

**MINUTES**  
**JUNE 4, 2009**  
**CONTRA COSTA COUNTY MAYORS' CONFERENCE**  
City of Orinda  
Orinda Country Club  
315 Camino Sobrante

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. in Orinda, California, by Chair Robert Taylor. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Contra Costa Times Political Editor Lisa Vorderbrueggen.

ROLL CALL OF CITY DELEGATES:

Mayor Pro Tem Rocha, Antioch  
Mayor Taylor, Brentwood  
Mayor Pierce, Clayton  
Councilmember Shinn, Concord  
Mayor Arnerich, Danville  
Mayor Potter, El Cerrito  
Mayor McDonald, Hercules  
Mayor Tatzin, Lafayette  
Councilmember Ross, Martinez  
Mayor Trotter, Moraga  
Mayor Rios, Oakley  
Mayor Severson, Orinda  
Mayor Fujita, Pinole  
Mayor Parent, Pittsburg  
Mayor Harris, Pleasant Hill  
Mayor McLaughlin, Richmond  
Mayor McNeil, San Pablo  
Mayor Wilson, San Ramon  
Councilmember Silva, Walnut Creek

2. PRESENTATION: **Steve Heminger, Executive Director,  
Metropolitan Transportation Commission**

Steve Heminger addressed the Conference presenting a summary of the recently adopted 2035 Regional Transportation Plan. Mr. Heminger reviewed the status of transportation maintenance and operation needs in the region and the challenges to address future growth in the region. Mr. Heminger also reviewed transportation investments in change initiatives including a freeway performance initiative, development of a regional high occupancy toll (HOT) network, focus on priority development areas and priority conservation areas, MTC Resolution 3434 projects, and the California High Speed Rail program. Mr. Heminger responded to several questions including confirming that he would work to have language concerns in the HOT legislation

(AB744) worked out to address issues expressed by Contra Costa Transportation Authority representatives.

3. Brief presentation on City of Richmond Solar Thermal Rebate Program.

Richmond Mayor Gayle McLaughlin introduced the matter and Richmond City Manager Bill Lindsay made a brief presentation describing the City of Richmond Solar Thermal Rebate Program.

4. Chair's Time: No Items

1. Approval of Minutes of May 7, 2009, meeting held in Hercules

MOTION was made, seconded and carried unanimously to approve the Conference Minutes for the meeting held on May 7, 2009, in Hercules.

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

Eric Figueroa addressed the Conference thanking those who participated in the League's legislative efforts in Sacramento earlier in the week. He reviewed how the "Save Your City" campaign has been successful in educating the public on the impacts to local governments of Sacramento's fiscal decisions. He encouraged local leaders to continue to educate members of their communities.

6. Mayors' Time

Clayton Mayor Pierce and Conference representative to the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) presented a brief update on ABAG matters.

Oakley Mayor Rios suggested a future agenda item regarding extension of 4H programs. Executive Director Blubaugh suggested that the item could be raised under the Mayors' Time section of the agenda.

Antioch Mayor Pro Tem Rocha noted the City of Antioch was working to put youth to work during the summer and she encouraged other cities to do the same.

7. County Supervisor's Time including an update (if any) on discussions with the District Attorney relative to matters which will/will not be subject to prosecution.

Supervisor Uilkema welcomed the Conference to District 2. She presented an update to the Conference on staff changes in the District Attorney's office which has enabled the retention of temporary staff through December. In the interim, the Board's Public Protection Committee, County Administrator and District Attorney are continuing to discuss funding issues for the

DA's Office. She suggested that an update on the matter be included on upcoming Conference agendas.

Supervisor Uilkema also reported on the recent death of a youth who had the swine flu. She announced that the Bay Area Air Quality Management District has recently published information for local governments relating to greenhouse gas reductions as they relate to development projects. She also presented information from the County Supervisors Association of California regarding the status of the economic recovery.

8. Public Communications

Hercules Councilmember Balico and Conference representative to the Contra Costa Transportation Authority presented an update to the Conference on the Authority's concern and opposition to last minute changes to AB 744 regarding the Regional HOT Network.

9. Welcome to Orinda by Mayor Sue Severson

Mayor Severson welcomed the Conference to Orinda and introduced current and former Orinda Mayors and Councilmembers and City staff.

10. Adjourn to July 2 meeting in Brentwood

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. to the next Conference meeting scheduled for July 2 in Brentwood.

Respectfully submitted,

Don Blubaugh  
Executive Director