



CONTRA COSTA
COUNTY MAYORS' CONFERENCE



ANNOUNCING
Monthly Mayors' Conference Meeting

December 2, 2010
ANNUAL HOLIDAY MEETING

HOSTED BY THE CITY OF PITTSBURG
Plaza Marina Building
51 Marina Blvd., Suite B and C (first floor)

Following Business Meeting the dinner
will be held directly across the street at the
Pittsburg Elks Lodge, 200 Marina Blvd.

6:30 P.M. BUSINESS MEETING

PRESENTATION: Will Travis, Bay Conservation and Development Commission
(BCDC) Executive Director, will discuss proposed amendments to the
San Francisco Bay Plan to address rise in sea levels

Sea level rise from global warming is a fact. 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 brings 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.

In addition, retiring Councilmembers will be recognized.

DINNER WILL INCLUDE A BUFFET.

RESERVATIONS ARE MADE THROUGH THE CITY OF PITTSBURG

RSVP by email to Alice Evenson, City Clerk, at aevenson@ci.pittsburg.ca.us or at
(925) 252-4870 by 5:00 p.m., Friday, November 26

Dinner Reservations: **Four** dinners are prepaid for each City. **Please RSVP with all names.** Others interested in having dinner should call or e-mail the City of Pittsburg (above) and pay for the dinner at the door. **Dinner Cost: \$50.00**

DIRECTIONS

to
Plaza Marina Building
51 Marina Blvd., Suite B and C (first floor)
and the
Pittsburg Elks Lodge, 200 Marina Blvd.

Parking is available at either location

From Hwy 4 West: Take the Railroad Avenue/Harbor Street exit. Turn left on California Avenue as you exit the Highway. Continue on to Railroad Avenue and turn right on Railroad toward the water. Turn left on Fifth Street. Turn right on Marina Blvd. to 51 Marina Blvd.

From Hwy 4 East: Take the Railroad Avenue exit. Turn left on Railroad. Continue towards the water. Turn left on Fifth Street. Turn right on Marina Blvd. to 51 Marina Blvd.

From Kirker Pass Road: Continue north on Railroad Avenue to Fifth Street. Turn left on Fifth Street. Turn right on Marina Blvd. to 51 Marina Blvd.



COUNTY MAYORS' CONFERENCE
and
Contra Costa County City Selection Committee

DECEMBER 2, 2010
Business Meeting Agenda
6:30 P.M.

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51 Marina Blvd., Suite B and C (first floor)

Dinner Location (directly across street):
Pittsburg Elks Lodge
200 Marina Blvd.

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call:

1. PRESENTATION:

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Executive Director, will discuss and receive feedback on proposed amendments to the
San Francisco Bay Plan to address rise in sea levels**

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

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.

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 (don@ccmayors.com) no later than Wednesday, December 22, 2010, at 5:00 p.m. Selection shall be made at the January 6 Conference meeting. (See agenda packet for additional information on each of the boards and commissions.)

- (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) **2010 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.)

5. Chair's Time
6. Mayors' Time
7. County Supervisor's Time
8. Public Communications
9. Welcome to Pittsburg by Mayor Salvatore Evola
10. Adjourn to January 6, 2011 meeting in Orinda

Agenda deadline for January 6 meeting is 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 22

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

January 6 – Orinda
February 3 -- Richmond
March 3 – Concord

MINUTES
NOVEMBER 4, 2010
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY MAYORS' CONFERENCE
City of Hercules
Hercules Community Center, 2001 Refugio Valley Road

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. in Hercules, California, by Conference Chair Ed Balico. Hercules Police Explorers presented the colors and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL OF CITY DELEGATES:

Mayor Pro Tem Rocha, Antioch
Mayor Taylor, Brentwood
Councilmember Pierce, Clayton
Councilmember Peterson, Concord
Mayor Doyle, Danville
Councilmember Jones, El Cerrito
Mayor Valstad, Hercules
Mayor Andersson, Lafayette
Vice Mayor DeLaney, Martinez
Mayor Chew, Moraga
Mayor Anderson, Oakley
Mayor McCormick, Orinda
Absent, Pinole
Mayor Evola, Pittsburg
Mayor Mitchoff, Pleasant Hill
Mayor Laughlin, Richmond
Absent, San Pablo
Councilmember Hudson, San Ramon
Mayor Pro Tem Silva, Walnut Creek

1. Presentation: Lisa Vorderbrueggen, Contra Costa Times Political Editor

Lisa Vorderbrueggen, Contra Costa Times Political Editor, reviewed the highlights and the results of the November 2nd election as they are known to date. She noted that there are an estimated 100,000 County-wide vote by mail ballots not yet counted and these ballots could still impact final election results. A lively question and answer period and exchange of information followed between Ms. Vorderbrueggen and Conference delegates about election related issues.

2. Approval of Minutes of October 7, 2010, meeting held in Clayton

MOTION was made, seconded and carried unanimously to approve the Conference minutes of the October 7, 2010, meeting held in Clayton.

3. **Conference Budget for 2011:** The Executive Committee recommends adoption of the 2011 Mayors' Conference Budget

Executive Director Blubaugh introduced the Executive Committee's recommended Conference Budget for 2011.

MOTION was made, seconded and carried unanimously to adopt the 2011 Conference Budget as presented.

4. **Resolution Supporting California Emerging Technology Resolution:** The California Emerging Technology Fund has requested Conference adoption of a resolution supporting universal availability of broadband infrastructure for all Californians.

Executive Director Blubaugh introduced the proposed resolution to support the California Emergency Technology Fund's proposal for universal availability of broadband infrastructure for all Californians.

MOTION was made, seconded and carried unanimously to adopt a resolution supporting universal availability of broadband infrastructure for all Californians.

5. **Legislative Communications:**

Executive Director Blubaugh explained that the Conference Executive Committee recently met with Senator Mark DeSaulnier and discussed ways to improve the working relationship between the Conference and the legislative delegates. One of the ideas discussed included providing time on the monthly meeting agenda for a legislator to report briefly on what's happening in Sacramento. Future agendas will allocate time for such briefings. Additionally, a concept was advanced to formulate an annual Conference Executive Committee and legislators workshop to focus on addressing concerns of both legislators and the 19 cities. As detailed in the written staff report, he reviewed a proposed annual timeline for such an endeavor as well as topics which could be discussed during the upcoming year.

Conference Chair Balico requested that anyone having input on the concept contact Executive Director Blubaugh.

6. Chair's Time

Chair Balico deferred his time to Executive Director Blubaugh who announced that at the December Conference meeting the Bay Conservation and Development Commission would be making a presentation and soliciting feedback regarding its proposed amendments to the San Francisco Bay Plan. He also reviewed which Conference board and commission appointments were expiring during 2010 and the timing for nominations and appointments for the various positions.

7. League of California Cities Update: Eric Figueroa, Regional Representative

League Representative Figueroa thanked all for their support of Proposition 22 which was adopted. He reported that the League would be distributing information regarding Proposition 26. He also announced that anyone interested in serving on a League Policy Committee during the upcoming year should forward information to him.

8. Mayors' Time

Moraga Mayor Chew introduced recently appointed Moraga Town Manager Jill Keimach.

Walnut Creek Mayor Pro Tem Silva announced that Walnut Creek City Manager Pokorny will be retiring and he will be recognized at a retirement event on November 9th.

Richmond Mayor Gayle McLaughlin noted the Conference will be considering appointment of a replacement for Helen Allen on the Local Agency Formation Commission; she felt it would be appropriate that a West County representative be appointed; and a West County nominee will be brought forward.

9. County Supervisor's Time

Supervisor Uilkema noted the presence of Supervisor Glover and Supervisor-elect Karen Mitchoff and she welcomed the Conference to District 2. She also noted that once new census data is released in 2011 the Board will again be drawing District boundaries to address the new data.

10. Public Communications

Antioch Vice Mayor Mary Rocha noted that information had been distributed to all Mayors regarding the "Earn It! Keep It! Save It! Contra Costa County" program and volunteers were being solicited. She urged that Mayors share the information with their staff.

11. Welcome to Hercules by Mayor Kris Valstad

Hercules Mayor Kris Valstad welcomed the Conference to Hercules and he introduced current and former Hercules Mayors and Councilmembers and City Hall.

12. Adjourn to December 2nd meeting in Pittsburg

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:00 p.m. to the next Conference meeting to be held in Pittsburg on December 2, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

Don Blubaugh
Executive Director

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
BAY AREA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

The Air District is governed by a 22-member Board of Directors. State law provides that the number of representatives from each county will be determined by that county's population. Under this plan, Contra Costa County has four representatives, two appointed by the Mayors' Conference and two appointed by the Board of Supervisors. In addition, the counties of Marin, Napa, and Solano have one representative; Sonoma, and San Mateo have two representatives; San Francisco has three representatives; and Alameda and Santa Clara each have four representatives.

The Board of Directors has the authority to develop and enforce regulations for the control of air pollution within the Air District. All rules and regulations must be passed by a majority of the Directors. Public hearings are required prior to any action adopting or amending rules and regulations.

The Bay Area Air Quality Management Board of Directors regular meetings are held on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 9:45 a.m. in the 7th floor Board room at 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco. In addition, the Board of Directors has eight standing committees that assist the Air District in its mission to improve air quality.

For additional information, visit the District's website at www.baaqmd.gov.

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CONTRA COSTA LAFCO

In 1963, the California Legislature responded to the urban boundary wars and the problem of public finance and service and they enacted legislation to create the Local Agency Formation Commissions (LAFCOs). This law established a commission in each county responsible for overseeing most forms of local government boundary change, including incorporation, annexations, and special district formations. In the interest of orderly development, LAFCOs are to act as judges of boundary disputes among governments and communities. Since 1963, numerous changes have been made to the law, culminating in the current Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Act of 2000, operative January 1, 2001.

The Contra Costa Commission meets the second Wednesday of each month at 1:30 p.m. in the Board of Supervisor Chambers in Martinez. LAFCO staff can be contacted at 925-335-1094.

REGULATORY POWERS AND DUTIES . . .

LAFCO is a regulatory agency charged by the State legislature with “discouraging urban sprawl and encouraging the orderly formation and development of local agencies” based on “local circumstances and conditions.” To meet its responsibilities, LAFCO reviews and approves or denies proposals to:

- Annex land to cities or special districts
- Detach land from cities or special districts
- Consolidate two or more cities or two or more special districts
- Form new special districts and incorporate new cities
- Dissolve special districts and disincorporate cities
- Merge cities and special districts
- Allow cities or special districts to provide services outside of their boundaries.

SPHERES OF INFLUENCE . . .

LAFCO is a **planning agency** charged by the State Legislature to determine and update at least every five years the “sphere of influence” of each city and special district. A sphere of influence is a plan for the probable physical boundaries and service area of a local agency. Factors that LAFCO must consider in determining spheres of influence are:

- The present and planned land uses, including agricultural and open space land
- The present and probable needs for public facilities and services in the area
- The present capacity of public facilities and adequacy of public services that the agency provides or is authorized to provide
- The existence of any social or economic communities of interest in the area if the Commission determines that they are relevant to the agency.

AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT STUDIES AND INITIATE CHANGES . . .

The Commission is authorized to inventory and study governmental agencies. In updating spheres of influence LAFCO must prepare **Municipal Service Reviews** of relevant local agencies and services.

CONTRA COSTA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

The Contra Costa Transportation Authority was originally formed to manage the funds generated by the half-cent transportation sales tax which Contra Costa County voters enacted in 1988, and to oversee the implementation of the "[Measure C Expenditure Plan \(as amended\)](#) [PDF - 777 KB]."

In 2004, the sales tax was renewed for an additional 25 years (beginning on April 1, 2009, through 2034), and a new expenditure plan, the "[Measure J Expenditure Plan \(as amended\)](#) [PDF-1.3 MB] " was adopted. As Contra Costa County's transportation sales tax agency, the Authority oversees the design and construction of the transportation projects included in the Expenditure Plans, carries out the programs included in the Expenditure Plans, most notably, the county's Growth Management Program, and provides the financial structure that ensures the optimum use of the sales tax dollars as intended by the voters.

In 1990 the Authority took on the role of Contra Costa County's Congestion Management Agency (CMA). In that capacity, the Authority is the primary transportation planning agency for Contra Costa County, responsible for prioritizing our county's share of available federal, state and regional transportation funds. As the CMA, the Authority prepares the county's [Congestion Management Program](#) (CMP), monitors levels of service on the county's roadways and works with other CMAs and agencies to address regional issues. The most [recent CMP](#) was adopted in 2009.

In 1992 the Authority was designated Contra Costa's Program Manager for the return-to-source portion of the regional [Transportation Fund for Clean Air \(TFCA\)](#). In this capacity the Authority is responsible for the allocation of approximately \$1.3 million dollars annually for projects that reduce air pollution caused by motor vehicles.

The full Authority Board meets once a month on the third Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. Items appearing on the Authority agenda are advanced by one of two subcommittees: Administration and Projects and Planning. The subcommittee agendas outline the detail of items to be reviewed and forwarded to the Board.

The Authority is located at 2999 Oak Road, Suite 100, in Walnut Creek, just off Interstate 680 at Treat Boulevard, and directly across the street from the *Pleasant Hill BART Station*.

Contra Costa County Hazardous Materials Commission

Mission

To protect and promote the health, safety, and well-being of Contra Costa residents as they are affected by hazardous materials and hazardous waste.

To provide and promote a forum for building consensus on environmental issues affecting Contra Costa residents related to hazardous materials and hazardous waste.

To provide recommendations to the Board of Supervisors and the Board's respective Committees and Commissions regarding policies concerning the storage, use, and management of hazardous materials and hazardous waste as they affect health, safety, and the environment, including land-use planning and economic effects.

History

The Hazardous Materials Commission was established in 1983 by the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors. Its charge is to develop overall policy recommendations for hazardous materials and wastes and advise the Board, local elected officials, and county and city staff.

All meetings are open to the public. For information please call Michael Kent, Executive Assistant, at 925-313-6587.

Committees

The Operations Committee oversees the Commission's organizational business, provides guidance to county department programs and management, and addresses public education and communication issues.

The Planning and Policy Development Committee provides technical assistance on the update of the land use ordinance and other long-term policy and planning issues.

The full commission meets the fourth Thursday of each month from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. in north Concord.

The Operations committee meets the second Friday of each month from 10:00 - 12:00 in North Richmond

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The Planning and Policy Development committee meets the third Wednesday of each month from 3:30 - 5:30 in Martinez.

Members are expected to attend full commission meetings and be on one of the committees. Alternates are only expected to attend when their member is not able to, but are welcomed and encouraged to attend as often as possible.

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