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LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

RECORD OF ACTION FOR
June 14, 2021

Supervisor Diane Burgis, Chair
Supervisor Karen Mitchoff, Vice Chair

Present: Diane Burgis, Chair
Karen Mitchoff, Vice Chair

Staff Present: Lara DeLaney, Senior Deputy County Administrator, staff to Committee; John Kopchik, Director of Department of Conservation & Development; Amalia Cunningham, Deputy Director, DCD; Lea Castleberry, Field Representative, District III; Chris Wickler, Field Representative, District IV; Lynn Peralta, Division Manager, EHSD; Jill Ray, Field Representative, District II

Attendees: David Twa, Dr. William Walker, Mariana Moore, Michelle Rubalcava, Paul Schlesinger

1. Introductions

Chair Burgis convened the meeting at 1:01 p.m. with introductions of herself and Vice Chair Mitchoff.

2. Public comment on any item under the jurisdiction of the Committee and not on this agenda (speakers may be limited to three minutes).

No public comment was made to the Committee.

3. RECEIVE and APPROVE the Record of Action for the May 10, 2021 meeting with any necessary corrections.

The Record of Action for the May 10, 2021 meeting was approved as presented.

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4.

The Committee received an update on the FY 21-22 State Budget and key bills of interest to Contra Costa County from the County's state advocate at Nielsen Merksamer. While a budget bill was expected to pass by the June 15 deadline, several rounds of "budget bill juniors" were anticipated to provide appropriation details. Counties could anticipate their \$200M request for public health funding to be included. The County's advocate also provided a brief update on the Governor recall process, which was being advanced. She also provided a recap on the County's sponsored bills (AB 389 and AB 988), and reminded the Committee of the remaining significant dates in the legislative calendar. Supervisor Mitchoff inquired further about the prospects of AB 988. Mariana Moore, public comment, inquired about the possibility of an eviction moratorium extension at the state level. (The legislature did, in fact, extend its eviction moratorium until September 30.)

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5. CONSIDER recommending to the Board of Supervisors a position of "Support" on AB 844 (Grayson) Empowerment Zone for the Northern Waterfront Area and direct staff on its placement on a Board agenda.

The Legislation Committee expressed support for AB 844 (Grayson). The bill was found to be consistent with the Board's adopted State Platform principle: "SUPPORT actions that: address the impacts of climate change; support climate adaptation and resilience efforts; support the Green Business program; address the disproportionate impacts that some communities bear because they are located near large industrial facilities; reduce exposure to toxic air pollutants and greenhouse gases; study and recognize the health impacts of global and regional climate change; and study the economic, workforce and social impacts of transitioning away from fossil fuels."

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6. CONSIDER recommending to the Board of Supervisors a position of "Support" on SB 594 (Glazer) and direct staff on its placement on a Board agenda.

Former County Administrator David Twa provided an update to the Committee on the status of the anticipated Census data and the redistricting process timeline. He indicated that legacy data may be available by mid-August, but the final data would likely not arrive until around September 23. With the County's deadline of map adoption by December 15, receiving the data at the end of September puts pressure on a schedule that includes 4 required public hearings, the first of which will be held August 10. SB 594 provides clarification that a Board of Supervisors may adopted district boundaries by ordinance or resolution. The Committee instructed staff to continue to watch the bill for further amendments.

7. ACCEPT the report and provide direction to staff and the County's federal advocates, as needed.

The County's federal advocate, Paul Schlesinger, of Alcalde & Fay provided a brief report to the Committee, focused on the status of the President's Budget, the emerging bipartisan infrastructure deal in the Senate, and the budget reconciliation process. The House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee had marked up its INVEST in America Act, a 5-year \$547 billion surface transportation proposal. There would likely be a two path approach to move the infrastructure package forward on a bipartisan basis, and a budget reconciliation process for those proposals without bipartisan support.

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8. The next meeting is currently scheduled for Monday, July 12, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

The scheduled July and August meeting dates for the Legislation Committee were subsequently cancelled.

9. Adjourn

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