SUMMARY MINUTES

ABAG Executive Board Meeting
No. 378, January 20, 2011
MetroCenter Auditorium
101 8th Street, Oakland, California

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Green called the meeting to order at approximately 7:05 p.m.

President Green welcomed the following newly appointed Executive Board members: Nadia Lockyer, Supervisor, County of Alameda; Don Horsley, Supervisor, County of San Mateo; David Rabbitt, Supervisor, County of Sonoma; and Rebecca Kaplan, Councilmember, City of Oakland. Alternates in attendance were Harry Price, Mayor, City of Fairfield; and Susan Gorin, Mayor, City of Santa Rosa.

Representatives and Alternates Present	Jurisdiction
Supervisor Susan L. Adams	County of Marin
Councilmember Jane Brunner	City of Oakland
Councilmember Ronit Bryant	City of Mountain View
Councilmember Kansen Chu	City of San Jose
Supervisor David Cortese	County of Santa Clara
Vice Mayor Richard Garbarino	City of South San Francisco
Mayor Jack Gingles	City of Calistoga
Mayor Susan Gorin	City of Santa Rosa
Mayor Mark Green	City of Union City
Supervisor Scott Haggerty	County of Alameda
Supervisor Don Horsley	County of San Mateo
Supervisor Rose Jacobs Gibson	County of San Mateo
Councilmember Ash Kalra	City of San Jose
Councilmember Rebecca Kaplan	City of Oakland
Director Nancy Kirshner Rodriguez	City of San Francisco
Supervisor Barbara Kondylis	County of Solano
Councilmember Sam Liccardo	City of San Jose
Supervisor Nadia Lockyer	County of Alameda
Supervisor Mark Luce	County of Napa
Supervisor Ross Mirkarimi	County of San Francisco
Councilmember Julie Pierce	City of Clayton
Mayor Joe Pirzynski	Town of Los Gatos
Mayor Harry Price	City of Fairfield
Supervisor David Rabbitt	County of Sonoma
Councilmember A. Sepi Richardson	City of Brisbane
Supervisor Gayle B. Uilkema	County of Contra Costa
Councilmember Joanne Ward	City of Hercules
Vice Chair Terry Young	RWQCB

Representatives Absent	Jurisdiction
Supervisor John Avalos	County of San Francisco
Councilmember Carole Dillon-Knutson	City of Novato
Supervisor John Gioia	County of Contra Costa
Councilmember Beverly Johnson	City of Alameda
Mayor Edwin Lee	City of San Francisco
Supervisor Eric Mar	County of San Francisco

Councilmember Nancy Nadel	City of Oakland
Supervisor Ken Yeager	County of Santa Clara

2. PUBLIC COMMENT
There was no public comment.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS
Terry Young, Regional Water Quality Control Board, announced the City of San Jose's ban on single use bags and offered assistance to other jurisdictions interested in knowing about the Regional Municipal Stormwater Permit requirements.

There were no other announcements.

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
President Green reported on the following:

The 50th Anniversary Gala is on January 21st at the Claremont Hotel. ABAG is partnering with MTC who is celebrating 40 years of service. The gala is an opportunity to acknowledge the foresight of those who preceded us when they joined forces to create this association of counties, cities, and towns.

The Spring General Assembly and Business Meeting is on April 14th at the Marriott Hotel in Oakland. Voting delegates from each city and county are to attend the annual business meeting. Members were asked to ensure their jurisdictions register for the General Assembly.

The Administrative Committee will hold its annual retreat February 17th and 18th to discuss the agency's work plan and set priorities for the 2011-2012 fiscal year.

The L&GO Committee will host a Legislative Reception in Sacramento from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on February 16th at Chops Steakhouse across the street from the Capitol. He asked members to contact their local representative and encourage them to attend. This is an opportunity for members to interact with their legislators in an informal setting and for ABAG to highlight its legislative agenda.

5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT
Ezra Rapport, Executive Director, reported on the following:

Since the last report the State has a new Governor and Lt. Governor, both of whom are familiar to ABAG and familiar with the region. The State budget continues to be the number one critical issue. Governor Brown proposed several significant changes that will have impacts on local government.

The budget is dependent on a voter approved five year extension of sales tax, income tax, and vehicle license fees which will require a two thirds majority of the Legislature to be put on the ballot. Other revenues will come from reducing the dependent tax credit, eliminating enterprise zones and redevelopment agencies, changing the tax rules for multi state businesses, using truck weight fees to service transportation bonds, and borrowing from special funds. The budget contains almost $5 billion of cuts, divided among welfare, Medi-Cal, UC and CSU systems; services for

the developmentally disabled; and state bureaucracy. The Governor's budget also proposes to shift various programs to local governments, including juvenile justice, adult non violent prisoners, and several mandates, although it is not clear yet how funding shifts will work. ABAG will track developments with the budget and continue reporting potential impacts on our members.

ABAG continues to look for ways to address its need for a stable source of income. Staff has met both with Senate Speaker Steinberg and Senator Mark DeSaulnier to outline some ideas for ways to provide funding for the region and local government to support the Sustainable Communities Strategy planning process.

Retrofit Bay Area. On January 11th ABAG held the kick-off meeting of the Retrofit Bay Area (Energy Upgrade California) Program Advisory Committee (PAC). The program provides $10,750,000 of marketing and outreach and workforce development funds to the ABAG area, and is designed to increase the level of energy efficiency retrofits in residential homes through county-implemented projects. The PAC discussed the initial program Implementation Plan that will be sent to the California Energy Commission later this month.

Sustainable Communities Planning Process and RHNA. Staff will report on the Interim Vision Scenario that is an important milestone for the Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS). Concurrent with the release of the Initial Vision Scenario is the creation of an SCS and Housing Methodology Committee. Staff is working on presentations that will be used to inform city councils about the SCS planning process and its goals.

Bay Area-wide Trash Capture Demonstration Project. The San Francisco Estuary Partnership reports that its Bay Area-wide Trash Capture Demonstration Project, funded with federal stimulus money at the end of 2009, is moving into the construction phase. Sixty-six cities and counties are sharing $4.25 million, allocated based on both population and municipalities' trash capture requirements in the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board's Municipal Regional Stormwater Permit. The project is developing a website designed to facilitate information sharing among municipalities, so that they can use information from trash capture experience across the Bay Area to make informed choices about future equipment purchases.

FOCUS Station Area and Land Use Planning Program. Applications are available for the fourth funding cycle of the FOCUS Station Area and Land Use Planning Program, an initiative to finance planning efforts that will result in land use plans and policies that will substantially increase transit ridership around public transit hubs and bus and rail corridors in the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area. Grants of up to $750,000 are available to local jurisdictions concentrating planning efforts on a half-mile radius around a transit station. The Station Area & Land Use Planning Program application, guidelines and appendix can be found on the FOCUS website at http://www.bayareavision.org/initiatives/planninggrants.html

FOCUS Technical Assistance Awards. The FOCUS program recently awarded technical assistance in the second-cycle call for applications. The objective of this flexible technical assistance program is to support discrete planning projects that will advance implementation of PDA-related plans in support of FOCUS goals. Award

recipients include: El Cerrito, Parking policy and demand analysis/development feasibility analysis, $60,000; VTA/San Jose, Parking policy & demand analysis (for San Jose PDAs), $55,000; Oakland, Parking policy & demand analysis (Temescal neighborhood), $60,000; Suisun City, Development & feasibility analysis, $60,000; Cloverdale, Bike/pedestrian feasible design for freeway undercrossing/Caltrans coordination, $30,000. Total funding, $265,000

Green Streets/Cleaner Stormwater Forum. On February 16th, the Estuary Partnership will sponsor a Green Streets/Cleaner Stormwater forum at El Cerrito City Hall. This forum is designed to bring project designers, engineers, planners, and other interested parties together to discuss projects that have gone in the ground to date around the Bay and elsewhere, and lessons learned from those projects, and to hear from landscape architects and engineers about their concerns and perspectives related to green streets, the challenges of retrofitting urban areas, design innovations, and how to move these projects forward in the Bay Area.

ABAG Financial Services. Financings delivered by ABAG and its affiliated entities include: $32,462,900 in Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds on behalf of the City and County of San Francisco for construction of the Arc Light, a 94-Unit Mixed-Income apartment complex; $64,020,000 in State of California Insured Revenue Bonds for Channing House, a retirement facility in Santa Clara County, to refund existing ABAG Finance Authority- issued Bonds, construct a new health center, and to remodel other facilities; $30,000,000 refinancing on behalf of the County of San Diego for the La Jolla Country Day School; $58,385,000 in Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds to construct the Potrero Launch Apartments, a 196-unit mixed-income, mixed-use development in San Francisco; $30,000,000 in Variable Rate Demand Revenue Refunding Bonds for the Francis Parker School in San Diego; $3,000,000 in Variable Rate Revenue Bonds on behalf of the City of Santa Cruz for the Ecology Action organization to help acquire and remodel program facilities; $22,500,000 in Variable Rate Demand Revenue Bonds on behalf of Marin County for the Branson School to refinance existing ABAG Finance Authority debt; $30,000,000 in Variable Rate Revenue Bonds for the Sharp HealthCare system in San Diego County to refund existing debt, make facilities improvements and to purchase major medical equipment; $7,000,000 in refinancing for the Computer History Museum Refunding in Santa Clara County, and; $3,900,000 in Variable Rate Revenue Bonds on behalf of the County of Contra Costa for acquisition, renovation, and equipping of the healthcare facilities of La Clinica de La Raza, Inc.

President Green thanked Mr. Rapport for his report.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

President Green recognized a motion by Sepi Richardson, Councilmember, City of Brisbane, and seconded by Harry Price, Mayor, City of Fairfield, to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously.

A. Approval of Executive Board Summary Minutes**

Approved Summary Minutes of Meeting No. 377 held on November 18, 2010.

B. Grant Applications

A list of grant applications was approved for submission to the State

Clearinghouse, having been circulated in ABAG's "Intergovernmental Review Newsletter" since the last Executive Board meeting.

C. Appointments to Committees
Approved appointments to the following committees:

Bay Conservation and Development Commission
Ana Apodaca, Councilmember, City of Newark, South Bay Representative
Mark Addiego, Councilmember, City of South San Francisco, West Bay Representative

Administrative Committee
Jack Gingles, Mayor, City of Calistoga

Legislation and Governmental Organization Committee
Julie Pierce, Councilmember, City of Clayton

D. Authorization to Apply for Grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Urban Pesticide Reduction Project**
Authorized application for funding from US EPA for Water Quality Improvement Funding and, if approved, for the Executive Director or designee to sign the agreement. This project assists with implementation of the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP) for the San Francisco Estuary.

E. Authorization to Apply for and Accept a Grant from California Department of Pesticide Regulation for the Urban Pesticide Reduction Project**
Authorized application for a grant of approximately $200,000, and if funded, to enter into agreement with the California Department of Pesticide Regulation for the Urban Pesticide Reduction Project.

7. PREPARING FOR SEA LEVEL RISE ON THE HAYWARD SHORELINE**
Jeremy Lowe, Associate Principal, ESA PWA, provided a brief overview of a report prepared for the Hayward Area Shoreline Planning Agency on the effects of sea level rise on the Hayward shoreline. The report included a description of the potential inundation areas; the functions of urban, habitat, storm drainage, land fill, wastewater, utility corridors, and trails; the effects of inundation and erosion; alternatives such as hold the line and realign; opportunities with sediment, freshwater and brackish marsh; and gradual steepening. He described next steps being taken.

Members discussed the outcomes of the study; funding of studies and projects; collaborations to develop responses and solutions; impacts on neighborhoods and infrastructure; federal support for San Francisco Bay restoration; dependence on adjoining areas.

President Green thanked Mr. Lowe for his report.

8. 2014-2022 REGIONAL HOUSING NEED ALLOCATION (RHNA) PROCESS**
Paul Fassinger, ABAG Research Director, discussed the RHNA process and described the proposed composition of the Housing Methodology Committee with the Board and recommended appointments to the Housing Methodology Committee.

President Green recognized a motion by Joe Pirzynski, Mayor, City of Los Gatos, which was seconded by Jack Gingles, Mayor, City of Calistoga, to accept the recommendations for appointments to the Housing Methodology committee. The motion passed unanimously.

President Green thanked Mr. Fassinger for his report.

9. SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES STRATEGY VOLUNTARY PERFORMANCE TARGETS**

Paul Fassinger, ABAG Research Director, and Lisa Klein, Senior Planner, MTC, reviewed the purpose of the performance targets, differentiated statutory and voluntary targets, reported on comments received on the draft performance target, described revisions, and requested approval from the Executive Board. Targets cover climate protection; adequate housing; healthy and safe communities; open space preservation; equitable access; economic vitality; and transportation system effectiveness.

Members discussed asthma as an indicator, displacement of low income communities, and CO2 assessment and carbon emissions data, vehicles miles traveled per capita as a measure, goods movement, local job creation, examples of reducing particulate matter emissions, transit maintenance and development, integration of work of regional agencies to see big picture, difference between decreasing average per-trip travel time and decreasing vehicle miles traveled per capita, setting targets higher, travel time measures, transportation and housing assignments, Napa County's work proximity housing program, reviewing targets, approval by ABAG, MTC, and the JPC, commuter benefit laws, and next steps.

President Green recognized a motion by Susan Adams, Supervisor, County of Marin, which was seconded by Rose Jacobs Gibson, Supervisor, County of San Mateo, to approve the draft Sustainable Communities Strategy voluntary performance target as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

President Green thanked Mr. Fassinger for his report.

10. APPROVAL OF PROPOSED PRIORITY DEVELOPMENT AREA (PDA) IN CITY OF LIVERMORE**

Justin Fried, ABAG Regional Planner, reviewed the recommendation from the Regional Planning Committee to accept the BART Vasco Road Station Area in Livermore as a potential PDA. He described the proposal by the City of Livermore designating the BART Vasco Road Station Area as a potential PDA was endorsed by the Regional Planning Committee on December 1.

President Green recognized a motion by Scott Haggerty, Supervisor, County of Alameda, which was seconded by Julie Pierce, Councilmember, City of Clayton, to accept the BART Vasco Road Station Area in Livermore as a PDA. The motion passed unanimously.

President Green thanked Mr. Kirkey for his report.

11. INITIAL VISION SCENARIO—SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES STRATEGY**

Kenneth Kirkey, ABAG Planning Director, provided an update on the Initial Vision Scenario, which will provide a preliminary overview of the Bay Area's future development, its land use pattern and distribution of housing and jobs. It will also

provide a first assessment of the future region's performance on the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions as well as other adopted regional performance targets. The Initial Vision Scenario is scheduled for release on March 11 and will include a report describing the concept, policies, and strategies; a set of maps describing places that will accommodate sustainable development; housing distribution numbers for region, county, and jurisdiction, and for Priority Development Areas and new infill opportunity areas; and a presentation describing the approach, benefits and resources that would be needed for implementation. After its release, there will be council presentations by city staff, county-level meetings for elected officials and city staff, and county public participation workshops. Feedback following the release will inform development of detailed scenarios.

Members discussed special focus communities funding through Proposition 84, integration with the housing strategy, including public and community groups in process, input from elected officials, process timeline and outreach, alternative modeling, resolving CEQA requirements, presentations to jurisdictions, highlighting key issues and identifying meeting objectives.

President Green thanked Mr. Kirkey for his report.

12. GROWING SMARTER TOGETHER AWARDS PROGRAM**

Rose Jacobs Gibson, Supervisor, County of San Mateo, led a discussion on the Growing Smarter Together Awards Program and proposed modifications to existing guidelines. She described the purpose of the program and the award categories. Two issues that need clarification related to the requirements for the Distinguished Leadership Award—Elected Official and the jury make-up.

President Green recognized a motion by Rose Jacobs Gibson, Supervisor, County of San Mateo, which was seconded by Barbara Kondylis, Supervisor, County of Solano, to approve the recommended clarification to the Growing Smarter Together Awards Program guidelines for the Distinguished Leadership Award category. The clarification would limit eligibility in this category to member city, town or county elected officials.

Members discussed criteria for the Distinguished Leadership Award and the size and composition of the jury pool, opening the eligibility for the award or adding another category for non-city or -county elected official, and encouraging work on the FOCUS initiative.

President Green recognized a substitute motion by Scott Haggerty, Supervisor, County of Alameda, which was seconded by Nadia Lockyer, Supervisor, County of Alameda, to refer the Growing Smarter Together Awards Program guidelines to the Administrative Committee for review. The motion passed unanimously.

President Green thanked Supervisor Jacobs Gibson for her report.

13. LEGISLATION & GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

President Green recognized Committee Chair Mark Luce, Supervisor, County of Napa, who reported on committee activities, including approval of minutes of November 18, 2010; discussion of Governor's budget proposals; recommendation that the Joint Policy Committee craft a regional policy solution to the current budget

proposal of eliminating the Redevelopment Agency; discussion of funding for developing Sustainable Communities Strategy and Regional Planning; update on 2011 Legislative Reception; and considering at a future meeting the renaming of the Bay Trail the Bill Lockyer Trail.

President Green recognized a motion by Chair Luce, which was seconded by Rebecca Kaplan, Councilmember, City of Oakland, to approve the staff report, including the recommendation that the Joint Policy Committee craft a regional policy solution in response to the proposal of eliminating the Redevelopment Agency. The motion passed unanimously.

Members referred the CEQA planning issues in relation to the SCS to the Legislation & Governmental Organization Committee for review.

President Green thanked Chair Luce for his report.

14. FINANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT**

President Green recognized Chair Scott Haggerty, Supervisor, County of Alameda, who reported on committee activities, including election of Rose Jacobs Gibson, Supervisor, County of San Mateo, as Chair and Sepi Richardson, Councilmember, City of Brisbane, as Vice Chair; approval of minutes of meeting held November 18, 2010; report on the financial reports for October and November; update on proposed regional facility; review of proposed work program, budget, and membership dues for FY 2011-12, including a dues increase of 1.5 per cent base on the average Bay Average CPI index over the last 12 months; recommendation of payment of per diems to officers for designated meetings; and discussion of delinquent membership dues.

President Green recognized a motion by Chair Haggerty, which was seconded by Barbara Kondylis, Supervisor, County of Solano, to approve the staff report, including adoption of Resolution 01-11, Payment of Per Diem to Officers for Designated Meetings. The motion passed unanimously.

President Green thanked Chair Haggerty for his report.

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:15 p.m.

Ezra Rapport, Secretary-Treasurer

*** Indicates attachments.*

**** For information on the L&GO Committee, contact Patricia Jones at (510) 464 7933 or PatJ@abag.ca.gov, or Kathleen Cha at (510) 464 7922 or KathleenC@abag.ca.gov.*

All ABAG Executive Board meetings are recorded. To arrange for review of these tapes, please contact Fred Castro, Clerk of the Board, at (510) 464-7913 or FredC@abag.ca.gov.