

Association of Bay Area Governments

Executive Board

May 16, 2019

Agenda Item 9.c.v.

SB 50 (Wiener) Support if Amended

Subject: Position on SB 50 (Wiener): Equitable Communities Incentives – Upzoning Near Transit & Jobs-Rich Areas and By Right Allowance for Small Residential Projects in Specified Areas

Background: On May 10, the ABAG Legislation Committee recommended a “support if amended” position on SB 50 with the following requested amendments:

- 1) Ensure that the definition of jobs-rich areas identify areas that have a higher-than-average concentrations of jobs and accurately identifies areas that would result in shorter commutes;
- 2) Allow for a density measure for transit-rich projects within ½-mile of rail or ferry stations to provide more flexibility than the bill’s minimum height allowances, but provides the same development capacity (i.e. units) within the general station area; and
- 3) Provide more flexibility related to local parking requirements within ½-mile radius of a major transit stop based on local conditions.

Recommended Action: The ABAG Executive Board is requested to adopt a “support if amended” position on SB 50.

Attachments: May 10 Legislation Committee staff memo.

Reviewed:



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