

SUMMARY MINUTES

ABAG Executive Board Meeting No. 319

July 19, 2001 ■ MetroCenter Auditorium

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 7:37 p.m. by President William Carroll, MetroCenter, 101 Eighth Street, Oakland.

Representatives and Alternates

Supervisor William J. "Bill" Carroll
Supervisor Alice Lai-Bitker
Supervisor Scott Haggerty
Supervisor Mike Rippey
Supervisor Jake McGoldrick
Supervisor Peter McHugh
Supervisor Mike Kerns
Councilmember Patricia White
Councilmember Gwen Regalia
Vice Mayor Kris Valstad
Ms. Maria Ayerdi
Mr. Paul Horcher
Ms. Jennifer Kass
Mayor Pro Tem Eugene Mullin
Mayor Carol Klatt
Councilmember Don Burnett
Councilmember Julia Miller
Mayor George Pettygrove
Councilmember Pam Torliatt
Councilmember Richard Spees
Councilmember Jane Brunner

Following Representatives and Alternates Absent

Supervisor Mark DeSaulnier
Supervisor John Gioia
Supervisor Gayle Uilkema
Supervisor Federal Glover
Supervisor Cynthia Murray
Supervisor John Kress
Supervisor Mark Leno
Supervisor Mark Church
Supervisor Rose Jacobs Gibson
Supervisor Richard Gordon
Supervisor Michael Nevin
Supervisor Blanca Alvarado
Supervisor Don Gage
Mayor Cathie Brown
Mayor Mark Green
Mayor Shirley Dean
Councilmember Carole Dillon-Knutson
Councilmember Paul Cohen
Mayor Ken Slavens
Mayor Mary Lou Holt
Councilmember Nancy Nadel
Vice Mayor Henry Chang, Jr.
Councilmember David Cortese

Jurisdiction

Solano County
Alameda County
Alameda County
Napa County
San Francisco County
Santa Clara County
Sonoma County
Alameda County Cities
Contra Costa County Cities
Contra Costa County Cities
City of San Francisco
City of San Francisco
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Marin County Cities
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Napa County Cities
Napa County Cities
City of Oakland
City of Oakland
City of San Jose

Councilmember Linda J. LeZotte
Councilmember Ken Yeager
Councilmember Cindy Chavez
Councilmember Nora Campos
Councilmember Forrest Williams

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2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Margaret Cunningham, SEIU Local 790 and Patricia Bullock, ABAG Claims Examiner, presented the Union's position on negotiation efforts with management.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Carroll welcomed new board members Supervisor Alice Lai-Bitker, County of Alameda; Hercules Vice Mayor Kris Valstad, Contra Costa County Cities; and Fairfield Mayor George Pettygrove, Solano County Cities.

4. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Eugene Leong highlighted information in the Board packet that would provide updates about ABAG planning and service programs. He noted the many environmental programs that ABAG is involved with – co-lead agency with BAAQMD and MTC in air quality planning, the CALFED Task Force, San Francisco Estuary Project, and Green Business Program to name a few.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approval of Executive Board Summary Minutes

Board approved Summary Minutes of Meeting No. 318, May 17, 2001.

B. Grant Applications

Board approved transmittal of federal grant applications to the State Clearinghouse.

C. Committee Appointments

The Board approved the following committee appointments:

Legislation and Governmental Organization Committee

- Peter McHugh, Supervisor, County of Santa Clara

CALFED Task Force

- Mario Menesini, Board of Directors, Central Contra Costa Sanitary District
- Dena Mossar, Councilmember, City of Palo Alto
- Ira Ruskin, Mayor, City of Redwood City
- Dave Fleming, Mayor, City of Vacaville
- Linda Spiro, Councilmember, City of Rohnert Park

D. Authorization to Submit Grant Proposals to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

The Board authorized the Executive Director or designee to submit a grant proposal to EPA to continue the Persistent Bioaccumulative Toxics Challenge grant (PBT) and if funded, to enter into a contract to continue the work of the Dioxin Compounds Task Force. The grant request of \$50,000 would be matched by \$35,000 of in-kind services to be provided by ABAG and participating agencies. ABAG will continue contracting with Larry Walker Associates and TDC Environmental on the PBT Challenge

grant for \$35,000. The second proposal totaling \$48,000 with a \$10,000 in-kind match from ABAG would continue funding the community liaison and outreach functions of the Task Force.

E. Support to Bay Area Economic Forum (BAEF) FY 2002

The Executive Board authorized request to provide up to \$100,000 for planning assistance and administrative support to the BAEF for FY 2002. The BAEF is a non-profit, public/private regional partnership of business, government, academic, labor and community leaders created by ABAG and the Bay Area Council.

It was moved by Miller/S/Horcher/C/ that the consent calendar be approved.

6. SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA OLYMPIC ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

Helen Mendel, Marketing Director and George Broder, Board Member for the Bay Area Olympic Organizing Committee presented the status of efforts to have the Bay Area designated as the 2012 Olympic site. The United States Olympic Committee's bid inspection team will visit the Bay Area in the Summer of 2001 to review plans and tour venues. Many local, regional, state and national elected officials have pledged support for this effort. An inspirational video highlighting U.S. athletes at the Sydney games was shown.

7. UPDATE ON 2001 BAY AREA OZONE ATTAINMENT PLAN

ABAG Executive Director, Eugene Leong, reported on the July 18 public hearing held by ABAG, BAAQMD and MTC. These co-lead agencies have been charged with assuring the Bay Area meets clean air standards established by the EPA. Leong distributed a portion of the meeting information packet and newspaper accounts of the contentious meeting.

8. JOINT REGIONAL AGENCY SMART GROWTH STRATEGY/LIVABILITY FOOTPRINT PROJECT

ABAG Planning Director, Gerry Raycraft, shared the following schedule for the combined Smart Growth Strategy and Livability Footprint Project workshops:

- Alameda, September 8, San Leandro Public Library, Main Branch;
- Contra Costa, October 6, Dean Leshner Regional Center for the Arts*
- Marin, September 29, Pickleweed Community Center*;
- Napa, October 6, Rutherford Grange*;
- San Francisco, October 13, World Affairs Council Building, 130 Sutter Street;
- San Mateo, September 29, SamTrans Headquarters*;
- Santa Clara, October 13, County Government Center, San Jose;
- Solano, September 22, Suisun City Hall*; and
- Sonoma, September 22, Santa Rosa Junior College.

* Workshop locations will be posted as they are confirmed at www.abag.ca.gov/planning/smartgrowth – all workshops are scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

9. LEGISLATION AND GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE (L&GO) REPORT

Chair, Scott Haggerty, County of Alameda, presented a meeting overview and Committee recommendations on legislation. The Committee recommended a *support in concept* position on the draft ballot measure on fiscal tax relief targeted for November 2002; *support* for SB 211; *watch* for SB 221; *watch* for SB 610; and *support* for ABX2-82 and similar bills addressing direct access energy claims settlement. Haggerty moved that the Committee report be approved/S/Miller/C/. For a complete list of

legislation and further information on the L&GO Committee, contact Kathleen Cha at 510/464-7922 or KathleenC@abag.ca.gov.

10. FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT

A & B. Chair, Mike Rippey, County of Napa, brought the Committee recommendations for approval of resolutions that would establish and allow ABAG to participate in the new Self-directed Tax Advantage Retirement System (STARS), a deferred compensation plan covering both 457 and 401 investment assets. This is an ABAG-sponsored deferred compensation program available to all local government jurisdictions in California. The program is designed to capitalize on the collective bargaining strength of a group of government entities, thus decreasing the overall costs of the program. It was moved by Rippey/S/Spees/C/ to approve Resolutions 10-01 establishing STARS and 11-01 allowing ABAG's participation in STARS.

C. CLOSED SESSION

Personnel Action: Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Title: Legal Counsel
The Board approved Legal Counsel's review and adjusted compensation.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Eugene Y. Leong, Secretary-Treasurer