

ALAMEDA COUNTY MAYORS' CONFERENCE MINUTES

Meeting of June 13, 2018

The meeting, hosted by Mayor Robert McBain, City of Piedmont, was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Barbara Halliday at the Piedmont Community Center located at 711 Highland Avenue, Piedmont, California.

1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance

The following mayors, or their elected alternates, were present during the proceedings:

Alameda	Mayor Trish Spencer
Albany	Mayor Peggy McQuaid
Emeryville	Mayor John Bauters
Fremont	Mayor Lily Mei
Hayward	Mayor Barbara Halliday
Livermore	Mayor John Marchand
Newark	Mayor Al Nagy
Oakland	Mayor Libby Schaaf
Piedmont	Mayor Robert McBain
Pleasanton	Vice-Mayor Arne Olson
San Leandro	Mayor Pauline Russo Cutter

2. Approval of the May 9, 2018 Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Mayor Bauters and seconded by Mayor Russo Cutter to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2018 meeting. Motion was unanimous and so ordered.

3. Agenda Amendments

There were no agenda amendments.

4. Public Comments and Other Announcements

John Bauters announced that Carolyn Lehr, City Manager, City of Emeryville, is retiring and he thanked her for her service and many contributions.

Dee Rosario, Director, East Bay Regional Park District announced approval of a November 2018 ballot measure to extend Measure CC and requested an opportunity to present information to the members at its July 11, 2018 meeting.

Darien Louie, Executive Director of the East Bay Economic Development Alliance announced that hard copies of the agency's annual report are available at the meeting and on its website.

5. Member Reports on Regional Activities and Committees

Mayor Schaaf thanked all for support of Regional Measure 3 and indicated it's a positive step for the region.

President Halliday and Mayor Spencer provided an update on the recent ABAG meeting.

6. Appointments to Regional Boards and Call for Applications

President Halliday informed members of current vacancies including three with the Alameda County Transportation Commission Independent Watchdog Committee and the current opening for the Alameda County Advisory Commission on Aging.

7. League of California Cities Report and Legislative Updates and Actions

Samantha Caygill, Regional Public Affairs Manager, East Bay Division, League of California Cities said all three statewide initiatives on the June 5, 2018 ballot were approved. She also discussed the League's support for the Veterans and Affordable Housing Act, which has qualified for the November 2018 ballot and opposition to current efforts to gain approval of a statewide initiative for the November ballot which would repeal SB1 thus depriving communities of roadway safety and improvement projects and require 2/3 approval for future similar taxes. She encouraged members to attend a June 18, 2018 meeting at the state capital to discuss the benefits of SB1. Ms. Cayhill also discussed current legislative activity including the League's opposition of AB 923.

8. Other Business Matters

a) Approval of Resolution 03-18 Opposing the Tax Fairness, Transparency and Accountability Act of 2018

President Halliday presented information on the proposed resolution.

It was moved by Mayor Marchand and seconded by Mayor Russo Cutter to approve Resolution 03-18 Opposing the Tax Fairness, Transparency and Accountability Act of 2018. Motion was unanimous and so ordered.

9. Host City Mayor's Report

Mayor Robert McBain welcomed attendees and introduced City of Piedmont councilmembers and staff. He stated that he appreciates the support he has received from the mayors, enjoys learning more about Alameda County and indicated that while the City of Piedmont is small, about 1.8 square miles, it is not isolated and is part of the overall region that is dealing with the same issues as other cities. He then introduced Jeremy Bowers, Chief of Police, Sara Lillevand, Recreation Director from the City of Piedmont and Cheryl Wozniak, Director of Curriculum and Instruction from the Piedmont Unified School District who discussed the City's and the School District's recent efforts in engaging and educating the community regarding dealing with intolerance, which was initiated after reports of

related incidents at the Piedmont schools. The general focus of the effort is based largely on the work of Sara Wicht, a developer of the Southern Poverty Law Center's "Teaching Tolerance" curriculum, which formed the basis of the City's current "Let's Talk" program and the community outreach conducted by members of the City staff, PUSD, parents and teachers. Mayors were invited to attend "Let's Talk" workshops, which will be held in August of this year and all are encouraged to get involved in the effort, which has been viewed as a success.

Mayor McBain indicated that the overall effort was largely based on a staff initiative and not a directive from the City of Piedmont City Council.

10. Request for Future Agenda Items

Mayor Mei recommended future presentations on Cyber Security and computer apps, which are currently available to help address homelessness.

Dee Rosario, Director, East Bay Regional Parks District, requested an opportunity to provide information on the extension of Measure CC.

Mayor Bauters recommended consideration of a resolution opposing a potential statewide initiative concerning a taxpayer funded bond measure for lead-based paint abatement as this initiative is a way of passing the responsibility for lead-based paint abatement from paint manufactures to the public.

11. Meeting Presentation

President Halliday introduced Mary Louise Zernicke, Senior Nutritionist, Alameda County Area Agency on Aging and Mary Gregory, Director of Development and Volunteer at SOS Meals on Wheels of San Leandro to discuss the topic of Meals on Wheels – Demographics surrounding services, short falls and education. Mary Louise Zernicke provided information regarding the Meals on Wheels program including that it serves about 2,200 meals each day in Alameda County with about 5,000 people served overall and that there is a waiting list of eligible persons. Due to demand, service is often restricted to individuals who are referred from health agencies or recently discharged from hospitals.

Mary Louise Zernicke indicated it costs about \$9.00 per meal and that Alameda County pays about \$1.50 of that cost. To address this shortfall, and funding reductions from the federal government, there has been an increased emphasis on fund raising. She thanked the cities for their continued financial support and encouraged attendees to volunteer to help the program and to expand their financial assistance, if possible.

Mary Gregory provided information on the role of SOS and presented three You Tube video clips related to the Meals on Wheels program that have been very successful. She discussed the personal benefits of volunteering with the program.

12. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven Bocian

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