

An aerial photograph of a city street grid, viewed from a high angle. The streets form a complex network of lines across the frame. The entire image is overlaid with a semi-transparent blue filter, giving it a monochromatic appearance. The text is positioned in the lower right quadrant of the image.

# **ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS**

## **Meeting Transcript**

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**ABAG EXECUTIVE BOARD**

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2020, 6:30PM**

**JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** GOOD EVENING I WOULD LIKE TO CALL TO ORDER THIS ABAG MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD FOR THURSDAY NOVEMBER 19TH, 2020. BEFORE WE PROCEED TO ROLL CALL I'LL PLAY THE COVID-19 MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT. DUE TO COVID-19, THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED AS A ZOOM WEBINAR, PURSUANT TO THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 WHICH SUSPENDS CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF THE BROWN ACT. THIS MEETING IS BEING WEBCAST ON THE ABAG WEB SITE. THE CHAIR WILL CALL UPON COMMISSIONERS, PRESENTERS, STAFF, AND OTHER SPEAKERS BY NAME, AND ASK THAT THEY SPEAK CLEARLY AND STATE THEIR NAMES BEFORE GIVING COMMENTS OR REMARKS. PERSONS PARTICIPATING VIA WEBCAST AND ZOOM, WITH THEIR CAMERAS ENABLED, ARE REMINDED THAT THEIR ACTIVITIES ARE VISIBLE TO VIEWERS. COMMISSIONERS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATING VIA ZOOM WISHING TO SPEAK SHOULD USE THE RAISED HAND FEATURE OR DIAL STAR NINE, AND THE CHAIR WILL CALL UPON THEM AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME. TELECONFERENCE ATTENDEES WILL BE CALLED UPON BY THE LAST FOUR DIGITS OF THEIR PHONE NUMBER. IT IS REQUESTED THAT PUBLIC SPEAKERS STATE THEIR NAMES AND ORGANIZATION, BUT PROVIDING SUCH INFORMATION IS VOLUNTARY. WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED AT INFO@BAYAREAMETRO.GOV BY 5:00 P.M. YESTERDAY WILL BE POSTED TO THE ONLINE AGENDA AND ENTERED INTO THE RECORD, BUT WILL NOT BE

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1 READ OUT LOUD. IF AUTHORS OF THE WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WOULD  
2 LIKE TO SPEAK, THEY ARE FREE TO DO SO, AND SHOULD RAISE THEIR  
3 HAND AND THE CHAIR WILL CALL UPON THEM ON THE APPROPRIATE  
4 TIME. A ROLL CALL VOTE WILL BE TAKEN FOR ALL ACTION ITEMS.  
5 PANELISTS SHOULD NOTE THAT THE CHAT FEATURE IS NOT ACTIVE TO  
6 ATTENDEES. IN ORDER TO GET THE FULL ZOOM EXPERIENCE, PLEASE  
7 MAKE SURE YOUR APPLICATION IS UP TO DATE.

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9 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU. WITH ABAG CLERK OF THE  
10 BOARD CONDUCT ROLL CALL TO CONFIRM WHETHER A QUORUM IS  
11 PRESENT.

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13 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** SUPERVISOR ANDERSEN?

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15 **I THINK SHE'S ON THE CALL.**

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17 **>>KAREN MITCHOFF:** SHE WAS ON A MINUTE AGO.

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19 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** MAYOR ARREGUIN?

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21 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** PRESENT.

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23 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** COUNCILMEMBER FORTUNATO BAS IS ABSENT.  
24 DIRECTOR JAYNE BEATTY?

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1     **JAYNE BEATTY:** HERE.

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3     **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** MAYOR BREED? ABSENT. SUPERVISOR --

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5     **SCOTT HAGGERTY:** DID YOU SAY HAGGERTY?

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7     **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** NOT YET, SIR.

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9     **SCOTT HAGGERTY:** I'M HERE.

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11    **JAKE MACKENZIE:** SO IT WOULD SEEM.

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13    **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** SUPERVISOR CANEPA IS ABSENT. SUPERVISOR  
14    CHAVEZ?

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16    **CINDY CHAVEZ:** CHAVEZ HERE.

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18    **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** SUPERVISOR CLARK?

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20    **CHRISTOPHER CLARK:** HERE.

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22    **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** SUPERVISOR CORTESE?

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24    **DAVID CORTESE:** HERE.

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1 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** COUNCILMEMBER DIEP? IS ABSENT. MAYOR PRO  
2 TEMPORE EKLUND?

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4 **PAT ECKLUND:** HERE.

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6 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** COUNCIL MEMBER ESPARZA?

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8 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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10 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** MAYOR GARBARINO? IS ABSENT. MAYOR GARCIA.

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12 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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14 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** VICE MAYOR GIBBONS?

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16 **LIZ GIBBONS:** HERE.

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18 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** COUNCILMEMBER MCELHANEY IS ABSENT.

19 SUPERVISOR HAGGERTY IS HERE.

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21 **SCOTT HAGGERTY:** THANK YOU.

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23 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** MAYOR HALLIDAY?

24

25 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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2 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** SUPERVISOR HANNIGAN?

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4 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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6 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** DIRECTOR HILLER IS ABSENT. COUNCILMEMBER  
7 HUDSON?

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9 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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11 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** COUNCILMEMBER LEE? IS ABSENT. ABSENT. VICE  
12 MAYOR MACKENZIE?

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14 **JAKE MACKENZIE:** PRESENT.

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16 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MANDELMAN IS ABSENT.  
17 SUPERVISOR MAR?

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19 **GORDON MAR:** PRESENT.

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21 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** SUPERVISOR MILEY?

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23 **SUP. NATHAN MILEY:** HERE.

24

25 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** SUPERVISOR MITCHOFF?

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2 **KAREN MITCHOFF:** HERE.

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4 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** COUNCILMEMBER PERALEZ IS ABSENT. MAYOR  
5 PIERCE?

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7 **JULIE PIERCE:** PRESENT. AND FRED, WE TOLD FOLKS EARLY ON THAT  
8 WE WOULD BE STARTING AGAIN AT SEVEN, ABOUT TEN MINUTES BEFORE  
9 WE CHANGED IT TO 6:45. SO A BUNCH OF THESE FOLKS ARE LOCATED  
10 ON OUR SCREEN, BUT PROBABLY STEPPED AWAY TO GET DINNER.

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12 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** YES. SUPERVISOR PINE? IS ABSENT.  
13 SUPERVISOR RABBIT?

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15 **DAVID RABBIT:** HERE.

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17 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** SUPERVISOR RAMOS?

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19 **BELIA RAMOS:** HERE.

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21 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** SUPERVISOR RODONI?

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23 **DENNIS RODONI:** HERE.

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1 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** COUNCILMEMBER TAYLOR IS ABSENT. MAYOR  
2 WILSON?

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4 **LORI WILSON:** HERE.

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6 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** DIRECTOR CHEN?

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8 **CINDY CHEN:** HERE.

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10 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** DID I MISS ANYONE?

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12 **RICHARD GARBARINO:** YES. I'M HERE.

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14 **WAYNE LEE:** I'M HERE.

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16 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** PUBLIC COMMENT. IS THERE ANY  
17 MEMBERS THAT WOULD LIKE TO GIVE COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON TODAY  
18 AGENDA. IF SO RAISE YOUR HAND OR PRESS STAR NINE ON YOUR  
19 PHONE. MR. CASTRO ANY COMMENTS SUBMITTED ON THIS ITEM.

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21 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** THREE GENERAL COMMENTS REGARDING RHNA:  
22 ASSOCIATION OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, CITY OF PALO ALTO, AND  
23 PUBLIC ADVOCACY WERE POSTED ON MTC LEGISTAR AND E-MAILED TO  
24 COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

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1   **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SO THOSE  
2 WRITTEN COMMENTS WERE POSTED ON THE ABAG LEGISTAR WEB SITE AND  
3 I BELIEVE WERE ALSO SUBMITTED BY E-MAIL TO THE EXECUTIVE BOARD  
4 MEMBERS. BUT I DON'T SEE ANY RAISED HANDS SO THAT COMPLETES  
5 ITEM TWO PUBLIC COMMENT. ITEM THREE EXECUTIVE BOARD  
6 ANNOUNCEMENTS. ARE THERE ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE  
7 EXECUTIVE BOARD? IF SO PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND. OKAY. I DON'T -  
8 - DIRECTOR LEE?

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10   **WAYNE LEE:** YES. THANK YOU MR. PRESIDENT, I WANT TO THANK -- I  
11 WAS GOING TO BE TERMING OUT THIS YEAR AND I WANT TO THANK  
12 EVERYBODY FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH ALL OF YOU. YOU'RE  
13 JUST PHENOMENAL PEOPLE FIRST RATE PEOPLE AND I FEEL VERY  
14 PRIVILEGED AND HONORED TO SERVE ON THIS COMMITTEE WITH YOU.  
15 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR PUTTING UP WITH MY COMMENTS. I'M SURE  
16 THEY WERE ALL IN RESPECT AND ADMIRATION FOR EACH ONE OF YOU.  
17 THANKS AGAIN, AND I HOPE TO SEE YOU AFTER COVID.

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19   **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU DIRECTOR. WE'RE GOING TO  
20 RECOGNIZE THE OUTGOING MEMBERS WHEN WE GET TO THE PRESIDENT'S  
21 REPORT. I'LL CALL ON DIRECTOR GARBARINO.

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23   **RICHARD GARBARINO:** I WANT TO ECHO LEE'S COMMENTS IT'S BEEN A  
24 WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY FOR ME TO SERVE WITH THIS DISTINGUISHED  
25 GROUP OF FOLKS REPRESENTING THEIR CITIES AND COUNTIES. THANK

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1 YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY. PLEASURE TO WORK WITH EACH AND EVERY  
2 ONE OF YOU.

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4 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. DIRECTOR  
5 GIBBONS, DO YOU WISH TO OFFER AN ANNOUNCEMENT?

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7 **LIZ GIBBONS:** I WAS JUST WAVING ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO MY  
8 COLLEAGUES.

9

10 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE  
11 EXECUTIVE BOARD. DIRECTOR MACKENZIE?

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13 **JAKE MACKENZIE:** YEAH. IT'S BEEN FUN, AND WE'LL SEE YOU ON THE  
14 OTHER SIDE.

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16 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** DIRECTOR BEATTY.

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18 **JANE RILEY:** --

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20 **SPEAKER:** JUST RECEIVED APPOINTMENT ON THE WATER BOARD AND BE  
21 CONTINUING ON AS A VICE CHAIR. I WANT TO ASSURE YOU WE HAD OUR  
22 BOARD MEETING AND TALKED ABOUT OUR PRIORITIES FOR THE YEAR  
23 AHEAD, CLIMATE CHANGE, AND MITIGATING THE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE  
24 CHANGE IS VERY HIGH ON OUR AGENDA AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO

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1 WORKING ON VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS AROUND THE REGION. THANK YOU  
2 VERY MUCH.

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4 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. PLEASURE TO  
5 WORK WITH YOU. ANY EXECUTIVE BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS. RAISE YOUR  
6 HAND SEEING NONE. PUBLIC COMMENT. MR. CASTRO ANY WRITTEN  
7 COMMENTS RECEIVED ON THIS ITEM.

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9 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** THERE WERE NONE.

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11 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** COMPLETES ITEM THREE BE EXECUTIVE  
12 BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS WE'LL GO TO ITEM FOUR PRESIDENT'S REPORT  
13 MY REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 19TH, 2020. I WANT TO WELCOME ALL MY  
14 COLLEAGUES HERE TONIGHT. AND THERE IS ALWAYS A BITTER SWEET  
15 MOMENT AFTER AN ELECTION WHEN WE CONGRATULATE THOSE THAT WERE  
16 REELECTED, AND SAY FAIR WELL TO THOSE WHO'S TERMS AS PUBLIC  
17 SERVANTS END. WE WILL HAVE ONE MORE MEETING THIS YEAR NEXT  
18 MONTH BUT DIDN'T WANT TO MISS AN OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE PROPER  
19 RECOGNITION TO OUR COLLEAGUES IN CASE THEY ARE NOT AT OUR NEXT  
20 MEETING. DIRECTOR CORTESE WILL BE MOVING ON TO THE STATE  
21 SENATE SOON TO BE SENATOR CORTESE. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING  
22 WITH HIM IN HIS NEW CAPACITY. DIRECTOR DIEP WILL BE LEAVING  
23 THE BOARD, DIRECTOR MCELHANEY, MACKENZIE HAGGERTY AND DIRECTOR  
24 PIERCE. I WANT TO OFFER MY APPRECIATION FOR THOSE WHO WILL BE  
25 STEPPING DOWN FROM THE DAIS AND WE RECOGNIZE YOUR LEADERSHIP

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1 AND COMMITMENT TO THIS BODY FOR COUNTIES, CITIES AND TOWNS AND  
2 TO ALL RESIDENTS OF THE BAY AREA AND WHEN WE HAVE THE  
3 OPPORTUNITY TO MEET AGAIN IN PERSON, I HOPE WE CAN PROPERLY  
4 CONGRATULATE THOSE WHO CONTINUE TO SERVE AND WILL LEAD US IN  
5 THE HONORABLE KOREAN OF PUBLIC SERVICE. IT'S WITH GREAT  
6 SADNESS THAT THESE PARTICULAR DIRECTORS ARE LEAVING US MANY OF  
7 WHOM HAVE SERVED ON THE EXECUTIVE BOARD FOR MANY YEARS PLAYED  
8 KEY LEADS ON THE EXECUTIVE BOARD. THE LOSS OF THE  
9 INSTITUTIONAL MEMORY WILL BE SIGNIFICANT. I PERSONALLY WILL  
10 MISS ALL OF YOU AND LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU IN YOUR  
11 NEW CAPACITIES. MEMBERS WHO WOULD LIKE TO OFFER WORDS OF  
12 THANKS OR APPRECIATION TO THE OUTGOING EXECUTIVE BOARD  
13 MEMBERS, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE COMMENTS AT THIS TIME. I  
14 KNOW WE HEARD FROM A FEW ALREADY. DIRECTOR AND SOON-TO-BE  
15 SENATOR CORTESE. AND THEN I'LL GO TO DIRECTOR PIERCE.

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17 **DAVID CORTESE:** THANK YOU MR. PRESIDENT. I JUST -- I'LL JUST  
18 SAY A FEW WORDS. FIRST OF ALL, ON A PERSONAL BASIS, I'M GOING  
19 TO MISS ALL OF MY COLLEAGUES AT ABAG AND IN REGIONAL  
20 GOVERNMENT IN GENERAL. IT'S BEEN, FOR ME, A JOY TO BE ASSIGNED  
21 IN THE PLACES I HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED TO REGIONAL GOVERNMENT,  
22 PARTICULARLY TO ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS, KIND OF  
23 MAYBE KIND OF A FUNNY THING -- I DON'T KNOW, HOPEFULLY YOU  
24 WILL TAKE THIS WITH A SENSE OF HUMOR, BUT I THINK IT WAS AT MY  
25 FIRST MEETING, IN 2001, ASSIGNED BY THE SAN JOSE CITY COUNCIL

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1 TO THE ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS, ULTIMATELY  
2 CONTINUED, OF COURSE, AS A BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SEAMLESSLY SO  
3 IT'S BEEN A LOT OF YEARS BUT BACK TO MY FIRST MEETING -- I'M  
4 PRETTY SURE IT WAS MY FIRST MEETING. I CAME IN AND SAT DOWN. I  
5 DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO EXPECT. I DIDN'T KNOW TO PICK UP MY NAME  
6 PLATE AND PUT IT DOWN FROM WHERE I WAS SITTING AND THOSE DAYS  
7 IN MY ROCK RECOLLECTION, WE SAT AROUND TABLES, AND WHOEVER  
8 LEAD THE MEETING LEAD THE MEETING. OF COURSE THE PRESIDENT OF  
9 ABAG. BUT THERE WAS THAT NIGHT, A LONG-STANDING MEMBER OF THE  
10 ASSOCIATION, A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, WHO WAS  
11 STEPPING DOWN. AND, YOU KNOW, HE WAS AN OLDER MAN. AND I DON'T  
12 REMEMBER HIS NAME, AND THAT'S PROBABLY A GOOD THING RIGHT NOW,  
13 BECAUSE I WOULD EMBARRASS HIM, OR MYSELF BY TALKING ABOUT HIM  
14 IN ABSENTIA, BUT HE WAS AN OLDER GENTLEMAN WHO HAD, AS I  
15 RECALL, TWO DECADES OF SERVICE TO THE ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA  
16 GOVERNMENTS, AND ALL I COULD THINK, AS I LISTENED TO, YOU  
17 KNOW, SOME TRIBUTES, AND A SPEECH THAT I THINK HE PROBABLY  
18 FELT WAS VERY SUITABLE, AND MAYBE EVEN A LITTLE PROFOUND IS  
19 THIS IS AN OLD GUY WHO HAS BEEN HERE A LONG TIME WHO IS MOVING  
20 ON, MAYBE WE ALL NEED TO LIGHTEN UP A LITTLE BIT. I TOLD THAT  
21 STORY BECAUSE WHAT ALSO FLASHED THROUGH MY HEAD, AS OFTEN  
22 DOES, WHEN AT CERTAIN POINTS OF YOUR LIFE, SOMETIMES WHEN YOU  
23 ARE A YOUNGER PERSON, IS THAT, BOY, I'LL PROBABLY NEVER BE  
24 THAT GUY. I CAN'T IMAGINE MYSELF, YOU KNOW, BEING HERE IN 20  
25 YEARS SAYING SOMETHING LIKE THAT, OR MAKING A SPEECH LIKE THAT

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1 OR HAVING PEOPLE ACKNOWLEDGE ME AS I STEP DOWN. SO HERE I AM,  
2 I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE HECK HAPPENED TO THE TWO DECADES. I KNOW  
3 IT SEEMED LIKE I STARTED WORKING OR ATTEMPTING TO WORK WITH  
4 THE THEN MTC COMMISSIONERS, INCLUDING MY BROTHER SCOTT  
5 HAGGERTY TO TRY TO GET A STAFF MERGER PUT TOGETHER, AND WE  
6 JUST KEPT WORKING ON THAT FOR PRETTY MUCH TWO WHOLE DECADES IT  
7 SEEM LIKE. AND SOME OF YOU HAVE HEARD ME SAY THIS BEFORE IT'S  
8 BEEN FOR ME KIND OF A TEXTBOOK CIVICS EXPERIENCE. WHEN I WAS,  
9 YOU KNOW, ONE OF THOSE KIDS IN THE 8TH GRADE TAKING A CIVICS  
10 CLASS, I THOUGHT THIS WAS WHAT GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS WAS  
11 SUPPOSED TO BE LIKE. YOU KNOW, NOT THE GRUELING CAMPAIGNS,  
12 AND, YOU KNOW, NOT THE RIVALRIES YOU SOMETIMES SEE IN OUR  
13 LOCAL JURISDICTIONS. YOU DON'T REALLY HAVE THAT HERE. YOU  
14 KNOW, WE -- WE HAVE A MORE ARMS LENGTH KIND OF TEXTBOOK  
15 RELATIONSHIP AND THAT'S THE PART OF THIS THAT HAS REALLY BEEN  
16 A JOY TO ME, TO PARTICIPATE IN, IT REALLY ACTUALLY CAN I HAVE  
17 A REPRIEVE SOMETIMES FROM, YOU KNOW, KIND OF THE HARDBALL THAT  
18 GOES ON IN MY OWN LOCAL JURISDICTION. ESPECIALLY IN THE OLD  
19 DAYS WHEN WE COULD TRAVEL, I MENTIONED THIS EARLIER AT A  
20 COMMITTEE MEETING, I WOULD BE ON TWO COMMITTEE AND THE  
21 EXECUTIVE BOARD I WOULD COME UP IN THE AFTERNOON AND THE OLD  
22 LEG COMMITTEE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE AND I WOULD SIT DOWN AND  
23 EXCHANGE PLEASANTRIES AND GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER FACE-TO-FACE  
24 IN THE PRE COVID TIMES AND MOST OF YOU REMEMBER THAT. SO AGAIN  
25 THANK YOU FOR THE COLLEGIALITY, THANK YOU FOR THE GOOD

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1 EXPERIENCE. THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME TAKE A COUPLE SHOTS AT  
2 LEADING, INCLUDING BEING PRESIDENT OF THE ORGANIZATION. THAT  
3 WAS A GREAT HONOR, AND YOU'RE DOING A GREAT JOB OF IT  
4 YOURSELF, JESSE, YOU REALLY ARE. AND I KNEW THAT YOU WOULD  
5 ENJOY THIS POSITION. THANK YOU. I'LL STOP THERE.

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7 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH DIRECTOR  
8 CORTESE. DIRECTOR PIERCE.

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10 **JULIE PIERCE:** THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU DAVE FOR EVERYTHING  
11 THAT YOU HAVE BROUGHT TO THIS ORGANIZATION. I HAVE TO TELL YOU  
12 IT'S BEEN AN HONOR TO WORK WITH YOU, APPROXIMATE I'M REALLY  
13 GLAD YOU'RE GOING TO BE UP IN SACRAMENTO KEEPING AN EYE OUT  
14 FOR US UP THERE. SO THAT'S -- AND I SAY US BECAUSE THIS GROUP  
15 IS SUCH A COLLEGIAL GROUP. YOU KNOW, WE MAY DISAGREE ON POLICY  
16 NOW AND THEN, BUT WE ALWAYS FIND A WAY THROUGH TO A COMPROMISE  
17 THAT WORKS. AND WE DO IT IN A RESPECTFUL WAY. IT'S NOTHING  
18 LIKE SITTING IN MY CITY COUNCIL MEETING GETTING ROCKS THROWN  
19 AT ME. AND THIS IS WHAT I WILL MISS ABOUT BEING AN ELECTED  
20 OFFICIAL IS THE REGIONAL AND COUNTY-WIDE LEVEL WORK. BECAUSE  
21 IT IS SO COLLEGIAL. AND IT IS SO POLICY BASED, AND SO, I WILL  
22 MISS WORKING WITH ALL OF YOU. I WORKED WITH ALMOST ALL OF ON  
23 YOU ONE COMMITTEE OR ANOTHER OVER THE YEARS, CERTAINLY WITH  
24 DAVE, ORIGINALLY ON THE MERGER WHICH STARTED OUT AS SUCH A  
25 HORRIBLY ADVERSARIAL ISSUE TO BEGIN WITH, BUT WE COMPROMISED

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1 AND WORKED TOGETHER AND I THANK DAVE FOR ALL OF THAT. ABAG  
2 WOULD BE IN BAD SHAPE, AND WE JUSTICE HEARD IN OUR FINANCE  
3 COMMITTEE THAT WE'RE REALLY ROC SOLID RIGHT NOW. AND WE'RE IN  
4 REALLY GOOD SHAPE, AND OUR EMPLOYEES ARE MAKING BETTER MONEY  
5 AND HAVE BETTER BENEFITS AND OUR RETIREES ARE SECURE. NONE OF  
6 THAT COULD HAVE HAPPENED WITHOUT THAT MERGER. AND DAVE, I JUST  
7 HAVE TO THANK YOU AND EVERYONE ELSE WHO ARE INTIMATELY  
8 INVOLVED IN THE BACK AND FORTH OF MAKING THAT HAPPEN. BECAUSE  
9 THERE WERE QUITE A FEW FOLKS WHO HAVE MOVED ON SINCE THAT  
10 TIME, BUT, THAT WAS QUITE AN ACCOMPLISHMENT AND IF WE HAD DONE  
11 NOTHING ELSE DURING MY TERM, I THINK THAT WAS SOMETHING THAT  
12 WAS WELL DONE AND THEN GOING ON AND WORKING WITH JAKE AFTER HE  
13 TOOK OVER AS CHAIR OF MTC AND THE TWO OF US WORKED TOGETHER ON  
14 JOINT MEETINGS AND THINGS LIKE THAT AND CERTAINLY SCOTT  
15 HAGGERTY, I HAVE HIM TO BLAME FOR URGING ME TO RUN FOR  
16 PRESIDENT AND WHO KNEW THAT A ROUTINE TWO YEAR TERM WOULD TURN  
17 INTO WHAT IT DID IN FOUR YEARS BUT I THANK SCOTT POWER THAT  
18 BECAUSE THAT WAS THE EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME, I THINK. I'M  
19 JUST REALLY PROUD OF ALL OF THAT, AND JESSE, YOU ARE CARRYING  
20 ON LIKE A CHAMP. AND I FEEL VERY SECURE THAT ABAG IS IN GREAT  
21 HANDS. DAVE RABBIT, YOU WERE RIGHT THERE, AND YOU HELD THEY  
22 REINS FOR A WHILE AND YOU HELD US THERE ON MTC AND ALL OF THE  
23 REST OF YOU ON THE VARIOUS COMMITTEES, IT'S BEEN AN HONOR.  
24 THANK YOU.

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1 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH. DIRECTOR  
2 GIBSON MCELHANEY.

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4 **GIBSON MCELHANEY:** WELL GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY. IT IS WONDERFUL  
5 TO BE WITH YOU, AND LIKE JULIE SAID, I THINK ONE OF THE THINGS  
6 I WILL MISS MOST ABOUT THIS PART OF MY ELECTED LIFE IS SERVING  
7 WITH EACH OF YOU AND UNDERSTANDING OUR BEAUTIFUL BAY AREA  
8 THROUGH ALL OF ITS UNIQUE CULTURES. I AM PLEASED THAT WE WERE  
9 ABLE TO MAKE SUCH PROGRESS UNDER DIRECTOR PIERCE AND THE HARD  
10 WORK TO BRING MTC AND ABAG TOGETHER. THEN WE STILL HAVE MORE  
11 WORK TO DO, BUT I AM ENCOURAGED BY THE WORK TO START LOOKING  
12 AT HOUSING, IN PARTICULAR, REGIONALLY, AND TRANSPORTATION, AND  
13 THAT WE HAVE CONTINUED OVER THE SIX YEARS THAT I HAVE SERVED  
14 TO GET BETTER ABOUT HOW WE INCORPORATE THE SIX WINS AND LOOK  
15 AT THE EQUITY LENS AND HAVING THAT BE MORE EXAMINED ACROSS ALL  
16 OF OUR JURISDICTIONS. VERY EXCITING ABOUT THE REGIONAL HOUSING  
17 WORK. BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT WE HAVE A LOT TO DEAL WITH IN TERMS  
18 OF RACIAL DISPARITY AND ECONOMIC INEQUALITY AND WITH WE HAVE  
19 TO DO JOINTLY TO MAKE THIS REGION MORE JUST, AFFORDABLE, AND  
20 SAFE FOR EVERYONE. AND THAT IS INCLUDING OUR ENVIRONMENTAL  
21 WORK WHICH IS CRITICALLY IMPORTANT. THANK YOU MR. CHAIRMAN FOR  
22 YOUR STELLAR WORK IN THIS SEASON AND YOUR KIND WORDS. I WILL  
23 MISS YOU ALL. AND MISS THIS WORK, AND HOPE THAT YOU CONTINUE  
24 TO HOLD, TO JUST HOLD ALL OF IT SO DEAR IN TERMS OF EQUITY,  
25 AND IF I HEAR 100 THAT YOU'RE OFF COURSE, YOU'LL SEE ME IN THE

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1 PUBLIC COMMENTS BECAUSE I KNOW HOW TO HANG OUT LATE WITH THE  
2 BEST OF THEM. THANK YOU FOR WELCOMING ME. THANK YOU FOR  
3 GROWING ME, AND THANK YOU FOR MAKING SURE THAT OAKLAND'S  
4 UNIQUE NEEDS ARE INCLUDED IN OUR DISCUSSIONS. I APPRECIATE  
5 YOU.

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7 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. DIRECTOR  
8 MACKENZIE?

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10 **JAKE MACKENZIE:** YEAH. YOU GUYS ARE A VERY SERIOUS BUNCH  
11 TONIGHT. I CAN'T QUITE UNDERSTAND IT. EVERYBODY IS IMBUED WITH  
12 KUMBAYA AND THE COMMITTEE TIMES IT HADN'T BEEN THAT MUCH FUN.  
13 YOU GUYS MUST HAVE SHORT MEMORIES OF THE FIRST BAY AREA  
14 MEETINGS IN THE LARGE CAVERNOUS PLACE OVER IN OAK AND DAVID  
15 RABBIT AND I CERTAINLY REMEMBER DRIVING BACK FROM THE CASA  
16 COMPACT AT 1:00 IN THE MORNING IN SONOMA COUNTY AND WONDERING  
17 WHAT THE HELL WAS GOING TO HAPPEN TO US. NOTHING HAPPENED TO  
18 RABBIT BUT IT CERTAINLY HAPPENED TO ME AS A RESULT OF THAT.  
19 BUT ANYWAY THESE ARE ALL FUN TIMES I CAN REFLECT ON, I STARTED  
20 BACK WITH THE ABAG REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE BACK IN '97. I  
21 SERVED ON REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEES TO THE BEST OF MY  
22 REGRET AND MY MOST PROUD, AND JULIE PIERCE MENTIONED IT SHE  
23 AND DAVE CORTESE DID A GREAT JOB AND I WAS TAIL END OF JAKE  
24 AND I GOT TO COME IF AT THE END OF ALL OF THEIR HARD WORK AND  
25 SIGN THE ACTUAL AGREEMENT. BUT IT WAS THE RIGHT THING TO DO.

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1 IT CONTINUES TO BE THE RIGHT THING TO DO, AND IT'S BEEN AN  
2 INTERESTING RIDE, AND I WOULD JUST THANK YOU ALL. I REALLY DO  
3 MISS, IN THIS COVID ERA, THE GETTING TOGETHER, AND THE GREEN  
4 ROOM, AND THE CHATS WITH AMY WORTH, AND JULIE PIERCE, AND  
5 FINDING OUT HOW THEY MANAGED TO GET INTO AMY'S MIATA, AND MAKE  
6 THEIR WAY ACROSS THE BAY BRIDGE, WHICH THEY DID TIME AND TIME  
7 AGAIN, MUCH TO MY GREAT SURPRISE. SO, THIS IS HAIL AND FAIR  
8 WELL. I WILL BECOME SHORTLY ON DECEMBER 8TH A RECOVERING  
9 POLITICIAN, I AM INFORMED BY FRED AND OUR GENERAL COUNSEL THAT  
10 ONCE THAT DAY ARRIVES AND I STEP DOWN DAIS IN ROHNERT PARK, I  
11 WILL NO LONGER BE PART OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. THIS IS IT  
12 FOR ME, AND I CHERISH ALL OF THESE FRIENDSHIPS, FOR A GUY WHO  
13 GREW UP IN SCOTLAND AND WHO IS PARENTS CAME FROM SCOTLAND TO  
14 END UP IN A BAY AREA OF 7 MILLION PEOPLE AND TO BE INVOLVED  
15 WITH ABAG AND CHAIRING MTC, I NEVER THOUGHT THAT A FARM BOY  
16 LIKE ME WHO REGULATED PEST SIZED WOULD END UP WITH ALL OF YOU  
17 GUYS AND DO GOOD STUFF. SO THANK YOU Y'ALL. IT'S BEEN A REAL  
18 PLEASURE.

19

20 **DAVID E. HUDSON:** [LAUGHTER]

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22 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU DIRECTOR MACKENZIE. I  
23 FAILED TO MENTION THAT DIRECTOR HAGGERTY WILL BE LEAVING US AT  
24 THE END OF THE YEAR. HE WILL BE WITH US AT OUR NEXT MEETING IN

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1 DECEMBER. I'M GOING CALL ON HIM NOW TO MAKE SOME COMMENTS THEN  
2 GO TO DIRECTOR HUDSON.

3

4 **SCOTT HAGGERTY:** IT'S OKAY JESSE YOU CERTAINLY DIDN'T HAVE TO  
5 CALL ME OUT I GET TO GO UNTIL JANUARY 4TH AND I STILL GET TO  
6 GO AT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I WANT TO SAY JESSE YOU HAVE BEEN  
7 A PHENOMENON PRESIDENT. WITHOUT A DOUBT HANDS DOWN YOU HAVE  
8 BEEN A TRUE LEADER BUT I REASON I PUT MY HAND UP IS BECAUSE,  
9 YOU KNOW, I HAVE BEEN REALLY FORTUNATE TO MAKE SOME GOOD  
10 FRIENDS. I REMEMBER ONCE ONE OF OUR COLLEAGUES PASSED AWAY,  
11 AND I DIDN'T REALLY KNOW HIM AS MUCH AS EVERYBODY ELSE DID. SO  
12 WHEN THAT HAPPENED, I THOUGHT, YOU KNOW, THESE MEETINGS ARE  
13 MORE THAN JUST GOING TO AND MEETING PEOPLE, AND, YOU KNOW,  
14 VOTING AND GOING HOME, YOU KNOW, THESE ARE YOUR COLLEAGUES.  
15 YOU HAVE BEEN WITH THEM FOR A LONG TIME. YOU SHOULD GET TO  
16 KNOW THEM. AND I WOULD JUST LIKE TO SAY, I KNOW AMY R. WORTH'S  
17 NAME HAS BEEN BROUGHT UP I KNOW SHE'S ON ABAG BUT HER NAME  
18 GETS BROUGHT UP. BUT TWO PEOPLE I COVET AND CONSIDER GREAT  
19 FRIENDS. ONE IS JULIE PIERCE. JULIE PROBABLY KNOWS MORE ABOUT  
20 MY FAMILY THAN MY FAMILY KNOWS ABOUT THEMSELVES. JULIE HAS  
21 BEEN THERE WITH ME WITH GOOD TIMES AND BAD TIMES AND SHE'S  
22 JUST A JEWEL. AND THEN I WOULD SAY THAT TO DAVE CORTESE,  
23 YOU'RE RIGHT. YOU ARE MY BROTHER. I AM SO PROUD OF YOU IN THE  
24 FACT THAT YOU RAN A HARD CAMPAIGN, AND YOU KNOW, YOU'RE A  
25 MERCILESS FUNDRAISER, AND IF DAVE GETS A NOTE FROM YOU HE'LL

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1 HAVE HIS WIFE CALL, BUT YOU KNOW, I'M JUST SO PROUD OF YOU  
2 DAVE. YOU'RE GOING TO DO WONDERFUL THINGS. IT'S A GREAT THING  
3 FOR YOUR FAMILY AND IN THE SPIRIT OF YOUR FATHER. AND HE DID  
4 GREAT THINGS AND YOU WILL TOO. SO, YOU KNOW, ALL OF THE OTHER  
5 COLLEAGUES, JAKE I'M GOING MISS YOU I WISH WE HAD A CHANCE TO  
6 WEAR OUR KILLS -- KILTS TOGETHER BUT WE WON'T. AND I WANT TO  
7 CALL OUR LYNETTE GIBSON MCELHANEY. LYNETTE THE VOTERS DON'T  
8 ALWAYS GET IT RIGHT AND I HOPE YOU COME BACK AGAIN YOU ARE A  
9 GREAT LEADER AND YOU HAVE A LOT TO OFFER THE CITY OF OAKLAND.  
10 WITH THAT I LOOK FORWARD TO THE SUNNY HILLS OF TENNESSEE AND  
11 THROWING THE BALL WITH MY DOG JOEY.

12

13 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU DIRECTOR HAGGERTY.  
14 DIRECTOR HUDSON?

15

16 **DAVID E. HUDSON:** [LAUGHTER] CAN'T FOLLOW THAT. I STILL FIGURE  
17 WHILE WE HAVE MACKENZIE ON THE LINE WE CAN GET HIM TO SEND US  
18 SOME OF THOSE HAWAII SHIRTS AND HANG THEM ON THE WALL. I WILL  
19 MISS THE NEAT AND CLEAN HAWAII SHIRTS.

20

21 **JAKE MACKENZIE:** I HAVE 90 HAWAII SHIRTS AND GREAT SELECTION OF  
22 KALAHAS, RAIN SPOONERS.

23

24 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** DIRECTOR GIBBONS.

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1    **LYNETTE GIBSON MCELHANEY:** THIS IS A GREAT GROUP TO PROVE  
2    DEMOCRACY WORKS. AND I HAVE NEVER LEFT A MEETING THINKING AND  
3    FEELING THE SAME WAY AS WHEN I ENTERED A MEETING. AND I OWE  
4    THAT TO THE GREAT CHALLENGES AND INCREDIBLE INSTITUTIONAL  
5    KNOWLEDGE OF THOSE THAT ARE TRANSITIONING SOON. AND I  
6    PERSONALLY WANTED TO THANK YOU FOR PUSHING ME, NUDGING ME AND  
7    CHALLENGING ME. WE'LL KEEP IT GOING STRONG. SO THANK YOU VERY  
8    MUCH.

9

10   **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** ANY OTHER COMMENTS FROM EXECUTIVE  
11   BOARD MEMBERS? I DON'T SEE ANY RAISED HANDS. SO WHEN WE CAN  
12   GET TOGETHER, WE WILL GET TOGETHER. WE DO A PROPER  
13   RECOGNITION, BUT YOU ALL WILL BE DEARLY MISSED. THE IMPACTS  
14   YOU MADE TO THE AGENCY ARE VERY SIGNIFICANT, AND WE HOPE TO BE  
15   ABLE TO SEE YOU SOON. SO, THERE IS ALSO ANOTHER DEPARTURE THEY  
16   WANT TO ANNOUNCE AND RECOGNIZE TODAY. I WANT TO TAKE A MOMENT  
17   TO RECOGNIZE ADRIENNE WEIL, THE GENERAL COUNCIL COUNSEL FOR  
18   MTC WHO IS ALSO RETIRING NEXT MONTH WITH THE MERGER WITH ABAG  
19   AND MTC STAFF SHE WAS ESSENTIAL IN GUIDING TO AN SMOOTH  
20   TRANSITION. I AM SURE THAT THE COUNSEL WE RECEIVED IN OUR  
21   PRODUCTIVITIES AND CONDUCT IN THE LEGAL ARENA AND ON BEHALF OF  
22   THE EXECUTIVE BOARD ADRIENNE THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR WORK, YOUR  
23   DEDICATION TO THE AGENCY, AND I OFFER YOU BEST WISHES IN YOUR  
24   RETIREMENT. THANK YOU ADRIENNE

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1   **JULIE PIERCE:** JESSE, CAN I MIC A COMMENT HERE? DO YOU MIND? I  
2   JUST WANT TO SAY AN ADDITIONAL THANK YOU TO ADRIENNE. YOU  
3   KNOW, WE PUT HER THROUGH HELL DURING THAT MERGER OF THE STAFF.  
4   IT WAS A LEGAL NIGHTMARE FOR A WHILE. AND SHE HAD A WHOLE NEW  
5   GROUP OF PEOPLE TO GET USED TO. A WHOLE BUNCH OF RULES AND  
6   REGULATIONS THAT WE HAD, THAT DIDN'T LOOK ANYTHING LIKE WHAT  
7   SHE WAS USED TO AT MTC, AND I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU  
8   ADRIENNE FOR HANGING WITH US AND HELPING US WITH THAT. YOU  
9   REALLY DID A BIG LIFT THERE, AND WE APPRECIATE IT. AND WE WISH  
10   YOU ALL THE BEST. WE'RE SO GLAD YOUR HEALTHY AGAIN, AND YOU  
11   LOOK TERRIFIC. SO ENJOY THE REST OF YOUR LIFE IN RETIREMENT  
12   AND GET TO TRAVEL, AND WE CAN, AGAIN, IS HAVE A GOOD TIME.  
13   STAY IN TOUCH.

14

15   **ADRIENNE WEIL, COUNSEL:** THANK YOU.

16

17   **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** DIRECTOR MACKENZIE?

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19   **JAKE MACKENZIE:** YEAH. HEY, I LIKED THE CURLY LOOK ADRIENNE, SO  
20   KEEP THAT UP. AS CHAIR OF MTC FOR TWO YEARS, IT'S ALWAYS GREAT  
21   RELIEF TO HAVE SOMEONE WHO HAS YOUR LEGAL BACK, AND WHO IS A  
22   GREAT AND A GRAND GENERAL COUNSEL. SO THANK YOU. AND I'VE  
23   ENJOYED OUR FRIENDSHIP, AND WISH YOU ALL HAPPINESS AND GOOD  
24   HEALTH IN THE YEARS TO COME.

25

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1    **ADRIENNE WEIL, COUNSEL:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU.

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3    **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** ADRIENNE, ANY WORDS YOU WANT TO  
4    OFFER TO THE EXECUTIVE BOARD TONIGHT. DON'T MEAN TO PUT YOU ON  
5    THE SPOT BUT WE'RE GOING TO MISS YOU.

6

7    **ADRIENNE WEIL, COUNSEL:** I'M GOING TO MISS ALL OF YOU AS WELL,  
8    AND I MUST SAY I HAVE LEARNED AN INCREDIBLE AMOUNT DURING BOTH  
9    MY TIME AT MTC AND MY TIME AT ABAG. YOU KNOW, THEY'RE  
10   DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS, THERE IS OVERLAP BUT I LEARNED A LOT  
11   OF NEW THINGS WORKING WITH ABAG, AND I JUST WANT TO SAY HOW  
12   MUCH I APPRECIATE AND ADMIRE ALL OF YOU, AND WHAT YOU DO FOR  
13   EVERYONE IN OUR REGION. I MEAN, I REALLY -- BEFORE I TOOK THE  
14   JOB AS GENERAL COUNSEL, I HAD HEARD THE EXPRESSION PUBLIC  
15   SERVANT, AND YOU KNOW, I HEARD IT OVER AND OVER AGAIN, BUT IT  
16   DIDN'T REALLY RESONATE WITH ME AS TO WHAT THAT TRULY MEANT  
17   UNTIL I STARTED THIS JOB. IS UNTIL I MET THE COMMISSIONERS AT  
18   MTC AND THEN ALL OF YOU AT ABAG. YOU'RE AN INSPIRATION FOR ALL  
19   OF US, AND YOUR SERVICE TO THE MILLIONS OF PEOPLE IN THE  
20   REGION IS DEEPLY, DEEPLY APPRECIATED. SO THANK YOU FOR THE  
21   LESSONS YOU HAVE TAUGHT ME, AND FOR THE OPPORTUNITY AND HONOR  
22   AND PRIVILEGE TO WORK WITH ALL OF YOU.

23



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1 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. AND  
2 CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR RETIREMENT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
3 EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE, AND YOU WILL BE MISSED.

4  
5 **ADRIENNE WEIL, COUNSEL:** THANK YOU.

6  
7 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. BUT NOW TO THE  
8 WORK AT HAND FOR TONIGHT. TONIGHT WE'LL HEAR FROM VARIOUS  
9 COMMITTEES ON THE WORK THAT THEY HAVE BEEN CONDUCTING THESE  
10 PAST FEW MONTHS. WE'LL CONSIDER ACTION ON THE REGIONAL HOUSING  
11 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND THE REGIONAL EARLY ACTION  
12 PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM. ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR WE SEE OUR  
13 BAYREN STAFF ARE BUSY AT WORK AND LATER WE'LL HEAR AN EXCITING  
14 NEW TOOL AT THE END OF OUR MEETING RELATED TO ENERGY USE AND  
15 GREENHOUSE EMISSIONS. SINCE OUR MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 17TH WE  
16 HAVE MADE GREAT PROGRESS IN THE REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS PROCESS  
17 THE HOUSING COMMITTEE MET SEPTEMBER 18TH AND RECOMMENDED  
18 OPTION 8A AND AT OUR LAST MEETING IN OCTOBER THE BOARD  
19 AUTHORIZED PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD. WE'LL ALSO UPDATE ON WHAT  
20 ARE NEXT STEPS ON PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 AND REGIONAL HOUSING  
21 NEEDS ALLOCATION. WITH THAT, IT COMPLETES MY REPORT FOR  
22 TONIGHT. THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS ON MY REPORT? OKAY. SEEING  
23 NONE. I'LL ASK IF THERE IS ANY COMMENT ON THE PRESIDENT'S  
24 REPORT? IF SO PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND OR PRESS STAR NINE. MR.  
25 CASTRO ANY PUBLIC COMMENTS SUBMITTED ON THIS ITEM

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2 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** NO WRITTEN COMMENTS ON THIS ITEM.

3

4 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** WE'LL GO TO ITEM FIVE EXECUTIVE  
5 DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND I'LL RECOGNIZE THERESE MCMILLAN  
6 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

7

8 **THERESE MCMILLAN:** THANK YOU PRESIDENT ARREGUIN AND YOUR  
9 COMPREHENSIVE AND EXCELLENT REMARKS PRETTY MUCH COVERED  
10 EVERYTHING THAT I WAS GOING TO SAY. BUT I WOULD LIKE, AGAIN,  
11 TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS THE GRATITUDE OF OUR STAFF  
12 FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH ALL OF YOU THAT ARE DEPARTING  
13 US. AND, YOU KNOW, EVEN IN THE SHORT TIME THAT I HAVE HAD THE  
14 OPPORTUNITY TO BE YOUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, IT WAS REALLY AN  
15 HONOR TO SERVE YOU IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST OF ALL WHO LIVE AND  
16 WORK IN THIS INCREDIBLE REGION. AND I HAVE LEARNED A LOT IN  
17 THE ALL OF TWO YEARS I HAVE BEEN HERE. AND LOOKING FORWARD TO  
18 WORKING WITH THE TEAM AS WE PLOW AHEAD WITH SOME REALLY  
19 CHALLENGING -- I HAVE HAD SOME REALLY CHALLENGING TIMES, AND  
20 AGAIN THANKS THOSE OF YOU LEAVING US. STAY CONNECTED. THERE IS  
21 A LOT OF WORK AND YOUR WISDOM AND YOUR EXPERIENCE AND YOUR  
22 HELP WILL BE APPRECIATED IN WHATEVER CAPACITY YOU CONTINUE TO  
23 BRING TO ABAG. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

24

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1 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MS. MCMILLAN.  
2 DIRECTOR MACKENZIE?

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4 **JAKE MACKENZIE:** YES. I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A WE-COULD-A HERE.  
5 BEFORE MCMILLAN BECAME THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, THERE WAS A GUY  
6 WITH WHOM A LOT OF US HAD A LONG RELATIONSHIP, MR. HEMINGER,  
7 HE WAS DISTINGUISHED BY THE FACT THIS HE ACTUALLY GOT PART OF  
8 HIS UNIVERSITY EDUCATION IN SCOTLAND. AND SO I ALWAYS LIKED  
9 HIM VERY MUCH. BUT HE DECIDED HE WAS GOING TO QUIT, AND SO  
10 WHEN I WAS THE CHAIR OF MTC, THE -- AND I'M PROUD OF A LOT OF  
11 THINGS THAT I HAVE DONE AT MTC IN THOSE 12 YEARS, BUT THE  
12 THING ABOUT WHICH I AM MOST PLEASED IS THE FACT THAT I LED THE  
13 SEARCH TO HIRE THERESE MCMILLAN AS OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. AND  
14 WORKING WITH ABAG, OF COURSE, WE HAD SOME CONVOLUTED MECHANISM  
15 OR WHATEVER. IT DOESN'T MATTER. I WAS THE GUY IN CHARGE. WE  
16 DID THE RIGHT THING THERESE, AND I JUST WANT TO SAY WHEN A  
17 PLEASURE IT WAS. I KNEW YOU BACK WHEN IN THOSE EARLY DAYS OF  
18 MY INVOLVEMENT. YOU WENT AWAY, I WENT AWAY, WE CAME BACK  
19 TOGETHER AGAIN AND YOU'RE JUST DOING A GRAND JOB EVEN THOUGH  
20 YOU DIDN'T GO TO STERLING UNIVERSITY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

21

22 **THERESE MCMILLAN:** THANK YOU JAKE. I APPRECIATE THE KIND WORDS.

23

24 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** ANY QUESTIONS? I DO NO SEE ANY  
25 QUESTIONS. PUBLIC COMMENT? PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND OR PRESS

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1 STAR NINE. OKAY. DON'T SEE ANY RAISED HANDS. MR. CASTRO ANY  
2 WRITTEN COMMENTS ON THIS ITEM.

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4 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** NONE ON THIS ITEM.

5

6 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S WRITTEN  
7 REPORT WAS SENT TO THE EXECUTIVE BOARD TODAY IT'S POSTED ON  
8 THE LEGISTAR WEB SITE. CALL IN USER, DIRECTOR HAGGERTY?

9

10 **SCOTT HAGGERTY:** YEAH. IT'S ME, MR. CHAIR, AND I APOLOGIZE. YOU  
11 KNOW, JAKE, CAN YOU HEAR ME? JAKE SPENT MUCH TIME LAMENTING OR  
12 THERESE LIKELY SO, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO SAY I WAS CHAIR THAT  
13 HIRED THE LAST TWO ATTORNEYS, ADRIENNE WEIL, AND KAREN KING. I  
14 AM PARTICULARLY PROUD OF THAT, I LOOK FORWARD TO ADRIENNE AND  
15 TO HER ENJOYING HER TIME OFF AND OUR NEW ATTORNEY COMING ON-  
16 BOARD, BUT WE HAD A GOOD RUN JAKE. AND YOU KNOW, IT'S BEEN  
17 FUN.

18

19 **JAKE MACKENZIE:** IT HAS BEEN. AND THERE IS A PICTURE OF  
20 HAGGERTY AND I STANDING TOGETHER, WITH ATTITUDE BOTH WEARING  
21 THE KILT. AND THAT IS AVAILABLE TO ANYBODY WHO WANTS TO GIVE  
22 ME A CALL AND I WOULD BE HAPPY TO PROVIDE YOU OF THAT  
23 MAGNIFICENT SITE OF HAGGERTY SIGHT, OF HAGGERTY AND MACKENZIES  
24 IN THE KILT.

25

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1    **SCOTT HAGGERTY:** MY LEGS ARE BETTER.

2

3    **DAVID E. HUDSON:** NO STANDARDS. [LAUGHTER]

4

5    **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** SO SEEING NO PUBLIC COMMENT, WE'LL  
6    MOVE TO ITEM SIX, THE EXECUTIVE BOARD CONSENT CALENDAR. ITEMS  
7    A THROUGH E.

8

9    **PAT ECKLUND:** I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR. BUT I  
10    WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A COMMENT.

11

12    **DAVID E. HUDSON:** SECOND.

13

14    **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** DIRECTOR EKLUND?

15

16    **PAT ECKLUND:** YES. I JUST WANTED TO ASK STAFF, ON THE 2021  
17    SCHEDULE, I HAD A CHANCE TO LOOK AT THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA  
18    CITIES SCHEDULE, AND NOTICED THAT THERE IS ONLY ONE CONFLICT,  
19    WHICH I'M SURE THAT THE COMMITTEE CAN DISCUSS, BECAUSE WE  
20    DON'T KNOW, WAY BACK IN, I THINK NOVEMBER OF 2021 WHAT WAS  
21    GOING TO HAPPEN THEN, BUT IF THEY COULD AT LEAST LOOK AT THE  
22    CASAC SCHEDULE BECAUSE I HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO LOOK AT THAT  
23    ONE YET. SO.

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1 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'LL  
2 TAKE A LOOK. SO IT'S BEEN MOVED BY EKLUND, SECONDED BY HUDSON,  
3 TO APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION PLEASE  
4 RAISE YOUR HAND OR PRESS STAR NINE. I DON'T SEE ANY RAISED  
5 HANDS. I'LL ASK IF THERE IS PUBLIC COMMENT? SEEING NONE. MR.  
6 CASTRO, WRITTEN COMMENTS ON THIS ITEM?

7

8 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** [ROLL CALL VOTE] MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUS.

9

10 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THAT  
11 COMPLETES ITEM SIX, CONSENT CALENDAR. WE'LL GO ITEM SEVEN ABAG  
12 ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT AND I'LL GIVE THIS REPORT. THE  
13 ABAG ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE HAS BEEN QUITE BUSY WITH THE  
14 DEVELOPMENT OF PLANNED BAY AREA 2050. I HAVE QUITE AN  
15 EXTENSIVE REPORT TO GIVE SO I'M GOING PULL THE REPORT YOU AND  
16 SHARE SCREEN SO YOU CAN READ IT WHILE I'M TALKING. SO THIS IS  
17 THE ABAG ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT FOR THURSDAY NOVEMBER  
18 19TH, 2020. ABAG ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE MET JOINTLY WITH THE  
19 MTC PLANNING COMMITTEE ON ACTIVE NINTH 2020 AND THE COMMITTEE  
20 RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING REPORTS REGIONAL ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION  
21 PLAN SCOPE MTC IS LAUNCHING THE BAY AREA'S FIRST REGIONAL  
22 ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN TO SERVE AS A BLUEPRINT TO  
23 STRATEGICALLY GUIDE INVESTMENTS IN ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION  
24 INFRASTRUCTURE AND REGIONAL POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND  
25 IMPLEMENTATION. PLAN WILL DIRECTLY SUPPORT THE PLANNED BAY

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1 AREA 2050 STRATEGY TO BUILD A COMPLETE STREETS NETWORK AND TO  
2 HELP ACHIEVE MODE SHIFT SAFETY EQUITY, HEALTH, AND RESILIENCE  
3 AND CLIMATE GOALS. WE ALSO RECEIVED A REPORT ON PLANNED BAY  
4 AREA 2050 FINAL BLUEPRINT TELECOMMUTING STRATEGY FOLLOW UP. IN  
5 SEPTEMBER, ONE OF THE BLUEPRINT STRATEGIES, AND WE HAVE  
6 CERTAINLY TALKED ABOUT THIS AT THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND IT'S  
7 BEEN DISCUSSED AT MTC COMMISSION APPROVE FOCUSING ON REQUIRING  
8 MAJOR OFFICE SPACE EMPLOYERS SIGNIFICANT TO INCREASE LEVELS OF  
9 TELECOMMUTE REDUCED AUTOMOTIVE TRIPS. STAFF GAVE A  
10 PRESENTATION TO PROVIDE CONTEXT ON THE STRATEGY AND  
11 ALTERNATIVES. BY THE END OF 2020 I BELIEVE -- ACTUALLY IN  
12 ADDITION THIS, I BELIEVE NEXT MONTH, I THINK THERE IS GOING TO  
13 BE AN ITEM TO CONSIDER AN AMENDMENT TO THE TELECOMMUTING  
14 STRATEGY. BUT BY THE END OF 2020 STAFF WILL ALSO RETURN WITH  
15 AN ANALYSIS OF THE PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 FINAL BLUEPRINT SO  
16 STAY TUNED FOR THE FINAL BLUEPRINT AND ALSO NEXT MONTH WE WILL  
17 CONSIDER AN AMENDMENT TO THE TELECOMMUTING STRATEGY. THE ABAG  
18 ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ALSO MET JOINTLY WITH THE MTC  
19 PLANNING COMMITTEE ON NOVEMBER 6TH, 2020. THE COMMITTEE  
20 RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING REPORTS ON PRIORITY DEVELOPMENT AREA  
21 PLANNING GRANTS AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. THE PDA PLANNING  
22 PROGRAM IS A PRIMARY TOOL FOR LINK OTHER REGIONAL AND LOCAL  
23 PLANNING TO INTEGRATE LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION PLANNING.  
24 STAFF HIGHLIGHTED PROGRAMS PROGRESS CHALLENGES AND  
25 OPPORTUNITIES AND OUTLINED PROPOSED APPROACH FOR THE UPCOMING

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1 CALL INCLUDING INTEGRATION OF THE PDA PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM  
2 WITH ABAG'S NEW REGIONAL EARLY ACTION PROGRAM REAP PROGRAM.  
3 EARLIER STAFF IN YEAR ANTICIPATES LETTERS OF INTEREST FROM  
4 LOCAL JURISDICTIONS FOR PDA PLANNING AND GRANTS, UTILIZING 6  
5 MILLION IN THE SECOND ROUND OF OBAG TO SUPPORT THE  
6 IMPLEMENTATION OF PLANNED BAY AREA STAFF ANTICIPATES RETURNING  
7 IN SPRING OF 2021 WITH RECOMMENDED AWARDS. WE RECEIVED A  
8 REPORT ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR  
9 PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 AND STAFF PROPOSED AN IMPLEMENTATION  
10 PLAN THAT WILL FOCUS ON SHORT-TERM TANGIBLE ACTIONS THAT ABAG,  
11 MTC PARTNERS CAN TAKE TO ADVANCE THE STRATEGIES ACROSS THE  
12 FOUR CORE ELEMENTS OF PLANNED BAY AREA 2050. THE  
13 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN PROCESS WILL ENGAGE BAY AREA RESIDENTS  
14 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS BUSINESS NON-PROFITS AND  
15 OTHER STAKEHOLDERS TO IDENTIFY AND TACKLE CHALLENGES THROUGH  
16 2025 AND BEYOND. THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN WILL ALSO FOLLOW A  
17 NUMBER OF INTERCONNECTED GOALS TO MAXIMIZE THE VIABILITY OF  
18 THE PLAN STRATEGIES, TO REINFORCE THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF  
19 EXISTING INTERNAL EXTERNAL OR HYBRID INITIATIVES TO ADDRESS  
20 EMERGING AND CROSS CUTTING STRATEGIC ISSUES, AND TO SUSPECT  
21 THE TIMELY ACHIEVEMENT OF THE PLAN'S TECHNICAL ASSUMPTIONS FOR  
22 EACH STRATEGY A FOUR FACTOR ASSESSMENT IS BEING CONDUCTED,  
23 EVALUATING KEY REQUIREMENTS FOR SUCCESS INCLUDING LEGAL  
24 AUTHORITY, FINANCIAL RESOURCES, TECHNICAL CAPACITY, AND PUBLIC  
25 AND POLITICAL SUPPORT. BASED ON THIS ASSESSMENT AND



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1 APPROPRIATE -- AND MTC ABAG ROLE WILL BE PROPOSED TO LEAD OR  
2 PARTNER TO SUPPORT IMPLEMENTATION EFFORTS FOR A GIVEN STRATEGY  
3 THE PLAN WILL RECOMMEND DETAILED IMPLEMENTATION ACTIONS  
4 INCLUDING ROLES RESPONSIBILITIES RESOURCE REQUIREMENT  
5 PARTNERSHIPS AND TIME FRAME. STAFF WILL MOVE FORWARD WITH A  
6 PLAN EXTERNAL ENGAGEMENT OUTREACH DURING FALL AND WINTER AND  
7 RETURN IN FEBRUARY 2021 TO PRESENT KEY FINDINGS AND FEEDBACK  
8 ON THE FINAL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN'S PROCESS. IN ADDITION  
9 DISCUSSING THE SCOPE AND SCHEDULE FOR THE PLANNED BAY AREA  
10 2050 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AT THE NOVEMBER 6TH MEETING MTC CHAIR  
11 SPERLING PROVIDED A VERBAL UPDATE ABOUT THE ONGOING DISCUSSIONS  
12 ON THE PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 BLUEPRINT STRATEGY ON  
13 TELECOMMUTING AT TOMORROW'S MTC COMMISSION MEETING STAFF WILL  
14 PROPERTY ALTERNATIVE STRATEGIES FOCUSING ON EXPANDING COMMUTE  
15 TRIP REDUCTION PROGRAMS TO MAJOR EMPLOYERS OFFERING GREATER  
16 FLEXIBILITY TO EMPLOYEES WITH A CAFETERIA APPROACH FOR  
17 EMPLOYEES TO FUND AND IDENTIFY INCENTIVES AND DISINCENTIVES TO  
18 SHIFT AUTO COMMUTERS TO TELECOMMUTING, WALKING, BIKING AND  
19 TRANSIT. IF THE COMMISSION APPROVES THIS REVISION STAFF  
20 ANTICIPATING BRINGING TOWARD A CONCURRENCE ITEM AT THE NEXT  
21 ABAG EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING TO ACHIEVE CONSISTENCY BETWEEN  
22 ABAG AND MTC ON FINAL BLUEPRINT STRATEGIES. STAFF ANTICIPATES  
23 PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 FINAL BLUEPRINT ANALYSIS WILL BE  
24 RELEASED NEXT MONTH ALONG WITH THE UPDATED RHNA METHODOLOGY IN  
25 ADVANCE OF ABAG TAKING UP THESE ITEMS FOR APPROVAL IN MID-

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1 JANUARY 20TH. AND THAT CONCLUDES MY REPORT. QUITE A LOT TO  
2 READ. ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS ON THE ABAG ADMINISTRATIVE  
3 COMMITTEE REPORT? I SEE DIRECTOR LEE AND DIRECTOR EKLUND.

4

5 **WAYNE LEE:** THANK YOU FOR THE REPORT, MR. PRESIDENT. VERY  
6 THOROUGH. JUST THE LAST PART ABOUT THE TAKING INTO  
7 CONSIDERATION, TELECOMMUTING, FLEXIBLE HOURS. WAS THIS  
8 DISCUSSION ON HOW THAT WAS GOING TO IMPACT HOUSING NEEDS?

9

10 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** I'M GOING GO TO THERESE, OR  
11 SOMEBODY ON STAFF CAN TALK ABOUT THE DISCUSSION ON  
12 TELECOMMUTING AT THE COMMISSION, AT THE JOINT COMMITTEE AND  
13 ABOUT THE PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO THE STRATEGY?

14

15 **THERESE MCMILLAN:** YES. AND IF OTHER STAFF, I BELIEVE MATT IS  
16 HERE AS WELL, MIGHT WANT TO COMPLIMENT MY REMARKS. THE  
17 EXPENSIVE DISCUSSIONS THAT WE HAVE HAD ON FRAMING UP A NEW  
18 APPROACH TO ACHIEVING THE SAME OBJECTIVE OF THE REGIONAL  
19 STRATEGY AND REDUCING GREENHOUSE GAS RUCKS FROM AUTO TRIPS --  
20 EXCUSE ME -- HELPS TO EMPHASIZE AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE  
21 EXTENSIVE INVESTMENTS THAT THE PLAN IS MAKING IN HOUSING. AND  
22 THE CONCENTRATION OF HOUSING IN OUR GROWTH PATTERNS AROUND  
23 TRANSIT STATIONS, AROUND TRANSIT-RICH AREAS, HIGH RESOURCE  
24 AREAS, AND THE LIKE, AND THE COMPLIMENTARY EFFORT IN BIKING  
25 AND WALKING, AND, YOU KNOW, INCENTIVIZING TRANSIT AS PART OF

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1 THE CAFETERIA PLAN REALLY IS A COMPLIMENT TO THE HOUSING  
2 PATTERNS THAT WE HAVE ALSO IN THE PLAN OF PRIORITY GROWTH  
3 STRATEGIES. FROM THAT PERSPECTIVE, I THINK, THERE IS AN  
4 APPRECIATION OF, YOU KNOW, THE ALIGNMENT THAT THIS HAS. I  
5 THINK THERE IS, YOU KNOW, CLEARLY -- YOU KNOW, CONTINUED  
6 CONCERN ABOUT THOSE INTERRELATIONSHIPS, JUST BROADLY IN THE  
7 PLAN, AND ONE OF THE REASONS WE WANT TO REALLY FOCUS ON THE  
8 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN ELEMENT THAT PRESIDENT ARREGUIN TALKED  
9 ABOUT, IS WHAT THOSE FIRST BUILDING BLOCKS LOOK LIKE IN TERMS  
10 OF HOW WE'RE TACKLING HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION, INCLUDING  
11 THE STRATEGY IN THE ROLE OF EMPLOYERS. SO THAT'S -- UNLESS  
12 MATT OR SOME OTHER STAFF WANT TO ADD TO THAT? THAT'S MY  
13 OBSERVATION.

14

15 **WAYNE LEE:** THANK YOU THERESE. QUICK QUESTION ON FOLLOW UP OF  
16 WHAT YOU JUST SAID, WAS THERE DISCUSSION ABOUT INTERMODE OF  
17 TRANSPORTATION WITH OTHER OUTSIDE COUNTIES OUTSIDE OF BAY  
18 AREA. CONSIDERATION THAT A LOT OF PEOPLE ACTUALLY WANTING TO  
19 BUY HOUSING OUTSIDE OF THE BAY AREA, BUT WANT TO STILL WORK IN  
20 THE BAY AREA?

21

22 **THERESE MCMILLAN:** WELL I THINK THE NOTION OF THAT SORT OF  
23 GREATER MEGA REGION AND THE DYNAMICS OF HOUSING AFFORDABILITY  
24 AND TRIP MAKING FROM OUTSIDE OF THE REGION TO OUR EMPLOYMENT  
25 EFFORTS ARE DIRECTLY WOVEN INTO THE PLAN. I DON'T THINK THIS

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1 PARTICULAR STRATEGY ALTERS THE BASIC CHALLENGES THAT WE SEE  
2 THAT WE ALL HAVE TO GRAPPLE WITH. BUT I THINK I WOULD MAKE  
3 THIS POINT AND SO I'M GLAD YOU BROUGHT IT UP. ONE OF THE  
4 REALLY CRITICAL THINGS THAT EMERGED IN AN UNDERSTANDING AS WE  
5 DISCUSSED THIS PARTICULAR STRATEGY IS ALL 35 STRATEGIES THAT  
6 WE HAVE IN THE PLAN THAT ARE ADDRESSING HOUSING,  
7 TRANSPORTATION, AND THE ENVIRONMENT, AND THE ECONOMY, THEY ALL  
8 WORK AS A PIECE. THEY ALL WORK TOGETHER, AND THERE IS A  
9 SYNERGY IN MOVING ALL OF THEM FORWARD, AS A SUITE OF  
10 STRATEGIES. AND I THINK THAT WAS, I WOULD SAY, PULLING UP A  
11 LITTLE BIT, ONE OF THE VERY IMPORTANT OUTCOMES OF THE  
12 DISCUSSIONS THAT WE HAD. THAT WERE, I THINK, CATALYZED BY THIS  
13 ONE PARTICULAR STRATEGY ON TELECOMMUTING. BUT AS WE EXPLAINED  
14 ASSUMPTIONS AND LOOKED AT ALTERNATIVES, ONE THING THAT EMERGED  
15 OUT OF ALL OF THAT, I THINK, WAS A BETTER APPRECIATION OF HOW  
16 INTEGRATED ALL OF THE STRATEGIES ARE IN TRYING TO ACHIEVE  
17 THESE MULTIPLE GOALS. INCLUDING VERY IMPORTANTLY, THE  
18 GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTION GOAL, WHICH WAS A SIGNIFICANT, AS YOU  
19 RECALL STATE-MANDATED TARGET THAT WE HAVE TO ACHIEVE, AND THAT  
20 ALL THESE STRATEGIES TOGETHER ARE ESSENTIAL IF WE'RE GOING TO  
21 ACHIEVE THAT ONE.

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23 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU. DIRECTOR EKLUND.

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1   **PAT ECKLUND:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, PRESIDENT ARREGUIN. THE ONLY  
2   THING I WAS REQUESTING IS WHETHER YOU COULD SEND A COPY THAT  
3   TO ALL OF US. IT WAS A GREAT SUMMARY OF WHAT HAS TRANSPIRED  
4   THIS MONTH.

5

6   **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** MR. CASTRO, IS IT POSSIBLE TO SEND  
7   THE CHAIR REPORTS TO THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS? I KNOW WE  
8   HAVE ONE PDF FILE.

9

10   **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** YES.

11

12   **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I APPRECIATE  
13   THAT. THANK YOU. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS FROM EXECUTIVE BOARD  
14   MEMBERS ON THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT. NO RAISED  
15   HANDS. ANY COMMENT ON THE ABAG ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE  
16   REPORT. IF SO PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND OR PRESS STAR NINE. OKAY.  
17   I DON'T SEE ANY RAISED HANDS. MR. CASTRO ANY RAISED HANDS.

18

19   **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** NONE.

20

21   **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** WE'LL GO SEVEN LEGISLATION REPORT.  
22   CHAIR PIERCE.

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24   **JULIE PIERCE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH JESSE THIS IS THE ABAG MTC  
25   LEGISLATION COMMITTEE REPORT FOR TWO MEETINGS OCTOBER 9TH AND

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1 NOVEMBER 6TH. THE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE DID MEET ON OCTOBER  
2 9TH, 2020. THE COMMITTEE RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING REPORTS, ARE  
3 THE LEGISLATIVE HISTORY WHICH IS IN THE PACKET FOR THAT MONTH.  
4 WHICH INCLUDES A DETAILED LIST OF THE BILLS THAT THE  
5 COMMISSION HAD BEEN TRACKING IN SACRAMENTO, INCLUDING THOSE  
6 THAT ABAG OR MTC SUPPORT OR OPPOSE. IT ALSO INCLUDED A REVIEW  
7 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER N7920, THE ZERO-EMISSION VEHICLE MANDATE,  
8 WHICH INCLUDED THAT SEPTEMBER 23RD, 2020 GOVERNOR NEWSOM  
9 ISSUED EXECUTIVE ORDER N7920 WHICH SEEKS DRAMATIC REDUCTIONS  
10 AND EMISSIONS FROM THE TRANSPORTATION SECTOR BY REQUIRING THE  
11 DEVELOPMENT OF REGULATIONS TO DECARBONIZE THE STATE VEHICLE  
12 FLEET AND ENDING OIL EX-DISTRACTION IN FOUR YEARS. THE STAFF  
13 WILL MONITOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF REGULATIONS AND STRATEGIES TO  
14 IMPLEMENT THE ORDER AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OPPORTUNITIES TO  
15 SECURE FUNDING AND STATE POLICY CHANGES THAT WILL HELP US  
16 DELIVER ON A GHG REDUCTION STRATEGIES OUTLINED IN THE  
17 BLUEPRINT FOR PLANNED BAY AREA 2050. WE ALSO GET A REVIEW OF  
18 THE 2020 LEGISLATIVE SCORECARD WHICH WAS A COMPARISON OF THE  
19 MTC ABAG 2020 ADVOCACY PROGRAM WITH THE LEGISLATIVE OUTCOMES  
20 IN THE 2020 STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS. THE  
21 CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE, AS MANY OF YOU KNOW, SIGNIFICANTLY  
22 PARED BACK THE NUMBER OF BILLS, AND AS EXPECTED THE NUMBER OF  
23 BILLS THAT WERE EXPECTED TO FULLY REACH THE GOVERNOR'S DESK  
24 DID NOT MEET THE DEADLINE OR PASSAGE. IN WASHINGTON, D.C.  
25 CONGRESS TOOK SIGNIFICANT ACTION EARLY IN THE PANDEMIC TO FORE

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1 STALL COLLAPSE OF PUBLIC TRANSIT AGENCIES BY PROVIDING THE  
2 REGION WITH 1.3 BILLION IN FUNDS TO BACKFILL FOR LOST TRANSIT  
3 FARES AND TAX REVENUE. COVID-19 PACKAGE WAS A HUGE DIVIDE  
4 REMAINING ON THE HOUSE AND SENATE ON THE SCALE OF COVID RELIEF  
5 AS WELL AS FUNDING. STAFF RECOMMENDED POSITIONS ON SIX BILLS  
6 THIS YEAR SUBSTANTIALLY FEWER THAN NORMAL. THOSE ONLY TWO  
7 REACHED THE GOVERNOR'S DESK AND WERE SIGNED. SB146, BY SENATOR  
8 BEALL, AUTHORIZING VIRTUAL PUBLIC OUTREACH MEETINGS AND  
9 QUALIFICATION OF POP-UP MEETINGS APPLICABLE TO OUTREACH  
10 REQUIREMENTS THROUGH 2022. AND SB288 BY WESTERN, WHICH  
11 INVOLVES CEQA STREAMLINING FOR SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION  
12 PROJECTS. AND WE RECEIVED A REPORT FROM TOM BULGER OUR FEDERAL  
13 ADVOCATE IN WASHINGTON, D.C. FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER. AT  
14 THE JOINT MEETING IN NOVEMBER, THE COMMITTEE RECEIVED THE  
15 FOLLOWING REPORTS. THE NOVEMBER 2020 ELECTION UPDATE, WHICH  
16 PROVIDED AN UPDATE ON KEY STATEWIDE AND LOCAL BALLOT MEASURES  
17 RELATIVE TO MTC AND ABAG AS WELL AS THE RESULT OF  
18 CONGRESSIONAL AND STATE LEGISLATIVE RACES FOR THE SAN  
19 FRANCISCO BAY AREA DELEGATION. AGAIN CONGRATULATIONS DAVE  
20 CORTESE FOR BEING AMONG THOSE WHO IS MOVING UP THERE. WE ALSO  
21 GOT A REVIEW OF THE DRAFT 2021 JOINT ADVOCACY PROGRAM THIS WAS  
22 THE FIRST DRAFT OF THE JOINT PROGRAM FOR 2021. THE FIRST YEAR  
23 OF A TWO YEAR STATE LEGISLATIVE SESSION. A NEW CONGRESS, AND A  
24 NEW PRESIDENTIAL ADMINISTRATION. THE ADVOCACY PROGRAM INCLUDES  
25 MANY PRIORITIES FROM THE CURRENT AND PRIOR YEARS WITH THE MAIN

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1 ADDITION OF BEING NEED FOR TRANSIT FUND FOR OPERATORS. STAFF  
2 HAS BEGUN EARLY ENGAGEMENT PHASE MEETING WITH STAFF FROM LOCAL  
3 AND REGIONAL AGENCIES TO INFORM OUR OWN PRIORITIES AND  
4 IDENTIFY OPPORTUNITIES FOR COLLABORATION. STAFF SHARED THE  
5 ADVOCACY PROGRAM WITH THE PLANNING COMMITTEE FOR THEIR INPUT  
6 BASED ON FEEDBACK SO FAR STAFF WILL PREPARE A FIND JOINT 2021  
7 ADVOCACY PROGRAM FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE JOINT COMMITTEE IN  
8 DECEMBER PRIOR TO FORWARDING THE DOCUMENT FOR COMMISSION AND  
9 EXECUTIVE BOARD APPROVAL. WE ALSO RECEIVED A WASHINGTON, D.C.  
10 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE, AND WE RECEIVED THE OCTOBER REPORT FROM DC  
11 FROM THOM BULGER, THAT WAS ALSO HIS LAST MONTHLY REPORT. THOM  
12 BULGER IS RETIRING AFTER MANY, MANY YEARS AS OUR LEGISLATIVE  
13 ADVOCATE IN WASHINGTON, D.C. AND INDEED WORKING FOR MTC NEARS  
14 AND YEARS AGO. SO WE ALSO RECEIVED A STATUS UPDATE SUMMIT  
15 STRATEGIES ON THE WORK UNDERTAKING SINCE BEGINNING OF APRIL  
16 2020 INCLUDING ADVOCACY OF VARIOUS COVID RELIEF PACKAGES AND  
17 ADVANCING TRANSPORTATION LEGISLATION WE WILL BE GETTING  
18 ADDITIONAL REPORTS FROM THEM GOING FORWARD. THIS CONCLUDES THE  
19 COMMITTEE REPORT AND I WOULD MOVE APPROVAL.

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21 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** I DON'T BELIEVE I MOTION IS NEEDED.

22

23 **JULIE PIERCE:** OH, I GUESS WE JUST HAVE TO ACCEPT IT.

24



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1 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** FOR INFORMATION AND THANK YOU VERY  
2 MUCH COMMITTEE CHAIR PIERCE. I WILL NOW ASK IF THERE ARE ANY  
3 QUESTIONS FROM EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS ON THE JOINT  
4 LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT? IF SO PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND?  
5 OKAY. I DON'T SEE ANY RAISED HANDS. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEM  
6 EIGHT ABAG MTC JOINT LEGISLATION COMMITTEE REPORT. RAISE YOUR  
7 HAND OR PRESS STAR NINE. NO RAISED HANDS. MR. CASTRO COMMENTS  
8 RECEIVED ON THIS ITEM

9

10 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** THERE WERE NONE.

11

12 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THAT COMPLETES ITEM EIGHT. WE'LL GO  
13 ITEM NINE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT, AND WE'LL RECOGNIZE  
14 DIRECTOR MITCHOFF CHAIR OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

15

16 **KAREN MITCHOFF:** THANK YOU CHAIR ARREGUIN. WE MET EARLIER THIS  
17 EVENING, AT 5:30, NORMAL BUSINESS. BUT WE DO HAVE TWO ISSUES.  
18 ONE IS THE REPORT ON THE FISCAL YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND  
19 ACCOMPANYING REPORTS. KATHY LAI ALONG WITH ARLEICKA CONNOLY.  
20 KATHY WE APPRECIATE YOUR POWERPOINT PRESENTATION BUT IF YOU  
21 COULD GIVE US THE HIGHLIGHTS. WE GOT AN UNMODIFIED REPORT. AND  
22 KATHY I'M NOT SEE YOU ON THE SCREEN HERE. THERE YOU ARE. OTHER  
23 THAN THE UNMODIFIED I BELIEVE THERE WAS ONE OTHER ISSUE, IF  
24 YOU COULD JUST RAISE THAT SO EVERYONE IS AWARE OF IT BEFORE WE  
25 ACCEPT THE REPORT?

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2 **KATHLEEN LAI:** ABSOLUTELY. THERE WAS AN UNMODIFIED OPINION ON  
3 THE STATEMENTS. LIKEWISE ON THE GUIDANCE SIMILARLY NO  
4 EXCEPTIONS TO NOTE OR WEAKNESSES OR SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES  
5 IN INTERNAL CONTROLS WE HAD ONE CONTROL DEFICIENCY  
6 RECOMMENDATION THAT WE ADDRESSED TO MANAGEMENT IN A LETTER.  
7 I'LL GO OVER THAT. THE TOPIC WAS IN RELATION TO ACCOUNTING FOR  
8 GRANTS WITH ELIGIBLE COST REQUIREMENTS WE NOTED MANAGEMENT HAD  
9 RECORDED RECEIVABLE IN THE AMOUNT OF 5.89 MILLION IN RELATION  
10 TO THE REAP GRANT RECORDED AS RECEIVABLE AND AS WELL AS  
11 CORRESPONDING UNEARNED REVENUE UNDER OUR ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES  
12 REQUIRING THAT ELIGIBLE COSTS HAVE TO BE INCURRED AS OF FISCAL  
13 YEAR END PRIOR TO AN ASSET OR RECEIVABLE BEING RECORDED  
14 BECAUSE OF THAT MANAGEMENT DID RECORD AND DID ADJUSTMENT TO  
15 REMOVE THE 5.9 RECEIVABLE AS WELL AS OFFSETTING CORRESPONDING  
16 REVENUE. AS MENTIONED IN THE FINANCE COMMITTEE EARLIER IT  
17 SHOULD BE NOTED THAT ADJUSTMENT HAD NO IMPACT ON POSITION AS  
18 RECEIVABLE RECORDED WAS OFFSET BY AN EQUAL LIABILITY THERE. SO  
19 THAT REALLY CONCLUDES THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE REPORT. THERE WERE  
20 NO REAL SIGNIFICANT REQUIRE ORDER COMMUNICATES THAT WEREN'T  
21 ALREADY REPORTED.

22

23 **KAREN MITCHOFF:** YOU'RE ON MUTE JESSE.

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1 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU. CHAIR MITCHOFF, DO YOU  
2 WANT TO MAKE A MOTION?

3

4 **KAREN MITCHOFF:** CERTAINLY. I'LL MOVE THAT WE ACCEPT THE REPORT  
5 ON THE ABAG FISCAL YEAR 2019, 2019 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND  
6 REPORTS.

7

8 **WAYNE LEE:** MOTION.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** SECOND.

11

12 **KAREN MITCHOFF:** I'M LOOKING AT THE AGENDA TO ACCEPT THE NEXT  
13 YEARS SERVICE OF CROWE WELL. LP.

14

15 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** MOVED AND SECOND BY DIRECTOR LEE.  
16 QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS PLEASE RAISE YOUR HANDS OR PRESS STAR  
17 NINE IF YOUR PHONING IN. I DON'T SEE ANY PUBLIC COMMENT.  
18 PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. I DON'T SEE ANY PUBLIC COMMENT.  
19 BEFORE WE CLOSE, I WANT TO THANK MS. LAI, YOU DID AN  
20 EXCEPTIONAL JOB. IF THIS MOTION PASSES WE WILL SEE YOU NEXT  
21 YEAR AND I WANT TO THANK THE OPPORTUNITY TO THANK THE STAFF  
22 AND FINANCE DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR INCREDIBLE STEWARDSHIP. AT  
23 OUR MEETING IT WASN'T THAT LONG AGO WHEN THE SITUATION WAS  
24 VERY DIFFERENT. AND I THINK THAT'S DUE TO THE GREAT OVERSIGHT  
25 OF WORK, STAFF, AND THE BOARDS AND THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

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1    THANK YOU. THE MOTION IS TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE REPORT AND  
2    REAPPOINTMENT CROWE LLP AS THE EXTERNAL AUDITOR FOR FISCAL  
3    YEAR 2021. ROLL CALL VOTE.

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5    **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** [ROLL CALL VOTE] MOTION PASSES  
6    UNANIMOUSLY.

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8    **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MADAM CLERK  
9    MADAM CHAIR ITEM C.

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11   **KAREN MITCHOFF:** YES THIS IS METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION  
12   COMMISSION SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM. FINANCE  
13   COMMITTEE RECEIVED A REPORT FROM EDWARD PHILLIPS. HE IS GOING  
14   TO SPEAK TO THAT. YOU HAVE INFORMATION IN YOUR PACKET. HE GAVE  
15   US A POWERPOINT. MR. PHILLIPS, CAN YOU HIT THE HIGHLIGHTS  
16   QUICKLY.

17

18   **EDWARD PHILLIPS:** SURE MTC HAS HAD A SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE  
19   PROGRAM SINCE 2015 FOR CIVIL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS AND SINCE  
20   2017 FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PROJECTS. THE PROFESSIONAL  
21   SERVICES PROGRAM WAS A PILOT PROGRAM WE WORKED IN THE LAST  
22   YEAR TO BRING A COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM THAT COMBINED THE TWO  
23   INTO ONE PROGRAM AND IT WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY ALL OF THE  
24   MTC COMMITTEES AND THE COMMISSION BACK IN MARCH. SO WE'RE  
25   LOOKING FOR, AND FROM THE PRESENTATION, IS TO BE ALLOWED TO GO

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1 AND WORK ON AN SB PROGRAM FOR ABAG TO ADOPT AS WELL. SO THAT'S  
2 THE HIGHLIGHT.

3

4 **KAREN MITCHOFF:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WILL MOVE THE  
5 ACCEPTANCE OF THAT PRESENTATION. MR. PRESIDENT?

6

7 **JULIE PIERCE:** AND PIERCE WILL SECOND.

8

9 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** I RECOMMEND WE ALSO INCLUDE IN THE  
10 MOTION TO RECOMMEND TO STAFF TO DEVELOP THE DOCUMENTS AND  
11 RESOLUTION FOR THE ABAG SMALL ENTERPRISE PROGRAM.

12

13 **KAREN MITCHOFF:** THANK YOU AND STAFF WILL BRING THAT BACK TO US  
14 AT OUR MARCH MEETING.

15

16 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** AND SECOND BY PIERCE. COLLEAGUES,  
17 QUESTIONS ON THE MOTION? RAISE YOUR HAND. I DO NOT SEE RAISED  
18 HANDS. I'LL ASK FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS AM WHY. IF SO  
19 PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND OR PRESS STAR NINE. DO I NOT SEE RAISED  
20 HANDS. MR. CASTRO COMMENTS SUBMITTED ON THIS ITEM.

21

22 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** THERE WERE NONE.

23

24 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** CALL THE ROLL.

25

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1 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** [ROLL CALL VOTE] MOTION PASSES  
2 UNANIMOUSLY.

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4 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THAT COMPLETES  
5 ITEM NINE. GO TO ITEM TEN ABAG REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE  
6 REPORT AND RECOGNIZE CHAIR MITCHOFF.

7

8 **KAREN MITCHOFF:** THANK YOU. WE IN THE LAST THURSDAY NOVEMBER  
9 12TH WE HAD OVERVIEW OF PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 IMPLEMENTATION  
10 PLAN WE THEN HELD TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE REGIONAL HOUSING  
11 NEEDS ALLOCATION. THE FIRST HEARING WAS ON THE PROPOSED  
12 METHODOLOGY. AND THE SECOND HEARING WAS ON THE DRAFT'S  
13 REGIONAL SHARES. AND THAT WILL BE COMING BACK TO THE EXECUTIVE  
14 COMMITTEE THE -- I'M SORRY. I'M NOT RECALLING THE TIME FRAME.  
15 I THINK IT'S NOVEMBER 27TH IS THE LAST DAY FOR ANYONE TO MAKE  
16 WRITTEN COMMENTS. FRED'S SHAKING HIS HEAD, THANK YOU FOR  
17 AFFIRMING THAT. THEN AFTER THOSE ARE PUT TOGETHER, STAFF WILL  
18 PUT TOGETHER THE REPORT AND BRING IT BACK TO US AT OUR  
19 DECEMBER 15TH MEETING. AND WITH THAT, I MOVE THE ACCEPTANCE OF  
20 THE REGIONAL HOUSING -- PARDON ME REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE  
21 REPORT.

22

23 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** NO MOTION IS NECESSARY. THESE  
24 REPORTS ARE FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES.

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1 **KAREN MITCHOFF:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU.

2

3 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** YEAH. I BELIEVE THE DRAFT AND  
4 AGREEMENT AND METHODOLOGY IS GOING TO COME BACK TO US ON  
5 JANUARY 21ST. IS THAT CORRECT MS. MCMILLAN?

6

7 **THERESE MCMILLAN:** I BELIEVE SO. BRAD IS -- THAT'S THE DATE  
8 WE'RE GOING BE BRINGING IT FORWARD?

9

10 **MATT MALONEY:** THAT'S CORRECT. YOU WILL BE GETTING THE DRAFT  
11 RHNA METHODOLOGY AFTER THE CLOSE OF THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD,  
12 SO THAT WILL BE [INDISCERNIBLE] IN JANUARY.

13

14 **KAREN MITCHOFF:** I MISSPOKE I SAID DECEMBER 15TH; IT'S DECEMBER  
15 21ST.

16

17 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** QUESTIONS FROM ON THE PLANNING  
18 COMMITTEE REPORT? I DO NOT SEE ANY RAISED HANDS. PUBLIC  
19 COMMENT RAISE YOUR HAND OR PRESS STAR NINE. I DON'T SEE ANY  
20 RAISED HANDS. MR. CASTRO ANY WRITTEN COMMENTS RECEIVED ON THIS  
21 ITEM.

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23 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** NO WRITTEN COMMENTS RECEIVED ON THIS ITEM.

24

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1 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU THAT COMPLETES ITEM TEN.  
2 WE'LL GO TO ITEM 11 ABAG HOUSING COMMITTEE REPORT RECOGNIZING  
3 CHAIR WILSON, THE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE.

4

5 **LORI WILSON:** GOOD EVENING -- [AUDIO DIFFICULTIES]

6

7 **LYNETTE GIBSON MCELHANEY:** MAYOR WILSON, IF YOUR CELL PHONE IS  
8 NEAR YOUR COMPUTER OR IPAD, YOU MIGHT WANT TO MOVE IT AWAY.  
9 THE SOUND IS DISTORTED.

10

11 **LORI WILSON:** YOU CAN'T HEAR ME WELL. HOLD ON A SECOND. HOW  
12 DOES THAT SOUND?

13

14 **DAVID E. HUDSON:** MUCH BETTER.

15

16 **LORI WILSON:** WE'RE TALKING ABOUT TWO MEETINGS ONE ON THE 15th  
17 AND NOVEMBER 13TH. RECEIVED REPORTS REGIONAL HOUSING TECHNICAL  
18 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM DESIGN AND FRAMEWORK WITH UPDATE ON DESIGN  
19 OF A NEW PROGRAM TO ASSIST LOCAL JURISDICTIONS WITH HOUSING  
20 ELEMENT UPDATES FUNDING BY REAP THIS IS THE REGIONAL EARLY  
21 ACTION PLANNING GRANTS. STATE IS PROVIDING UNPRECEDENTED  
22 SUPPORT FOR HOUSING PLANNING TO REGIONAL AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS  
23 IN THE FORM OF SB2 GRANTS, LOCAL EARLY ACTION PLANNING GRANTS  
24 AND REGIONAL EARLY ACTION PLANNING GRANTS. TOGETHER, SB2 AND  
25 LEAP ARE PROVIDING NEARLY 50 MILLION DIRECTLY TO CITIES AND



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1 COUNTY GOVERNMENTS IN THE BAY AREA. ABAG WAS APPROVED BY HCD  
2 TO RECEIVE AN INITIAL REAP GRANT DISBURSEMENT OF \$5. MILLION,  
3 25 PERCENT OF AWARDS IN FEBRUARY 25TH, 2020 AND 18 MILLION  
4 PLUS BALANCE GRANT AWARD APPROXIMATELY 75 PERCENT AT ANY TIME  
5 BEFORE JANUARY 13TH, 2021. FRAMEWORK FOR ABAG REAP FUNDS  
6 INCLUDE COLLABORATIVE AND COHORT BASED APPROACH REGIONAL  
7 CONSULTING BENCH, REGIONAL COORDINATION WITH HCD, AND REGIONAL  
8 HOUSING LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT.  
9 [INDISCERNIBLE] [AUDIO DIFFICULTIES] ALLOCATIONS. STAFF  
10 PROPOSED NON-COMPETITIVE LOCAL ALLOCATIONS UP TO 5 MILLION AND  
11 FUTURE COMPETITIVE ALLOCATIONS TO BE DETERMINED IN NOVEMBER.  
12 THIS MONTH. WE ALSO RECEIVED A REPORT REGIONAL HOUSING  
13 PORTFOLIO IN JUNE 2020 ABAG EXECUTIVE BOARD AND MT C  
14 COMMISSION APPROVED FRAMEWORK EXPANDED REGIONAL HOUSING  
15 PORTFOLIO, AND HOUSING REVENUE MEASURE BAY AREA HOUSING  
16 FINANCE AUTHORITY. STAFF REPORTED ON COMPLETED PHASE ONE  
17 PLANNING ACTIVITIES. WE INCLUDED ESTABLISHING COMPONENTS OF  
18 GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE FOR THE PORTFOLIO IDENTIFYING FUNDING  
19 OPPORTUNITIES AND RESEARCHING POTENTIAL FUTURE PROJECTS. STAFF  
20 PROPOSED -- [INDISCERNIBLE] ACROSS THE THREE PS, PRESERVATION,  
21 AFFORDABLE HOUSING, PRODUCTION OF NEW DESIGN. POTENTIAL --  
22 [AUDIO DIFFICULTIES] THOSE ACTIVITIES INCLUDE ELEMENTS TO  
23 COMPLIMENT AND -- LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AS WELL AS LOSS OF --  
24 EXCUSE ME -- FIVE POTENTIAL PILOT PROJECTS TO BUILT CAPACITY  
25 AND EXPERTISE WITHIN THE REGIONAL -- [INDISCERNIBLE] THE FIVE

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1 PROPOSED PILOTS ARE SUPPORT REGIONAL FULL HOUSING APPLICATION  
2 PLATFORM DEVELOP AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING PIPELINE DATABASE  
3 STRENGTHEN REGIONAL PRESERVING PROGRAMS, SUPPORT THE DESIGN OF  
4 REGIONAL HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION, AND ASSIST THAT WORK. THE  
5 LAST WAS THE RESIDENTIAL BUILDING ACTIVITY REPORT BUILDING  
6 PERMIT ISSUED FROM 2015 TO 2019 AND TRACKING REGIONAL PROGRESS  
7 FOR CYCLE FIVE GOALS. PRESENTATION OF RHNA'S CYCLE FIVE 2015  
8 TO 2020 BUILDING PERMIT -- ANNUAL PROPERTY TAX SUBMITTED BY  
9 STATE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING COMMUNITY AND DEVELOPMENT. THE  
10 ABAG COMMITTEE HAD THE ON DECEMBER 13TH, 2020 WE RECEIVED THE  
11 FOLLOW REPORTS REGIONAL HOUSING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM A  
12 REPORT ON THE DESIGN AND FRAMEWORK INCLUDING UPDATE ON THE  
13 DESIGN OF THE PROGRAM TO ASSIST LOCAL JURISDICTIONS WITH  
14 HOUSING IMPLEMENT UPDATES FUNDED BY THE REGIONAL EARLY ACTION  
15 PLANNING GRANTS THE RECOMMEND WILL BE GIVEN LATER. THE  
16 REGIONAL EARLY ACTION PLANNING GRANTS REPORT ON THE REQUEST  
17 BALANCE OF THE -- THIS CONCLUDES THE REPORT. NOW WE'LL GO ON  
18 TO THE ABOARD AGENDA ITEM 11B FOR -- WE RECEIVED A REPORT FOR  
19 THE REGIONAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SO STAFF -- THAT  
20 REPORT WAS LIMITED -- WE HAVE STAFF MEMBERS AVAILABLE TO  
21 ANSWER QUESTIONS OR TO GIVE A BRIEF PRESENTATION. I'LL TURN IT  
22 OVER TO MRS. PETERS.  
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1 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** MS. PETERS WE'LL TURN THE FLOOR  
2 OVER TO YOU. TOWARDS THE END WE WERE HAVING A LITTLE BIT  
3 DIFFICULTY HEARING YOU. JUST WANT TO LET YOU KNOW.

4

5 **HEATHER PETERS:** WE'LL PROCEED TO A STAFF PRESENTATION ON ITEM  
6 11B.

7

8 **HEATHER PETERS:** THANK YOU CHAIR ARREGUIN. WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO  
9 RUN THROUGH THE SLIDE OR GIVE THE HIGHLIGHTS LIKE THE PRIOR  
10 STAFF MEMBERS DID.

11

12 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** I THINK THE HIGHLIGHTS WOULD BE  
13 BEST. WE HAVE A WRITTEN REPORT IN OUR PACKET.

14

15 **HEATHER PETERS:** EXCELLENT. AND COMMITTEE CHAIR WILSON DID GIVE  
16 YOU MOST OF HIGHLIGHTS BUT I UNDERSTAND THERE WAS SOME  
17 DIFFICULTY WITH HER AUDIO SO LET ME REITERATE SOME OF THE TOP  
18 POINTS. FIRST OF ALL THEIR TWO AGENDA ITEMS FOR APPROVAL TODAY  
19 ONE IS THE APPROVAL OF THE OVERALL PROGRAM DESIGN OF THE \$23.9  
20 MILLION REAP GRANT AS THE CHAIR MENTIONED, 5.9 MILLION IS  
21 ALREADY IN THE BANK, AND THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL \$18 MILLION  
22 AVAILABLE. THE SECOND ACTION ITEM IS A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING  
23 STAFF TO APPLY FOR THAT \$18 MILLION BALANCE. AND BASICALLY  
24 OVER THE LAST EIGHT MONTHS OR SO, STAFF HAS MADE OVER 57 TOUCH  
25 POINTS WITH EACH OF OUR NINE COUNTIES, PLANNING STAFF, TWO

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1 GENERAL ASSEMBLIES MULTIPLE PUBLIC MEETINGS AND WHAT WE HEARD  
2 THERE WAS SIGNIFICANT CONCERN AT THE LOCAL LEVEL ABOUT HOW  
3 PLANNING DIRECTORS WOULD BE ABLE TOO MEET ALL THE MYRIAD OF  
4 LOCAL PLANNING LAWS. AND THEN RHNA AND COVID, AND THE FIRES  
5 WERE ALL CONSPIREING AGAINST US MAKE IT MORE NOW THAN EVER A  
6 NEED TO HAVE A REGIONAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. WE MADE  
7 SURE WHEN WE DESIGNED WAS IN ALIGNMENT WITH STAFF. WE  
8 PRESERVED HIGH INTEREST IN OUR DESIGN IT WILL HAVE TWO SIDES  
9 TO IT. ONE WILL BE REGIONAL ASSISTANCE DELIVERED DIRECTLY FROM  
10 THE REGION. AND THAT WILL FOCUS ON A LOT OF THINGS LIKE  
11 ACHIEVING ECONOMIES OF SCALE AND DOING THINGS ONCE INSTEAD OF  
12 109 TIMES THROUGHOUT THE REGION PROVIDING REGIONAL DATA TOOLS  
13 HAVING A CONSULTING BENCH, SHARING OUT INFORMATION, PROVIDING  
14 MESSAGING, REGIONALLY, ON ALL THE DIFFICULT NEW HOUSING LAWS,  
15 AND THEN THE OTHER SIDE OF THE LEDGER WILL BE LOCAL  
16 ALLOCATIONS. THOSE LOCAL ALLOCATIONS WILL INCLUDE SEVERAL  
17 TRANCHES. AND IN DESIGNING THOSE, WE REALLY KNEW THAT IF WE  
18 KNOW ANYTHING IN THE BAY AREA, IT'S THAT ONE SIZE DOES NOT FIT  
19 ALL. SO STAFF, IN CLOSE CONSULTATION WITH THE HOUSING  
20 COMMITTEE OVER TWO DIFFERENT MEETINGS DEvised SEVERAL TRANCHES  
21 WITH DIFFERENT POLICY GOALS AND FORMULAS TO TRY AND REACH A  
22 NUMBER OF DIFFERENT CHALLENGES BEING REACHED BY MOST OF OUR  
23 DIFFERENT JURISDICTIONS. WE HEARD THAT WE NEEDED EASE OF  
24 ACCESS. AND THAT CERTAINTY IN FUNDING WOULD BE REALLY  
25 DESIRABLE SO THAT LOCAL JURISDICTIONS DON'T HAVE TO JUMP

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1 THROUGH VERY MANY HOOPS TO GET ACCESS TO THE FUNDING. WE HAVE  
2 DESIGNED THREE NON-COMPETITIVE TRANCHES OF FUNDING AND ONE  
3 COMPETITIVE TRANCHE. THE FIRST TWO TRANCHES ARE OUT OF THAT  
4 \$5.9 MILLION CASH ON HAND. THE FIRST, YOUR BOARD HAS ALREADY  
5 PRIORITIZED FOR SUPPORTIVE RHNA SUBREGIONS, AND TO BE A DOWN  
6 PAYMENT ON SUPPORTIVE REGIONAL PLANNING COLLABORATIVES SUCH AS  
7 21 ELEMENTS AND SOL HIP AND OTHER WONDERFUL MODELS AROUND THE  
8 REGION. THAT WILL BE DISTRIBUTED ACCORDING TO THE OBAG FORMULA  
9 THAT SHOULD BE FAMILIAR TO MOST. BUT THE DETAILS ARE IN YOUR  
10 PACKET ON ALL OF THESE TRANCHES. THERE WILL BE A FLOOR OF A  
11 MINIMUM OF 30,000 SO THAT EACH COLLABORATIVE CAN GET STOOD UP  
12 AND ON TO SUCCESS IN THEIR WORK. THE SECOND TRANCHE HAS A  
13 POLICY GOAL OF ENSURING THAT EVERY JURISDICTION GETS A MINIMUM  
14 ALLOCATION NO MATTER HOW SMALL THEIR POPULATION. THIS WILL BE  
15 \$2.8 MILLION OUT OF THE ORIGINAL 5.9 AND STAFF RECOMMENDATION  
16 IS TO DISTRIBUTE IT EVENLY WITH A 20 THURSDAY DISBURSEMENT FOR  
17 EACH JURISDICTION TALKING ABOUT FUTURE MONEY FOR TRANCHE  
18 THREE, PROPOSED TO BE \$3 MILLION, AND THE POLICY GOAL HERE  
19 AGAIN IS NON-COMPETITIVE. IT'S STRAIGHT MATH, AND IT  
20 ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THERE ARE SOME JURISDICTIONS THAT WILL HAVE  
21 SIGNIFICANT RESPONSIBILITY FOR MOST OF THE RHNA ALLOCATION IN  
22 THE REGION. AND WE'LL NEED TO ANALYZE MANY MORE SITES  
23 OBLIGATIONS. WE'LL DESIGN TO GIVE THIS EXTRA SUPPORT. THE  
24 FORMULA WOULD BE TO HAVE ELIGIBLE JURISDICTIONS THAT RECEIVE  
25 AT LEAST 1,000 RHNA UNITS AND OF THAT POOL OF ELIGIBLE

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1 JURISDICTION DISTRIBUTE FUNDING PRO RATA BASED ON THE NUMBER  
2 OF RHNA ASSIGNED IN THE DRAFT RHNA METHODOLOGY THAT WILL BE  
3 BROUGHT TO YOU IN JANUARY AND THAT METHODOLOGY WILL INCLUDE  
4 THE UNDERLYING PLANNED BAY AREA BLUEPRINT. TRANCHE FOUR IS THE  
5 SINGLE COMPETITIVE TRANCHE, AND THE POLICY BEHIND THAT WITH  
6 FEEDBACK RECEIVED FROM THE HOUSING COMMITTEE IS TO ADVANCE  
7 REGIONAL HOUSING GOALS SET FORTH IN PLANNED BAY AREA, AND THE  
8 GROWTH GEOGRAPHIES AS WELL AS THE HOUSING STRATEGIES. BUT ALSO  
9 TO MAKE SURE THAT SMALL JURISDICTIONS HAVE AN ADDITIONAL  
10 OPPORTUNITY TO OBTAIN FUNDS. SO THE FORMULA PROPOSED WOULD BE  
11 THAT A \$1 MILLION TRANCHE WOULD BE DIVIDED AND 1/3 OF THAT  
12 FUNDING WOULD BE AVAILABLE ONLY TO SMALL JURISDICTIONS DEFINED  
13 BY HCD AS LESS THAN 60,000 POPULATION AND THE REMAINING TWO  
14 THIRDS OF THE TRANCHE WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO ALL JURISDICTIONS.  
15 SO SMALL JURISDICTIONS COULD COMPETE IN BOTH. AND THE SCORING  
16 WOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT PLANNED BAY AREA AS WELL AS WEATHER  
17 SMALL JURISDICTIONS HAVE SPECIFIC GAPS IN FUNDING IN THEIR  
18 PLANNING SERVICES. FINALLY, STAFF IS PROPOSING TO SUPPLEMENT.  
19 WE ALWAYS KNEW WE WOULD COME BACK TO YOU ON THE INITIAL  
20 \$500,000 THAT SET ASIDE PLANNING COLLABORATIVES WE ALWAYS KNEW  
21 THAT WOULDN'T BE ENOUGH. IT WAS ONLY INTENDED TO KICK START  
22 AND SO STAFF IS PROPOSING ANOTHER \$4.2 MILLION TO BE  
23 DISTRIBUTED TO COUNTIES OR TO THEIR DESIGNEES. THAT FUNDING  
24 WILL COME BACK IN JANUARY EXACTLY TO HOW MATH GETS CALCULATED  
25 BUT IT WILL VARY DEPENDING ON HOW MANY JURISDICTIONS ARE IN

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1 EACH COLLABORATIVE EACH MAINTAINING A MINIMUM FUNDING THAT  
2 WILL SUPPORT RETENTION OF .5 FTE OVER THE COURSE OF THREE  
3 YEARS AS WE ACT AS PERSONALLY AN ON AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE  
4 FOR THAT COUNTY. THEY'RE MORE THAN JUST PROVIDING MEETINGS  
5 THEY WILL BE CREATING LOCALLY TAILORED TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE  
6 FOR AND YOU MOST IMPORTANTLY BE ON CALL TO TAKE RANDOM  
7 QUESTIONS THAT COME UP AT ALL HOURS WHEN FOLKS ARE ROLLING UP  
8 32 SLEEVES AND GETTING THEIR HOUSING ELEMENTS DONE. THE  
9 APPLICATION FOR THE 18 MILLION, WHICH IS THE SECOND PART OF  
10 THE FUNDING, THE BALANCE OF THE FUNDING IS IN YOUR PACKET AS  
11 ATTACHMENT D. AND IT SUMMARIZED AS 8.2 MILLION OF THAT 18 WILL  
12 BE THE LOCAL ALLOCATIONS, MULTIPLE TRANCHES I JUST DISCUSSED  
13 AND THAT SUPPLEMENTS THE EXISTING 5.9 MILLION AL CASING SO THE  
14 ALLOCATIONS OUT OF THE 23.9 MILLION WILL BE 10.9 MILLION AND  
15 THE SECOND APPLICATION 18 MILLION THERE IS REGIONAL TECHNICAL  
16 ASSISTANCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SUPPORT TOTALING 8.9  
17 MILLION AND THE FINAL LINE ITEM IN YOUR ATTACHMENT D IS THE  
18 GRANT ALLOWS FOR FIVE PERCENT OF THE TOTAL TO BE USED FOR  
19 SUPPORTING CONTRACTS WE'LL BE ENTERING IN ON BEHALF OF THE  
20 LOCALS FOR THE PLANNING BENCH AND ALSO ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT.  
21 WITH THAT MY COLLEAGUE DANIEL SAVER MAY HAVE SOMETHING TO ADD  
22 ABOUT ADDITIONALLY STREAMLINING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. AND THEN  
23 WE CAN TAKE SOME QUESTIONS.  
24

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1 **DANIEL SAVER:** IN THE INTEREST OF TIME I'LL PASS ON THAT, THE  
2 INFORMATION BE ARE IN YOUR COLORS AND IF THERE ARE ANY  
3 QUESTIONS FROM DIRECTORS WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO FIELD THEM.

4

5 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** WHAT WE WANT TO SAY MR. SAVER IS  
6 THAT WE'RE TRYING TO IMPLEMENT THE REAP AND PLANNING GRANTS  
7 ACTUALLY ADDRESSED IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS WE  
8 HAVE ONE APPLICATION PROCESS FOR PDA AND GRANTS REAP SUPPORT  
9 AS WELL.

10

11 **DANIEL SAVER:** THAT'S CORRECT. THERE IS TWO GRANT PROGRAMS  
12 ROLLING OUT AT THE SAME TIME ONE ON MTC AND ABAG AND AS STAFF  
13 WE'RE TRYING TO MAKE THIS AS EASY AS POSSIBLE FOR LOCAL  
14 JURISDICTIONS TO ACCESS ALL OF THE AVAILABLE FUNDING  
15 OPPORTUNITIES.

16

17 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WILL NOW  
18 RECOGNIZE DIRECTOR PIERCE.

19

20 **JULIE PIERCE:** THANK YOU JESSE. I WANT TO THANK STAFF FOR THIS.  
21 THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I THINK WE HAVE HAD SUCH A  
22 COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM TO HELP ALL OUR JURISDICTIONS GET  
23 THROUGH THIS REALLY ONEROUS PROCESS. AND AFTER EVERYTHING WE  
24 HAVE BEEN THROUGH WITH COVID AND WITH THE FIRES AND WITH  
25 EVERYTHING ELSE THAT'S GONE ON OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS,



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1 THIS IS SUCH A HEAVY LIFT FOR SO MANY LOCAL JURISDICTIONS THAT  
2 THIS KIND OF A CENTRAL SERVICE OPPORTUNITY IS REALLY GOING TO  
3 BE APPRECIATED. AND FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO DON'T SERVE ON THE  
4 HOUSING COMMITTEE OR ON THE RPC WHERE YOU PROBABLY SAW THIS  
5 PRESENTATION, IF YOU HAVEN'T SEEN IT, YOU SHOULD GO BACK AND  
6 WATCH THE HOUSING COMMITTEE PRESENTATION, WATCH THAT  
7 VIDEOTAPE, AND HAVE YOUR STAFF WATCH IT IF THEY DIDN'T DO  
8 THAT. BECAUSE THERE ARE RESOURCES OUT THERE THAT CAN HELP  
9 THEM. AND, YOU KNOW, WE HAVE A LOT OF NEW PLANNING DIRECTORS  
10 AROUND THE REGION WHO MAY NEVER HAVE DONE A HOUSING ELEMENT.  
11 AND THEY DON'T REALLY GET IT. AND IT'S REALLY OVERWHELMING,  
12 AND SO TO BE ABLE TO GET A LOT OF THIS BACKGROUND INFORMATION  
13 THAT'S REQUIRED IN THE HOUSING ELEMENT ALREADY DONE FOR US  
14 IT'S TREMENDOUS AND JUST TO HAVE SOMEBODY THERE TO HOLD YOUR  
15 HAND WHILE YOU'RE DOING THAT, IS SOMETHING THAT, I THINK WE  
16 HAVE ALL DREAMED OF, AND I CANNOT THANK STAFF ENOUGH FOR  
17 PUTTING THIS TOGETHER. I JUST THINK IT'S TREMENDOUS. THAT'S  
18 WHAT ABAG IS SUPPOSED TO BE ABOUT. AND HELPING OUR LOCAL  
19 AGENCIES PULL US ALL TOGETHER, GET US ALL GOING IN THE SAME  
20 DIRECTION, MAKING SURE WE ALL SUCCEED, IF AT ALL POSSIBLE. SO,  
21 I JUST WANT TO SAY A HUGE THANK YOU, AND AGAIN, ENCOURAGE MY  
22 COLLEAGUES TO HAVE NOT SEEN THE FULL PRESENTATION, THIS WAS  
23 JUST THE HIGHLIGHTS. GO BACK AND WATCH IT. SO THAT YOU CAN  
24 HELP YOUR STAFF TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT. BECAUSE IT WILL BE TO

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1 YOUR ADVANTAGE WHEN IT FINALLY COMES TO YOU AT THE DAIS FOR  
2 APPROVAL. THANK YOU.

3

4 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU. DIRECTOR HALLIDAY?

5

6 **BARBARA HALLIDAY:** YES I'LL JUST ECHO THAT, AND I WANT TO  
7 CONVEY THAT I DID DISCUSS WITH OUR STAFF IN THE CITY OF  
8 HAYWARD AND THEY ARE NOT NOVICES THEY HAVE BEEN THROUGH IT  
9 MOST OF THEM AND THEY WERE VERY, VERY APPRECIATIVE OF  
10 EVERYTHING THAT'S BEING OFFERED. FIRST OF ALL THEY WERE VERY  
11 COMPLIMENTARY ABOUT THE OUTREACH THAT WAS DONE, THEY SAID THEY  
12 HAD NOT SEEN THAT KIND OF OUTREACH BEFORE NOT JUST COMPLAINING  
13 ABOUT THE PAST BUT THIS JUST REALLY FELT THAT STAFF WAS BEING  
14 VERY HELPFUL AND THE WORK PRODUCT YOU'RE OFFERING TEMPLATE AND  
15 RESEARCH DATA IS GOING TO BE HELPFUL ENORMOUSLY AND I WANT TO  
16 CONVEY THEIR GRATITUDE TO YOU, AND THANK YOU FOR THIS. AND  
17 THEY DID HAVE ONE SUGGESTION TO ADD, LATER ON AND THAT IS A --  
18 I DON'T KNOW WHETHER WE'LL BE HAVING, YOU KNOW, HEATED  
19 DISCUSSIONS AT OUR HAYWARD CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS WHEN WE GET  
20 TO THIS POINT OF THE HOUSING NEEDS. WE DON'T USUALLY HAVE THAT  
21 MUCH DISPUTE, BUT THEY DID SAY THAT IT MIGHT BE A GOOD IDEA  
22 IF, YOU KNOW, IF YOU COULD ALSO OFFER PERHAPS ABAG STAFF  
23 BACKUP TO LOCAL STAFF WHEN THESE DISCUSSIONS ARE BEING HAD AT  
24 LOCAL GOVERNMENT MEETINGS, AND, YOU KNOW, IS WE KNOW THIS THEY  
25 CAN GET VERY HEATED AND YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO TAKE A LITTLE BIT

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1 OF THE HEAT BY STRESSING THE REGIONAL -- I'LL OFTEN DO THAT  
2 MYSELF BY SAYING HEY LOOK IT'S THE WHOLE REGION HAVING TO DO  
3 THIS, AND I THINK IN THE ERA OF THE KIND OF MEETINGS WE'RE  
4 HAVING NOW EVEN IF THAT CHANGES, I THINK IN THE LONG-TERM  
5 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A LOT MORE PEOPLE ATTENDING MEETINGS IN  
6 THIS WAY. ANYWAY I WANTED TO THROW THAT OUT AS A SUGGESTION  
7 THEY HAD, BUT OVERALL THEY WERE JUST ENORMOUSLY GRATEFUL FOR  
8 WHAT YOU PROVIDED ALREADY AND HELP COMING AND NOT JUST THE  
9 MONEY WHICH IS ALWAYS APPRECIATED BUT THE ACTUAL WORK PRODUCT  
10 ASSISTANCE THAT YOU'RE OFFERING. SO THANK YOU.

11

12 **HEATHER PETERS:** THANK YOU FOR THOSE VERY, VERY KIND WORDS. I  
13 DID SKIP OVER THE SUPPORT AND THE MESSAGING, I GAVE IT SHORT  
14 STRIPS. BUT PLEASE TELL YOUR STAFF YES WE HAVE THEIR BACKS AND  
15 WILL BE PROVIDING A LOT OF MESSAGING WHEN YOU HAVE TO TAKE  
16 THOSE DIFFICULT VOTES. SO WE WILL COME AND DELIVER THE BAD  
17 NEWS AND ALSO BACK IT UP WITH PLENTY OF SUPPORT.

18

19 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU. MS. MCMILLAN DID YOU  
20 WANT TO ADDRESS THIS ITEM?

21

22 **THERESE MCMILLAN:** THE ONLY THING I WAS GOING SAY AND MEMBER  
23 HALLIDAY REALLY STRESSED IT, IS WE BUILT THESE TOOLS BY  
24 OUTREACHING TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ASKING WHAT THEY NEEDED.  
25 SO, I THINK THAT THE REALLY IMPORTANT PART TO STRESS ABOUT THE

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1 REGIONAL PROGRAM THAT, YOU KNOW, IT WASN'T OUR STAFF GOING  
2 THROUGH, YOU KNOW, PLANNING DOCUMENTS FROM ATA, AND SORT OF  
3 FIGURING OUT THINGS, THEY REACHED OUT, AS WAS ACKNOWLEDGED TO  
4 THOSE WHO WILL HAVE TO DO THIS WORK, AND SAID WHAT IS THE HELP  
5 THAT WILL MAKE YOUR JOBS EASIER, AND I THINK THAT SPEAKS TO  
6 THE REAL VALUE OF, YOU KNOW, THE REGIONAL POOL ASSISTANCE TOOL  
7 BAG THAT WE'RE DERIVING OUT OF THIS PROGRAM. SO JUST WANT TO  
8 ACKNOWLEDGE THAT, AND THE INCREDIBLE WORK OF STAFF, AND THE  
9 FACT THAT THERE IS A PARTNERSHIP, I THINK, THAT IS REALLY AT  
10 THE CENTER OF THIS WORK, AND WE'RE REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO  
11 CARRYING THAT FORWARD.

12

13 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU. SO THERE IS A MOTION AND  
14 SECOND TO APPROVE THE REGIONAL HOUSING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE  
15 PROGRAM DESIGN AND FRAMEWORK?

16

17 **LORI WILSON:** SO MOVED.

18

19 **BARBARA HALLIDAY:** SECOND.

20

21 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** MOTION BY WILSON; SECOND BY  
22 HALLIDAY. COLLEAGUES, ANY ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON  
23 THIS ITEM? I WILL JUST SAY THAT I SECOND ALL THAT WAS SAID.  
24 THIS IS REALLY COOL PARTICULARLY THE SITE SELECTION TOOL, I  
25 THINK WILL BE VERY HELPFUL TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN DEVELOPING

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1 THEIR HOUSING ELEMENT. AND THIS IS SOMETHING WE SHOULD PROMOTE  
2 TO OUR PLANNING DEPARTMENTS AND OUR MAYORS AND CITY  
3 ASSOCIATIONS ABOUT THESE -- THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, AND THE  
4 TOOLS THAT WE'RE PROVIDING, WHICH ARE REALLY CRITICAL, AS MANY  
5 OF OUR BUDGETS ARE REALLY STRAINED AND STAFF RESPONSE IS  
6 LIMITED DUE TO COVID-19. THIS IS FANTASTIC WORK, AND I WANT TO  
7 THANK MS. PETERS AND MR. SAVER AND ALL THE STAFF FOR  
8 DEVELOPING THIS PROGRAM. SO, SEEING NO OTHER COMMENTS, I'LL  
9 ASK IF THERE IS ANY PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM? IF SO PLEASE  
10 RAISE YOUR HAND OR PRESS STAR NINE. DO I NOT SEE ANY RAISED  
11 HANDS. MR. CASTRO WRITTEN COMMENTS SUBMITTED ON THIS ITEM

12

13 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** NO WRITTEN COMMENTS.

14

15 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU. WITH THAT I'LL ASK FOR  
16 ROLL TO APPROVE THE REGIONAL HOUSING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE  
17 PROGRAM DESIGN AND FRAMEWORK.

18

19 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** [ROLL CALL VOTE] MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUS.

20

21 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** I SEE DIRECTOR GIBSON MCELHANEY IS  
22 HERE. DO YOU WISH TO CAST A VOTE ON THIS ITEM?

23

24 **GIBSON MCELHANEY:** HE CALLED IT UNANIMOUS SO I FIGURED HE  
25 COUNTED ME AS AN AYE.

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2 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU. THAT ITEM IS APPROVED.  
3 I'LL TURN IT BACK OVER TO CHAIR WILSON.

4

5 **LORI WILSON:** HI. HOPEFULLY YOU CAN HEAR ME BETTER. I TURNED  
6 OFF MY VIDEO WHICH SEEMS TO WORK BETTER ON MY INTERNET WHEN  
7 I'M AT HOME. THIS ITEM RELATES TO RESOLUTION NUMBER 20-2020,  
8 THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED ABAG EXECUTIVE BOARD ADOPT THIS  
9 RESOLUTION AND PART OF THIS WAS INCLUDED IN THE PRESENTATION  
10 BEFORE. I DON'T KNOW, MS. PETERS, IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING  
11 SPECIFIC TO ADD TO THIS?

12

13 **HEATHER PETERS:** NO THIS IS JUST THE MECHANICS BY WHICH WE WILL  
14 ASK FOR THE \$18 MILLION.

15

16 **LIZ GIBBONS:** WITH THAT, I MOVE THE BOARD ADOPT RESOLUTION 20-  
17 2020.

18

19 **WAYNE LEE:** SECOND.

20

21 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** SECOND BY DIRECTOR LEE. COLLEAGUES,  
22 COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS ON THIS ITEM. I DO NOT SEE ANY RAISED  
23 HANDS. NEXT IS ITEM 11C ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 20-2020,  
24 AUTHORIZATION REQUEST THE BALANCE OF THE REAP GRANTS. IF SO,

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1 RAISE YOUR HAND. I DO NOT SEE ANY RAISED HANDS. MR. CASTRO ANY  
2 WRITTEN COMMENTS RECEIVED ON THIS ITEM?

3

4 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** NONE.

5

6 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** WITH THAT LET'S CALL THE ROLL ON  
7 THE MOTION.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** [ROLL CALL VOTE] MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

10

11 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND  
12 THANK YOU TO THE HOUSING COMMITTEE, AND TO CHAIR LORI WILSON  
13 FOR ALL YOUR WORK AND THANK YOU TO STAFF FOR DEVELOPING THE  
14 EXCELLENT PROGRAMS THAT ARE REALLY GOING HELP OUR LOCAL  
15 COMMUNITIES. WITH THAT, WE'LL GO THE LAST ITEM ON OUR AGENDA  
16 TONIGHT WHICH IS A PRESENTATION ON THE BAY AREA ENERGY ATLAS.  
17 THIS IS AN INFORMATION ITEM, AND I WOULD LIKE TO TURN THE  
18 FLOOR OVER TO JENNIFER.

19

20 **JENNY BERG:** THANK YOU. AND I AM PLEASED TO PRESENT THE  
21 RECENTLY LAUNCHED BAY AREA ENERGY ATLAS. THIS IS A PARTNERSHIP  
22 WITH BAYREN AND THE CALIFORNIA CENTER FOR SUSTAINABLE  
23 COMMUNITIES AT UCLA. AND I WILL TURN IT OVER TO HANNAH  
24 GUSTAVSON WHO WILL GIVE THE PRESENTATION, BUT BEFORE I DO THAT  
25 I JUST WANT TO SAY THERE WAS DISCUSSION ABOUT THE PRECARIOUS

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1 SITUATION WITH ABAG, AND THE BENEFITS OF THE STAFF  
2 CONSOLIDATION WITH MTC, AND I THINK THIS PROJECT IS A TRUE  
3 TESTAMENT TO THE BENEFITS THAT WE, AS ABAG STAFF, HAVE GOTTEN  
4 FROM MTC. AND HANNAH WILL PROVIDE A LITTLE BIT MORE DETAIL ON  
5 THAT IN THE PRESENTATION. SO I WILL NOW TURN IT OVER TO  
6 HANNAH.

7

8 **HANNAH GUSTAFSON:** GREAT. THANK YOU JENNY.

9

10 **JENNY BERG:** CAN WE TEE UP THE SLIDES, FRED? OKAY. THANK YOU.  
11 AND I PROMISE THIS WILL BE FIVE MINUTES.

12

13 **HANNAH GUSTAFSON:** I WILL GO AS FAST AS I CAN. THANK YOU FOR  
14 HAVING ME HERE TONIGHT. MY NAME IS HANNAH GUSTAVSON STAFF  
15 RESEARCHER AT CALIFORNIA CENTER FOR SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES AT  
16 UCLA, AND LEAD DEVELOPER OF THE BAY AREA ENERGY ATLAS, WHICH  
17 IS PUBLIC ONLINE TOOL RELEASED AT THEN END OF OCTOBER. I'M  
18 GOING TO GIVE AN EXPLANATION OF WHAT THE TOOL IS, WHAT  
19 INFORMATION IT PROVIDES, AND HOW IT CAN HELP LOCAL GOVERNMENTS  
20 UNDERSTAND THE BUILDING ENERGY USE PATTERNS IN AT A VERY LOCAL  
21 LEVEL IN THE BAY AREA. THE BAY AREA ENERGY ATLAS IS A LARGE  
22 DATABASE OF PG&E ACCOUNT LEVEL ELECTRICITY AND NATURAL GAS  
23 CONSUMPTION DATA THAT WE SPATIALLY LINK TO THE PARCEL THAT IT  
24 BELONGS TO SO THAT WE CAN LINK IMPORTANT BUILDING  
25 CHARACTERISTICS AND SOCIO DEMOGRAPHIC DATA FROM THE CENSUS.



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1 THIS TOOL IS BUILT SPECIFICALLY FOR BAYREN AND PUBLICLY  
2 AVAILABLE FOR USERS TO VISUALIZE ACCESS AGGREGATED FORMS OF  
3 DATA THAT MEET THE CPUC CUSTOMER PRIVACY GUIDELINES. GOAL OF  
4 THE PROJECT IS TO PROVIDE TRANSPARENCY IN HOW BUILDING ENERGY  
5 IS BEING USED ON THE LOCAL LEVEL. IT WAS DEVELOPED TO ASSIST  
6 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITH CLIMATE ACTION PLANNING AND TO BE ABLE  
7 TO DELVE INTO HOW ENERGY IS BEING USED IN THEIR JURISDICTION.  
8 THE TOOL CAN HELP ANSWER QUESTIONS LIKE WHAT TYPE OF BUILDINGS  
9 HAVE THE HIGHEST ENERGY INTENSITY PER SQUARE FOOT AND HOW DOES  
10 ENERGY CONSUMPTION VARY IN MY CITY BY POPULATION DENSITY,  
11 INCOME LEVEL OR BY YEAR BUILT OF THE BUILDING AND IT'S VERY  
12 MUCH AN EVOLVING TOOL AND WE SEE THIS AS THE FIRST ITERATION  
13 THAT CAN BE FURTHER EXPANDED WITH MORE DATA AND FULLY UTILIZED  
14 AS A DATA RESOURCE ENERGY TO ANSWER MORE QUESTIONS USE IN THE  
15 BAY AREA SPECIFICALLY. NEXT SLIDE. SO TO BUILD THIS TOOL, WE  
16 COLLECT MANY TYPES OF DATA SETS STARTING WITH PGE METER-LEVEL  
17 UTILITY BILLING DATA THAT WE ALSO LINK TO THE PARCEL DATA  
18 WHICH IS REALLY IMPORTANT WHICH WE GRACIOUSLY RECEIVED FROM  
19 THE WONDERFUL MTC DATA TEAM LED BY KERRY SMITH WHO IS REALLY  
20 AN INTEGRAL PART OF THIS PROJECT AS WELL AS CENSUS AND OTHER  
21 DATA SETS LIKE CALENVIROSCREEN THAT WE PRE PROCESS AND  
22 STANDARDIZE SO THEY'RE SPACIALLY LINKED TOGETHER IN THIS VAST,  
23 COMPREHENSIVE DATABASE AT THE ACCOUNT LEVEL. THIS IS DATABASE  
24 THAT MAINTAINS PARCEL AND PGE ACCOUNT LEVEL RELATIONSHIPS.  
25 ONCE BUILT WE CAN QUERY DATABASE DAYS TO CREATE AGGREGATED

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1 STATISTICS FOR EACH GEOGRAPHY BY CITY OR ZIP CODE PASS IT TO  
2 CUSTOMER PRIVACY AGGREGATION RULES AND RELEASE IT ON THE WEB  
3 SITE. ON THE ATLAS WEB SITE YOU CAN FIND ENERGY CONSUMPTION  
4 STATISTICS GEOGRAPHICALLY ORGANIZED ALONG BUILDING  
5 CHARACTERIZATION THAT WE DERIVE FROM THE PARCEL DATA INCLUDING  
6 SINGLE FAMILY, MULTI-FAMILY COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIAL ET CETERA WE  
7 PROVIDE ELECTRICITY GAS AND COMBINED VTUS FOR THE YEARS 2013  
8 TO 2017 ALL OF THIS IS AGGREGATED FOLLOWING CUSTOMER PRIVACY  
9 RULES. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE THESE ARE THE FOUR DIFFERENT  
10 GEOGRAPHIC SCALES THAT YOU CAN FIND AGGREGATED ENERGY DATA FOR  
11 SO STARTING WITH THE LARGEST BEING THE COUNTIES, CITIES, ZIP  
12 CODES, AND CENSUS TRACTS. NEXT SLIDE. SCREENSHOT OF THE MAIN  
13 DATA VIEWS ON THE WEB SITE KNOWN AS THE MAP VIEW SHOWING  
14 RESIDENTIAL ELECTRICITY USE IN CITIES ACROSS THE BAY AREA.  
15 THIS TOGGLE AT THE TOP THIS SENTENCE BIT IS FULLY INTERACTIVE  
16 AND THE TOGGLES ALLOW YOU TO CHANGE EVERYTHING FROM UNIT  
17 ENERGY BUILDING TYPE METERS PER SQUARE FOOT AND GEOGRAPHIC  
18 SCALE THE SMALL PATTERN AT THE BOTTOM APPEARS FOR ANY CITY YOU  
19 CLICK ON TO PROVIDE GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION OVER TIME. NEXT  
20 SLIDE PLEASE SAME MAP SHOWING SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL  
21 ELECTRICITY USED AT THE CENSUS TRACT LEVEL WITH THE BAY AREA  
22 WHICH IS SMALLEST GEOGRAPHIC UNIT WE AGGREGATE ENERGY USAGE TO  
23 ON THE WEB SITE. NEXT SLIDE. THIS IS THE PROFILE'S PAGE WHICH  
24 PROVIDES DETAILED BREAKDOWN OF ENERGY STATISTICS FOR EACH  
25 SINGLE GEOGRAPHY ON THE MAP FROM CENSUS TRACT CITIES AND

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1 COUNTIES, AT THE TOP INCLUDING BASIC GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION,  
2 TIME CHART SHOWING CONSUMPTION BY BUILDING USE TYPE OVER TIME  
3 AND AS YOU SCROLL DOWN THE PAGE IF YOU GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE,  
4 YOU WILL FIND EVEN MORE STATISTICS, ENERGY CONSUMPTION BROKEN  
5 BY THE DIFFERENT BUILDING CHARACTERISTICS DERIVED FROM THE  
6 PARCEL DATA LIKE THE USE TYPE, THE YEAR BUILT, WHICH WE REFER  
7 TO AS VINTAGE, AND BUILDING SIZE. SO AGAIN, THESE  
8 RELATIONSHIPS DERIVE FROM LINKING THE METER LEVEL DATA TO  
9 THEIR PARCEL LOCATION IN ORDER TO PROVIDE THAT DEEPER MORE  
10 NUANCED LOOK INTO THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ENERGY CONSUMPTION  
11 WITHIN THE PARCEL BUILDING CONTEXT SO FOR RESIDENTIAL ENERGY  
12 CONSUMPTION SPECIFICALLY WE CAN DEFINITELY DEEPER INTO  
13 POPULATION STATISTICS FOR CALENVIROSCREENS FOR PER CAPITA  
14 RESIDENTIAL CONSUMPTION BY INCOME BRACKET THINGS LIKE THAT. I  
15 SHOULD MENTION ALL THE DATA THAT YOU CAN FIND ON THE WEB SITE  
16 YOU CAN DOWNLOAD IN CSV FORMAT TO BE ABLE TO COMBINE OR DO ANY  
17 OTHER TYPES OF ANALYSIS THAT YOU WANT WITH THE DATA. TO WRAP  
18 UP THIS TOOL IS REALLY AIMED AT PROVIDING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS  
19 WITH THE DATA THEY NEED HELP INFORM POLICY AND HELP ACHIEVE  
20 CLIMATE AND ENERGY GOALS THAT WE NEED TO MEET. THE INTEGRATION  
21 OF THE DIFFERENT DATA SETS PROVIDES INSIGHTS INTO THE  
22 RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THESE DIFFERENT BUILDING ATTRIBUTES AND  
23 POPULATION ATTRIBUTES TO DEVELOP EFFECTIVE AND TARGETED  
24 PROGRAMS THAT CAN MAXIMIZE ENERGY SAVINGS AND INVESTMENTS SO  
25 WE THINK THIS TOOL CAN BE HELPFUL SPECIFICALLY TO HELP

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1 IDENTIFY COMMUNITIES FOR ADDITIONAL INVESTMENTS, ALSO TO  
2 CREATE A BASELINE OF ENERGY USE DATA AGAINST WHICH PROGRAM  
3 IMPLEMENTATION CAN BE EVALUATED. SO WE VIEW THIS, AGAIN, AS  
4 THE FIRST ITERATION THAT CAN BE BUILT UPON AND EXPANDED, AND  
5 ULTIMATELY AS A RESOURCE FOR THE BAY AREA TO HELP PROVIDE  
6 TRANSPARENCY IN AN OFTEN VERY OPAQUE AREA. SO THAT IS MY VERY  
7 RELATIVELY BRIEF OVERVIEW. BUT I ENCOURAGE TO YOU PLEASE, IF  
8 YOU GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE, CHECK OUT THE WEB SITE, READ THROUGH  
9 THE DOCUMENTATION, AND FEEL FREE TO REACH OUT TO ME DIRECTLY  
10 IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS. I'M ALWAYS HAPPY TO CHAT  
11 ABOUT THIS PROJECT. AND NEW IDEAS THAT PEOPLE MAY HAVE FOR IT.  
12 THAT'S IT FOR ME. THANK YOU.

13

14 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH. THIS IS  
15 SUCH A GREAT TOOL FOR US, TRACK BUILDING ENERGY USAGE WHICH IS  
16 CRITICAL FOR NOT ONLY THE IMPLEMENTATION OF OUR CLIMATE ACTION  
17 PLANS BUT TO HELP INFORM OUR POLICY WORK AROUND ENERGY  
18 EFFICIENCY AND CLIMATE MITIGATION. I'M GOING ASK IF ANY  
19 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS HAVE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON THIS  
20 PRESENTATION. DIRECTOR EKLUND?

21

22 **PAT ECKLUND:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH PRESIDENT ARREGUIN, THIS IS A  
23 REALLY EXCITING TOOL. YOU SAID IT'S WITHIN THE PG&E AREA.  
24 BECAUSE WE'RE A CCA, DO WE STILL GET ACCESS TO THE DATA? IN  
25 THE CCA?

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2 **HANNAH GUSTAFSON:** THAT'S A GREAT QUESTION. YES. SO BECAUSE WE  
3 HANDLE CCA BUILDING SIDE WE'RE STILL ABLE TO OBTAIN CCA DATA.  
4 THE ONLY UTILITIES THAT WE DON'T HAVE DATA FOR ARE THE SMALLER  
5 MUNIS LIKE PALO ALTO OR ALAMEDA, THINGS LIKE THAT, IF THEY'RE  
6 NOT PART OF THE PG&E TERRITORY BUT THE CCAS WE THANKFULLY  
7 HAVE.

8

9 **PAT ECKLUND:** SO IF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT RUNS THEIR OWN UTILITY  
10 WE MAY NOT HAVE ACCESS TO THEIR DATA UNLESS YOU HAVE THOUGHT  
11 ABOUT ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT WITH THEM TO GET ACCESS TO THE  
12 DATA?

13

14 **HANNAH GUSTAFSON:** I THINK THAT WOULD BE GREAT TO DO.

15

16 **JENNY BERG:** THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WE WANT TO WORK WITH ALL OF  
17 THE 7C CCA'S IN OUR TERRITORY. THEY OBVIOUSLY HAVE MORE DATA  
18 THAN WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO GET, THIS IS THE FIRST ITERATION AND  
19 THE CCAS CAN PROVIDE CUSTOMER CLASS WITH A LOT MORE DETAILS  
20 THAT DO NOT CURRENTLY HAVE. SO PHASE TWO IS TO START TO BUILD  
21 THOSE PARTNERSHIPS WITH THE CCAS TO SEE WHAT THEY'RE WILLING  
22 TO ASSIST WITH. IT'S A GREAT QUESTION.

23

24 **PAT ECKLUND:** YEAH SO IF, SINCE MARIN STARTED THE CCA THAT HAS  
25 GROWN TO MULTIPLE COUNTIES, IF YOU NEED ANY ASSISTANCE FROM

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1 MARIN CLEAN ENERGY PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT ME, AND  
2 WE'LL GET YOU IN CHARGE --

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4 **JENNY BERG:** THANK YOU.

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6 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** GIBBONS?

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8 **GIBSON MCELHANEY:** THANK YOU. I'M THINKING ALONG THE SAME LINES  
9 I'M ON THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF SILICON VALLEY CLEAN ENERGY FEEL  
10 FREE REACH OUT TO ME AT ANY POINT. WE HAVE DATA POINTS A LOT  
11 LIKE THIS AND DIFFERENTLY APPLIED SO I THINK IT WOULD BE FUN  
12 IF WE GET TO SHARE OUR DATABASES. MY QUESTION IS BECAUSE OF  
13 THE TYPE OF ELECTRICAL POWER WE'RE PROVIDING, WHICH IS 100  
14 PERCENT GHG FREE, DO YOUR NUMBERS ACCOMMODATE THAT YET? DO YOU  
15 HAVE ONE OF YOUR WONDERFUL CHARTS THAT SHOWS, EVEN THOUGH WE  
16 CONSUME ENERGY, WE ALSO DON'T PRODUCE GREENHOUSE GAS. IS THAT  
17 SOMETHING YOU MIGHT COME UP WITH IN THE FUTURE?

18

19 **HANNAH GUSTAFSON:** THAT'S ONE OF THE MOST COMMON QUESTIONS I  
20 GET. WE'RE LACKING CERTAIN INFORMATION IN OUR BACK END  
21 DATABASE THAT WOULD ALLOW US TO KNOW WHICH CUSTOMERS ARE ON  
22 DIFFERENTIATE RATE TYPES IF YOU'RE AWE CUSTOMER 100 PERCENT  
23 RENEWABLE THEN WE CAN CALCULATE YOUR RATE DIFFERENCE THAN IF  
24 YOU ARE ON THE PG&E DEFAULT PLAN YOU'RE ONE OF THOSE DIFFERENT  
25 LEVELS WITHIN YOUR OWN CCA IT'S DEFINITELY SOMETHING THAT WE

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1 WANT TO INTEGRATE BUT SOMETHING WE DON'T KNOW HOW TO DO TO GET  
2 THAT DATA WE CURRENTLY OFFER THE GHG CONVERSION FOR ENERGY  
3 STATISTICS YET BECAUSE WE NEED TO BE ABLE TO BETTER LINK EACH  
4 CUSTOMER TO THEIR CONSUMPTION AND WHAT THEIR RATE PLAN IS.

5

6 **GIBSON MCELHANEY:** I'M GUESSING A LOT OF THE GGAS DO AND WE ARE  
7 100 PERCENT GHG FREE NOW AND DEPENDING HOW YOU REFINE  
8 RENEWABLE, WE'RE 100 PERCENT RENEWABLE TOO. I LOOK FORWARD TO  
9 HEARING FROM YOU AND SEEING WHAT WE CAN ORGANIZE TOGETHER.  
10 THANK YOU.

11

12 **HANNAH GUSTAFSON:** ABSOLUTELY. THANK YOU.

13

14 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** DIRECTOR LEE?

15

16 **WAYNE LEE:** FOR CLARIFICATION, YOU DID REACH OUT TO THE CCAS  
17 ALREADY?

18

19 **JENNY BERG:** WE HAVE NOT. THIS IS PHASE ONE AND THAT WAS TO GET  
20 THE TOOL UP AND RUNNING AND THAT TOOK A LOT LONGER THAN WE  
21 ANTICIPATED. SO THIS JUST LAUNCHED A FEW WEEKS AGO. WE WORK  
22 VERY CLOSELY WITH THE CCAS AND THIS WILL CERTAINLY BE PART OF  
23 THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE CONVERSATION.

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1 **WAYNE LEE:** GREAT I'M ALSO ON THE BOARD OF SAN MATEO COUNTY  
2 CLEAN ENERGY.

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4 **JENNY BERG:** GREAT. THANK YOU ALL.

5

6 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** DIRECTOR HALLIDAY?

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8 **BARBARA HALLIDAY:** YEAH, JUST, THIS LOOKS REALLY EXCITING TO  
9 THE EXTENT I UNDERSTAND IT. AND I -- HAYWARD IS PART OF THE  
10 EAST BAY COMMUNITY ENERGY SO I'M SURE -- I'M NOT ON THAT BOARD  
11 BUT WE HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE FROM HAYWARD BUT YOU KNOW, I  
12 WOULD URGE TO YOU REACH OUT TO THEM AS WELL. AND MY QUESTION  
13 IS ABOUT, LIKE, IS -- SO WHEN INDIVIDUAL HOMES ARE ON SOLAR,  
14 ARE YOU -- IS THIS A TOOL THAT CAN ANALYZE HOW MUCH INDIVIDUAL  
15 BUILDING SOLAR IS CONTRIBUTING TO REDUCTION IN OTHER TYPES OF  
16 ENERGY USE?

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18 **HANNAH GUSTAFSON:** THAT'S A GREAT QUESTION IN OUR BACK END  
19 DATABASE WE HAVE FLAGS FOR SOLAR CUSTOMERS OUR DATA DOESN'T  
20 TELL US EXACTLY -- WE HAVE THE LIMITATION BECAUSE WE GET  
21 BILLING DATA DON'T KNOW THE CONSUMPTION THAT ITEM PASSES  
22 BEHIND THE METER SO WE NOT MEASURING TOTAL CONSUMPTION  
23 INCLUDING THE SOLAR GENERATED CONSUMPTION SO THIS IS REALLY A  
24 MEASUREMENT OF METERED BILLING DATA. AND SO YOU'RE COMPLETELY  
25 RIGHT THAT SOME REDUCTIONS THAT HAPPEN IN OUR TRENDS COULD BE



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1 BECAUSE THIS NEIGHBORHOOD HAS INSTALLED A LOT OF SOLAR THAT  
2 COVERS -- SO IT'S TRICKY. YOU KNOW, THAT TYPE OF DATA IS VERY  
3 DIFFICULT TO TEASE OUT, AS I AM SURE YOU'RE AWARE.

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5 **BARBARA HALLIDAY:** THANK YOU.

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7 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU. DIRECTORS, ANY FURTHER  
8 QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON THE PRESENTATION? I'LL JUST SAY IN  
9 CLOSING, ONCE AGAIN, THIS IS REALLY AWESOME. AND THIS IS  
10 DEFINITELY SOMETHING THAT WE COULD CERTAINLY USE, AND I'M GLAD  
11 TO HEAR THERE WILL BE OUTREACH TOO, AND ENGAGEMENT WITH THE  
12 CCAS. I THINK MANY OF US HAVE CCAS WITHIN OUR BAY AREA  
13 JURISDICTIONS AND THIS IS I THINK A VERY USEFUL TOOL. SO THANK  
14 YOU. ONCE AGAIN ANOTHER GREAT INITIATIVE THAT BAYREN IS  
15 HELPING LEAD. THANK YOU JENNY SO MUCH, AND HANNAH FOR YOUR  
16 WORK.

17

18 **HANNAH GUSTAFSON:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **JENNY BERG:** THANK YOU.

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22 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** IS THERE ANY PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEM  
23 12, THE PRESENTATION ON THE BAY AREA ENERGY ATLAS? IF SO  
24 PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND OR PRESS STAR NINE. I DO NOT SEE ANY

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1 RAISED HANDS MR. CASTRO ANY WRITTEN COMMENTS RECEIVED ON THIS  
2 ITEM.

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4 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** THERE WERE NONE.

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6 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** OKAY THANK YOU. THAT COMPLETES THIS  
7 ITEM. BEFORE WE CLOSE, AFTER WE DID OUR PREVIOUS RECOGNITION  
8 OF OUTGOING DIRECTORS, I WAS INFORMED THAT DIRECTOR CHRIS LARK  
9 FROM THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW WILL BE TERMING OFF THE  
10 MOUNTAIN VIEW CITY COUNCIL. HE IS THE REPRESENTATIVE OF CITY'S  
11 ASSOCIATION FOR SANTA CLARA COUNTY, AND I BELIEVE THIS MIGHT  
12 BE HIS LAST MEETING. SO I WANT TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO  
13 RECOGNIZE HIM AND TO THANK HIM FOR HIS LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE  
14 ON THE EXECUTIVE BOARD, AND HIS MANY CONTRIBUTIONS. SO THANK  
15 YOU. YOU WILL BE MISSED.

16

17 **CHRISTOPHER CLARK:** THANK YOU MR. PRESIDENT, I THINK I HAVE ONE  
18 MORE MEETING LEFT BUT I APPRECIATE YOU RECOGNIZED ME. IT'S  
19 BEEN A PLEASURE WORKING WITH ALL OF YOU.

20

21 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU. SO TO OUR COLLEAGUES WHO  
22 ARE LEAVING US TONIGHT, IT IS REALLY A SAD MOMENT FOR THE  
23 BOARD AND THE AGENCY. YOU MADE SUCH A TREMENDOUS CONTRIBUTION  
24 TO ABAG AND TO THE REGION. THE INSTITUTIONAL KNOWLEDGE YOU  
25 BRING WILL BE DEARLY, DEARLY MISSED AS WELL AS YOUR LEADERSHIP

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1 AND YOUR FRIENDSHIP. SO, I'M VERY SAD TO SEE YOU GO. BUT I  
2 KNOW THIS ISN'T A GOODBYE. AND I JUST WANT TO EXPRESS MY  
3 DEEPEST APPRECIATION TO ALL OF YOU, AND YOU WILL BE MISSED.  
4 [APPLAUSE]

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6 **JAKE MACKENZIE:** HAIL AND FAREWELL.

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8 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU. SO WITH THAT, THE NEXT  
9 SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ABAG EXECUTIVE BOARD IS ON DECEMBER  
10 17TH, 2020. AND THIS MEETING IS ADJOURNED. THANK YOU.

11 [ADJOURNED]

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