreement with Regional Economic Models, Inc. (REMI), and to Accept Funds from ABAG Finance Authority for Non-Profits (FAN) for License Fees

The Executive Board Adopted Resolution No. 13-14 authorizing executing a license agreement with Regional Economic Models, Inc., and to accept funds from ABAG Finance Authority for Non-Profit Corporations for license fees.

The Executive Board next took up agenda Item 9, PDA Showcase—City of San Leandro.

7. REVISIONS TO PRIORITY CONSERVATION AREA CRITERIA

Mark Shorett, ABAG Regional Planner, and Laura Thompson, Bay Trail Project Manager, provided an overview of the Priority Conservation Area (PCA), proposed changes recommended by the Regional Planning Committee, and a timeline.

Staff requested Executive Board adoption of Resolution No. 12-14, including revised PCA program criteria, designations, process for new PCA approvals, process for

confirming existing PCAs, and statement of support for expanding funding for the PCA program.

President Pierce recognized a motion by Mark Luce, Supervisor, County of Napa, which was seconded by Dave Hudson, Vice Mayor, City of San Ramon, to adopt Resolution No. 12-14, with the staff memo on Priority Conservation Area (PCA) Program Update attached.

Members discussed the role of local jurisdictions in approving applications, funding parity, land use control, reaffirming existing PCAs, and essential criteria; creation of PCA program and support of PDA process by North Bay counties; urban greening; lead PCA agency; designations and future funding, future urban park funds.

The following individuals provided public comment on Item 7: Jenn Fox, Bay Area Open Space Council; John Sutter, East Bay Regional Park District; Melissa Hippard, Greenbelt Alliance.

President Pierce recognized a friendly amendment by Dave Pine, Supervisor, County of San Mateo, to change the staff memo on Priority Conservation Area (PCA) Program Update, on page 4, Future Funding, as follows: "... b) prioritize future urban parks funds for projects..." The friendly amendment was accepted by Luce and Hudson.

Members discussed prioritizing future funding categories, support for expanding future funding for the PCA program, attaching staff memorandum, as amended, to the resolution.

There was no other discussion.

The aye votes were: Andersen, Cortese, Davis, Drew, Eklund, Garcia, Gupta, Haggerty, Harrison, Hudson, Kalb, Luce, Mar, Mitchoff, Nihart, Pierce, Pine, Rice, Scharff, Valle.

The nay votes were: None.

Abstentions were: None.

Absent were: Batchelor, Brooks, Chavez, Chu, Elliott, Kalra, Kim, Kissinger, Liccardo, Mackenzie, Quan, Rabbitt, Seifert, Slocum, Thorne.

The motion passed unanimously.

8. PLAN BAY AREA 2017: OVERVIEW OF TASKS AND TIMELINE

Miriam Chion, ABAG Planning and Research Director, presented an overview of the upcoming tasks related to the 2017 Update of Plan Bay Area, including a process review, update focus, new initiatives and projects, integration of other regional agency initiatives, and settlement agreements requirements.

Members discussed considering fixed assumptions earlier, changes to forecasts data, starting process earlier to have more review time, projections data, engaging General Assembly, technical advisory committee, including elected officials and community input, collaboration process, county-wide input.

9. PDA SHOWCASE—DOWNTOWN SAN LEANDRO

Duane Bay, ABAG Planning and Research Deputy Director, introduced a presentation on San Leandro's Downtown Priority Development Area (PDA).

Tom Liao, Deputy Community Development Director, City of San Leandro, presented challenges and opportunities in the San Leandro Downtown Priority Development Area, including a review of the strategy and goals, a review of the original Crossings Masterplan, challenges and responses to The Crossings, review the Cornerstone Apartments, review of the Downtown Technology Campus, public-private partnership, and opportunities and next steps.

Members discussed fiber optics technology, parking requirements and reduced parking, Bus Rapid Transit connection.

10. LEGISLATION AND GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Chair Scott Haggerty, Supervisor, County of Alameda, reported on Committee activities and requested Executive Board approval of committee recommendations, including the following: legislation proposed for 2014 Legislation Session: AB 2372 (Ammiano), Change in Ownership, Support; SB 53 (de Leon), California Ammunition Safe Sales Systems, Support; AB 2748 (Environmental Safety and Toxic Material Committee), Hazardous Waste: Business Plan, Support; AB 2284 (Williams), Recycling of Household Batteries, Watch; SB 270 (Padilla), Solid Waste: Single-use Carryout Bags, Suspense File; AB 1893 (Eggman and Stone), Home-generated Sharps Management, Stricken from Legislative File; SB 792 (DeSaulnier), Regional Entities San Francisco Bay Area, Oppose; AB 2145 (Bradford), Electricity—Community Choice Aggregation, Oppose; AB 1537 (Levine), General Plan Housing Element—Regional Housing Need, Support; SB 1184 (Hancock), San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission: Sea Level Rise—Regional Resilience Strategy, Support; SB 1077 (DeSaulnier), Vehicles: Mileage-based Fee Pilot Program, Support; briefing on the Budget Proposed and Budget Trailer Bills; report on draft federal legislation, PREPARE Act: Preparedness and Risk Management for Extreme Weather Patterns Assuring Resilience (Matt Cartwright); report on Bay Area Commuter Benefits Program; report on House Resolution HR 29: Relative to Outsourcing Public Services; and recommendation to adopt policy on taking positions between Executive Board and Legislation and Governmental Organization Committee bimonthly meetings.

President Pierce recognized a motion by Haggerty, which was seconded by Eklund, to approve the committee report.

There was no discussion.

The aye votes were: Andersen, Cortese, Davis, Drew, Eklund, Garcia, Gupta, Haggerty, Harrison, Hudson, Kalb, Luce, Mitchoff, Nihart, Pierce, Pine, Rice, Scharff.

The nay votes were: None.

Abstentions were: None.

Absent were: Batchelor, Brooks, Chavez, Chu, Elliott, Kalra, Kim, Kissinger, Liccardo, Mackenzie, Mar, Quan, Rabbitt, Seifert, Slocum, Thorne, Valle.

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11. FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT

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Committee Chair Bill Harrison, Mayor, City of Fremont, reported on Committee activities and requested Executive Board approval of committee recommendations, including the following: presentation and review of Financial Reports for Fiscal Year through May 2014; recommendation to adopt Resolution No. 14-14, fixing the Association of Bay Area Governments contribution under the Public Employees Medial and Hospital Act for Employer, Code 1642; report on revised vendor form; briefing on process and schedule for Public Employee Performance Evaluation: Legal Counsel; recommendation to adopt Resolution 15-14, to approve an amended agreement to allow for re-financing the agency's Windemere Ranch Capital Financing Program Debt; report on ABAG PLAN Board decision to contract out claims processing services and its associated impacts; closed session on Public Employee Performance Evaluation: Executive Director with no reportable action out of closed session.

President Pierce recognized a motion by Harrison, which was seconded by Mitchoff, to approve the committee report, including adoption of Resolution No. 14-14 and Resolution No. 15-14.

There was no discussion.

The aye votes were: Andersen, Cortese, Davis, Drew, Eklund, Garcia, Gupta, Haggerty, Harrison, Hudson, Kalb, Luce, Mitchoff, Nihart, Pierce, Pine, Rice, Scharff.

The nay votes were: None.

Abstentions were: None.

Absent were: Batchelor, Brooks, Chavez, Chu, Elliott, Kalra, Kim, Kissinger, Liccardo, Mackenzie, Mar, Quan, Rabbitt, Seifert, Slocum, Thorne, Valle.

The motion passed unanimously.

12. ADJOURNMENT

President Pierce adjourned the meeting of the Executive Board at about 9:26 p.m. in memory of Ayana Dominguez who was a victim of gun violence on July 10, 2014.

The next meeting of the Board will be on September 18, 2014.

Submitted:



Ezra Rapport, Secretary-Treasurer

Date: August 21, 2014

Approved: September 18, 2014

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