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Meeting Minutes - Final

ABAG Executive Board

President, Jesse Arreguin, Mayor, City of Berkeley
Vice President, Belia Ramos, Supervisor, County of Napa
Immediate Past President, David Rabbitt, Supervisor, County of Sonoma

Thursday, February 20, 2020

7:00 PM

Board Room - 1st Floor

Association of Bay Area Governments Executive Board Special Meeting No. 444

The ABAG Executive Board may act on any item on the agenda.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 7:00 p.m.

Agenda, roster and webcast available at <https://abag.ca.gov>

For information, contact Clerk of the Board at (415) 820-7913.

Roster

Candace Andersen, Jesse Arreguin, London Breed, Cindy Chavez, Christopher Clark, David Cortese, Lan Diep, Pat Eklund, Maya Esparza, Nikki Fortunato Bas, Richard Garbarino, Leon Garcia, Liz Gibbons, Lynette Gibson McElhaney, Scott Haggerty, Barbara Halliday, Matt Haney, Erin Hannigan, David Hudson, Wayne Lee, Jake Mackenzie, Rafael Mandelman, Gordon Mar, Nathan Miley, Karen Mitchoff, Raul Peralez, Julie Pierce, Dave Pine, David Rabbitt, John Rahaim, Belia Ramos, Dennis Rodoni, Warren Slocum, Loren Taylor, Lori Wilson.
William Kissinger (Non-voting).

1. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance / Roll Call / Confirm Quorum

President Arreguin called the meeting to order at about 7:02 p.m. Quorum was present.

Present: 18 - Arreguin, Chan, Chan, Chavez, Clark, Eklund, Esparza, Garcia, Gibbons, Haggerty, Halliday, Hudson, Lee, Mitchoff, Pierce, Rabbitt, Rodgers, and Rodoni

Absent: 14 - Bas, Cortese, Diep, Garbarino, Gibson McElhaney, Hannigan, Mackenzie, Mandelman, Mar, Miley, Peralez, Pine, Taylor, and Wilson L

2. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

3 Executive Board Announcements

The following made announcements: Julie Pierce.

4. President's Report

- 4.a. [20-0338](#) Report on Joint MTC Commission and ABAG Executive Committee Workshop on January 31, 2020
President Arreguin gave the report.
- 4.b. [20-0339](#) Report on ABAG General Assembly Business Meeting of February 7, 2020
President Arreguin gave the report.
- 4.c. [20-0340](#) Report on ABAG Administrative Committee Meeting of February 14, 2020
President Arreguin gave the report.

Upon the motion by Lee and second by Halliday, the ABAG Administrative Committee, Joint MTC Commission and ABAG Executive Board, and ABAG General Assembly Business Meeting reports were approved. The motion passed unanimously by the following vote:

Aye: 19 - Andersen, Arreguin, Canepa, Chan, Chavez, Clark, Eklund, Esparza, Garcia, Gibbons, Haggerty, Halliday, Hudson, Lee, Mitchoff, Pierce, Rabbitt, Rodgers, and Rodoni

Absent: 15 - Bas, Cortese, Diep, Garbarino, Gibson McElhaney, Hannigan, Mackenzie, Mandelman, Mar, Miley, Peralez, Pine, Ramos, Taylor, and Wilson L

5. Executive Director's Report

Lynette Gibson McElhaney joined the meeting.

- 5.a. [20-0350](#) Executive Director's Report
Therese McMillan gave the report.

6. Executive Board Consent Calendar

Upon the motion by Lee and second by Rabbitt, the Consent Calendar, with the following correction: appointment of Belia Ramos, Supervisor, County of Napa, replacing David Rabbitt, Supervisor, County of Sonoma, and Rich Garbarino, Mayor, City of South San Francisco, replacing Warren Slocum, Supervisor, County of San Mateo, on the Joint ABAG MTC Governance Committee, was approved. The motion passed unanimously by the following vote:

Aye: 20 - Andersen, Arreguin, Canepa, Chan, Chavez, Clark, Eklund, Esparza, Garcia, Gibbons, Gibson McElhaney, Haggerty, Halliday, Hudson, Lee, Mitchoff, Pierce, Rabbitt, Rodgers, and Rodoni

Absent: 14 - Bas, Cortese, Diep, Garbarino, Hannigan, Mackenzie, Mandelman, Mar, Miley, Peralez, Pine, Ramos, Taylor, and Wilson L

- 6.a. [20-0341](#) Ratification of Appointment to the Joint ABAG MTC Governance Committee

- 6.b. [20-0342](#) Authorization to enter into an agreement with the City of Richmond under the Bay Trail Grant Program in the amount of \$130,000 for the Goodrick Avenue Bay Trail Construction Project
- 6.c. [20-0343](#) Authorization to enter into an agreement with Contra Costa County under the Bay Trail Grant Program in the amount of \$133,387.23 for the Carquinez Strait Scenic Loop Trail Project
- 6.d. [20-0344](#) Authorization to extend an agreement with the California State Coastal Conservancy in an amount up to \$500,000 for the Palo Alto Horizontal Levee Pilot Project to a completion date of December 31, 2022
- 6.e. [20-0345](#) Authorization to amend contracts with San Mateo Resource Conservation District and Marin Municipal Water District under Integrated Regional Water Management Grant Round 3 to Reallocate San Francisco Estuary Partnership (SFEP) Grant Administrative Funds in the amount of \$702,500 to Projects 7 in the amount of \$352,500 and 10 in the amount of \$350,000 for Additional Work
- 6.f. [20-0346](#) Authorization to enter into an Agreement with the City of Palo Alto to receive funds in an amount up to \$150,000 for the Palo Alto Horizontal Levee Pilot Project
- 6.g. [20-0362](#) Ratification of Appointments to Committees

7. ABAG Legislation Committee

Gordon Mar and Rafael Mandelman joined the meeting.

- 7.a. [20-0361](#) SB 278 (Beall): Advocacy Principles
- Rebecca Long gave the report.

The following gave public comment: Stuart Cohen, Justine Marcus.

Upon the motion by Mitchoff and second by Hudson, the ABAG Executive Board approved the recommended SB 278 (Beall) Advocacy Principles detailed in the Summary Sheet for the February 14, 2020 Joint ABAG Legislation Committee and MTC Legislation Committee meeting (Agenda Item 8.b.) and requested that staff communicate the additional concerns bulleted on the summary sheet for agenda Item 7.a. of the February 20, 2020 Executive Board meeting with the following changes added to the advocacy principles: Consider revenue sources other than the sales tax (a modification of the first bullet on the main summary sheet); Prioritize equity in the development of the legislation (highlighting this as a top concern); Ensure that decision-making regarding the expenditure of housing funds follow the process outlined in AB 1487 (Chiu, 2019) where the ABAG Executive Board acts before the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and must ratify any changes adopted by MTC.

Aye: 22 - Andersen, Arreguin, Canepa, Chan, Chavez, Clark, Eklund, Esparza, Garcia, Gibbons, Gibson McElhaney, Haggerty, Halliday, Hudson, Lee, Mandelman, Mar, Mitchoff, Pierce, Rabbitt, Rodgers, and Rodoni

Absent: 12 - Bas, Cortese, Diep, Garbarino, Hannigan, Mackenzie, Miley, Peralez, Pine, Ramos, Taylor, and Wilson L

7.b. [20-0359](#) Senate Bill 795 (Beall): Affordable Housing and Community Development Investment Program

SB 795 is a reintroduction of SB 5 (Beall), which MTC and ABAG supported last year, but which was ultimately vetoed by the Governor due to concerns about its impact on the General Fund. The bill would establish a new mechanism to use local property tax revenue for affordable housing, infrastructure and climate change mitigation, among other purposes.

Rebecca Long gave the report.

Upon the motion by Eklund and second by Garcia, the ABAG Executive Board approved a support position on SB 795 (Beall). The motion passed unanimously by the following vote:

Aye: 22 - Andersen, Arreguin, Canepa, Chan, Chavez, Clark, Eklund, Esparza, Garcia, Gibbons, Gibson McElhaney, Haggerty, Halliday, Hudson, Lee, Mandelman, Mar, Mitchoff, Pierce, Rabbitt, Rodgers, and Rodoni

Absent: 12 - Bas, Cortese, Diep, Garbarino, Hannigan, Mackenzie, Miley, Peralez, Pine, Ramos, Taylor, and Wilson L

8. Plan Bay Area 2050

8.a. [20-0347](#) Adoption of ABAG Resolution No. 02-2020 and ABAG Resolution No. 03-2020: Plan Bay Area 2050: Draft Blueprint Growth Geographies

Approval of proposed Growth Geographies for integration into the Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint, including existing and new locally nominated Priority Development Areas (PDAs), Priority Production Areas (PPAs), and Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs), as well as select Transit-Rich and High-Resource Areas outside PDAs.

Mark Shorett and Dave Vautin gave the report.

The following gave public comment: Aaron Eckhouse, Rodney Nickens, Jordan Grimes, Jeremy Linden, Joel Medina, Robert Fruchtmann, Justine Marcus.

Upon the motion by Hudson and second by Chavez, the ABAG Executive Board adopted Resolution No. 02-2020. The motion passed unanimously by the following vote:

Aye: 19 - Andersen, Arreguin, Chan, Chavez, Clark, Eklund, Esparza, Garcia, Gibbons, Gibson McElhaney, Hudson, Lee, Mandelman, Mar, Mitchoff, Pierce, Rabbitt, Rodgers, and Rodoni

Absent: 15 - Bas, Canepa, Cortese, Diep, Garbarino, Haggerty, Halliday, Hannigan, Mackenzie, Miley, Peralez, Pine, Ramos, Taylor, and Wilson L

Upon the motion by Hudson and second by Garcia, the ABAG Executive Board adopted Resolution No. 03-2020. The motion passed unanimously by the following vote:

Aye: 17 - Andersen, Arreguin, Chan, Chavez, Clark, Esparza, Garcia, Gibbons, Gibson McElhaney, Hudson, Lee, Mandelman, Mar, Mitchoff, Pierce, Rabbitt, and Rodgers

Nay: 2 - Eklund, and Rodoni

Absent: 15 - Bas, Canepa, Cortese, Diep, Garbarino, Haggerty, Halliday, Hannigan, Mackenzie, Miley, Peralez, Pine, Ramos, Taylor, and Wilson L

8.b. [20-0348](#) Approval of Plan Bay Area 2050: Draft Blueprint - Strategies

Approval of proposed strategies for integration into the Plan Bay Area 2050 Draft Blueprint, which will be analyzed further this winter with findings to be released in spring 2020 for further public feedback and policymaker refinement.

Dave Vautin gave the report.

The following gave public comment: Rodney Nickens, Justine Marcus.

Upon the motion by Mitchoff and second by Hudson, the ABAG Executive Board approved the Plan Bay Area 2050: Draft Blueprint - Strategies. The motion passed unanimously by the following vote:

Aye: 19 - Andersen, Arreguin, Chan, Chavez, Clark, Eklund, Esparza, Garcia, Gibbons, Gibson McElhaney, Hudson, Lee, Mandelman, Mar, Mitchoff, Pierce, Rabbitt, Rodgers, and Rodoni

Absent: 15 - Bas, Canepa, Cortese, Diep, Garbarino, Haggerty, Halliday, Hannigan, Mackenzie, Miley, Peralez, Pine, Ramos, Taylor, and Wilson L

9. ABAG MTC Governance

9.a. [20-0349](#) Report on ABAG MTC Governance

Therese McMillan gave the report.

The following gave public comment: Jordan Grimes.

10. Adjournment / Next Meeting

President Arreguin adjourned the meeting at about 11:09 p.m. The next regular meeting of the ABAG Executive Board is on May 21, 2020.