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**Subject:** Questions on AB 1487

Assembly member Chiu. After reviewing the latest changes to AB 1487, there are a few questions and clarifications needed prior to the hearing scheduled for Wednesday, July 10, 2019.

- 1) What are the powers of the Authority, as defined, and what are the powers of the Executive Board? What happens when there is a disagreement? How are those differences reconciled?
- 2) Why does this bill empower the Metropolitan Transportation Commission to 'serve as the governing board of the authority'? Shouldn't the Executive Board who currently has the legal authority for housing, be the entity to serve as the governing board of the authority?
- 3) Section 64511(a)(1) states: "The executive board shall review and approve projects authorized by this chapter prior to review, approval, and allocation by the authority." Why doesn't the Executive Board make the decisions since they are the Council of Governments with legal authority over housing issues?
- 4) Does this bill empower the new authority to legally buy and sell property including land. If so, which sections provide that authority?
- 5) If local governments are collecting a commercial linkage fee that is imposed by the Executive Board and/or the authority, where is the provision for local governments to be reimbursed for the costs associated with collecting and dispersing the commercial linkage fee to the authority?
- 6) This bill empowers the authority to place a revenue measure on the ballot to institute a parcel tax. Please clarify whether this parcel tax would be on commercial and/or residential properties?

thanks for providing additional clarification on these issues.

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