

**ASSOCIATION OF BAY
AREA GOVERNMENTS
Meeting Transcript**

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1 **ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS**
2 **GENERAL ASSEMBLY SPECIAL MEETING WEBINAR**
3 **FRIDAY, JUNE 25, 2021, 9:00 A.M.**
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5 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** GOOD MORNING EVERYONE. WELCOME TO THE ABAG
6 GENERAL ASSEMBLY. MY NAME IS JESSE ARREGUIN, THE PRESIDENT OF THE BAY
7 AREA'S ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD AND MAYOR OF BERKELEY. BEFORE WE
8 PROCEED ON THE REGIONAL PARTNERSHIPS WE NEED TO TAKE CARE OF SOME
9 PRINCIPAL MEASURES FOLLOWING THE WEBINAR AT 10:30 A.M. THERE WILL BE AN
10 ABAG GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING. I ASK ALL OF YOU TO ATTEND TO DISCUSS OUR
11 BUDGET ACTION WORK PLAN NEXT YEAR. DELEGATES ARE ASKED TO FOLLOW A
12 SEPARATE ZOOM PANELIST LINK FOR THE BUSINESS MEETING THAT WILL BE E-MAILED
13 TO YOU FROM THE ZOOM COORDINATOR. IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY ADDED THAT TO
14 YOUR CALENDARS CHECK YOUR INBOX. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY PARTICIPATE IN
15 THE MEETING BY FOLLOWING THE ZOOM ATTENDEE LINK LISTED ON THE BUSINESS
16 MEETING AGENDA POSTED ON THE ABAG WEB SITE AT MTC LEGISTAR. THE ATTENDEE
17 LINK IS ALSO AVAILABLE ON THE ABAG MEETING'S WEB PAGE. I WOULD LIKE TO NOW
18 CALL THIS WEBINAR MEETING OF THE ABAG GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ORDER AND ASK
19 STAFF TO PLAY THE COVID-19 MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT RECORDING. THANK YOU.
20 [RECORDED MEETING PROCEDURES ANNOUNCEMENT] DUE TO COVID-19 THIS MEETING
21 WILL BE CONDUCTED AS A ZOOM WEBINAR PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE
22 GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 WHICH SUSPENDS CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF
23 THE BROWN ACT. THIS MEETING IS BEING WEBCAST ON THE ABAG WEB SITE. THE
24 CHAIR WILL CALL UPON COMMISSIONERS, PRESENTERS, STAFF, AND OTHER SPEAKERS
25 BY NAME AND ASK THAT THEY SPEAK CLEARLY AND STATE THEIR NAMES BEFORE

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1 GIVING COMMENTS OR REMARKS. PERSONS PARTICIPATING VIA WEBCAST AND ZOOM
2 WITH THEIR CAMERAS ENABLED ARE REMINDED THAT THEIR ACTIVITIES ARE VISIBLE
3 TO VIEWERS. COMMISSIONERS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATING BY ZOOM
4 WISHING TO SPEAK SHOULD USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE, OR DIAL STAR NINE, AND
5 THE CHAIR WILL CALL UPON THEM AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME. TELECONFERENCE
6 ATTENDEES WILL BE CALLED UPON BY THE LAST FOUR DIGITS OF THEIR PHONE
7 NUMBER. IT IS REQUESTED THAT PUBLIC SPEAKERS STATE THEIR NAMES AND
8 ORGANIZATION, BUT PROVIDING SUCH INFORMATION IS VOLUNTARY. WRITTEN PUBLIC
9 COMMENTS RECEIVED AT INFO@BAYAREAMETRO.GOV BY 5:00 P.M. YESTERDAY WILL BE
10 POSTED TO THE ONLINE AGENDA AND ENTERED INTO THE RECORD BUT WILL NOT BE
11 READ OUT LOUD. IF AUTHORS OF THE WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WOULD LIKE TO
12 SPEAK, THEY ARE FREE TO DO SO. A ROLL CALL VOTE WILL BE TAKEN FOR ALL
13 ACTION ITEMS. PANELISTS AND ATTENDEES SHOULD NOTE THAT THE CHAT FEATURE
14 IS NOT ACTIVE.

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16 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WOULD THE ABAG CLERK OF
17 THE BOARD CONDUCT A ROLL CALL OF COUNTY DELEGATES TO CONFIRM A QUORUM.

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19 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** NATE MILEY IS ABSENT. KAREN MITCHOFF IS ABSENT.
20 STEPHANIE MOULTON PETERS IS ABSENT. RYAN GREGORY?

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22 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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24 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** THANK YOU. SHAMANN WALTON IS ABSENT. DAVID CANEPA IS
25 ABSENT. OTTO LEE?

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2 **OTTO LEE:** PRESENT.

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4 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** THANK YOU. JAMES SPERING IS ABSENT. SUSAN GORIN?

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6 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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8 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** QUORUM IS NOT PRESENT FOR THE COUNTY DELEGATES.

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10 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** WE DON'T NEED A QUORUM FOR THIS WEBINAR PORTION
11 OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AS WE'RE NOT TAKING ANY ACTIONS, BUT WE WILL
12 STILL CALL THE ROLL. DOESN'T NEED TO BE PRESENT LET'S TAKE ROLL FOR THE
13 CITY AND COUNTY DELEGATES FOR QUORUM.

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15 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** ALAMEDA COUNTY: MARILYN EZZY ASHCRAFT IS ABSENT. AARON
16 TIDEMANN?

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18 **SPEAKER:** HERE. JESSE ARREQUIN?

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20 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** HERE.

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22 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** SEAN KUMAGAI IS ABSENT. ALLY MEDINA OF EMERYVILLE IS
23 ABSENT.

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25 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** FRED, MAYOR ASHCRAFT IS HERE.

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2 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** ALLY MEDINA EMERYVILLE IS ABSENT. LILY MEI, FREMONT,
3 IS ABSENT. FRANCISCO ZERMENO, HAYWARD.

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5 **FRANCISCO ZERMENO:** PRESENT.

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7 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** TRISH MUNRO, LIVERMORE?

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9 **TRISH MUNRO:** PRESENT.

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11 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** MIKE BUCCI, NEWARK? ABSENT.

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13 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** JENNIFER CAVANAUGH, PIEDMONT?

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15 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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17 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** JULIA TESTA, PLEASANTON IS ABSENT. VICTOR AGUILAR, SAN
18 LEANDRO? IS ABSENT. CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI, UNION CITY? ABSENT. THESE ARE
19 CITIES IN CONTRA COSTA COUNTY. JOHNNY RODRIGUEZ, BRENTWOOD IS ABSENT. CARL
20 WOLFE, CLAYTON?

21

22 **SPEAKER:** I'M HERE.

23

24 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** THANK YOU, SIR. DOMINIC ALIANO, CONCORD IS ABSENT.
25 DAVE FONG, DANVILLE.

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2 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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4 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** JANET, EL CERRITO IS ABSENT. ALIX WALKER GRIFFIN,
5 HERCULES.

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7 **SPEAKER:** PRESENT.

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9 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** SUSAN CANDELL, LAFAYETTE? MARK ROSS, MARTINEZ? IS
10 ABSENT. STEVE WOEHLKE, MORAGA?

11

12 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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14 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** GEORGE FULLER, OAKLEY.

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16 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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18 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** MAUREEN TOMS, PINOLE?

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20 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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22 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** CRAFT, PITTSBURG IS ABSENT. TIMOTHY FLAHERTY, PLEASANT
23 HILL? IS ABSENT. TOM BUTT, RICHMOND? IS ABSENT. RITA XAVIER, SAN PABLO IS
24 ABSENT. DAVE HUDSON, SAN RAHMON?

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1 DAVID E. HUDSON: HERE.

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3 CLERK, FRED CASTRO: [INDISCERNIBLE] WALNUT CREEK?

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5 SPEAKER: HERE.

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7 CLERK, FRED CASTRO: CITIES IN MARIN COUNTY. NANCY KEMNITZER, BELVEDERE IS
8 ABSENT. CHANCE PETRANO, FAIRFAX.

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10 SPEAKER: PRESENT.

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12 CLERK, FRED CASTRO: CATHERINE WAY, LARKSPUR, IS ABSENT. TRICIA OSSA, MILL
13 VALLEY?

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15 SPEAKER: HERE.

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17 CLERK, FRED CASTRO: PAT EKLUND NOVATO?

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19 PAT ECKLUND: HERE.

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21 CLERK, FRED CASTRO: STEVE WILLIAM KIRCHER, ROSS? IS ABSENT. STEVE BURDO,
22 SAN ANSELMO IS ABSENT. ELI HILL, SAN RAFAEL?

23

24 SPEAKER: PRESENT.

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1 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** JILL HOFFMAN, SAUSALITO? ABSENT. JACK RYAN TIBURON?

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3 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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5 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** CITIES IN NAPA COUNTY: DAVID ORO, AMERICAN CANYON?

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7 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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9 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** CHRIS CANNING, CALLISTOGA? ABSENT. BERNIE NAVAEZ,

10 NAPA.

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12 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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14 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** PAUL DOHRING, ST. HELENA?

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16 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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18 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** KERRI DORMAN?

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20 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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22 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** CITIES AND COUNTIES SAN FRANCISCO IS VACANT. THESE

23 ARE CITIES IN SAN MATEO COUNTY. DIANE HAWKINS MANUELIAN? IS ABSENT. KAREN

24 CUNNINGHAM, BRISBANE IS ABSENT. MICHAEL BROWNRIGG, BURLINGAME.

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1 **SPEAKER:** HERE .

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3 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** JOANNA, ROSARIO COLMA IS ABSENT. LYNNE, DALY CITY IS
4 ABSENT. CARLOS ROMERO EAST PALO ALTO?

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6 **SPEAKER:** PRESENT .

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8 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:**

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10 **SPEAKER:** KRISTINE FOR HILLSBOROUGH IS HERE .

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12 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** SUE BECK MEYER PACIFICA IS ABSENT. CRAIG HUGHES,
13 PORTOLA VALLEY .

14

15 **SPEAKER:** HERE .

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17 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** DIANE REDDY, REDWOOD CITY IS ABSENT. MARTY MEDINA, SAN
18 BRUNO?

19

20 **SPEAKER:** HERE .

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22 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** JOHN DUGAN, SAN CARLOS IS ABSENT. RICK BONILLA SAN
23 MATEO?

24

25 **SPEAKER:** HERE .

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2 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** NED FLUET, WOODSIDE? IS ABSENT. THESE ARE CITIES IN
3 SANTA CLARA COUNTY. SERGIO LOPEZ CAMPBELL?

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5 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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7 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** DARCY PAUL, CUPERTINO?

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9 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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11 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** PETER LEROE MUNOZ, GILROY? IS ABSENT. NEYSA FLIGOR,
12 LOS ALTOS?

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14 **NEYSA FLIGOR:** HERE.

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16 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** MATTHEW HUGHES, LOS GATOS?

17

18 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

19

20 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** ANTHONY PHAM, MILPITAS? ABSENT. JAVED ELLAHIE, MONTE
21 SERENO? IS ABSENT. YVONNE MARTINEZ BELTRAN, MORGAN HILL? IS ABSENT. ELLEN
22 KAMEI, MOUNTAIN VIEW?

23

24 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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1 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** GREER STONE, PALO ALTO? ABSENT. SERGIO JIMINEZ, SAN
2 JOSE? ABSENT. KEVIN PARK, SANTA CLARA, ABSENT --

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4 **SPEAKER:** HERE. SORRY.

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6 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** THANK YOU. GOT YOU. YAN ZHAO, SARATOGA? ABSENT. LARRY
7 KLEIN, SUNNYVALE?

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9 **LARRY KLEIN:** PRESENT

10

11 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** CITIES IN SOLANO COUNTY. TREVOR MACENSKI, BENICIA?
12 ABSENT. JAMES ERNEST, DIXON? ABSENT. HARRY PRICE, FAIRFIELD? ABSENT. DEBRA
13 KING, RIO VISTA?

14

15 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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17 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** MICHAEL SEGALA, SUISUN CITY? ABSENT. JEANETTE WYLIE,
18 VACAVILLE?

19

20 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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22 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** ROBERT MCCONNELL, VALLEJO? ABSENT. CITIES SONOMA
23 COUNTY. MARTA CRUZ CONCEPTION, CLOVERDALE? ABSENT. SUSAN HARVEY COTATI?

24

25 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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2 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** LEAH GOLD, HEALDSBURG? ABSENT. DENNIS PASQUE,
3 PETALUMA?

4

5 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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7 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** SUSAN ADAMS, ROHNERT PARK? TED SCHWEDHELM, SANTA ROSA?
8 ABSENT. PATRICK SLATER, SEBASTOPOL ABSENT. AMY HARRINGTON, SONOMA? ABSENT.
9 SAM SALMON, WINDSOR? ABSENT. DID I MISS ANYBODY?

10

11 **DAVID HUDSON:** I'M NOT SURE. CAN YOU DO IT AGAIN? [LAUGHTER]

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13 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** IS SUE BECKMEYER A DELEGATE?

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15 **SPEAKER:** YES, FROM PACIFICA.

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17 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** LET'S MOVE SUE OVER. THANK YOU.

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19 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** WE HAVE 48 PRESENT. QUORUM IS NOT PRESENT.

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21 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** AS I MENTIONED BEFORE DOING THE ROLL CALL,
22 FRED, THANK YOU FOR DOING THAT. WE'LL HAVE TO DO SEVERAL DURING THE 10:30
23 A.M. BUSINESS MEETING. WE DON'T NEED A QUORUM TO PROCEED WITH THE WEBINAR,
24 THIS IS FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES; NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN. BUT I
25 UNDERSTAND PEOPLE WILL BE JOINING US THROUGHOUT THE MORNING. BUT LOOKING

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1 FORWARD TO HAVING OUR NEXT GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN PERSON, NEXT YEAR, AT THE
2 METRO CENTER. MAYOR HUDSON, DO YOU HAVE A COMMENT BEFORE WE PROCEED?

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4 **DAVID E. HUDSON:** FRED, OR BOTH OF YOU, HOW MANY MORE PEOPLE DO WE NEED IF
5 WE HAVE TO GET ON THE PHONE RIGHT NOW? I MEAN, IS IT 40 -- 51? OR?

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7 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** YES, FOR CITY DELEGATES, WE NEED 51 FOR A QUORUM.

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9 **DAVID E. HUDSON:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

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11 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU. SO LET'S NOW PROCEED TO ITEM TWO,
12 PUBLIC COMMENT. THIS IS AN INFORMATION ITEM, AND I'LL ASK IF THERE IS ANY
13 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC THAT WISHES TO GIVE PUBLIC COMMENT NOT ON ITEMS THIS
14 MORNING'S AGENDA? RAISE YOUR HAND. MR. CASTRO ANY PUBLIC COMMENTS?

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16 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND
17 RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED ON THIS ITEM.

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19 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THAT COMPLETES ITEM
20 TWO. WE'LL MOVE NOW TO ITEM THREE. AND GOOD MORNING ONCE AGAIN TO ABAG
21 GENERAL ASSEMBLY DELEGATES, FELLOW ELECTED OFFICIALS, STAFF, AND THE
22 PUBLIC. TODAY'S PROGRAM EXAMINES THE VALUE OF REGIONAL PARTNERSHIPS, AND I
23 JUST WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT 2021 IS THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING
24 OF THE ASSOCIATION AT BAY AREA GOVERNMENT. AND FOR THE PAST 60 YEARS WE
25 HAVE BROUGHT TOGETHER ELECTED OFFICIALS FROM THROUGHOUT THE REGION TO

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1 DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON ISSUES THAT ARE SIGNIFICANT. AND, YOU KNOW, WE
2 HAVE MADE GREAT PROGRESS ON SO MANY ISSUES WHETHER IT'S PROTECTING OUR BAY
3 AND OUR GREENLANDS, WHETHER IT'S PROMOTING SMART GROWTH AND AFFORDABLE
4 HOUSING, AND ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION, BUT WE KNOW THAT WE FACE MANY
5 CHALLENGES AS WE'RE COMING OUT OF THIS PANDEMIC. AND THE VALUE OF REGIONAL
6 PARTNERSHIPS IS REALLY KIND OF AT THE CORE OF WHAT ABAG STANDS FOR, AND
7 IT'S EMBODIED IN OUR WORK WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND WITH REGIONAL
8 AGENCIES AND OTHER PARTNERS. SO THIS SESSION IS TO COMPLEMENT OUR GENERAL
9 ASSEMBLY BUSINESS MEETING WHICH STARTS AT 10:30 A.M. ON A DIFFERENT ZOOM.
10 WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE HOUSING, LONG-TERM URGENT BAY AREA CONCERNING
11 FOCUS OF ABAG'S EFFORT THROUGHOUT ALL OUR 60 YEAR HISTORY. AS WE KNOW BY
12 STATE LAW, ABAG IS MANDATED TO CREATE A FORMULA FOR DISTRIBUTING HOUSING
13 NUMBERS TO THE BAY AREA BASED ON NUMBERS THAT ARE PROVIDED TO US BY THE
14 STATE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING DEVELOPMENT. KNOWN AS THE REGIONAL HOUSING
15 ALLOCATION, OR RHNA, AND THE STATE IS REQUIRING THAT ABAG REGIONAL
16 GOVERNMENTS DIVIDES 441,000 UNITS TO THE 101 CITIES AND TOWNS IN THE NINE
17 BAY AREA COUNTIES. THIS FORMULA WAS CREATED THROUGH AN EXTENSIVE TWO-YEAR
18 PUBLIC PROCESS WHICH INCLUDED HOUSING METHODOLOGY COMMITTEE COMPRISED OF
19 ELECTED OFFICIALS, INCLUDING DELEGATES HERE TODAY, CITY AND COUNTY STAFF
20 AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS. THE COMMITTEE BEGAN ITS MEETINGS IN THE FALL OF
21 2019. BEFORE WE GET INTO OUR PRESENTATION, I WANT TO PROVIDE AN OVERVIEW
22 OF THE RHNA APPEALS PROCESS. THIS IS AN ISSUE WHERE WE HAVE GOTTEN MANY
23 QUESTIONS ABOUT, AND WE'RE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE APPEALS PROCESS RIGHT NOW.
24 I'LL ASK IF TECH STAFF CAN PULL UP THE POWERPOINT PRESENTATION. THANK
25 YOU. OKAY. SO I WANT TO DISCUSS WHERE WE ARE WITH THE RHNA PROCESS. THE

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1 REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ALLOCATION PROCESS HAS NOW ENTERED ITS FINAL PHASE,
2 BUT AN IMPORTANT PHASE. THE APPEALS PHASE. AFTER APPROVAL OF THE FINAL
3 RHNA METHODOLOGY AND DRAFT ALLOCATIONS BY THE ABAG EXECUTIVE BOARD.
4 APPEALS CRITERIA AND TIME SPECIFIED IN STATE LAW. ANY BAY AREA
5 JURISDICTION OR STATE HCD CAN APPEAL THERE OR ANY OTHER BAY AREA
6 JURISDICTIONS DRAFT RHNA ALLOCATION, WHICH MEANS THAT A JURISDICTION CAN
7 APPEAL ITS OWN ALLOCATION, OR ANOTHER JURISDICTION'S ALLOCATION. A
8 JURISDICTION THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF AN APPEAL FILED BY ANOTHER JURISDICTION OR
9 BY THE STATE WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO CHALLENGE THE APPEAL AT AN
10 APPEAL PUBLIC HEARING. THE MAJOR STEPS IN THE APPEALS PROCESS ARE THAT
11 JURISDICTIONS AND THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
12 HAVE 45 DAYS TO SUBMIT AN APPEAL OF THE RHNA NUMBERS, AND THE DEADLINE IS
13 JULY 9TH. JURISDICTIONS AND STATE HCD HAVE ANOTHER 45 DAYS TO COMMENT ON
14 SUBMITTED APPEALS. AND THAT ALSO INCLUDES MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. ABAG THEN
15 HOLDS A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE APPEALS AND MAKE COMMENTS AND MAKE
16 A DETERMINATION. ON MAY 20TH OF THIS YEAR, THE ABAG EXECUTIVE BOARD
17 APPROVED THE FINAL RHNA METHODOLOGY AND DRAFT ALLOCATIONS AS NOTED AFTER A
18 TWO YEAR PROCESS JURISDICTIONS WERE NOTIFIED BY E-MAIL AND THE ABAG NEWS
19 LETTER OF THIS DECISION. JURISDICTIONS AND HCD NOW HAVE 45 DAYS TO SUBMIT
20 AN APPEAL IN WRITING. THE DEADLINE IS JULY 9TH. JURISDICTIONS AND STATE
21 AGENCIES HAVE A 45-DAY COMMENT PERIOD. DEADLINE FOR THAT COMMENT PERIOD IS
22 AUGUST 30TH. THE NEXT STEP AFTER THAT IS ABAG WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING
23 TO CONSIDER THE APPEAL SUBMITTED AND COMMENTS WILL BE SCHEDULED IN
24 SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER. AND THE ABAG ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE WILL SERVE AS
25 THE APPEALS BODY AND WILL CONDUCT THE HEARING WHICH MAY BE CONTINUED OVER

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1 SEVERAL DAYS DEPENDING ON THE NUMBER OF RHNA APPEALS. IN OCTOBER OR
2 NOVEMBER ABAG WILL RATIFY FINAL DETERMINATION OF EACH APPEAL AND ISSUE A
3 FINAL RHNA ALLOCATIONS AND ADJUST ALLOCATIONS AS A RESULT OF ANY
4 SUCCESSFUL APPEALS. IN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER THE ABAG EXECUTIVE BOARD WILL
5 CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING TO ADOPT THE FINAL RHNA PLAN. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE.
6 THIS IS A SUMMARY OF ALL THAT I JUST SAID, TIMELINE FROM LATE MAY WHEN WE
7 APPROVED THE RHNA METHODOLOGY THROUGH THE APPEALS PROCESS. JULY 9TH IS THE
8 DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING APPEALS; ONCE SUBMITTED COMMENTS ARE DUE AUGUST
9 30TH, WHEN HEARINGS WILL HAPPEN IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER, THOSE WILL BE
10 PUBLIC MEETINGS. AND THEN FINAL DECISIONS ON ADJUSTING THE NUMBERS BASED
11 ON APPEALS WILL BE IN OCTOBER OR NOVEMBER. APPEAL CAN BE FILED ON ONE OF
12 THE FOLLOWING GROUNDS: THAT ABAG FAILED TO ADEQUATELY CONSIDER INFORMATION
13 SUBMITTED AND THE LOCAL JURISDICTION SURVEY WHICH WAS CONDUCTED IN JANUARY
14 2020. IF WE DID NOT ADEQUATELY CONSIDER INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY THE
15 JURISDICTION. ABAG DID NOT DETERMINE THAT THE JURISDICTION'S -- ALLOCATION
16 IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITS ADOPTED METHODOLOGY IN A MANNER THAT FURTHERS AND
17 DOES NOT UNDERMINE THE RHNA OBJECTIVES. AND THREE: A SIGNIFICANT AND
18 UNFORESEEN CHANGE IN CIRCUMSTANCES HAS OCCURRED IN THE LOCAL JURISDICTION
19 THAT MERITS REVISION OF INFORMATION SUBMITTED AS PART OF THE JURISDICTIONS
20 SURVEY. APPEALS ON THIS BASIS SHALL ONLY BE MADE BY THE JURISDICTION OR
21 JURISDICTIONS WHERE THE CHANGE IN CIRCUMSTANCES HAS OCCURRED. FURTHERMORE
22 STATE LAW SPECIFIES THAT APPEALS CANNOT BE BASED ON ANY LOCAL ORDINANCE,
23 POLICY, VOTER APPROVED MEASURE OR STANDARD LIMITING RESIDENTIAL
24 DEVELOPMENT UNDER PRODUCTION OF HOUSING FROM THE LAST RHNA CYCLE, OR
25 STABLE POPULATION NUMBERS IN A JURISDICTION. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. SO, THIS

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1 JUST PROVIDES AN IDEA ABOUT HOW MANY APPEALS HAVE BEEN FILED IN THE
2 VARIOUS REGIONAL COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENT IN CALIFORNIA. IN SACRAMENTO, THIS
3 PAST YEAR, ZERO APPEALS WERE FILED, AND SANDAG, SAN DIEGO REGION, FOUR
4 APPEALS AND LOS ANGELES, 48 APPEALS WERE FILED. TWO WERE PARTIALLY UPHELD
5 RESULTING IN REALLOCATION OF 1,332 UNITS AND THERE WERE 46 HOURS OF
6 HEARINGS HELD OVER EIGHT DAYS AND THAT'S BECAUSE STATE LAW REQUIRES THAT
7 THERE BE ONE HEARING. SO WE HAVE TO OPEN A HEARING AND CONTINUE IT DAY BY
8 DAY AND HEAR THE DIFFERENT APPEALS. LAST CYCLE IN THE BAY AREA, ONLY EIGHT
9 APPEALS WERE FILED, WHICH MEANT A REALLOCATION OF 674 UNITS, AND ONLY ONE
10 PUBLIC HEARING WAS CONDUCTED, ON ONE DAY. WE ANTICIPATE A LARGER NUMBER OF
11 APPEALS THIS CYCLE. SIMILAR TO WHAT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA HAD SEEN, AND
12 THEREFORE, WE WILL BE LIKELY CONDUCTING SEVERAL DAYS OF PUBLIC HEARINGS.
13 THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL JURISDICTIONS ASKING QUESTIONS ABOUT THE APPEALS
14 PROCESS, AS WELL AS A NUMBER OF STORIES IN THE NEWS MEDIA. AND BECAUSE
15 MOST JURISDICTIONS CHOOSING TO APPEAL, WILL NOT SUBMIT THE APPEAL
16 PAPERWORK UNTIL EARLY JULY, WHICH, ALBEIT, IS A WEEK FROM NOW. WE WILL
17 WAIT TO FIND OUT THE NUMBER OF APPEALS. SO MORE INFORMATION WILL BE POSTED
18 ONLINE ONCE ALL THE APPEAL PAPERWORK HAS BEEN PROCESSED DURING THE WEEK OF
19 JULY 12TH. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. SO IN THE MEANTIME, ABAG HAS BEEN WORKING
20 OVER THE PAST YEAR, THROUGH A SIGNIFICANT FUNDING FROM THE STATE OF
21 CALIFORNIA, THROUGH THE REGIONAL EARLY ACTION GRANT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE
22 RESOURCES FOR LOCAL JURISDICTIONS, NOT ONLY CONSIDERING FILING AN APPEAL
23 BUT ALSO WHO WILL BE WORKING TO IMPLEMENT THEIR HOUSING ELEMENTS. THE
24 DRAFT RHNA PLAN IS ON THE ABAG WEB SITE AND HAS A DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF
25 THE METHODOLOGY APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD. THERE IS ALSO A TEMPLATE

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1 PRESENTATION THAT A CITY, TOWN, OR COUNTY CAN CHOOSE TO BRIEF YOUR COUNCIL
2 OR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON THIS TOPIC. YOU WILL FIND APPROVED APPEALS
3 GUIDELINES AND APPEAL TEMPLATE, AND SUMMARIES OF LOCAL JURISDICTION
4 SURVEYS FROM 2020, AS WELL. ALL THESE RESOURCES CAN BE FOUND AT THE URL ON
5 THE SCREEN, AND WE WILL SEND THIS INFORMATION OUT AFTER THE MEETING,
6 AGAIN. AND QUESTIONS ABOUT THE RHNA PROCESS CAN BE SENT TO RHNA@BAY AREA
7 METRO, ALL ONE WORD -- DOT GOV. AND WHILE RHNA IS NOT THE FORMAL PROGRAM
8 OF THIS MORNING'S MEETING. I WANTED TO TAKE SOME TIME TO UPDATE YOU ALL ON
9 THIS IMPORTANT PROCESS THAT AFFECTS THE FUTURE OF THE BAY AREA. IF YOU
10 HAVE ANY ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS, WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO PLEASE CONTACT ABAG
11 STAFF, AFTER THIS MORNING'S GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AND SO WITH THAT, WE WOULD
12 LIKE TO MOVE TO OUR MAIN TOPIC. AND SO, WE WILL NOW MOVE TO THE
13 PRESENTATIONS. AND IF TECH STAFF COULD PLEASE TAKE DOWN THE POWERPOINT.
14 SO, AS NOTED, HOUSING AND HOMELESS ARE IMPORTANT CHALLENGES TO THE BAY
15 AREA. AND OUR PANEL THIS MORNING WILL DISCUSS THE STEPS ABAG AND ITS
16 PARTNERS HAVE TAKEN TO WORK TOWARD A SOLUTION TO THESE PROBLEMS, AND I
17 WANT TO INTRODUCE THE PANEL BEFORE THEY PRESENT. HEATHER PETERS JOINED
18 ABAG IN 2020 AS THE PRINCIPLE REGIONAL HOUSING PLANNER LEADING THE
19 DEVELOPMENT OF ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS TO SUPPORT LOCAL PLANNERS JURISDICTIONS
20 IN THE ADOPTING POLICIES AND PROGRAMS TO SUPPORT THE HOUSING THROUGHOUT
21 THE NINE COUNTY BAY AREA SHE PREVIOUSLY SERVED AS THE SENIOR HOUSING
22 POLICY ANALYST FOR SAN MATEO COUNTY AND THE GOVERNOR'S DEPUTY SECRETARY
23 FOR HOUSING AT THE STATE LEVEL. BRAD PAUL IS THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
24 FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES AND TOMIQUIA MOSS COMES WITH EXPERIENCE IN
25 BOTH LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND HOUSING IN THE NON-PROFIT SECTOR HAVING WORKED

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1 WITH ELECTED OFFICIAL IN SAN FRANCISCO AND OAKLAND AND IS PROUD TO CALL
2 THE CITY OF OAKLAND HOME. CHIEF IMPACT OFFICER AT ALL HOME HAS WORKED AT
3 THE INTERSECTION OF HUMAN SERVICES AND PUBLIC POLICY FOR TWO DECADES MOST
4 RECENTLY AS DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF FOR OAKLAND MAYOR LIBBY SCHAAF S HER
5 DUTIES IN OAKLAND FOCUSED ON THE CITY'S RESPONSE TO HOMELESSNESS IMMIGRANT
6 RIGHTS AND ALSO WORKED FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND OFFICIAL IN NON-PROFIT
7 ORGANIZATIONS. THESE PANELISTS WILL PRESENT AND THEN WE'LL HAVE OPEN
8 DISCUSSION WITH QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FROM THE DELEGATES. I'LL START IS
9 MS. PETERS AND TURN TO YOU ON THE REGIONAL EARLY ACTION PLAN PROGRAM AND
10 HOUSING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

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12 **HEATHER PETERS:** THANK YOU. SLIDES PLEASE. AS NOTED RHNA NUMBERS WILL NOT
13 BE FINALIZED UNTIL AFTER ANY APPEALS ARE DECIDED. NO MATTER WHAT NOSE
14 NUMBERS END UP BEING EACH JURISDICTION AS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW TO ADOPT
15 HOUSING ELEMENT TO ADEQUATELY PLAN TO MEET THE HOUSING NEEDS OF EVERYONE
16 IN THEIR COMMUNITY. THE GOAL OF THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IS TO
17 SHIITES ALL BAY AREA JURISDICTIONS WITH THEIR HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE. NOT
18 ONE SIZE FITS ALL WE PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE RESOURCES AT THREE
19 SCALES. REGIONAL LEVEL, ABAG PROVIDES TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE APPLICABLE TO
20 ALL JURISDICTIONS DATA TOOLS COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PRODUCTS AND TRAINING ON
21 STATE LAWS. AT THE COUNTY LEVEL ABAG PAYS COUNTY COORDINATORS TO PROVIDE
22 MORE TAILORED TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE THAT IS PRIORITIZED THROUGH LOCAL
23 PLANNING STAFF THROUGH COUNTY PLANNING COLLABORATIVES AT THE LOCAL LEVEL
24 ABAG PROVIDES OVER THE COUNTER COMPETITIVE GRANTS AS WELL AS ACCESS TO A
25 BRANCH OF PREQUALIFIED CONSULTANTS TO SUPPORT THE LOCAL PLANNING PROJECTS

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1 THAT HAVE BEEN PRIORITIZED BY EACH OF YOUR LOCAL JURISDICTION STAFF. NEXT
2 SLIDE. THE REGIONAL VALUE ADDED OF THE PROGRAM INCLUDES WORKING WITH HCD
3 TO ESTABLISH SAFE HARBORS INCREASED PREDICTABILITY DURING HOUSING ELEMENT
4 REVIEW, ACHIEVING COST SAVINGS STANDARDIZING REGIONAL DATA PRODUCTS
5 CREATING COMMON PRODUCTS ONCE AND FACILITATING PEER-TO-PEER COLLABORATION.
6 NEXT SLIDE. ABAG FUNDED HOUSING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE INCLUDING TRADITIONAL
7 TRAINING SUCH AS WEBINARS BUT ARE SUPPLEMENTED BY INTERACTIVE FORMATS
8 INCLUDING COUNTY BASED PLANNING COLLABORATIVE SUPPORTED BY STAFF PEER
9 COHORTS OF COMMUNITIES FACING SIMILAR PLANNING CHALLENGES SUCH AS SMALL
10 AGRICULTURAL TOWNS FACING HIGH FIRE RISK AND WORK GROUPS HAVE SHORTER
11 SESSIONS ON IMPLEMENTING SPECIFIC HOUSING STRATEGIES INCLUDING DEEP DIVE
12 ON MISSING MID-AL HOUSING OPTIONS POLICY PLANNING AND WILDFIRE AND
13 AFFIRMATIVELY FURTHERING THEIR HOUSING. NEXT SLIDE. IN ASSOCIATION WITH
14 HCD WE'RE PROVIDING A TEN PART TRAINING SERIES FOR LOCAL PLANNING AND
15 HOUSING STAFF FOCUSED ON KEY TOPICS THAT STAFF MUST BE WORKING ON EARLY IN
16 THE PROCESS. RECORDINGS INCLUDING HCD'S ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ARE AVAILABLE
17 ON ABAG WEB SITE. NEXT SLIDE. ONE WAY WE'RE ACHIEVING SIGNIFICANT
18 ECONOMIES OF SCALE WE'RE PROVIDING FREE REGIONAL DATA TOOLS THAT ARE
19 ESTIMATED TO SAVE BAY AREA LOCAL JURISDICTIONS AT LEAST \$3 MILLION THOSE
20 SETTINGS WILL INCREASE AS WE CONTINUE TO ADD FEATURES. THESE DATA TOOLS
21 HAVE BEEN PREREVIEW BY HCD TO INCREASE PREDICTABILITY IN THE HOUSING
22 ELEMENT REVIEW PROCESS. THE FIRST DATA TOOL IS AN ONLINE HOUSING ELEMENT
23 SITE SELECTION TOOL THAT CONTAINS MANY DATA SETS IMPORTANTLY SCREENS EVERY
24 PARCEL IN THE BAY AREA AGAINST A PLETHORA OF NEW STATE HOUSING LAWS. WHEN
25 LOCALITY PARTNERS CHOOSE THEIR ELEMENTS THE TOOL WILL POPULATE M OF HCD'S

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1 COMPLEX HOUSING SITE INVENTORY FORUM SAVING COUNTLESS HOURS OF MANUAL DATA
2 ENTRY. OF THE FACTS SLIDE PLEASE. ABAG HAS ACHIEVED ECONOMIES OF SCALE BY
3 PROVIDING EACH BAY AREA JURISDICTION WITH A CUSTOM PACKET INCLUDING 60
4 LOCAL DATA POINTS WITH TABLES, FIGURES, AND ACCOMPANYING TEXT THAT CAN BE
5 EASILY EDITED AND DROPPED DIRECTLY INTO YOUR HOUSING ELEMENT DOCUMENT.
6 NEXT SLIDE. THIS PIE CHART REPRESENTS ALL OF THE HOUSING PLANNING GRANTS
7 CURRENTLY BE PROVIDED BY THE STATE TO THE BAY AREA. APPROXIMATELY TWO-
8 THIRDS OF THE AVAILABLE FUNDING SHOWN IN DARK GREEN IS GOING DIRECTLY TO
9 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FROM THE STATE IN THE FORM OF LEAP AND SB2 PLANNING
10 GRANTS. THE REMAINING THIRD THAT APPEARS HERE BETWEEN THE 22 YELLOW LINES
11 REPRESENTS REGIONAL EARLY PLANNING GRANTS OR REAP FUNDING FROM THE STATE
12 TO ABAG. ABAG'S EXECUTIVE BOARD HAS ELECTED TO SUBALLOCATE ALMOST HALF OF
13 ITS REAP FUNDING TO LOCAL JURISDICTIONS AND TO SUPPORT COUNTY
14 COLLABORATIVES. ALL BAY AREA JURISDICTIONS WILL RECEIVE SOME REAP FUNDING
15 FROM ABAG IN THE AMOUNTS DETAILED IN YOUR PACKETS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.
16 IN ADDITION PROVIDING LOCAL GRANTS, ABAG HAS COMPETITIVELY PROCURED A
17 REGIONAL BENCH CONSISTING OF QUALIFIED CONSULTANTS IN 11 SERVICE
18 CATEGORIES INCLUDING HOUSING, TRANSPORTATION, RESILIENCE, PUBLIC OUTREACH
19 AND MUCH MORE. THE BENCH IS AVAILABLE RIGHT NOW. FOR ALL BAY AREA
20 JURISDICTIONS TO USE, IT CAN SAVE YOU TIME AND MONEY IF YOUR LOCAL RULES
21 ALLOW YOU TO SELECT CONTRACTORS FROM A REGIONAL BENCH. YOU CAN ALSO ELECT
22 TO HAVE MTC/ABAG HOLD YOU'RE REAP OR YOUR PDA GRANTS, AND WE WILL CONTRACT
23 ON YOUR BEHALF WITH CONSULTANTS ON THE BENCH, AND THIS WILL EASE YOUR
24 ADMINISTRATIVE BURDEN. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. TO EASE ACCESS TO THE BENCH
25 EVEN FURTHER ABAG WILL BE LAUNCHING AN ONLINE TOOL THIS SUMMER TO MAKE IT

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1 EASY FOR LOCAL JURISDICTIONS TO SEARCH THE PROFILES OF ALL 92 CONSULTANTS
2 ON THE BENCH TO FIND THE BEST FIT FOR LOCAL PROJECTS. AS YOU CAN SEE IT'S
3 A VERY FAMILIAR INTERFACE, JUST LIKE ONLINE SHOPPING. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE.
4 LAST, BUT NOT LEAST, I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT NO MATTER HOW MUCH
5 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE WE PROVIDE, YOU ARE ALL GOING TO BE ASKED TO TAKE
6 SOME VERY DIFFICULT VOTES NEXT YEAR TO ENSURE THAT YOUR JURISDICTIONS
7 ADOPT HOUSING ELEMENTS THAT MEET THESE UNPRECEDENTED RHNA NUMBERS, OR RISK
8 SIGNIFICANT NEW LEGAL CONSEQUENCES FROM THE STATE THAT ARE OUTLINED IN
9 YOUR HAND OUT IN YOUR PACKET. SO, WE WILL ALSO BE PROVIDING TECHNICAL
10 ASSISTANCE ON HOW TO ENGAGE IN DIFFICULT COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS AROUND
11 HOUSING THAT'S BASED ON THE LATEST RESEARCH IN LEADING SOCIAL SCIENTISTS.
12 WE WILL ALSO BE PROVIDING LOCAL SUPPORT FOR LOCAL ENGAGEMENT IN MULTIPLE
13 LANGUAGES TO ENCOURAGE PARTICIPATION OF HARD TO REACH CONSTITUENCIES.
14 FINAL SLIDE, PLEASE. IN CLOSING, LET ME JUST SAY THAT YOU ARE NOT ALONE.
15 THIS IS A VERY CHALLENGING HOUSING ELEMENT CYCLE, BUT WE ARE HERE TO
16 SUPPORT YOU. THERE'S A HAND OUT IN YOUR PACKET THAT GIVES YOU MORE DETAIL
17 ON ALL OF OUR HOUSING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, AND IT CONTAINS THE DIRECT
18 CONTACT INFORMATION FOR DEDICATED STAFF FOR EACH OF OUR TA PRODUCTS, AND
19 MY CONTACT INFORMATION IS ALSO HERE ON THE LAST SLIDE. I'M HAPPY TO ANSWER
20 ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU MAY HAVE. THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY.

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22 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU. WE'RE GOING TO HOLD QUESTIONS UNTIL
23 AFTER THE PRESENTATIONS. I WANT TO THANK MS. PETERS, VERY MUCH, FOR ALL
24 HER WORK. I'LL NOW GO TO MR. PAUL WHO IS GOING TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON THE

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1 BAY AREA HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY, AND THE REGIONAL EXPANDED REGIONAL
2 HOUSING PORTFOLIO WHICH WE'RE WORKING ON AROUND AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

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4 **BRAD PAUL:** MY NAME IS BRAD PAUL DIRECT OFFICER GOVERNMENT SERVICES I'LL BE
5 DELIVERING THIS PRESENTATION ON BEHALF OF DANIEL SAVER THIS MORNING
6 PROVIDING OVERVIEW OF EFFORTS IN COORDINATION WITH MTC TO LAUNCH THE BAY
7 AREA HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY EXPANDED REGIONAL HOUSING PORTFOLIO. NEXT
8 SLIDE PLEASE. LET'S SEE. SO IN TERMS OF THE BAY AREA HOUSING PLAN'S
9 AUTHORITY IT'S A NEW REGIONAL HOUSING ENTITY CREATED BY THE STATE
10 LEGISLATURE IN 2019 JOINTLY GOVERNED BY ABAG AND MTC, THE LAW THAT CREATED
11 IT, UNFORTUNATELY, DID NOT INCLUDE DEDICATED FUNDING INSTEAD BAHFA HAD THE
12 POWER TO RAISE REVENUE THROUGH A VARIETY OF MECHANISMS INCLUDING PLACING A
13 REVENUE MEASURE ON THE BALLOT FOR ALL NINE COUNTIES IN THE BAY AREA.
14 PLANNING TO DO THAT TO RUN THE REVENUE MEASURE IN NOVEMBER 2020 BUT COVID
15 HIT RATHER THAN GIVE UP UNTIL A FUTURE ELECTION WE CHOSE TO PIVOT TO
16 EXPAND HOUSING IN A MORE RESOURCE CONSTRAINED ENVIRONMENT. PARTNERSHIP IS
17 THE KEY TO THIS EVEN MORE SO WHEN FACING RESOURCE AND CAPACITY CONSTRAINTS
18 DUE TO COVID. GIVEN BAHFA'S UNIQUE GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE IT'S BEEN
19 IMPORTANT TO FORTIFY THE COLLABORATION BETWEEN ABAG AND MTC BAHFA, LEADING
20 TO WHAT WE CALL THE EXPANDED REGIONAL HOUSING PORTFOLIO, THAT I'LL SHARE
21 WITH YOU NOW. WE HAVE TAKEN A PHASED APPROACH TO THIS OUR GOAL IS TO
22 GRADUALLY EXPAND OUR HOUSING ACTIVITY, PROVIDING TIME TO PURSUE REVENUE
23 OPTIONS, AND THIS INCLUDES THREE PHASES. PHASE ONE WAS THE RESEARCH AND
24 PLANNING PHASE, WHICH WE HAVE COMPLETED. PHASE TWO WAS TO LAUNCH EARLY
25 STAGE PILOT ACTIVITIES, WHICH ARE IN THE BEGINNING NOW. AND PHASE THREE

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1 WILL BE TO BUILD UPON EARLY SUCCESSES AND ACHIEVE SCALE IMPACT ONCE WE
2 HAVE MORE RESOURCES TO SPEND. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. KEY COMPONENT TO OUR
3 RESEARCH PHASE IS BUSINESS PLAN FOR BAHFA EXPANDING THE REGIONAL HOUSING
4 PORTFOLIO BUSINESS PLAN WILL METHODICALLY EVALUATE THE FUNDING AND
5 FINANCING TOOLS AVAILABLE THAT COULD HAVE THE GREATEST IMPACT IN ADVANTAGE
6 OF EQUITY IN OUR COMMUNITIES. THE PLAN PROSES OPERATIONAL STRUCTURE FOR
7 FULLY RESOURCED BAHFA AND HOW IT CAN BE INTEGRATED WITH MTC EXISTING
8 PROGRAMS TO HAVE GREATER IMPACT. WE RELEASED A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL IN
9 FEBRUARY AND EXPECT TO GET A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE CONSULTING TEAM NEXT
10 MONTH OR PROVIDE A RECOMMENDATION WE BELIEVE IT WILL TAKE ONE AND A HALF
11 TO TWO YEARS TO COMPLETE THIS COMPLEX BUSINESS PLAN. ADDITIONALLY AS PART
12 OF OUR RESEARCH PHASE WE STASHED A REPORT IN FEBRUARY TO SERVE AS A
13 ROADMAP FOR THESE ACTIVITIES IN THE NEAR-TERM PRIOR TO SECURING
14 SIGNIFICANT CAPITAL FUNDING. THE REPORT IS A CULMINATION OF EIGHT MONTHS
15 OF ENGAGEMENT WITH HOUSING STAKEHOLDERS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AS
16 WELL AS ABAG AND MTC COMMITTEES. THE ESSENTIAL PRINCIPLE OF THE REPORT IS
17 TO IDENTIFY PROGRAMS THAT ADD VALUE. WE DO NOT WANT TO DUPLICATE OR
18 COMPLICATE THE MANY HOUSING EFFORTS ALREADY UNDERWAY. WE WANT TO ADD VALUE
19 TO WHAT'S GOING ON THE NEAR-TERM ROADMAP IS REFLECTED IN FIVE PILOT
20 PROGRAMS WHICH I'LL DISCUSS IN A MINUTE. AS WE ADVANCE ALL THIS PLANNING,
21 WE REMAIN IN A RESOURCE CONSTRAINED ENVIRONMENT TO DELIVER THE PROGRAM
22 OUTLINES IN THE REPORT WE'RE GOING TO NEED NEW RESOURCES AND BRING THOSE
23 TO BEAR. AS PART OF OUR FUNDING PLAN WE'RE RECEIVING SEED FUNDING FROM THE
24 STATE OF CALIFORNIA AS WELL AS PHILANTHROPIC CORPORATE PARTNERSHIP IN
25 TERMS OF OUR STATE TERMS WE RECEIVE FUNDING AVAILABLE THROUGH STATE BUDGET

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1 IT'S UNLIKELY WILL BE FUNDED AT THIS \$18.5 MILLION THAT WAS REQUESTED. TO
2 SEEK FUNDING FOR ALL FIVE PILOT PROGRAMS WE WILL NEED TO SEEK ADDITIONAL
3 FUNDING FROM PRIVATE SECTORS AND HAVE BEGUN TO EXPLORE THIS POTENTIAL
4 PARTNERSHIP WITH SOME INITIAL SUCCESS. WE WILL TRANSITION TO PHASE TWO AND
5 LAUNCH THE EARLY STAGE PILOT PROGRAMS. THROUGH DISCUSSIONS WITH
6 STAKEHOLDERS DURING THE RESEARCH PHASE WE IDENTIFIED THREE GOALS TO GUIDE
7 THE DESIGN AND SELECTION OF THESE PILOTS. FIRST, WE WANTED TO MAKE A
8 MEANINGFUL IMPACT ON HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS CHALLENGES AND DO SO RIGHT
9 AWAY. NUMBER TWO, WE WANT TO ESTABLISH A GROUP OF CONCEPTS FOR
10 COORDINATED REGIONAL HOUSING STRATEGY THAT CAN INSPIRE ADDITIONAL
11 INVESTMENT WHETHER FROM A BALLOT MEASURE OR STATE AND ADDITIONAL FEDERAL
12 FUNDING. AND, THIRD, WE WANT TO BUILD OUR HOUSING CAPACITY AND EXPERTISE
13 TO ENSURE THAT WE CAN EFFECTIVELY AND EFFICIENTLY DEPLOY ANY SIGNIFICANT
14 FUTURE CAPITAL RESOURCES WE RECEIVE. ADDITIONALLY, WE REMAIN GUIDED BY
15 THE NORTH STAR OF THE BAHFA STATUTE, WHAT WE CALL THE THREE PS FRAMEWORK,
16 AND THAT STANDS FOR PROTECTION, PRESERVATION, AND PRODUCTION. THE PILOTS
17 REFLECT THESE REGIONAL ADD ON OPPORTUNITIES ACROSS ALL THREE PS. THIS
18 SLIDE PROVIDES AN OVERVIEW OF THE FIVE PILOT PROGRAMS WE INTENTIONALLY
19 DEVELOPED THE PILOTS WITH THE THREE PS IN MIND FIRST TWO PILOTS ARE DATA
20 RELATED TOOLS CONNECTED TO PRODUCTION AND THIRD PILOT IS LASER FOCUSED ON
21 PRESERVATION IN EXISTING HOUSING AND THE FOURTH AND FIFTHS PILOTS RELATE
22 TO THE PROTECTION. NEXT I'LL WALK THROUGH THE PILOTS TO HIGHLIGHT THE
23 CHALLENGE IN OUR HOUSING SYSTEM AND HOW THE PROGRAM WILL BEGIN TO OFFER
24 REAL VALUE IN SOLVING THESE PROBLEMS. FIRST PILOT CHALLENGES WE HAVE A
25 COMPLEX AND DECENTRALIZED PROCESS FOR PEOPLE TO SEARCH FOR AND APPLY FOR

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1 AFFORDABLE HOUSING. LOW INCOME RESIDENTS GENERALLY MUST SUBMIT PAPER
2 APPLICATIONS FOR EACH UNIT THEY APPLY FOR AND THAT'S IF THEY CAN FIND A
3 LISTING IN THE FIRST PLACE. THE SOLUTION PROPOSED IN THIS PILOT IS KNOWN
4 AS DOORWAY. IT SCALES UP THE SUCCESSFUL ONLINE PORTAL DEVELOPED BY THE
5 CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO AND IT WOULD PROVIDE A SIMPLE WAY FOR LOW INCOME
6 FOLKS TO FIND AND APPLY FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING ACROSS THE BAY AREA. THE
7 EASIEST WAY TO UNDERSTAND THIS, FOR THOSE OF WHO YOU HAVE HAD CHILDREN
8 APPLY TO COLLEGE, WHEN I APPLIED TO COLLEGE, I HAD TO FILL OUT A PAPER
9 APPLICATION FOR EVERY SCHOOL I ATTENDED, OR WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND. NOW WHEN
10 MY SON APPLIED THERE WAS A SINGLE UNIVERSAL APPLICATION THAT WE COULD SEND
11 TO ANY COLLEGE HE CHOSE THAT'S THE IDEA BEHIND THIS, TO REALLY UPDATE THE
12 SYSTEM. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. JUST AS THERE IS NO CENTRALIZED SYSTEM FOR
13 HOUSERS PEOPLE FOR PEOPLE SEEKING HOUSING TO FIND UNITS READY, WE DON'T
14 HAVE A CENTRALIZED SYSTEM THAT TRACKS ALL THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING
15 DEVELOPMENTS THAT ARE A PROCESS OF ENTITLEMENT AND CONSTRUCTION. THIS
16 MAKES IT DIFFICULT TO EVALUATE THE FUNDING GAPS. THE SOLUTION WE PROPOSE
17 IS TO DEVELOP A REGIONAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING PIPELINE DATABASE WHICH WILL
18 TRACK PROJECTS AT EVERY STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT THIS WILL PROVIDE DATA WE
19 NEED TO BUILD A CASE FROM FUNDING BY QUANTIFYING THE GAP AND WHAT'S NEEDED
20 AND ALSO LAY THE FOUNDATION FOR MORE COORDINATED EFFICIENT FINANCING
21 SYSTEM. EVEN AS THE BEHAVIOR BUILDS NEW AFFORDABLE HOUSING WE'RE CHALLENGE
22 SAID TO MAKE A DENT IN THE ACTUAL NEED BECAUSE EACH YEAR WE LOSE
23 AFFORDABLE HOUSING FROM OUR EXISTING HOUSING STOCK THROUGHOUT MARKET
24 FORCES. STRATEGIES TO PRESERVE THE AFFORDABILITY OF EXISTING HOUSING HAVE
25 GAINED ATTENTION RECENTLY BUT ONE THERE IS A LACK OF DEDICATED FUNDING FOR

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1 THIS PERSPECTIVE. TWO, THE REGION'S DEVELOPERS HAVE LESS EXPERTISE AND
2 PRESERVATION IN NEW CONSTRUCTION AND THREE, THERE'S A LACK OF TECHNICAL
3 CAPACITY IN COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND COMMUNITY LAND TRUSTS THAT
4 ARE PARTICULARLY FOCUSED ON THIS WORK. OUR PILOT SOLUTION IS TAKING A
5 MULTI-PRONGED APPROACH TO STRENGTHEN THE PRESERVATION ECOSYSTEM ACROSS THE
6 BAY AREA. THIS WILL INCLUDE RETOOLING SOME OF OUR EXISTING REGIONAL
7 FINANCING MECHANISMS INCLUDING THOSE OF MTC AND ABAG ARE DEVELOPING AND
8 PROGRAMS FOR LOCAL JURISDICTIONS AND DEVELOPERS GIVEN THE LOW RELATIVE
9 CAPACITY AND INCREASING IMPORTANCE OF THIS WORK ESPECIALLY IN THE WAKE OF
10 COVID WE SEE THIS AS A KEY AREA WITH THE REGION WHERE WE CAN ADD VALUE TO
11 THE REGION IN SUPPORT LOCAL COORDINATION. WHILE THERE IS SOME GREAT WORK
12 HAPPENING LOCALLY MANY EFFORTS ARE SILOED IN JURISDICTIONS OR
13 NEIGHBORHOODS MANY JURISDICTIONS LACK NON-PROFIT SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS AND
14 LOCAL STAFF CAPACITY TO DEVELOP AND DEPLOY STRATEGIC INCENTIVE PROGRAMS.
15 THE DIFFICULTIES IS ASYMPTOMATIC OF THIS CHALLENGE. OUR SOLUTION IS TO
16 LAUNCH ANTI- SERVICES NETWORK OF SERVICE PROVIDERS AND LOCAL STAFF. WITH
17 REGIONAL COORDINATION AND KNOWLEDGE WE CAN IDENTIFY BEST PRACTICES AND
18 PROVIDE A TA TO JURISDICTIONS NON-PROFITS TAILORED TO THOSE PRACTICES TO
19 SUIT EVERY VARIETY OF LOCALITY CONTEXT. THIS WILL INCLUDE PARTNERS WITH
20 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS TO ENSURE THAT PROGRAMS SUPPORT HARD TO
21 REACH RESIDENTS. NEXT SLIDE. HOMELESS SENTENCE ONE OF THE MOST VISIBLE
22 CONSEQUENCES OF OUR SHARED HOUSING CHALLENGES ACROSS THE REGION, AND COVID
23 IS ONLY EXACERBATED THE UNDERLYING STRUCTURAL PROBLEMS. OUR FIFTH PILOT IS
24 RELATED TO THE FOURTH IT CAN BE UNDERSTOOD AS EXISTING UNDER CONTINUAL.
25 THE ANTI- NETWORK IS A REGIONAL APPROACH WHEREAS THE HOMELESSNESS

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1 PREVENTION PILOT WOULD PROVIDE MORE TARGETED URGENT INTERVENTION IT'S THE
2 GREATEST RISK OF BECOMING HOMELESS THE KEY HERE IS PREVENTION INTERVENTION
3 TO STOP HOMELESSNESS BEFORE IT STARTS. WE'RE DEVELOPING THIS PARTNERSHIP
4 WITH ALL HOME AND THE REGIONAL IMPACT COUNCIL AND WE'RE FORTUNATE TO HAVE
5 STAFF FROM ALL HOME JOINING US TODAY TO PROVIDE MORE DETAILED INFORMATION
6 ON THESE ACTIVITIES IN THE NEXT PRESENTATION. MY FINAL SLIDE, PLEASE. THIS
7 HAS BURDEN A WHIRL WIND TOUR OF OUR EFFORTS TO LAUNCH BAHFA IN THE
8 EXPANDED REGIONAL HOUSING PORTFOLIO AND WE'RE EXCITED TO GET TO WORK ON
9 THE LOCAL PARTNERS TO BRING MORE RESOURCES TO THE BAY AREA TAKING ON THE
10 REGION'S MOST CHALLENGING PROBLEMS CREATING MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING.
11 THANK YOU.

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13 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU. SO NOW LET'S HEAR ABOUT HOW OUR
14 WORK CREATING AND PRESERVING AFFORDABLE HOUSING INTERSECTS WITH THE
15 REGIONAL ACTION PLAN TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS. I WANT TO RECOGNIZE TOMIQUIA
16 MOSS.

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18 **TOMIQUIA MOSS:** GOOD MORNING GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEMBERS MY NAME IS TOMIQUIA
19 MOSS FOUNDER AND CEO OF ALL HOME. IT'S AN HONOR TO PRESENT TODAY AND
20 BUILDING ON THE PRESENTATIONS YOU ALL HAVE SEEN AROUND OUR HOUSING EFFORTS
21 ACROSS THE REGION WE FELT IT WAS IMPORTANT TO ALIGN OUR HOUSING AND
22 HOMELESSNESS EFFORTS ACROSS THE REGION. EVERY JURISDICTION ON THIS SCREEN
23 IS IMPACTED BY THIS CRISIS, AND WE'RE REALLY EXCITED TO HAVE COME TOGETHER
24 WITH FOLKS ACROSS THE ENTIRE REGION TO COME UP WITH AN URGENT ACTION PLAN
25 TO ADDRESS THIS CRISIS. MY COLLEAGUE JOANN AND I ARE GOING TO WALK YOU

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1 THROUGH A PRESENTATION, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR QUESTIONS AT THE END
2 OF OUR PRESENTATION. IF WE COULD HAVE THE SLIDES, PLEASE. NEXT SLIDE. SO
3 A LITTLE BIT OF GROUNDING FOR THOSE OF YOU WHERE ALL HOME MAY BE NEW TO
4 YOU, WE ARE AN ORGANIZATION REALLY DESIGNED TO PROVIDE SUPPORT TO
5 JURISDICTIONS ACROSS THE ENTIRE BAY AREA, BIG AND SMALL, TO REALLY THINK
6 ABOUT HOW DO WE ADDRESS THE CYCLE OF HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY THAT
7 CONTINUES TO GROW IN OUR COMMUNITIES. I THINK YOU HEARD FROM BRAD, WE ARE
8 ANTICIPATING INCREASES IN THE DOUBLE DIGITS DURING THIS PANDEMIC FOR THOSE
9 WHO ARE AT RISK OF HOMELESSNESS, AND OUR ORGANIZATION IS REALLY WORKING TO
10 FIGURE OUT HOW DO WE SCALE REGIONAL INTERVENTIONS THAT CAN DISRUPT THAT
11 CYCLE. ALSO, PAYING ATTENTION, VERY DIRECTLY, TO THE RACIAL DISPARITIES
12 THAT EXIST WITHIN THE COMMUNITY OF FOLKS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS, AS
13 WELL AS THOSE WHO ARE JUST BEHIND THEM, OUR MOST EXTREMELY LOW INCOME
14 HOUSEHOLDS IN THE BAY AREA, WHO, REALLY, ARE JUST ONE EMERGENCY AWAY FROM
15 FALLING INTO HOMELESSNESS. THE OTHER PART OF WHAT WE DO IS WORK ACROSS ALL
16 SECTORS AND SILOS. WE THINK IT'S CRITICALLY IMPORTANT TO BRING ALL OUR
17 PARTNERS TO THE TABLE, PRIVATE, AND PUBLIC SECTORS FOLKS WITH LIVED
18 EXPERIENCE AND REGIONAL PARTNERS WITH ABAG AND MTC TO REALLY THINK ABOUT
19 HOW DO WE DISRUPT THE STATUS QUO AND TAKE SERIOUS THE HOMELESSNESS IN OUR
20 REGION. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. WE WANT TO PROVIDE GROUNDING FOR THE SCOPE OF
21 OUR WORK. WE, BECAUSE OF COVID, WE ARE USING THE POINT IN TIME COUNTS,
22 WHICH IS THE MECHANISM BY WHICH WE COUNT HOW MANY FOLKS, ON ANY GIVEN
23 NIGHT ACROSS THE BAY AREA IS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. THIS IS REFLECTED
24 HERE IN THE SLIDE. WE ESTIMATE THAT THERE ARE OVER 35,000 PEOPLE
25 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AND THIS IS EVIDENCE WHY THIS CRISIS IS URGENT

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1 AND ALL HOME COUNCIL WAS CRITICALLY IMPORTANT TO TAKE BOLD STEPS TO
2 DISRUPT THIS GROWING NUMBER OF FOLKS EXPERIENCES HOMELESSNESS I WANTED TO
3 REFLECT AGAIN THE RACIAL INEQUITIES THAT PERSIST IN THE STATE OF
4 CALIFORNIA REALLY OUTLINED HERE IN THE REGION AS WELL AS BLACK AND
5 INDIGENOUS AND LATINO FOLKS EXPERIENCING THIS CRISIS IN A DISPROPORTIONATE
6 NUMBER. THIS IS A CRISIS THAT HAS EXISTED IN OUR COMMUNITY FOR A LONG TIME
7 IN ORDER TO DISRUPT THESE DISPARITIES WE HAVE TO DO CULTURALLY RELEVANT
8 INTERVENTIONS THAT REALLY SUPPORT THESE COMMUNITIES DIRECTLY. NEXT SLIDE
9 PLEASE. SO THE REGIONAL IMPACT COUNCIL, WE HAVE THE PLEASURE OF HAVING
10 SEVERAL OF THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON OUR REGIONAL IMPACT
11 COUNCIL. WE STARTED ORGANIZING FOLKS JUST BEFORE COVID HIT. SO IN MARCH OF
12 2020, WE BROUGHT TOGETHER LEADERS ACROSS THE ENTIRE BAY AREA TO REALLY
13 THINK ABOUT, WHAT SHOULD WE BE DOING WITH RESPECT TO ADDRESSING
14 HOMELESSNESS. AND OF COURSE, WE KNOW HOMELESSNESS WAS A CRISIS BEFORE THE
15 PANDEMIC, AND SO THE WORK REALLY BECAME THAT MUCH MORE IMPORTANT, I SHOULD
16 SAY, DURING THIS HEALTH CRISIS. SO WE, OVER THE LAST YEAR, MET MONTHLY, TO
17 REALLY DEVELOP A PLAN, A CONSENSUS PLAN TO FIGURE OUT WHERE WE SHOULD
18 DIRECT OUR RESOURCES, AND OUR STRATEGIES TO REDUCING HOMELESSNESS IN OUR
19 REGION. THIS WORK WAS WHAT WE CALL PHASE ONE, OUR REGIONAL ACTION PLAN.
20 AND AGAIN, WE'RE GOING TO WALK YOU THROUGH THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS. BUT, IT
21 REALLY IS THE START OF THE WORK. IN ORDER TO TRULY DISRUPT THE CYCLES OF
22 HOMELESSNESS THAT EXIST IN THE REGION, WE HAVE TO TAKE A STRUCTURAL
23 APPROACH, AS WELL. SO OUR PHASE TWO WORK, WHICH WILL KICKOFF, REALLY, IN
24 THE FALL, IS REALLY GOING TO BE LOOKING AT WHAT SYSTEMS AND BARRIERS EXIST
25 FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AND THOSE THAT ARE MOST AT

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1 RISK, AND HOW DO WE DISRUPT THOSE SYSTEMS TO REALLY GET A HANDLE ON THIS
2 CRISIS IN OUR COMMUNITIES. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO THE HEADLINE OF THE
3 REGIONAL ACTION PLAN, OR THE RAP, I KNOW YOU ALL ARE FAMILIAR WITH LOTS OF
4 ACRONYMS, SO I APOLOGIZE IN ADVANCE, IS THAT THE REGIONAL IMPACT COUNCIL
5 FELT STRONGLY ABOUT TAKING A BOLD STEP TO SAY, YOU KNOW WHAT? WE DON'T
6 WANT TO JUST CONTAIN HOMELESSNESS WE DO NOT WANT TO JUST MANAGE IT IN OUR
7 COMMUNITIES, AND THERE IS TREMENDOUS WORK HAPPENING ACROSS THE REGION IN
8 MANY OF YOUR CITIES AND COUNTIES TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE. BUT MOST FOLKS ARE
9 DOING THIS WITHOUT THE RESOURCES AND CAPACITY THAT THEY NEED TO REALLY END
10 HOMELESSNESS IN OUR COMMUNITIES. AND SO THE REGIONAL ACTION PLAN LAYS OUT
11 A VISION TO REDUCE UNSHELTERED HOMELESSNESS BY 75% BY 2024. AND WE THINK
12 BOTH THE VISION IS CRITICAL, BUT WE HAVE ALSO LAID OUT SOME STEPS BY WHICH
13 JURISDICTIONS -- THAT ALL HOME, AND OUR PARTNERS WILL BE WORKING WITH
14 JURISDICTIONS, VERY MUCH AKIN TO WHAT MS. PETERS LAID OUT IN TERMS OF HOW
15 TO ADDRESS YOUR RHNA GOALS. WE THINK THAT COLLABORATION AND COORDINATION
16 IS CRITICAL TO ACHIEVING THIS TYPE OF GOAL. AND WE ARE -- WE STAND AT THE
17 READY TO SUPPORT JURISDICTIONS ACROSS THE REGION TO TACKLE THIS ISSUE AT
18 SCALE. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. SO I'M GOING TO ASK MY COLLEAGUE, JOANN
19 KARCHMER TO WALK YOU THROUGH THE METHODOLOGY THAT WE THINK IS CRITICAL TO
20 ACHIEVING THE 75% REDUCTION. JOANN?

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22 **JOANN KARCHMER:** GOOD MORNING GENERAL ASSEMBLY DELEGATES AND CHAIR
23 ARREGUIN. IT'S MY PLEASURE TO PRESENT YOU THIS MORNING A WALK THROUGH TO
24 DETAIL THE APPROACH. ALLOCATING RESOURCES WITH SIMULTANEOUS DIVISION OF
25 INTERIM HOUSING, URBAN HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION. MANY

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1 JURISDICTIONS ARE DOING MANY PARTS OF THE SYSTEM, BUT IS CREATING THE
2 EQUILIBRIUM AMONG THOSE PIECES OF THE PUZZLE TO GET TO THE .75% REDUCTION
3 IN YOUR PARTICULAR COMMUNITY. SO, WE RECOMMEND REGIONALLY, AS WE TOOK A
4 LOOK AT HOW THE REGION IS RESPONDING TO HOMELESSNESS, AND LOOKED AT THE
5 GAPS, AND WHERE THIS APPROACH COULD SUPPORT AN INCREASE IN REDUCTION,
6 RECOMMENDED AN APPROACH OF, FOR EVERY ONE UNIT OF INTERIM HOUSING,
7 SIMULTANEOUSLY THE JURISDICTION SHOULD BE PLANNING FOR TWO PERMANENT
8 HOUSING EXITS, AND FOUR PREVENTION INTERVENTIONS. AND SO THIS IS A --
9 THIS IS A -- MORE OF A MINDSET. IT'S NOT A COOKIE CUTTER APPROACH FOR EACH
10 JURISDICTION. THERE ARE DIFFERENT SERVICE NEEDS AND DIFFERENT POPULATION
11 NEEDS. BUT IT'S REALLY TO LOOK AT WHAT THE RIGHT LEVEL OF INVESTMENT IN
12 ALL THREE OF THESE INTERVENTIONS, AT THE SAME TIME, IS FOR YOUR COMMUNITY.
13 NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. TOMIQUIA MENTIONED, SIMILAR TO THE TECHNICAL SUPPORT
14 THAT ABAG IS OFFERING WITH RESPECT TO THE HOUSING ELEMENT, ALL HOME, AND
15 OUR PARTNERS ARE OFFERING TO WORK WITH ANY JURISDICTION, OR COMMUNITY, IN
16 THE NINE BAY AREA COUNTY, TO EVALUATE WHERE THAT SERVICE SYSTEM NEED AND
17 GAP MIGHT BE TO GET TO THE POINT RIGHT RATIO SO THAT, YOU KNOW, AS YOU
18 PLAN FOR PERMANENT HOUSING THAT PEOPLE ARE NOT KIND OF LINGERING ON THE
19 STREET FOR A PROLONGED PERIOD OF TIME. STUDIES SHOW THAT THE LONGER FOLKS
20 ARE LEFT IN AN UNSHELTERED LIVING SITUATION THAT IT IMPACTS BOTH HEALTH
21 AND MENTAL HEALTH IN A NEGATIVE WAY. AND WHILE HOUSING IS THE ANSWER TO
22 HOMELESSNESS, WE NEED TO BE PLANNING FOR INTERIM OPTIONS UNTIL WE HAVE
23 GROWTH GARNERS AND DEPLOYED MORE RESOURCES FOR PERMANENT HOUSING. ONCE WE
24 EVALUATE WITH THE COMMUNITY WHAT THAT APPROPRIATE BALANCE AND MIX OF
25 INVESTMENTS ARE, WE LOOK AT WHAT RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE, WHETHER SOME MAY

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1 NEED TO BE REALLOCATED IN THE SHORT-TERM, MATCHED WITH NEW FUND THAT'S
2 COMING FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, OR THE STATE GOVERNMENT, OR AFFORDABLE
3 HOUSING, OR, FOR INSTANCE, PROJECT HOME KEY TO CREATE THE PERMANENT EXITS,
4 AND OF COURSE, WE ARE VERY ACTIVE AT THE STATE AND FEDERAL LEVEL,
5 ADVOCATING FOR NEW RESOURCES WITH RESPECT TO PERMANENT SOLUTIONS TO
6 HOMELESSNESS. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. SO A KEY PIECE OF THIS 1-2-4 FRAMEWORK
7 IS THE PREVENTION SIDE. AS MANY OF YOU KNOW, WE ARE, IN MANY JURISDICTIONS
8 IN THE BAY AREA, PRIOR TO THE PANDEMIC, THE HOMELESS SERVICE SYSTEM WAS
9 HOW -- FOR EVERY PERSON THAT WAS ENTERING THE SYSTEM, THROUGH A SHELTER,
10 AND GETTING PERMANENTLY HOUSED, IN TERMS OF THE HOUSING PLACEMENT,
11 SOMETIMES 2 TO 3 TIMES THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WERE BECOMING HOMELESS AS EACH
12 HOUSING PLACEMENT WAS BEING MADE. SO WITH THAT KIND OF IN-FLOW, WE WILL
13 NOT -- IT WILL BE AN IMPOSSIBILITY TO BUILD OUR WAY OUT OF INCREASING
14 HOMELESSNESS IN THE BAY AREA. SO, WE PLACE A VERY STRONG EMPHASIS ON
15 PREVENTION AND PROTECTION. AND WHAT WE FOUND IN THE BAY AREA IS THAT THERE
16 REALLY HASN'T BEEN A CONSISTENT DEFINITION OF HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION.
17 THERE IS OFTEN ANTI- DISPLACEMENT AND LEGAL SERVICES COMPONENT OF
18 PREVENTION THAT ARE FUNDED BY LOCAL JURISDICTIONS. THERE IS OFTEN, KIND
19 OF, SHORT-TERM FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR SOMEONE THAT GETS INTO A HOUSING
20 OR ECONOMIC CRISIS. BUT WHAT WE'RE REALLY TALKING ABOUT IS FUNDING A
21 ROBUST AND COMPREHENSIVE SYSTEM OF PROTECTION THAT DOESN'T REALLY MATTER
22 TO THE HOUSEHOLD, WHERE THEY'RE COMING INTO IT, WHETHER THEY'RE AT
23 IMMINENT RISK, AND ABOUT TO BE HOMELESS IN SEVERAL DAYS OR WEEKS, OR
24 WHETHER THEY'RE JUST PRECARIOUSLY HOUSED AND DOUBLED UP, AND BEING
25 POTENTIALLY HARASSED, OR EVICTED. AND SO, OUR GOAL IS TO MAKE SURE THAT

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1 THAT KIND OF ROBUST CATEGORY OF SERVICES IS AVAILABLE WHENEVER THAT
2 HOUSEHOLD REACHES THE PLACE THAT THEY NEED THE HELP. AND, FINALLY, I
3 GUESS I WOULD JUST SAY, WITH ALL OF THIS, MANY OF YOUR JURISDICTIONS, YOUR
4 CITIES, YOUR COUNTIES, HAVE DEVELOPED YOUR OWN LOCAL PLAN TO REDUCE
5 HOMELESSNESS. AND THIS, THE RAP, AND THIS RATIO THAT WE'RE RECOMMEND
6 SUGGEST NOT MEANT TO SUPPLANT THAT, IT'S MEANT TO COMPLEMENT IT, IT'S
7 MEANT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL HELP AND POTENTIALLY RESOURCES TO HELP YOU
8 ACHIEVE THAT RIGHT BALANCE FOR YOUR COMMUNITY. SO, I WILL STOP THERE.
9 AND, TOMIQUIA AND I WILL CERTAINLY BE AVAILABLE FOR ANY QUESTIONS YOU
10 MIGHT HAVE.

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12 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU SO MUCH TOMIQUIA AND JOANN. AND IN
13 THE INTEREST OF TIME, I'M GOING TO CONSOLIDATE, SORT OF, DISCUSSION, AND
14 PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS 3 AND 4. SORT OF, SINGULARLY. I'M GOING TO ASK ONE
15 QUESTION OF PANELISTS THEN MAKE SURE WE HAVE TIME FOR THE ELECTED
16 OFFICIALS TO ASK THEIR QUESTIONS. SO, YOU HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT
17 DIFFERENT WAYS THAT OUR REGION CAN BETTER ADDRESS THE REGION'S LACK OF
18 AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN OUR RELATED HOMELESS CRISIS THESE ARE PROBLEMS THAT
19 HAVE GOTTEN WORSE OVER THE PAST DECADE. CAN EACH OF YOU DISCUSS HOW THE
20 PROGRAMS THAT YOU ARE ENGAGED IN CAN MAKE A REAL DIFFERENCE THIS TIME
21 AROUND? AND WHAT GIVES YOU HOPE THAT THESE COLLECTIVE EFFORTS CAN HELP
22 MAKE A MEANINGFUL IMPACT IN ADDRESSING OUR HOMELESSNESS AND HOUSING CRISIS
23 IN THE REGION? I'LL START WITH TOMIQUIA.

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1 **TOMIQUIA MOSS:** THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION, PRESIDENT ARREGUIN, I GUESS I
2 WOULD JUST, IN AN EFFORT TO BE BRIEF, WOULD SAY, WHAT GIVES ME HOPE ABOUT
3 BOTH THE STRATEGIES THAT WE'RE PROPOSING, AS WELL AS THE PARTNERSHIPS THAT
4 WE HAVE ENGAGED IN ORDER TO DEVELOP THIS PLAN IS REALLY, FOR THE FIRST
5 TIME, I THINK, A REGIONAL STRATEGY THAT TAKES ACCOUNT OF ALL OUR LOCAL
6 EFFORTS, REALLY EVALUATES WHERE THE GAPS ARE, AND TRIES TO PUT TOGETHER A
7 SET OF INTERVENTIONS THAT, FRANKLY, HAVE EVIDENCE BASED IMPACTS. WE KNOW
8 THAT THESE INTERVENTIONS WORK, BUT WHAT WE HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO DO IS
9 EMPLOY THEM AT SCALE. AND ONE OF THE OTHER ELEMENTS THAT I THINK MAKES
10 THIS MOMENT UNIQUE, IS THAT, FOR THE FIRST TIME IN A LONG TIME, THAT WE
11 HAVE A PARTNER IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. THE BIDEN-HARRIS ADMINISTRATION
12 HAS DEMONSTRATED THEIR COMMITMENT TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS AND HOUSING
13 ISSUES ACROSS THE COUNTRY. IT'S BEEN EVIDENCED BY THE RENTAL ASSISTANCE
14 PROGRAM DOLLARS THAT HAVE COME IN THROUGH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND STATE
15 AS WELL AS AN EXPANDED SET OF RESOURCES THAT NOW ALLOWS US FOR THE FIRST
16 TIME TO NOT HAVE A SCARCITY MENTALITY WHEN TRYING TO SOLVE THESE ISSUES
17 BUT REALLY LOOKING AT WHAT WOULD IT ACTUALLY COST OR TAKE FOR YOU US TO
18 GET TO THAT 75% REDUCTION AND MAKING SURE WE'RE COORDINATING EFFORTS
19 ACROSS THE REGION WHERE WE HAVE A MORE POWERFUL VOICE WHEN WE'RE
20 ADVOCATING TOGETHER TO ENSURE THOSE RESOURCES ARE ALLOCATED TO
21 COMMUNITIES. I THINK THOSE ELEMENTS ARE MOST HOPEFUL, AND I WOULD LASTLY
22 SAY, WE HAVE TO BE ACCOUNTABLE FOR OUTCOMES, IT'S NOT ENOUGH TO JUST HAVE
23 A SYSTEM OF -- HOMELESSNESS WHEN PEOPLE ARE INTERACTING WITH THE SYSTEM. I
24 THINK WE HAVE TO TAKE A BOLD ACTION TO SET POPULATION LEVEL REDUCTIONS IN
25 HOMELESSNESS AND TRACK OUR PROGRESS FIGURE OUT WHERE IT'S WORKING AND ARE

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1 IT'S NOT AND SUPPORT COMMUNITIES IN THOSE REDUCTIONS IF WE'RE GOING TO SEE
2 A MORE EQUITABLE BASIS. THAT'S WHAT I'M EXCITED ABOUT.

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4 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** BRAD DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO ADD?

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6 **BRAD PAUL:** I AGREE WITH EVERYTHING TOMIQUIA SAID. THE SCALE BEFORE WE
7 DECIDE NOT TO GO TO -- WE'RE TALKING ABOUT \$10 BILLION OF NEW MONEY JUST
8 FOR THE BAY AREA EVERY YEAR ON TOP OF FEDERAL AND STATE MONEY. YOU CAN
9 APPROVE HOUSING BUT YOU CAN'T BUILT IT ESPECIALLY AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND
10 YOU CAN'T BUILD AFFORDABLE HOUSING WITHOUT SUBSIDY AND THAT'S THE FOCUS OF
11 CREATING BAHFA WITH A LOT MORE MONEY BUT TESTING AND START FROM GROUND
12 ZERO SO WE CAN HIT THE GROUND RUNNING.

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14 **HEATHER PETERS:** I WOULD ADD TO ECHO THE PARTNERSHIP AND RESOURCES THAT THE
15 REGIONAL HOUSING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, BECAUSE WE HAVE THE
16 PARTNERSHIP OF ALL OF YOU, AND THE RESOURCES FROM THE STATE FUNDING, WE'RE
17 ABLE TO REALLY ACT AS A FORCE MULTIPLIER. WE'RE ABLE TO DELIVER THINGS
18 THAT YOU NORMALLY CONTRACT OUT DOING THE PROCUREMENT AND CONTRACTS IS TIME
19 CONSUMING AND IT TAKES STAFF AWAY FROM LOCAL PRIORITIES SO WE'RE HAPPY TO
20 BE PROVIDING A FORCED MULTIPLIER FOR YOU.

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22 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU. I NOW WANT TO GO TO OUR DELEGATES.
23 THANK YOU FOR WAITING PATIENTLY AND FOR LISTENING TO THESE GREAT
24 PRESENTATIONS. WE WANT TO GO TO YOUR QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS. ANY

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1 DELEGATES, PANELISTS WHO WOULD LIKE TO ASK A QUESTION OF OUR PANELISTS,
2 PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND. I SEE WE HAVE MAYOR BUTT UP FIRST.

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4 **TOM BUTT:** THANK YOU. YOU KNOW, ONE OF THE PROBLEMS WE HAVE IN THE BAY AREA
5 IS THAT, I THINK, MAYBE WITH THE EXTENSION OF BERKELEY, THERE MAY BE OTHER
6 CITIES, BUT ALL OF THE FEDERAL AND STATE MONEY FOR HOMELESSNESS COMES DOWN
7 THROUGHOUT COUNTIES. AND IN OUR COUNTY, CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, YOU KNOW,
8 THEY CONTROL THAT PROCESS. THEY HAVE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN HOMELESSNESS
9 RELATED BUDGET, AND THEY HAVE A LOT OF PAID STAFF. AND THE CITY HAS
10 NOTHING. YOU KNOW? NOBODY GIVES US MONEY FOR ANYTHING. WE'RE AT THE TOTAL
11 MERCY OF CONTRA COSTA COUNTY AND HOW THAT I WANT TO ALLOCATE RESOURCES TO
12 OUR CITY, AND HOW MUCH RESOURCES THEY ALLOCATE. THAT'S A BIG PROBLEM.
13 HOWEVER OUR RESIDENTS EXPECT THE CITY TO DO GREAT THINGS RELATED TO
14 HOMELESSNESS. ALL THE COMPLAINTS COME TO A CITY. NOBODY CALLS THE COUNTY.
15 THEY SIT UP THERE AND DO THEIR COUNTY THING. AND SO WE GET ALL THE
16 COMPLAINTS. WE GET ALL THE PROBLEMS. AND BECAUSE OF THAT, YOU KNOW, WE'RE
17 COMPELLED TO FIND RESOURCES WE DON'T REALLY HAVE TO AUGMENT WHAT THE
18 COUNTY HAS. NOW, I'M VERY IMPRESSED WITH THIS PRESENTATION, TODAY, CLEARLY
19 ABAG HAS VAST RESOURCES THAT I WASN'T EVEN AWARE OF. I DON'T KNOW IF OUR
20 COUNTY IS USING ANY OF THEM. I KNOW OUR CITY IS NOT. SO, I GUESS THE
21 QUESTION REALLY S HOW DO WE GET EVERYBODY TOGETHER TO DEAL WITH THIS
22 PROBLEM? IT'S ALL IN SILOS RIGHT NOW. AND I THINK THERE IS A LOT OF TIME
23 AND MONEY WASTED, AND A LOT OF OPPORTUNITIES WASTED. YOU KNOW, IF WE COULD
24 PULL THIS TOGETHER AND DO A BETTER JOB OF COORDINATING AND FOCUSING
25 RESOURCES.

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2 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** HEAR, HEAR, MAYOR BUTT WE'RE IN THE SAME
3 SITUATION. IN BERKELEY COUNTY, AND ALAMEDA COUNTY MANY CITIES AS WELL.

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5 **TOM BUTT:** YOU GUYS HAVE A HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

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7 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** WE DO AND A LOT OF HUMAN SERVICES MONEY GOES TO
8 THE CITIES AND COUNTY.

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10 **TOMAS BUTT:** THE COUNTY HAS ALL THE MONEY FOR MENTAL HEALTH, THEY HAVE A
11 TON OF RESOURCES AND MENTAL HEALTH IS A BIG PART OF THE HOMELESS
12 SITUATION. SO IT'S THE SAME PROBLEM. BUT THEY CONTROL ALL OF THAT. AND,
13 YOU KNOW, WE HAVE TO DEAL WITH THE CONSEQUENCES, AND WE HAVE TO DEAL WITH
14 THE COMPLAINTS.

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16 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** TOMIQUIA, OR JOANN? OR BRAD OR HEATHER, DO YOU
17 HAVE ANY THOUGHTS?

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19 **TOMIQUIA MOSS:** THANK YOU FOR THE COMMENT MAYOR BUTT. AS A FORMER CHIEF OF
20 STAFF OF OAKLAND I KNOW EXACTLY WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT IN TERMS OF
21 LOCAL RESPONSIBILITY AND RESOURCES NOT BEING AVAILABLE. WE HAVE AN
22 EXTRAORDINARY PARTNER IN OUR REGIONAL IMPACT COUNCIL BOTH SUPERVISOR
23 BURGESS AND SUPERVISOR ANDERSON BOTH HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THE DEVELOPMENT
24 OF THE REGIONAL ACTION PLAN AND CONTRA COSTA COUNTY IS ACTUALLY ALIGNING
25 WITH THEIR STRATEGY AND RESOURCES IN THE FRAMEWORK IMPLEMENTATION. WE'RE

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1 WORKING TO BRIDGE THE DIVIDE BETWEEN CITIES AND COUNTIES, OUR ORGANIZATION
2 IS REALLY DESIGNED TO SUPPORT THAT COLLABORATION AND COORDINATION AND
3 WE'RE SEEING IT BEGIN TO IMPROVE IN CERTAIN COUNTIES. AND SO I JUST, YOU
4 KNOW, ACKNOWLEDGE THE REALITY AND WE CONTINUE TO ENGAGE WITH EACH OF THE
5 COUNTIES, AND THE CITIES TO ACHIEVE THOSE GOALS. SO, THAT'S OUR FUNCTION,
6 AND IF FOLKS HAVE THOUGHTS OR IDEAS ABOUT HOW TO BETTER IMPROVE THOSE
7 RELATIONSHIPS AND PARTNERSHIPS, WE'RE DEFINITELY HERE TO DO THAT WITH YOU.

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9 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** ANY OTHER PANELISTS HAVE ANY THOUGHTS YOU WANT
10 TO SHARE? I THINK TOMIQUIA SAID IT WELL. THAT'S THE IDEA ABOUT HAVING A
11 REGIONAL PLAN AND FRAMEWORK THAT WE CAN HAVE BUY-IN ON, TO BEGIN TO WEAVE
12 TOGETHER THOSE PARTNERSHIPS AND MAKE SURE THAT FUNDING IS COORDINATED
13 ACROSS CITIES AND COUNTIES, AND THAT WE'RE OUTCOME DRIVEN AND THAT WE HAVE
14 SHOW THE RESULTS OF THE INVESTMENTS THAT WE'RE MAKE. I THINK THAT'S WHAT'S
15 LACKING RIGHT NOW. AND THAT'S THE KIND OF SYSTEMS CHANGE THAT WE NEED TO
16 PROMOTE. I'M GOING TO GO TO DEBRA KING FROM RIO VISTA.

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18 **DEBRA KING:** THANK YOU. I HAD A QUESTION. I DON'T RECALL HER NAME BUT SHE
19 DID THE FIRST PRESENTATION AND PRESENTED A LOT OF FACTS. MS. PETERS?

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21 **HEATHER PETERS:** THAT'S ME, HEATHER.

22

23 **DEBRA KING:** RIO VISTA IS A SMALL DOWN SO I NEED CONCRETE INFORMATION ABOUT
24 HOW TO MOVE FORWARD. OUR CITY MANAGER JUST PRESENTED THE DOCUMENT ON JUNE
25 1ST THAT WENT TO THE STATE TO DELIVER OUR STATUS, AND OUR STATUS IS NOT

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1 GOOD. SO, YOU SAID -- AND IF I -- I WAS TRYING TO WRITE THIS DOWN REALLY
2 QUICKLY "WE ARE ALL GOING TO BE ASKED TO MAKE DIFFICULT DECISIONS
3 REGARDING HOUSING OR FACE" SOMETHING TO THE EFFECT OF PENALTIES, OR
4 SOMETHING -- SOME PUSHBACK FROM THE STATE IF WE DON'T MOVE FORWARD. AND
5 THAT'S KIND OF WHERE I SEE RIO VISTA RIGHT NOW. WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN TO
6 US NEXT YEAR IF WE HAVEN'T MADE MOVEMENT ON THIS?

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8 **HEATHER PETERS:** YEAH, THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION. FIRST I WOULD LIKE TO
9 DIRECT EVERYONE TO YOUR PACKETS. THERE ARE A COUPLE OF THINGS THERE, ONE
10 IS A RESOURCE GUIDE THAT'S A SUMMARY OF EVERYTHING THAT WE'RE DOING TO
11 HELP, AND CONTACT INFORMATION, SO YOUR STAFF CAN CALL EXACTLY WHO THAT I
12 WANT TO -- WHO THAT I WANT TO GET IN TOUCH WITH. THE SECOND IS THE HAND
13 OUT THAT YOU WILL SEE IN YOUR PACKET THAT DETAILS ALL THOSE NEW STATE LAW
14 CONSEQUENCES. THEY ARE SIGNIFICANT. THEY CAN BE FINES, THEY CAN BE
15 LAWSUITS. THEY CAN BE THE STATE TAKING OVER A JUDGE OR THE STATE TAKING
16 OVER LOCAL PERMITTING DECISIONS. NOW OF COURSE THAT'S THE EXTREME EXAMPLE.
17 BUT THERE IS A HAND OUT IN YOUR PACKET, AND THERE IS ALSO A HAND OUT IN
18 THE BACK OF THE HAND OUT, IS A BUNCH OF LINKS TO MEDIA COVERAGE FOR CITIES
19 THAT HAVE SUFFERED THOSE CONSEQUENCES RECENTLY THAT ARE SUBJECT TO STATE -
20 - SUBJECT BY LAWSUITS BY THE STATE, BY DEVELOPERS, BY ADVOCATES, EVEN BY
21 LOCALS. SO IT IS VERY DIFFERENT THIS CYCLE, THIS YEAR, THAN IT HAS BEEN IN
22 THE PAST, BUT, IT IS VERY DIFFERENT THAT THERE ARE UNPRECEDENTED THE
23 RESOURCES. THE LOCAL GRANTS AND THE REGIONAL GRANTS, AND OUR TEAM, HERE,
24 AT MTC/ABAG, WE ARE AT -- AND THE CONSULTANTS WE'RE HIGHER TO HELP FOLKS,

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1 WE'RE REALLY HERE TO HELP YOU. FEEL FREE TO REACH OUT TO ME DIRECTLY AND
2 WE'LL SETUP A MEETING AND WE CAN TALK.

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4 **THERESE MCMILLAN:** THIS IS THERESE MCMILLAN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, I WANT TO
5 EMPHASIZE WITH A HIGHLIGHTER DOUBLE LINES, HEATHER'S LAST STATEMENT. WE
6 ARE HERE TO WORK TO ENSURE YOUR SUCCESS. ACTIVELY. WE'RE NOT SITTING BACK,
7 WAITING TO SEE OUR CITIES AND TOWNS, AND COUNTIES, FAIL IN ACHIEVING THESE
8 -- YOU KNOW, THEY ARE LARGE TARGETS, BUT THEY ARE NECESSARY TARGETS TO
9 SERVE OUR COMMUNITIES, AS WAS ILLUSTRATED THROUGHOUT THESE PRESENTATIONS.
10 I BELIEVE WE ARE UP FOR THE TASK, AND WE ARE DOING EVERYTHING WE CAN TO
11 HELP YOU. AND I HOPE THAT IS THE DRIVING MESSAGE COMING OUT OF TODAY, THAT
12 WE'RE POSITIONING YOU TO SUCCEED.

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14 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** YEAH. WE'RE HERE TO WORK WITH YOU AND TO
15 SUPPORT OUR CITIES, TOWNS, COUNTIES MEMBER JURISDICTIONS, THE REGIONAL
16 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IS, I THINK, PROBABLY ONE OF THE MOST -- THE,
17 UNPRECEDENTED SCALE OF INVESTMENT THAT WE HAVE DONE TO SUPPORT LOCAL
18 JURISDICTIONS. THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING RESOURCES, WE WANT TO FLOW, SO THAT
19 WE CAN ALL BUILD THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO MEET OUR TARGETS, SO WE KNOW
20 THAT THIS IS CHALLENGING AND WE'RE HERE TO SUPPORT AND YOU WORK WITH YOU.

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22 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.

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24 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** I'M GOING TO GO TO YAN ZHAO.

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1 **YAN ZHAO:** I WAS PRESENT WHEN THE ROLL CALL WAS TAKING PLACE. IN THE
2 PRESENTATION, THERE WAS A SLIDE SHOWING ALL THE GRANTS, I KNOW EACH
3 JURISDICTION HAS RECEIVED SOME GRANTS BUT IT SEEM LIKE THERE ARE MORE
4 HERE. I SEE A \$25.5 MILLION, AND ALSO FOR SB2, WE HAVE \$24 MILLION. HOW
5 EACH CITY CAN APPLY FOR THE ADDITIONAL GRANT? IS THAT SOMETHING WE CAN DO?
6 OR WE'RE JUST ONLY ALLOTTED FOR A CERTAIN AMOUNT?

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8 **HEATHER PETERS:** YEAH, THAT'S SET BY THE STATE, AND THAT MONEY SHOULD
9 ALREADY BE AT YOUR CITY. SO CHECK WITH YOUR PLANNING STAFF. THAT CAME OUT
10 BEFORE OUR MONEY IS COMING OUT, BUT THE REAP LOCAL PLANNING GRANTS, EACH
11 CITY GETS SOME MONEY, AND THERE IS A HAND OUT IN YOUR PACKET YOU CAN LOOK
12 UP YOUR CITY AND THAT WILL BE COMING OUT SHORTLY WITHIN THE NEXT MONTH WE
13 WILL BE SENDING OUT GRANT ENGAGEMENT WITH YOUR STAFF GETTING THAT EXTRA
14 MONEY IN YOUR POCKET. BUT SB2 SHOULD ALREADY BE IN YOUR CITY.

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16 **SPEAKER:** YOU HAVE \$2 MILLION ALMOST \$11 MILLION FOR ALL THE CITIES BUT THE
17 TOTAL AMOUNT IS \$26 MILLION, SO ALL THE AMOUNTS ARE THEY AVAILABLE FOR
18 CITIES TO APPLY, OR WHAT OTHER ADDITIONAL AMOUNT MONEYS FOR?

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20 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** HEATHER, YOU'RE MUTED MAYBE YOU WANT TO TALK
21 ABOUT --

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23 **HEATHER PETERS:** YES. EVERYONE'S ALREADY APPLIED, THERE WAS AN APPLICATION,
24 EVERYONE'S ALREADY APPLIED, THE MONEY IS GUARANTEED, THERE IS NOTHING ELSE
25 YOU NEED TO DO. WE WILL BE GETTING YOU A GRANT AGREEMENT, THE PERSON THAT

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1 APPLIED FOR THE MONEY. EVERYTHING THAT'S IN YOUR PACKET, YOU HAVE ALREADY
2 APPLIED FOR. WE HAD 100% PARTICIPATION YOUR STAFF IS GREAT THANK YOU. WE
3 WILL BE GETTING YOU THE GRANTS SHORTLY.

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5 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.

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7 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** JUST TO NOTE THERE WAS AN APPLICATION PROCESS
8 IT WAS THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR, AND WE HAD 100% PARTICIPATION. IT WAS
9 AMAZING. SO EVERY JURISDICTION IS GOING TO GET SOMETHING. SO WE APPROVED
10 THOSE ALLOCATIONS AT THE EXECUTIVE BOARD. I THINK IT WAS A MONTH OR SO
11 AGO, AND NOW THE MONEY WILL BE FLOWING. SUPERVISOR GREGORY?

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13 **RYAN GREGORY:** I'LL BE QUICK. WE HAVE LOTS OF LAND ZONES, SHOULDN'T SAY
14 LOTS, BUT WE HAVE LOTS OF LANDS OWNED IN NAPA COUNTY AND CITIES AND
15 PORTERVILLE HOUSING HAS BEEN BUILT, OUR ISSUE IN OUR COMMUNITY IS LACK OF
16 FUNDING TO UNDERWRITE THOSE UNITS. WHAT IS THE SHIFT HAPPENING RIGHT NOW
17 AT THE STATE OR FEDERAL LEVEL? IS THERE A SHIFT? HOW MONUMENTAL IS THE
18 SHIFT IN PROVIDING FUNDING FOR PROJECTS TO GET BUILT?

19

20 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** EXCELLENT QUESTION. BRAD? OR TOMIQUIA, IN YOU
21 HAVE ANY INSIGHTS?

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23 **HEATHER PETERS:** I COULD TAKE THAT. KEEP AN EYE ON THE STATE BUDGET. IT
24 WILL BE VOTED ON BY JULY 1ST, AND THERE IS QUITE A BIT OF ADDITIONAL
25 FUNDING FOR BOTH HOMELESSNESS AND FOR SUBSIDIZED UNITS.

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2 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** TOMIQUIA? OR JOANN, ANY INSIGHTS ON HUD IN THE
3 DISCUSSION AROUND THE INFRASTRUCTURE. WE HAVE DONE LOBBY VISITS WITH
4 MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AND WE'RE ACTUALLY DOING FEDERAL ADVOCACY IN
5 WASHINGTON, ADVOCATING FOR SIGNIFICANT HOUSING INVESTMENT AS PART OF THE
6 INFRASTRUCTURE PACKAGE.

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8 **SPEAKER:** THE INFRASTRUCTURE PACKAGE, THE KIND OF BIPARTISAN ROUTE THAT WAS
9 ANNOUNCED EARLIER THIS WEEK, ACTUALLY DOES NOT CONTAIN THE HOUSING
10 RESOURCES IN IT. THE HOPE IS THAT, AS PART OF THAT NEGOTIATION PROCESS,
11 FOR THAT SKINNER, MORE TRADITIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE PACKAGE WHICH IS MORE
12 FOCUSED ON ROADS AND BRIDGES AND TRADITIONAL TYPES OF PUBLIC CONSTRUCTION,
13 IS THAT, AS PART OF THE BUDGET RECONCILIATION PROCESS, THEY WILL INCLUDE
14 THE PROPOSALS THAT THE BIDEN-HARRIS ADMINISTRATION HAD PUT FORTH IN TERMS
15 OF HOUSING, WHICH INCLUDES A \$45 BILLION INVESTMENT IN THE HOUSING TRUST
16 FUND. IT INCLUDES, I THINK, 200,000 NEW HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHERS, AND
17 ADDITIONAL PROJECT-BASED VOUCHERS AS WELL. AND, YOU KNOW, AND THERE IS A
18 MOVEMENT REPRESENTATIVE, WATERS INTRODUCED A BILL, OR WILL INTRODUCE IT
19 SHORTLY, THAT CALLS FOR A PLAN FOR UNIVERSAL VOUCHERS FOR ANY ELIGIBLE
20 HOUSEHOLDS. SO THAT, YOU KNOW, RIGHT NOW, IN TERMS OF ELIGIBILITY, ONLY
21 ABOUT ONE FIFTH OF THE HOUSEHOLDS THAT ARE ELIGIBLE FOR SECTION-EIGHT OR
22 HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHERS, AS THEY'RE NOW CALLED, ARE GETTING THEM. SO THE
23 EXPANSION OF THAT PROGRAM WILL ALLOW A LOT MORE, KIND OF, RENTAL SUPPORT
24 FOR PEOPLE.

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1 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** YEAH, AND WE HOPE, YOU KNOW, WITH BAHFA, THAT
2 IT COULD BE A POTENTIAL RECIPIENT OF FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDS TO LEVERAGE
3 WHATEVER RESOURCES WE HAVE IN THE REGION TO EXPAND THE AMOUNT OF MONEY
4 THAT CAN GO TOWARDS LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO BUILD AFFORDABLE HOUSING. SO IT'S
5 A LOT OF OPPORTUNITY. SUPERVISOR GREG, ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?

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7 **SPEAKER:** NO. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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9 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU. WE'RE GOING TO GO TO JAVED.

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11 **JAVED ELLAHIE:** THANK YOU. ON THE HOMELESS SOLUTIONS, THE REGIONAL ACTION
12 PLAN, I AM IMPRESSED. I SEE CONFLICT WITHIN THE ABAG'S APPROACH, WHICH IS
13 CITY BY CITY, RATHER THAN BY REGIONS, AND THE HOMELESSNESS APPROACH.
14 BECAUSE WE'RE GOING TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM BY DEALING IN REGIONS, I THINK
15 THE ALLOCATION THAT ABAG HAS DONE, SHOULD HAVE ALSO BEEN BY COUNTIES. AND
16 ONE GOOD REASON FOR THAT IS, SOME CITIES THAT, LAND IS SOLD FOR OLD PRICE,
17 THAT THERE IS LITTLE CHANCE OF LOW INCOME HOUSING BEING BUILT. OTHER
18 CITIES HAVE LOTS OF LAND THEY WOULD LOVE TO HAVE LOW INCOME HOUSING BUILT.
19 IF THE LOCATION WAS DONE BY REGIONS OR BY COUNTY, FOR EXAMPLE, CITIES LIKE
20 WHERE I'M FROM, IT'S GOING TO BE DIFFICULT FOR US TO EVEN FIND LAND TO
21 BUILD, AND OTHER CITIES THAT HAVE LAND WOULD BE ABLE TO REACH OUT TO EACH
22 OTHER AND WORK AND SOLVE THE HOUSELESSNESS PROBLEM. THE PRIORITIES MAY
23 SOME ATTENTION SHOULD BE PAID TO THAT SO WE CAN MOVE FORWARD ON A COUNTY-
24 WIDE SYSTEM RATHER THAN CITYWIDE SYSTEM.

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1 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU FOR THE SUGGESTION. ARE YOU REFERRING
2 TO THE RHNA? THE REGIONAL --

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4 **SPEAKER:** THE ALLOCATION, BASED CITY WISE, AND REALLY, LISTENING TO THIS
5 PRESENTATION, I THINK THAT'S A GREAT IDEA TO DO IT BY REGIONS AND IF YOU
6 ARE DOING IT BY COUNTIES THAT MAKES MORE SENSE. DIFFERENT CITIES AND
7 COUNTIES, ARE A LOT MORE AVAILABLE AND QUICKER LOW INCOME HOUSING CAN BE
8 BUILT IN SOME CITIES WHILE IN OTHER CITIES IT'S GOING TO TAKE FOREVER TO
9 BUILD THOSE HOUSES.

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11 **SPEAKER:** I DON'T MEAN TO INTERRUPT BUT I HAVE TO AGREE WITH HIM RIO VISTA
12 HAS NO LAND LEFT TO BUILD HOUSING. THAT'S A BIG PROBLEM. YEAH.

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14 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU. I WANT TO EMPHASIZE AND BRAD,
15 CORRECT ME IF I AM WRONG, COUNTIES CAN FORM THEIR OWN SUBREGIONS AND DO
16 THEIR OWN ALLOCATION PLANS. ALTHOUGH THE DEADLINE TO DO THAT,
17 UNFORTUNATELY, PASSED, AND THAT THERE IS A PROCESS WHERE THE AGREEMENTS
18 CAN BE MADE BETWEEN CITIES AND COUNTIES TO TRANSFER LAND IN UNINCORPORATED
19 AREAS, RIGHT?

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21 **BRAD PAUL:** YES, AND THERE ARE SEVERAL COUNTIES THAT HAVE DONE THAT IN THE
22 PAST AND ARE DOING IT NOW. THE COUNTIES GET A NUMBER FOR THE WHOLE COUNTY
23 AND CITIES WITHIN THAT COUNTY DECIDE HOW TO ALLOCATE IT. IT'S SOMETHING
24 NEXT TIME AROUND FOR YOUR COUNTY TO ADDRESS THAT ISSUE.

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1 **SPEAKER:** THE CURRENT ALLOCATION ON COUNTIES, IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS IN
2 THE COUNTIES, IF THERE ISN'T -- AND THAT'S NOT MUCH. WELL? COUNTIES
3 PROBABLY HAVE LARGER UNPOPULATED AREAS BUT GENERALLY THERE IS NOT MUCH
4 AVAILABLE THAT CAN BE EXCHANGED. IT WOULD BE NICE TO EXCHANGE IT WITH
5 ANOTHER CITY WITHIN THE COUNTY RATHER THAN JUST THE COUNTY.

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7 **BRAD PAUL:** IF YOU DO A SUBREGION, YOU'RE ALLOWED TO DO THAT. YOU HAVE TO
8 CREATE THE SUBREGION AT THE OUTSET OF EACH RHNA CYCLE.

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10 **SPEAKER:** IT WOULD BE EASIER IF THE RHNA CYCLE IS ALLOCATED BY COUNTY.
11 THEN, AFTER, WORRY ABOUT DOING SOME MORE THINKING.

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13 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** I'M GOING TO GO TO MATTHEW HUDES.

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15 **MATTHEW HUDES:** I WANT TO UNDERSTAND ABOUT THE UPDATE RELATIVE TO THE
16 IMPACT OF COVID ON HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS. I REALLY HAVE TWO QUESTIONS.
17 DO THE HOUSING REQUIREMENT NUMBERS, EITHER HCD, OR RHNA ALLOCATIONS,
18 REFLECT THE DECLINE AND SHIFT IN POPULATION IN THE BAY AREA? AND,
19 SECONDLY, HAVE COVID RELATED ASSISTANCE AND MORATORIUM ON EVICTIONS HELP
20 THE HOMELESS POPULATION NUMBERS? HAVE THE POPULATION INCREASED OR
21 DECREASED? AND I'M NOT SURE IF THAT'S MS. PETERS, OR MR. PAUL? NOT SURE
22 WHO MIGHT BE ABLE --

23

24 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** ON THE POPULATION QUESTION AND HOW THAT AFFECTS
25 THE RHNA DISTRIBUTION, BRAD, OR HEATHER, COULD YOU -- OR MAYBE THERESE,

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1 SHED SOME LIGHT ON THAT ISSUE. THAT'S A COMMON QUESTION THAT HAS COME UP
2 AROUND THE RHNA ALLOCATION.

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4 **BRAD PAUL:** I'LL TAKE A QUICK STAB. THERE IS I RELATION BETWEEN PLANNED BAY
5 AREA 2050 GEOGRAPHIC POPULATION GROWTH NUMBERS AND HOUSING, AND RHNA. IN
6 PLANNED BAY AREA, WE DID TAKE A STEP BACK AND LOOK AT HOW WE THOUGHT, OVER
7 THE NEXT EIGHT YEARS, AND NEXT 30 YEARS, RHNA WOULD AFFECT IT. WHAT WE
8 FOUND IS A SHORT-TERM IMPACT BUT LONG-TERM IT DOESN'T HAVE A GREAT IMPACT.
9 YOU HAVE ALL HEARD ABOUT PEOPLE LEAVING SAN FRANCISCO AND SILICON VALLEY.
10 BUT FOR THE MOST PART WE'RE SEEING THEY'RE JUST GOING TO SOME OTHER PART
11 OF THE BAY AREA. SO, AGAIN, PLANNED BAY AREA GETS REDONE EVERY FOUR YEARS
12 RHNA EVERY EIGHT YEARS WE HAVE A CHANCE TO REVISIT THAT TO SEE IF THE
13 PROJECTIONS ARE CORRECT OR NOT.

14

15 **THERESE MCMILLAN:** AND IMPORTANTLY NOT FOR THE RHNA NUMBERS NOW.

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17 **BRAD PAUL:** RIGHT.

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19 **THERESE MCMILLAN:** THE STATE DID NOT DO ANY COVID RELATED ADJUSTMENTS, SO
20 THE NUMBER IS THE NUMBER. BUT I WOULD LIKE TOMIQUIA TO COMMENT ON THE VERY
21 IMPORTANT QUESTION ABOUT THE IMPACTS ON THE HOMELESS POPULATIONS.

22

23 **TOMIQUIA MOSS:** YEAH. GREAT QUESTION. I GUESS I WOULD SAY THAT MOST
24 JURISDICTIONS IN THE REGION DID NOT DO THE POINT IN TIME COUNT, WHICH IS A
25 BIENNIAL COUNT, TYPICALLY, AS REQUIRED BY HUD. SOME JURISDICTIONS DID A --

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1 AND I BELIEVE, REALLY, IT WAS ONLY SANTA CLARA COUNTY -- JOANN CORRECT ME
2 IF I AM WRONG -- TO UPDATE THE ACTUAL NUMBERS OF FOLKS. A LOT OF THE
3 INFORMATION WE HAVE IS ANECDOTAL IN TERMS OF PREDICTIONS AROUND THE
4 INCREASE IN HOMELESSNESS BUT THOSE PROJECTIONS ARE UPWARDS TO 40%.
5 EXTENDING THE EVICTION MORATORIUM AND PROTECTIONS IT LOOKS LIKE THE STATE
6 LEGISLATURE AND GOVERNOR ARE CURRENTLY DEBATING IT'S CRITICAL. THE RENTAL
7 ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS BOTH AT STATE AND LOCAL LEVELS HAVE NOT YET REACHED
8 ALL OF THE PEOPLE WHO NEED THOSE RESOURCES AND WE NEED TIME TO GET THOSE
9 PROGRAMS UP TO SPEED. JURISDICTIONS ARE PRIORITIZING EXTREMELY LOW INCOME
10 HOUSEHOLDS IN COMMUNITIES OF COLOR, WHICH WE THINK IS CRITICAL, BUT WE
11 ALSO NEED TIME TO MAKE SURE THAT THOSE RESOURCES ARE GETTING TO THE
12 TENANTS AND THE LANDLORDS SO THAT FOLKS CAN STAY HOUSED. SO I'M ENCOURAGED
13 BY -- AND WE HAVE BEEN DOING A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF ADVOCACY TO ENSURE
14 THAT THE EVICTION MORATORIUM EXTEND LOCAL AND COUNTY JURISDICTIONS THAT
15 ALREADY HAVE THEM IN PLACE IS AN ADDED LAYER OF PROTECTION. BUT, WE HAVE
16 NOT HAD UPDATED COUNTS ON THE ACTUAL NUMBER OF FOLKS EXPERIENCING
17 HOMELESSNESS IN THE REGION DUE TO COVID. SO WE KNOW THAT JURISDICTIONS ARE
18 PLANNING FOR THAT IN 2022.

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20 **BRAD PAUL:** THANK YOU.

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22 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** I KNOW THAT THERE HAS BEEN ANECDOTAL
23 INFORMATION TO SUGGEST THAT THERE HAS BEEN AN INCREASE. AND I THINK MANY
24 OF US HAVE SEEN AN INCREASE IN THE UNSHELTERED POPULATION IN OUR DIFFERENT
25 CITIES DURING COVID-19. I SAW MAYOR HUDSON HAD HIS HAND UP?

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2 **DAVID E. HUDSON:** THANK JESSE. I WAS TRYING TO HIDE BRAD HIT A WORD WHEN HE
3 SAID WE'RE FINDING PEOPLE ARE MOVING TO OTHER PARTS OF THE BAY AREA. WHAT
4 WE'RE FINDING IS NOT ONLY ARE THEY MOVING TO OTHER PARTS OF THE BAY AREA,
5 BUT THE TERM DISPLACEMENT IS GOING TO HAVE TO SPREAD OUT TO SAN JOAQUIN
6 COUNTY. I WENT OUT TO RIVER ISLAND, I KNOW YOU GOT TO BE SICK OF HEARING
7 THIS, AND I SPARE THE AIR IT'S ALL SILICON VALLEY. THEY'RE BUYING IT UP.
8 AND THE REALITY BECOMES THAT IT'S NOT HELPING THE HOMELESS WHEN THE PEOPLE
9 OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY MOVE OUT. THEY'RE CAUSING ALL OF THIS JOBS/HOUSING
10 BALANCE AND THAT'S WHY WHEN WE GET INTO THE APPEAL, I ASK DAVE VAUTIN THAT
11 WE GET A COPY OF THAT GRAPH THAT SHOWS THE DIFFERENCE IN HOUSING AND JOBS
12 IN ALL NINE COUNTIES. AND IT'S GOING TO HIGHLIGHT THREE OF THEM, IN
13 PARTICULAR. SO, YEAH. IT'S -- DON'T CALL ON ME, AGAIN, JESSE, IF YOU WANT
14 TO HEAR THIS.

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16 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU. I'LL ASK ARE THERE ANY OTHER
17 QUESTIONS FROM DELEGATES ON THE PRESENTATIONS? OR COMMENTS? IF NOT, THEN
18 WE'LL GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT. AND I'LL ASK ANY ATTENDEES WHO WISH TO SPEAK,
19 ON THE PRESENTATIONS? IF SO, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND? MR. CASTRO, ANY
20 PUBLIC COMMENTS?

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22 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND
23 RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED ON THIS ITEM.

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1 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** OKAY. SO I'LL BRING IT BACK, ONCE AGAIN, TO
2 THE DELEGATES AND ASK ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? IF NOT, I'LL
3 JUST THANK TOMIQUIA AND JOANN, AND BRAD AND HEATHER FOR BEING HERE TODAY
4 AND UPDATING US. REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR TIME. AND THANK YOU, DELEGATES FOR
5 THE VERY THOUGHTFUL QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION.

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7 **TOMIQUIA MOSS:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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9 **HEATHER PETERS:** THANK YOU ALL.

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11 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** DELEGATES, YOU MAY NOTE IT'S PAST 10:30 A.M.,
12 SO WE NEED TO SPEED THINGS ALONG TO THE NEXT MEETING. NEXT ITEM IS ITEM
13 FIVE BRIEF SUMMARY ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES. BRAD PAUL, DEPUTY
14 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WILL PRESENT. BRAD, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

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16 **BRAD PAUL:** I'M GOING TO DO THIS IN A COUPLE OF MINUTES. SLIDES. IN YOUR
17 PACKET YOU WILL SEE MY ENTIRE SLIDE PRESENTATION. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. WHAT
18 I WAS GOING TO SAY IS THAT, AS PRESIDENT ARREGUIN SAID, WE'RE NOW IN THE
19 60TH YEAR AT ABAG AUTHORITY TO ADDRESS CHALLENGES FROM A REGIONAL COMMON
20 PERSPECTIVE AND FOSTER PARTNERSHIPS ACROSS ALL LOCAL JURISDICTIONS AND
21 PROVIDE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES TO MEMBERS AT A REGIONAL LEVEL. I'M NOT
22 GOING TO GO THROUGHOUT WHOLE PRESENTATION. MANY OF YOU KNOW ABOUT ONE OR
23 TWO OF THESE. ABAG POWER AND BAYREN PROVIDE ENERGY CONSERVATION AND
24 NATURAL GAS TO LOCAL COMMUNITIES. HELPING HOMEOWNERS AND APARTMENT OWNERS
25 LOWER THEIR ENERGY USAGE BY 20% AND THEY HAVE A NEW PROGRAM TO LOWER WATER

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1 USAGE PILOTED IN CITIES AND LOWERED WATER USAGE BY 25%. THE ESTUARY
2 PARTNERSHIP HELPS TO PRESERVE AND RESTORE THE BAY AND DO A NUMBER OF
3 PROGRAMS ALONG THOSE LINES. ABAG FINANCE AUTHORITY IS A CONDUIT ISSUE OF
4 TAX EXEMPT BONDS FOR LOCAL COMMUNITIES FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING THEY HAVE
5 DONE OVER 12,000 UNIT IN THE PAST AS WELL AS CITY HALLS LIBRARY PARKS ALL
6 KINDS OF THINGS THE REGIONAL TRAIL PROGRAM BAY TRAIL ARE CREATING A 500
7 MILE WALK ALONG THE BAY FOR PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLES WE HAVE COMPLETED 70%
8 OF IT. I'M NOT GOING TO GO THROUGH ALL OF THESE. IF YOU LOOK IN THE
9 PRESENTATION PACKET FOR THIS SLIDE SHOW, YOU WILL SEE AT THE ENDS WHERE
10 YOU CAN GO ON THE ABAG WEB SITE TO FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION ABOUT EACH
11 ONE OF THESE AND I'LL STOP THERE.

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13 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** THANK YOU MR. PAUL. I KNOW WE HAVE, STAFF FROM
14 THE VARIOUS DIFFERENT AGENCIES THAT HAVE WORKED ON OUR LOCAL GOVERNMENT
15 SERVICE PROGRAMS HERE, IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS. I WILL OPEN IT UP TO
16 DELEGATES, AND ASK ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON THE VARIOUS
17 LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICE PROGRAMS THAT MR. PAUL JUST DISCUSSED? ONCE,
18 AGAIN, THERE IS ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND IN THE AGENDA PACKET. SO WE REFER
19 AND YOU ENCOURAGE YOU TO REVIEW THE MATERIAL. AND ALSO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF
20 THESE PROGRAMS THAT WE ARE DIRECTLY PROVIDING TO SERVE YOU AND LOCAL
21 GOVERNMENT AGENCIES. UNLESS THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS, I'LL ASK IS THERE ANY
22 PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM? IF SO PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND. MR. CASTRO ANY
23 PUBLIC COMMENT?

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1 **CLERK, FRED CASTRO:** THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND
2 RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED ON THIS ITEM.

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4 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** OKAY. SO THAT COMPLETES THIS ITEM. SO WE ARE
5 GOING TO ADJOURN, AND DELEGATES ARE ASKED TO FOLLOW THE SEPARATE ZOOM
6 PANELIST LINK FOR THE ABAG BUSINESS MEETING THAT WAS SENT TO YOU BY THE
7 ZOOM COORDINATOR. AT THE TOP OF YOUR INBOX. I RECEIVED MINE AT -- LET ME
8 SEE HERE -- MINE CAME IN AT 9:25 IT SAYS ABAG GENERAL ASSEMBLY BUSINESS
9 MEETING. A SEPARATE ZOOM LINK. IF YOU HAVE TROUBLE, E-MAIL ZOOM
10 COORDINATOR -- ALL ONE WORD -- AT BAYAREAMETRO.GOV. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
11 MAY PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING BY FOLLOWING THE ZOOM ATTENDEE LINK LISTED
12 ON THE BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA POSTED ON THE MTC LEGISTAR AND ALSO A LINK
13 ON THE ABAG WEB PAGE. WE ARE GOING TO TAKE A FIVE MINUTE BREAK. TECH STAFF
14 NEEDS THAT TIME. WE'RE GOING TO ADJOURN. REBECCA ARE YOU THERE?

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16 **REBECCA ARMENDARIZ:** THE ZOOM ADDRESS FOR THE COORDINATOR?

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18 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** ZOOM COORDINATOR -- ALL ONE WORD -- AT BAY AREA
19 METRO, ALL ONE WORD -- -DOT GOV.

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21 **SPEAKER:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

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23 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** AND MAYBE IF TECH STAFF CAN RESEND THE LINK
24 THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL. IT'S AT THE TOP OF OUR INBOXES. SO THANKS.

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1 **JESSE ARREGUIN, PRESIDENT:** BAY AREA METRO ALL ONE WORD, DOT GOV. WITH THAT
2 THE MEETING OF ABAG GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS ADJOURNED. THANK YOU ALL. WE'LL
3 SEE YOU SHORTLY. [ADJOURNED]
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