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## **Meeting Minutes - Final**

### **ABAG General Assembly**

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Friday, June 16, 2023

10:00 AM

Yerba Buena - 1st Floor

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#### **Business Meeting**

#### **Association of Bay Area Governments General Assembly**

The Business Meeting is part of the ABAG General Assembly meeting.  
The complete agenda for the ABAG General Assembly meeting is available at:  
<https://abag.ca.gov/meetings>

**1. Call to Order / Roll Call / Confirm Quorum**

President Arreguin called the meeting to order at about 10:08 a.m.

Quorum of County Delegates was present.

County Delegates Present: Marquez, Carlson, Sackett, Melgar, Canepa, Ellenberg.

County Delegates Absent: Gregory, Williams, Rabbitt.

Quorum of City/Town Delegates was present.

City/Town Delegates Present: Aftab, Alessio, Andersen, Armstrong, Arreguin, Azevedo, Bana, Bigstych, Blash, Blaustein, Branning, Cole, Cunningham, Darling, del Rosario, Doan, Dugan, Eakin, Eklund, Ezzy Ashcraft, Fife, Fligor, Fluet, Fong, Fruen, Fuller, Furtado, Geringer, Hannon, Harvey, Hedges, Hendershot, Herrod, Hill, Hollingsworth-Adams, Hudes, Kamei, Kemnitzer, Lewis E, Manalo, McConnell, McCorriston, Medina, Mei, Mekechuk, Motoyama, Nagales, Nakamura, Noack, Oro, Pierson, Roach, Romero, Scales-Preston, Singh, Stevenson, Testa, Tiedemann, Toms, Trippe, Walker-Griffin, Washington, Woehleke, Wolosin, Wylie, Xavier, Young.

City/Town Delegates Absent: Aalfs, Bauters, Breed, Burdo, Cisneros, Dohring, Goodman, Hindi, Kircher Jr., Kott, Kou, Lands, Lowe S, Marques, Martinez Beltran, Mates, Miller, Moy, Park, Paulson, Penrose, Perry, Phan, Pocekay, Reynoza, Rogers, Ross, Swan, Thier, Thorpe, Wan, Williams, Zollman.

**2. General Public Comment and Public Comment on Item 8, Keynote Presentation, Item 9, Panel Presentation, and Item 10, Celebration of ABAG's 60th Anniversary****3. General Assembly Member Announcements****4. President's Report**

4.a. [23-0854](#) ABAG President's Report of June 16, 2023

President Arreguin gave the report.

**5. Executive Director's Report**

5.a. [23-0855](#) Executive Director's Report of June 16, 2023

Andrew Fremier gave the report.

## 6. Business Meeting Minutes

**6.a.**     [23-0856](#)     County Approval of ABAG General Assembly Conference and Business Meeting Minutes of June 17, 2022

Upon the County motion by Ellenberg and second by Canepa, the ABAG General Assembly County Delegates approved the Conference and Business Meeting minutes of June 17, 2022. The motion passed unanimously by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Marquez, Carlson, Sackett, Melgar, Canepa, Ellenberg.

**Nays:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** Gregory, Williams, Rabbitt.

**6.b.**     [23-0857](#)     City and Town Approval of ABAG General Assembly Conference and Business Meeting Minutes of June 17, 2022

Upon the City/Town motion by Eklund and second by Young, the ABAG General Assembly City/Town Delegates approved the Conference and Business Meeting minutes of June 17, 2022. The motion passed by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Aftab, Alessio, Andersen, Armstrong, Arreguin, Azevedo, Bana, Bigstych, Blash, Blaustein, Branning, Cole, Cunningham, Darling, del Rosario, Doan, Dugan, Eakin, Eklund, Ezzy Ashcraft, Fife, Fligor, Fluet, Fong, Fruen, Fuller, Furtado, Gerringier, Hannon, Harvey, Hedges, Hendershot, Herrod, Hollingsworth-Adams, Hudes, Kamei, Kemnitzer, Lewis E, Manalo, McCorriston, Medina, Mei, Mekechuk, Motoyama, Nagales, Nakamura, Noack, Oro, Pierson, Roach, Romero, Singh, Stevenson, Testa, Tiedemann, Toms, Trippe, Walker-Griffin, Washington, Woehleke, Wolosin, Wylie, Xavier, Young.

**Nays:** McConnell.

**Abstain:** Hill.

**Absent:** Aalfs, Bauters, Breed, Burdo, Cisneros, Dohring, Goodman, Hindi, Kircher Jr., Kott, Kou, Lands, Lowe S, Marques, Martinez Beltran, Mates, Miller, Moy, Park, Paulson, Penrose, Perry, Phan, Pocekay, Reynoza, Rogers, Ross, Scales-Preston, Swan, Thier, Thorpe, Wan, Williams, Zollman.

## 7. Proposed FY 2023-24 Operating Budget and Work Program

- 7.a. [23-0858](#) County Adoption of Resolution No. 11-2023 authorizing the Proposed Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24 Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) Operating Budget and Work Program

Upon the County motion by Melgar and second by Canepa, the ABAG General Assembly County Delegates adopted Resolution No. 11-2023. The motion passed unanimously by the following vote:

Ayes: Marquez, Carlson, Sackett, Melgar, Canepa, Ellenberg.

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Gregory, Williams, Rabbitt.

- 7.b. [23-0859](#) City and Town Adoption of Resolution No. 11-2023 authorizing the Proposed Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24 Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) Operating Budget and Work Program

Upon the City/Town motion by Hollingsworth-Adams and second by Romero, the ABAG General Assembly City/Town Delegates adopted Resolution No. 11-2023. The motion passed unanimously by the following vote:

Ayes: Aftab, Alessio, Andersen, Armstrong, Arreguin, Azevedo, Bana, Bigstyk, Blash, Blaustein, Branning, Cole, Cunningham, Darling, del Rosario, Doan, Dugan, Eakin, Eklund, Ezzy Ashcraft, Fife, Fligor, Fluet, Fong, Fruen, Fuller, Furtado, Gerringer, Hannon, Harvey, Hedges, Hendershot, Herrod, Hollingsworth-Adams, Hudes, Kamei, Kemnitzer, Lewis E, Manalo, McCorriston, Medina, Mei, Mekechuk, Motoyama, Nagales, Nakamura, Noack, Oro, Pierson, Roach, Romero, Singh, Stevenson, Testa, Tiedemann, Toms, Trippe, Walker-Griffin, Washington, Woehleke, Wolosin, Wylie, Xavier, Young.

Nays: McConnell.

Abstain: Hill.

Absent: Aalfs, Bauters, Breed, Burdo, Cisneros, Dohring, Goodman, Hindi, Kircher Jr., Kott, Kou, Lands, Lowe S, Marques, Martinez Beltran, Mates, Miller, Moy, Park, Paulson, Penrose, Perry, Phan, Pocekay, Reynoza, Rogers, Ross, Scales-Preston, Swan, Thier, Thorpe, Wan, Williams, Zollman.

## 8. Keynote Presentation

**8.a. [23-0860](#) Keynote Speaker: Prosperity and the Power of Place in the Bay Area**

Tracy Hadden Loh, a Fellow at the Brookings Institution's Center for Transformative Placemaking, will set the stage for the conference by highlighting the power of place and the importance of regional alignment in an uncertain world still recovering from the COVID pandemic. Dr. Loh's work focuses on the intersection of commercial real estate, infrastructure, racial equity and governance. Her presentation will link her experience as a former elected official and her national research with the realities of the Bay Area and help frame the conversation around recovery and growth. She recently co-authored the Brookings Institution's report entitled "Breaking the 'urban doom loop': The future of downtowns is shared prosperity."

After the presentation, President Arreguín and Bay Area Council President and CEO Jim Wunderman will join Dr. Loh in a discussion of the state of the regional economy and lessons from other parts of the country, followed by an audience Q&A session.

Tracy Hadden Loh gave the report.

**9. Panel Presentation****9.a. [23-0861](#) Panel Presentation on Bay Area Case Studies: Local Efforts that Drive Regional Prosperity**

This panel will highlight how communities around the region are working to bring about inclusive economic prosperity. Panel members will share community visions and challenges for the future, as well as plans to implement strategies tailored to local conditions. Following brief presentations, the panel will discuss how the region can grow middle-wage jobs and drive the next cycle of economic growth. There will be an opportunity for audience Q&A.

Panel members will include:

Chris Rico, President and CEO, Solano County Economic Development Council

Diane Burgis, Supervisor, County of Contra Costa

Lily Mei, Mayor, City of Fremont

Todd Pray, Ph.D., Chief Strategic Partnerships Officer at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

**10. Celebration of ABAG's 60th Anniversary**

**11. Adjournment / Next Meeting**

President Arreguin adjourned the meeting at about 2:42 p.m. The next regular meeting of the ABAG General Assembly will be announced.