

MINUTES
DECEMBER 2, 2010
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY MAYORS' CONFERENCE
City of Pittsburg
Plaza Marina Building, 51 Marina Blvd, Suites B and C

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. in Pittsburg, California, by Conference Chair Ed Balico. Danville Councilmember Karen Stepper led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL OF CITY DELEGATES:

Mayor Davis, Antioch
Mayor Taylor, Brentwood
Mayor Stratford, Clayton
Mayor Bjerke, Concord
Councilmember Stepper, Danville
Mayor Abelson, El Cerrito
Mayor Valstad, Hercules
Mayor Andersson, Lafayette
Mayor Schroder, Martinez
Mayor Chew, Moraga
Councilmember Romick, Oakley
Mayor McCormick, Orinda
Mayor Swearington, Pinole
Mayor Evola, Pittsburg
Mayor Mitchoff, Pleasant Hill
Mayor Laughlin, Richmond
Mayor Calloway, San Pablo
Absent, San Ramon
Mayor Rainey, Walnut Creek

1. PRESENTATION:

Due to a travel delay for the key speaker, the presentation was moved to the end of the agenda.

2. **Recognition of Leaving Office Mayors and Councilmembers**

Chair Balico, with the assistance of Vice Chair Trotter, presented certificates of recognition to the following Mayors and Councilmembers recognizing them for their service to their respective communities and to the Contra Costa community as a whole.

Reginald Moore, Antioch
Martha Parsons, Antioch
Chris Bechnel, Brentwood
Brandon Richey, Brentwood
Guy Bjerke, Concord

Helen Allen, Concord
Mark Peterson, Concord
Sandi Potter, El Cerrito
Kris Valstad, Hercules
Joe Eddy McDonald, Hercules
Bruce Connelley, Oakley
Thomas McCormick, Orinda
Virginia Fujita, Pinole
Michael Kee, Pittsburg
Terri Williamson, Pleasant Hill
Karen Mitchoff, Pleasant Hill
Ludmyrna Lopez, Richmond
Maria Viramontes, Richmond
Susan Rainey, Walnut Creek

3. Approval of Minutes of November 4, 2010, meeting held in Hercules.

Motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the Conference meeting held in Hercules on November 4, 2010.

4. **ANNOUNCEMENTS OF UPCOMING CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS:**

Nominations must specify which position the nomination is for and are to be submitted to the Executive Director by e-mail no later than Wednesday, December 22, 2010, at 5:00 p.m. Selection shall be made at the January 6 Conference meeting.

- (a) **Bay Area Air Quality Management District Board of Directors:** The two-year term of Martinez Councilmember Mark Ross expires January 6, 2011.
- (b) **Local Agency Formation Commission:** Concord City Councilmember Helen Allen did not run for reelection. Her term as a Conference appointee on the Commission expires May 2, 2012.
- (c) **Contra Costa Transportation Authority:** The two-year terms of Hercules Vice Mayor Ed Balico (**Member**) and San Ramon Councilmember Dave Hudson (**Alternate**) expire January 31, 2011.
- (d) **County Hazardous Materials Commission:** The terms of San Ramon Councilmember Dave Hudson (**Member**) and San Ramon Councilmember Scott Perkins (**Alternate**) expire on December 31, 2010.
- (e) **2011 CONFERENCE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR:** (The Bylaws provide that nominations for Chair shall be a Mayor or the current Conference Vice Chair. The Vice Chair position may be held by a mayor or councilmember.)

Executive Director Blubaugh announced that nominations were being accepted through 5 p.m., Wednesday, December 22, 2010, for each of the above identified appointments.

5. Chair's Time

Chair Balico noted he just came from a Bay Conservation and Development Commission meeting, the subject of which will be discussed during the upcoming presentation. He also noted that League would be providing an update regarding Proposition 22 implementation.

6. Mayors' Time

Walnut Creek Mayor Rainey introduced recently appointed Walnut Creek City Manager Ken Nordhoff.

Pinole Mayor Swearingen introduced re-elected Pinole Councilmembers Debbie Long and Timothy Banuelos and newly-elected Councilmember Phil Green.

Antioch Mayor Davis introduced newly-elected Antioch Councilmembers Wade Harper and Gary Agopian.

7. County Supervisor's Time

County Supervisor Federal Glover welcomed the Conference to District 5 and recognized the City of Pittsburg for the infrastructure improvements they are making in their community.

8. Public Communications

Lupe Schoenberger, representing Senator Mark DeSaulnier, invited all to attend a holiday open house on December 16.

Eric Figueroa, League of California Cities Regional Representative, addressed the Conference summarizing the 2011 League Strategic Goals as follows:

- Strong Partnerships for a Stronger Golden State: Collaborate and partner with other public and private groups and leaders to reform and revitalize the structure, governance, fiscal integrity and responsiveness of our state government and intergovernmental system.
- Sustainable and Secure Public Pension Systems: Work in partnership with other groups and stakeholders to promote sustainable and secure public pension systems to help ensure responsive and affordable public services for the people of our state and cities.
- Responsive and Accessible League Services: Implement distance learning, meeting and other cost-effective strategies to deliver even more responsive and accessible League educational, information and advocacy services to the city officials of California.

1. PRESENTATION

Will Travis, Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC) Executive Director, summarized the proposed amendments to the San Francisco Bay Plan which are designed to address the rise in sea levels from global warming. He reviewed that water levels in San Francisco Bay have risen about seven inches over the past century and scientists agree that the rate of sea level rise is accelerating. While exact future increases in sea level rise are uncertain, scientists believe it is likely that the Bay will rise about 11 to 18 inches by mid-century and may rise 23 to 55 inches by 2100. BCDC is updating its Bay Plan, which guides the Commission in making permit decisions on projects within its jurisdiction. The amendments reflect the latest science on the impacts of climate change and they bring its 21-year old Bay Plan sea level rise policies into harmony with the goals of the Sustainable Communities Strategy, which SB 375

requires the Association of Bay Area Governments and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission to adopt. He noted that the Commission has clarified that the new provisions of the plan will be used exclusively to guide the Commission in making regulatory decisions within its permit jurisdictions and are not intended to be advisory for local governments.

9. Welcome to Pittsburg by Mayor Salvatore Evola

Mayor Evola welcomed the Conference to Pittsburg and he introduced current and former Pittsburg Mayors and Councilmembers and members of the City staff.

10. Adjourn to January 6, 2011, meeting in Orinda

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:00 p.m. to the next Conference meeting to be held in Orinda on January 6, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

Don Blubaugh
Executive Director