



JOINT MEETING OF THE
CONTRA COSTA MAYORS CONFERENCE &
CONTRA COSTA CITY SELECTION COMMITTEE

Thursday, June 6, 2019

Hosted by the Town of Moraga

Moraga Country Club, 1600 St. Andrews Dr., Moraga, CA

6:30 P.M. BUSINESS MEETING

This meeting will not have a featured speaker.

Followed by a buffet dinner on site. (Vegetarian entrée will be available)

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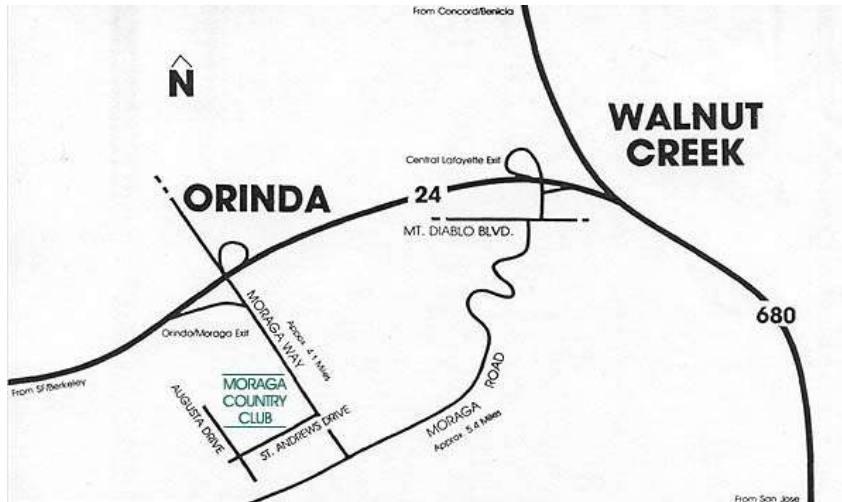
Please RSVP to: Mary-Jane Muller: mjmuller@moraga.ca.us (preferred) or
(925) 888-7022

RESERVATION DEADLINE: NOON, Thursday, May 30, 2019

Dinner Reservations: Two dinners are prepaid for each City. Please RSVP with the names and titles of all attendees. Others interested in having dinner should call or e-mail the Town of Moraga as noted above, and pay for their dinners at the door or mail payment (preferred) to Town of Moraga, 329 Rheem Blvd., Moraga, CA 94556. Attn: Mary-Jane Muller.

Individuals will be billed for reservations made but not cancelled by the deadline. Dinner Cost: \$55.00

Moraga Country Club Directions



From Benicia / Concord:

680 South to 24 West Exit Central Lafayette/ Moraga / Mount Diablo Blvd. Turn Right on First Street then Right on Mount Diablo Blvd. 1 block up turn Left onto Moraga Road. Follow up and over hill to Moraga Way about 6 miles. Turn Right onto Moraga Way. (look for Jack in the Box) Turn Left at second light onto St. Andrews Drive. Clubhouse is one block up on the right.

From Danville:

680 North to 24 West Exit Central Lafayette / Moraga / Mount Diablo Blvd. Turn Right on First Street then Right on Mount Diablo Blvd. 1 block up turn Left onto Moraga Road. Follow up and over hill to Moraga Way about 6 miles. Turn Right onto Moraga Way. (look for Jack in the Box) Turn Left at second light onto St. Andrews Drive. Clubhouse is one block up on the right.

From SF / Oakland:

24 East through Caldecott Tunnel Exit Orinda / Moraga at end of exit Merge Right onto Moraga Way. Follow for five (5) miles (past Miramonte High School) look for Golf Course on your right. Turn Right at St. Andrews Drive Clubhouse is up one block on the right.



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Call Mayors Conference (Conference) and Contra Costa City Selection Committee (CSC) to order, affirm pledge of allegiance, & conduct roll

call. (Note: For CSC roll call, Mayors or representatives authorized to act on behalf of mayors, such as mayors pro tempore, and vice mayors, or a council member authorized by the city council to act in lieu of a mayor are qualified to vote as members of the CSC. A quorum of the CSC shall consist of at least 50% of the mayors or the authorized elected representatives of mayors of cities in the county. Hence, a CSC quorum will be at least ten mayors or mayor representatives.)

City Selection Committee Items.

1. Approval of minutes: of the May 2, 2019 City Selection Committee meeting in Lafayette (attached):

Action: Move to approve the minutes of the Contra Costa City Selection Committee meeting May 2, 2019.

2. Appointment of a representative to represent Contra Costa cities on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Board. The current term of office of Orinda Council Member Amy Worth representing Contra Costa cities on the Board of the MTC expires in 2019. Member Worth is eligible for reappointment.

According to MTC enabling legislation: “Commissioners shall be selected for their special familiarity with the problems and issues in the field of transportation.” **The appointment may be any elected or appointed city official or a member of the general public whom the cities of Contra Costa wish to have representing them.**

At this time we have two active nominations in hand. There was a third nomination at the time of the May meeting. This individual has withdrawn from consideration because of new responsibilities with her city council role. We now have active nominations from Amy Worth and Ken Bukowski (letters of nomination attached below).

Recommended Action: Allow each of the two candidates for this appointment to make remarks in support of their nomination and then hold an election to select a person to represent Contra Costa cities as a commissioner on the MTC Board.

Conference Items

3. Approval of Minutes: of the May 2, 2019 Mayors Conference Meeting in Lafayette (attached):

Action: Move to approve the May 2, 2019 Mayors Conference minutes.

4. Conference and CSC Appointee Reports: This item is the time when city representatives to area-wide boards, commissions, and agencies may report on relevant activities of the agency to which they are appointed.

5. Chair Announcements:

6. Mayor Announcements:

7. State and Federal Legislator Updates:

8. County Supervisor Announcements:

9. League of California Cities Update: Samantha “Sam” Caygill, East Bay Division Public Affairs Manager.

10. Public Comments: Members of the public are advised that public comments should be confined to items not on the agenda and should be limited to **no more than 2 minutes in length. Also, no more than one speaker from any organization should address the mayors on the same evening.**

11. Welcome to Moraga by Mayor Roger Wykle.

12. Adjourn Conference and CSC meetings to July 11, 2018 meeting in Pleasant Hill.

Deadline for July agenda is 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 26, 2019.

Brown Act Reminder: The Contra Costa Mayors Conference and City Selection Committee have a policy of complying with the letter and spirit of open meeting laws. Generally, off-agenda items may be taken up only if:

- 1. Two-thirds of voting members find a need for immediate action exists and the need to take action came to the attention of the respective body after the agenda was prepared (Note: If fewer than two-thirds of members are present, taking up an off-agenda item requires a unanimous vote); or*
- 2. A majority of the body finds an emergency (for example: work stoppage or disaster) exists.*

A majority of any city council may not, consistent with the Brown Act, discuss specific substantive issues among themselves at Conference meetings. Any such discussion is subject to the Brown Act and must occur in a City Council meeting that complies with Brown Act requirements.

UPCOMING 2019 MEETINGS

June 6 – Moraga,

July 11 – Pleasant Hill (One week late because of July 4 holiday)

August 1 – Brentwood,

September 5 – San Pablo,

October 3 – Antioch,

November 7 – El Cerrito,

December 5 – Martinez.

DRAFT MINUTES

JOINT MEETING OF
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Thursday, MAY 2, 2019

Hosted by the City of Lafayette

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Laura Hoffmeister called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

ROLL CALL OF CITY DELEGATES:

Antioch: Mayor Sean Wright
Brentwood: Mayor Bob Taylor
Clayton: Mayor Tuija Catalano
Concord: Mayor Carlyn Obringer
Danville: Mayor Robert Storer
El Cerrito: Mayor Rochelle Pardue-Okimoto
Hercules: Mayor Dan Romero
Lafayette: Vice Mayor Mike Anderson
Martinez: Mayor Rob Schroder
Moraga: Mayor Roger Wykle
Oakley: Absent
Orinda: Council Member Amy Worth
Pinole: Mayor Peter Murray
Pittsburg: Mayor Juan Antonio Banales
Pleasant Hill: Vice Mayor Matthew Rinn
Richmond: Mayor Tom Butt
San Pablo: Council Member Elizabeth Pabon-Alvarado
San Ramon: Vice Mayor Scott Perkins
Walnut Creek: Mayor Cindy Silva

Chair: Council Member Laura Hoffmeister

The above delegates represented a quorum for both the Conference and the City Selection Committee (CSC).

1. Program: Presentation by Dawn Weisz, CEO of MCE.

CITY SELECTION COMMITTEE ITEMS

2. Chair Cindy Silva called the meeting of the CSC to order.

3. **Approval of minutes:** of the April 4, 2019 City Selection Committee meeting in Oakley.

Action: Motion to approve the April 4 City Selection Committee Minutes passed unanimously.

4. **Announcement of continued application period for CSC appointment of a representative to represent Contra Costa cities on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Board.** The current term of office of Orinda Council Member Amy Worth representing Contra Costa cities on the Board of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission expires in 2019. To ensure adequate time and appropriate notice for interested parties to apply for this position, the City Selection Committee is extending the deadline for nominees for a new, four-year, term of office ending February 9, 2023 and will make an appointment at the June 6, 2019 CSC meeting. Council Member Worth is eligible for reappointment.

According to MTC enabling legislation: “Commissioners shall be selected for their special familiarity with the problems and issues in the field of transportation.” **The appointment may be any elected or appointed city official or a member of the general public whom the cities of Contra Costa wish to have representing them.**

Any person interested in serving in this position should submit a letter of nomination to the Executive Director at: gjpokorn@lmi.net no later than 5 p.m., Wednesday, May 22, 2019. **At this time we have three nominations in hand that will be carried over to the June meeting. These 3 individuals need not reapply. Others interested in being considered for the appointment should apply by the May 22 agenda deadline.**

5. **CSC Appointments to the Contra Costa Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO).**

The Current terms of office of member Rob Schroder and alternate member Sean Wright representing cities on LAFCO will end in May 2019. The term of office for Richmond Mayor Tom Butt does not end until May of 2020 although re-appointing him to his current term ensures that there will not be any technical basis for a challenge to his incumbency. The CSC needs to make appointments to terms of office on LAFCO for each of these persons.

We received nominations from Rob Schroder, Sean Wright, and Tom Butt for reappointment to their respective terms on LAFCO. No other nominations were received.

Action: Motion to apply CSC rule and appoint Rob Schroder to a term of office ending May 4, 2023 on Contra Costa LAFCO, to appoint Sean Wright to a term as a LAFCO alternate member ending May 4, 2023, and to re-appoint Tom Butt as a Contra Costa LAFCO member for a term ending May 4, 2020 passed unanimously.

CONFERENCE ITEMS

6. Approval of Minutes: Of the April 4, 2019 Mayors Conference Meeting in Oakley.

Action: Motion to Approve April 4, 2019 Conference minutes passed unanimously.

7. Adoption of a Policy Framework on Emerging Housing Legislation and a Policy Position on AB 1487 (Chiu) establishing an Alliance for Bay Area Housing:

The Contra Costa Public Managers Association (PMA) forwarded a summary of three documents related to emerging housing legislation with recommendations for consideration of: 1) A framework position on housing legislation for adoption by the Mayors Conference, 2) a summary and recommended policy position on AB 1487 for adoption by the Conference, and 3) a recommended draft resolution forwarded for consideration by each city/town council in Contra Costa County.

After a presentation by Joe Calabrigo on behalf of the PMA, and thorough discussion, **Item # 1, the Policy Framework** was adopted substantially as presented.

Action: Motion to adopt the recommended Policy Framework for Emerging Housing Legislation as prepared by the PMA was approved unanimously. The Framework is to be used by each City and the League of Cities to guide deliberations on the various housing bills introduced in the 2019 Legislature.

Item # 2, the discussion with regard to AB 1487 was lengthy and spirited. Key issues were whether to state that the Conference representing all 19 cities in our county was in support of the measure with amendments, or was in opposition to the measure as drafted and unwilling to support unless redrafted or changed substantially; whether an area housing finance agency should be created and, if so, how members should be chosen; whether and how finance resources, if any, should be related to Regional Housing Allocation numbers; and whether any such housing or housing finance agency should apply to all areas, i.e. no “carve outs.” After much discussion and additional input from Senator Steve Glazer and Assemblywoman Rebecca Bauer-Kahan, the following motions were offered:

1) A motion to state that the Mayors Conference opposes AB 1487 unless significantly amended and that the drafting of specific language to incorporate concerns be delegated to the Conference Executive Committee.

2) After additional discussion a Substitute Motion to forward substantially the language originally drafted by the PMA “in support of AB 1487 if amended” was made and seconded.

After further discussion, the vote on the Substitute Motion was defeated as follows:

Nays: (10) Brentwood, Concord, El Cerrito, Lafayette, Moraga, Orinda, Pinole, Pittsburg, Richmond, and San Ramon.

Ayes: (8) Antioch, Clayton, Danville, Hercules, Martinez, Pleasant Hill, San Pablo, & Walnut Creek.

Following some clarification of the original motion, a **motion to oppose AB 1487 in its current form and to delegate final drafting of the letter of opposition to the Executive Committee of the Conference was supported unanimously.** (A copy of the final letter as sent to various State Legislators and the League of California Cities is attached.)

Action # 3: A motion to recommend the draft local resolution as prepared by the PMA to each of the 19 cities and towns in the county as well as to the Contra Costa Board of Supervisors, with a recommendation for adoption by each local agency, was adopted unanimously.

8. Appointments to the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) Board of Directors.

The current terms of office of members Dave Hudson and Julie Pierce and of first alternate member Tom Butt and second alternate member Roy Swearingen on the ABAG Board will end in June 2019. The Mayors Conference needs to make appointments to all of these positions for new two-year terms ending in June 2021. All of the incumbents are eligible to serve new terms. We received letters of nomination from Dave Hudson, Julie Pierce, and Tom Butt. Pinole Council Member Roy Swearingen has opted not to apply for reappointment as his term of city office in Pinole will be ended by local mandatory term limit prior to the end of the ABAG term.

Motion to apply Conference Rule and appoint Dave Hudson and Julie Pierce to the ABAG Board and to appoint Tom Butt to the first alternate position on the ABAG Board, all for terms of office ending June 30, 2021, representing Contra Costa cities passed unanimously.

Motion to appoint Kevin Wilk, who volunteered to serve in the second alternate position on the ABAG Board for a term of office ending June 30, 2021, passed unanimously.

9. Appointments to the East Bay Economic Development Alliance Executive Committee (EBEDAEC)

The current terms of office of members Laura Hoffmeister, Concord; Chris Kelley, Hercules; and of alternate member Newell Americh, Danville, on the EBEDAEC will end in June, 2019. The Mayors Conference needs to make appointments to all of these

positions for new two-year terms ending in June 2021. **Appointments need to be from cities that are members of the EBEDA.** All of the incumbents are eligible to serve new terms. We received a letter of nomination from Chris Kelley for one of the member positions. We did not receive any other nominations by the deadline.

Motion to Apply Conference Rule and appoint Chris Kelley to a term of office ending June 30 2021 on the EBEDAEC passed unanimously.

Teresa Gerringer and Carlyn Obringer were both nominated for the member position. Teresa Gerringer then withdrew and volunteered to serve in the alternate position.

Motion to appoint Carlyn Obringer to the member position and Theresa Gerringer to the Alternate position on the EBEDAEC for terms ending June 30, 2021 passed unanimously.

10. **Conference and CSC Appointee Reports:** Julie Pierce thanked the Conference members for their support for ABAG in the ongoing legislative process. She noted the ABAG General Assembly meeting in Oakland June 6 and emphasized the need for attendance by a quorum of cities. Dave Hudson, Air Board, noted that he would be attending an international conference on electric vehicles in Portland at his own expense. Newell Arnerich reported that CCTA is undertaking survey research on possible measures for the March 2020 ballot. Carlyn Obringer noted that the East Bay Parks District is conducting staff training on integrated pest management and indicated that the District has a limited number of spaces in these classes for city staff if there is interest in this topic.

11. **Chair Announcements:** Chair Hoffmeister noted that the Executive Committee would be meeting before the June meeting.

12. **Mayor Announcements:** Mayor Rob Schroder introduced Eric Figueroa as the new Martinez city manager.

13. **State and Federal Legislative Updates:** Assemblywoman Rebecca Bauer-Kahan thanked the mayors and city managers for their thoughtful work on the housing issue. She noted bills on contract procurement and illegal waste disposal that she has introduced. Senator Steve Glazer likewise commended the Conference for diligent work on the housing issue, noting that the various positions will make a difference in Sacramento. He noted he is partnering with the League of Cities on a point-of-sale sales tax reform bill and that he is also working on a bill to speed the environmental review process on housing projects that otherwise meet local land use requirements.

14. **County Supervisor Announcements:** Supervisor Candace Andersen welcomed all to District 2, and noted that fire safety is a key County issue, that a County General Plan update is underway and that the issue of mental health care in County jails is a major concern. Staff from Congressman DeSaulnier's office announced several meetings.

15. **League of California Cities Update:** Samantha “Sam” Caygill, East Bay Division Public Affairs Manager noted the April 24 League Legislative Day was successful and that the bocce tournament was won by Pleasanton. She thanked the Conference mayors for the valuable discussion on housing legislation positions.

16. **Public Comments:** Michael Harris urged the Conference to work to keep meetings shorter. Tina Neuhausel of Sustainable Contra Costa shared information about the upcoming Leadership in Sustainability Awards.

17. **Welcome to Lafayette by Mayor Mike Anderson.** Mayor Anderson welcomed all to Lafayette and introduced current and former council members, mayors, and city staff.

18. **Chair Hoffmeister adjourned the meeting to June 6 in Moraga in memory and honor of Leonard McNeal longtime public servant in San Pablo and West County, and in memory and honor of Ellen Tauscher, East Bay Congresswoman, both of whom passed away recently.**

Deadline for June agenda is 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 22, 2019.

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January 20, 2019

Dear Contra Costa Mayors,

I have been honored to serve as your representative on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, and am writing to seek reappointment as the Contra Costa Mayors Conference Representative to MTC for the coming term.

These last several years have been busy for MTC and I have worked hard, along with Contra Costa County Supervisor Federal Glover and ABAG President Julie Pierce, to represent the Cities of Contra Costa and to fulfill our transportation priorities in the regional arena. Contra Costa residents have among the longest commutes in the Bay Area and transportation is a key element to improving the quality of life in Contra Costa.

During these last four years we have advocated for Contra Costa's fair share of transportation funding in SB1 as well as RM3. The close working relationship between the Contra Costa Transportation Authority and MTC has been strengthened and we have been able to secure regional funding for important investments, such as the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge, the Highway 4/680 Interchange, E-BART, Highway 680 express lanes, Highway 80 HOV lanes and performance improvements and the Richmond Ferry, along with critical investments in our regional bike and pedestrian network. We have also been able to increase the funds available to local cities for local planning efforts and streets, roads and bike/pedestrian investments.

Since the passage of SB 375, MTC has played an increasing role in housing as well as transportation in developing our region's long-term transportation and housing plan. As we work together both regionally and in Sacramento, it is imperative that cities have a significant voice in setting these priorities, and I continue to be a fierce advocate for preserving local land use control.

Having served as MTC Chair has provided me with the ability to work closely with fellow MTC Commissioners and Contra Costa Cities to advance important local projects, as well as to ensure that regional transportation and housing investment plans are aligned with Contra Costa's priorities. There is still much to be done as we plan for future transportation and housing investment and seek funds to accomplish those goals. I am eager to continue to work as your representative to give voice to the priorities of the Cities of Contra Costa County.

I thank you very much for your consideration for my re-appointment as the Mayors Conference Representative to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission.

Sincerely,

Amy Worth

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Application to Represent Contra Costa County Cities
on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission

(submitted by e-mail through Executive Director Gary Pokorny:
gjpokorn@lmi.net)

April 17, 2019

To the Contra Costa County City Selection Committee:

After 24 years service as a Mayor and City Councilmember with in-depth experience of the functioning of MTC, I offer my candidacy to serve as the representative of the Contra Costa Cities to MTC. My resume is attached.

There are highly contentious legislative proposals being promoted now by MTC staff, which are intended to interfere with the ability of cities to govern themselves. MTC Commissioners, including the two from Contra Costa County, have generally been silent as the CASA program that has been pushed forward by staff. I submit this application because I believe your Committee is otherwise unlikely to find a candidate with the requisite experience in transportation that is passionate about standing up for cities.

In addition to CASA, MTC executed a hostile takeover of ABAG that began four years ago. As a result, ABAG Board members no longer control ABAG staff, and have no Executive Director or General Counsel to protect cities' interests in the face of MTC aggression. I would like to work with Mayors to prevent MTC from bankrupting ABAG. This is a critically important issue, because councils of government, like ABAG, are given control over transportation funding everywhere in the U.S., except in the case of MTC. COGs are far more representative of their constituents than is MTC.

I was the Emeryville representative to the League of California cities for 24 years. I served 15 years on the League's Transportation, Public Works and Telecommunications committee. I worked aggressively on a statewide measure to stop Sacramento from taking local redevelopment money.

I have followed the MTC and ABAG very closely since 1989. Ever since I learned about the problems with the MTC, I have researched and advocated for what I believe the best solution would be for the San Francisco Bay Area. I also have a long history of distributing useful information to elected officials. My work in the late 1990s and early 2000s, along with the Contra Costa County Mayors'

Conference, was instrumental in preserving the Transbay Terminal at its present location. We successfully prevented former SF Mayor Willie Brown from selling off of the Transbay Terminal property for development, which would have irreparably harmed Transbay bus service.

My work, especially my Regional Video YouTube channel, helps decision makers and the public make more informed decisions. It offers a means for increased accountability. It provides an opportunity to capture important moments in history that may otherwise be lost. I am planning to establish live broadcasting to include a weekly broadcast of regional news and information to keep elected officials, public policy stakeholders and the general public better informed about transportation and housing issues. I will make a live broadcast available to any elected official who may want to get the word out about any subject relative to serving in public office. Through my Regional Video social media platform, I will be able to poll the audience and provide discussion on pending issues of importance.

There is a tremendous power struggle in the Bay Area now, which will determine whether cities are able to plan their own land. At the staff-dominated MTC, there is no one fighting for the cities. With 24 years of experience as a mayor and city councilmember and decades of involvement in regional transportation policy, I put myself forward as someone uniquely qualified to be a strong advocate for the cities. .

I would look forward to discussing how this housing crisis is being used as a real estate grab, and specifically how a handful of interested parties will profit by taking away our discretionary powers to negotiate. Once you lose the power to say No there are no other tools left to defend our interests. If the regulations are the same everywhere each city will lose its individual character. The people we serve will blame us for what is being imposed upon us. All respect will be lost. Developers will be negotiating with a new regional enterprise for money collected from our communities. As each new housing project is built with limited parking adjacent neighbors will feel the pain. Our quality of life will deteriorate. The wheels are already in motion to eliminate ABAG.. I find it so hard to believe any member of MTC could vote to eliminate funding for ABAG or vote to sign a Compact inimical to local governments. How can the ABAG board rely on MTC legal counsel to protect the local government interests the MTC Staff is trying to take away.? A new enterprise provides no ability to be organized. I want to reveal an idea for a regional transportation and land use convention where our region can become more organized. A way to adopt goals the regional agencies would have to follow. A structure for regional accountability is sorely needed. .I can't stop myself from coming forward at this crucial moment.with a positive solution worthy of your attention. As I approach the last useful years of my life I want to use what I have learned for our common benefit. I want to share what I have dreamed about for a long time. I would welcome the opportunity for an in depth interview and questioning to show you this is serious. We are dealing with a

sophisticated, well organized effort to take away something very sacred to all of us. If you select me to represent you, this is just a first step to bring our region together to protect our interests. Please give us a better opportunity to meet these challenges.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Ken Bukowski

KEN BUKOWSKI

Former Mayor and City Councilmember (24 years)
Founder, REGIONAL VIDEO

Attachment: resume (two pages)

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April 17, 2019

R E S U M E

- ◆ Founder of Emeryville Property Owners Association in 2012 and now work as a consultant for local government affairs.
- ◆ Part-time driver for Uber (well-acquainted with Contra Costa County and Bay Area street systems, including traffic patterns and pavement conditions).
- ◆ Former Board Member, Berkeley-Albany-Emeryville League of Women Voters (2018) and delegate at the LWV National Convention (June 2018). I plan to be a delegate to the LWV California State Convention this spring 2019.
- ◆ Served 24 years elected member of Emeryville City Council (1987-2011).
Re-elected seven times. Six one-year terms as Mayor. Also Redevelopment Agency Board Member (1987-2011).
- ◆ Served as City representative to the League of California Cities for 20 years.
Served on Transportation Public Works & Telecommunications Policy Committee (15 years).
- ◆ Worked at ABAG as consultant for 8 months to develop a profile project to encourage more awareness of ABAG with local elected officials. The project was interrupted when the ABAG attorney decided it was a conflict for council member to also work for ABAG.
- ◆ Instrumental in the creation of the Emery-Go-Round Shuttle Bus, a free bus service for Emeryville community funded by property owners (10-15 minute service intervals on all routes during commute hours). Regarded as a model pioneering transit program.
- ◆ Instrumental with the preservation of the Transbay Terminal at its present location, preventing a Willie Brown land grab orchestrated by MTC Staff & Caltrans.
- ◆ Wrote a municipal ballot measure in 1998 to preserve the option for passenger rail service on the Bay Bridge. It was overwhelmingly approved in the cities of San Francisco, Oakland, Berkeley and Emeryville on November 3, 1998.

- ◆ Served as board member of Alameda County Waste Management Authority Board for 17 years.
- ◆ Served on the founding board of the Alameda County lead poisoning and prevention program (a JPA between the cities of Oakland, Alameda, Berkeley and Emeryville).
- ◆ Founder of the Emeryville Chamber of Commerce in 1986. Served as its first executive director for 18 months (1986-1987).
- ◆ First white President of local N.A.A.C.P. Branch in California (1985-1986). Delegate at two National Conventions.
- ◆ Co-founder of the Emeryville Child Development Center. One of the first local public pre-kindergarten schools. Page 1 of 2

Ken Bukowski Resume (continued)

April 15, 2019

- ◆ Former State-Licensed Private Patrol operator (Security Guard Company).
- ◆ Former successful small business owner of two night clubs businesses in Emeryville (1977-1999). Managed staff of 75 employees.
- ◆ Former multi-unit property owner. Managed five rental units for 30 years
- ◆ Freelance videographer. Through my Regional Video YouTube channel, I volunteer my time to record public meetings and events (especially concerning transportation issues). I also compile public agency videos of interest and share with policymakers and the wider community (more than 1,700 videos posted since January 2014). I email video links to elected officials across the region and alert them to pressing local and regional policy matters that otherwise might escape their attention. My work helps decision makers do a better job, as evidenced by the inclusion of my materials about transportation and housing issues in city council meeting agenda packets across the region over the years. I do this volunteer work to keep me on top of the issues, but hope that my work has benefited you or someone you know.
- ◆ Transcribed two years of city council meetings as a public service.

Personal Comment: I am a hard-working, sincere individual who is dedicated to re-establishing the right of ABAG to control our regional transportation money and to maintaining local land use control. I know that is what made California a great place.

The Mayors of Contra Costa County's nineteen cities should recognize what we are dealing with at MTC. The MTC staff knows how to get everything they want. The Board members never question any of the decisions. They don't share any concerns.

We should consider the beginning of a journey to restore all the rights and privileges every other region enjoys. Every other major region in the country has its council of governments as its federally-designated metropolitan planning organization. ABAG is our region's council of governments. ABAG rightfully should be the Bay Area's federally designated MPO. I will seek to make this happen as ABAG could better represent the transportation interests of Contra Costa County's cities and people. It can't happen overnight. If we try, we can win. It's your decision.

Thank you for this opportunity to be considered for the MTC commissioner position.

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Dear Senator/Assembly Member,

Attached are two items approved by the mayors of the cities & towns in Contra Costa County at the Mayors Conference meeting on May 2, 2019. The Contra Costa Mayors Conference represents all 19 incorporated cities and towns of the region that contains 1.15 million residents.

The first is a Policy Framework on Housing Legislation that states our cities' position on any legislation that you may be considering in your deliberation on this important topic in the weeks and months ahead.

The second is a statement of our cities' opposition to AB 1487 (Chiu) unless substantial changes are made in that legislation as currently drafted.

Thank you for your attention to these matters and for your continued service to our shared constituents and to our state as we, together, work on this critical issue of housing.

Sincerely,

Laura Hoffmeister

Laura Hoffmeister, Chair Contra Costa Mayors Conference
Council Member, Concord

CC: Sam Caygill, East Bay Division Regional Public Affairs Manager,
League of California Cities
Joe Calabrigo, Town Manager, Danville
Gary Pokorny, Executive Director, Contra Costa Mayors Conference



DATE: May 7, 2019

TO: Contra Costa Legislative Delegation

FROM: Contra Costa Mayors Conference

RE: Policy Position on AB 1487 (Chiu) - Housing Alliance for the Bay Area
Housing Legislation

Consistent with the Contra Costa Mayors Conference policy framework on emerging housing legislation, this memorandum summarizes the recently amended Assembly Bill 1487 to establish the “Housing Alliance for the Bay Area,” a new regional housing agency for the 9-county San Francisco Bay Area.

SUMMARY

In response to a recommendation from the CASA Compact, AB 1487 would establish a new regional government entity to raise revenue (subject to applicable voter requirements) and allocate those funds for purposes of providing tenant protections, affordable housing preservation, and new affordable housing production. As proposed, this new entity would be composed of 18 voting members, nine (9) from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and nine (9) from the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG).

Subsequent to the State of California’s dissolution of redevelopment, there is a general recognition of the need for funding resources for affordable housing. In support of this need, new revenue sources are welcomed (though it should be noted that the current text of the bill does not ensure an equitable distribution of funds). Of concern is that the bill would establish a new regional bureaucracy without direct and equal representation by all cities in the Bay Area.

MAYORS CONFERENCE POSITION

The Contra Costa Mayors Conference ***strongly opposes*** AB 1487 unless the legislation is significantly amended, as follows:

1. **We strongly oppose** the creation of a new regional housing revenue bureaucracy with its own unique set of requirements.
2. **We support** using *existing local city/county housing agencies or authorities and these agencies existing locally- and directly-elected officials* who represent the diversity of cities in the Bay Area to serve as the revenue collection and distribution agency for any such additional funding. This would ensure direct accountability to the voters. Second-order appointments from existing regional entities would blur this accountability.
3. **We support** the establishment of adequate and appropriate funding sources for the protection and production of affordable housing that are consistent with the will of the voters, and we further support the ability for local agencies to apply for such funds directly.
4. **We support** establishing a correlation between the “fair share” housing (Regional Housing Needs Allocation or RHNA) assignment to each local jurisdiction and the level of funding allocated. In other words, a city with a lower RHNA assignment would receive less funding and a city with a higher assignment would receive proportionately more funding.

As the mayors of the 19 cities and towns in Contra Costa County, we are grateful for Assembly Member Chiu’s leadership on these important issues and look forward helping to ensure that any new housing legislation is established in a manner that helps – rather than hinders – the production of affordable housing in all areas of the 9-county Bay Area.



Policy Framework on Emerging Housing Legislation

The Contra Costa Mayors Conference (Conference) is an organization comprising the mayors of the nineteen cities of Contra Costa County acting in the interest of their cities. The Conference works collaboratively to share information, deliberate, and recommend positions on issues of regional and local significance.

As an association of local elected officials committed to serving the public, the Contra Costa mayors, with the support of Contra Costa city and county managers, has closely reviewed and discussed the implications of recent efforts at both the regional and state level to address the housing crisis, including the CASA Compact and numerous pieces of proposed State legislation on housing that have emerged. Based on this analysis and given the rapid rate in which housing legislation is moving through the State legislative process, the Contra Costa Mayors' Conference at their May 2, 2019 meeting adopting the following housing policy framework as a basis for ongoing advocacy work.

RECOMMENDATION

Position Statement: Contra Costa cities recognize and fully *endorse* the need for increased housing opportunities - especially for people earning below the area median income. While we appreciate its intent, the CASA Compact is a high-level document with only limited detail. Small and medium sized cities, representing 66% of the Bay Area population, were not well represented in its creation.

Given this situation, the Contra Costa Mayors Conference wants to ensure that their member cities' voices are heard as the details of legislation are being crafted and encourages MTC, ABAG, and the State Legislature to collaborate with all cities on all housing legislation so that we may collectively formulate feasible solutions to address the Bay Area's housing needs. Therefore, it is the consensus of the Contra Costa Mayors' Conference that:

Balanced Solutions – Housing, Jobs, and Transportation

5. **We support** solutions that take a balanced approach and consider the needs of housing, transportation/transit, and jobs *together* (never one at the expense of the others). Building housing without adequate transportation or other infrastructure would exacerbate - not alleviate - the affordable housing crisis.
6. **We support** policies that encourage a jobs-housing balance as a strategy to lower vehicle miles traveled (VMT) and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, and oppose policies that exacerbate it.
7. **We support** additional investments in transportation infrastructure and technology to expand the Bay Area transit network to provide connections from job centers to existing as well as planned future housing.
8. **We support** efforts to ensure that housing and jobs are equitably distributed across cities and counties (no exempt areas).

Provide, Promote, and Protect Affordability

9. **We support** every city's ability to establish tenant protections, as they deem appropriate for their residents.
10. **We support** incentives that will streamline the production of new accessory dwelling units (ADUs) while allowing local agencies to count ADUs - by right - as *very low, low, or moderate* units in the RHNA attainment reporting process.

Context Sensitive Housing

11. **We support** maintaining local control of land use and the entitlement process. We urge the State to recognize that cities control only the entitlement process and have no ability to produce housing, which is a developer- and market-driven process. Therefore, cities should be measured by the number of entitlements approved when calculating RHNA attainment and not be penalized for private sector failure to produce housing.
12. **We oppose** top-down or one-size-fits-all approaches to land-use decision-making, including those mandating residential densities, building heights, development intensity, and parking.

Infrastructure and Services

13. **We support** removing certain barriers to planning communities for all and ensuring that adequate resources are available for existing and new infrastructure (e.g., roads, schools, parks) and municipal services (e.g., public safety) to serve our growing population.
14. **We support** utilizing existing local housing authorities – which are more familiar with needs of their sub region - to serve as the governance structure that administers new affordable housing funds and monitors housing production, rather than establishing yet another state or regional agency to take on that role.

Funding and Resources

15. **We support** legislation that will return e-commerce/internet sales tax revenue to the point of sale – not the point of distribution as currently mandated – to provide cities that have a significant residential base with a commensurate fiscal stimulus for new housing.
16. **We support** Governor Newsom’s investments proposed in the State budget and other new State funding that will benefit California cities by including a substantial increase in State funding for affordable and workforce housing and that address the growing homelessness crisis in our state.
17. **We oppose** any diversion of existing revenue sources from cities.

The Contra Costa Mayors Conference is grateful for the State Legislature’s leadership on these difficult issues and looks forward to helping to ensure that new housing legislation is crafted in a manner that is compatible with - and supports the diversity of – all local communities. We invite State officials to partner with cities, small and large, to find solutions that address the housing shortage effectively and timely.

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