



CONTRA COSTA
COUNTY MAYORS' CONFERENCE



ANNOUNCING
Monthly Mayors' Conference Meeting

December 3, 2009
ANNUAL HOLIDAY MEETING

HOSTED BY THE CITY OF LAFAYETTE
at the newly dedicated
Lafayette Library and Learning Center
3491 Mt. Diablo Boulevard - Community Hall
Corner of Mt. Diablo & First Streets
(parking garage entrance on Golden Gate Way)

6:30 P.M. BRIEF BUSINESS MEETING
followed by tours of new library and learning center

DINNER RESERVATIONS ARE MADE THROUGH THE
CITY OF LAFAYETTE

RSVP to Alyce Shikano at
(925) 284-1968 or ashikano@lovelafayette.org
By Monday, November 23rd (Thanksgiving Holiday week)

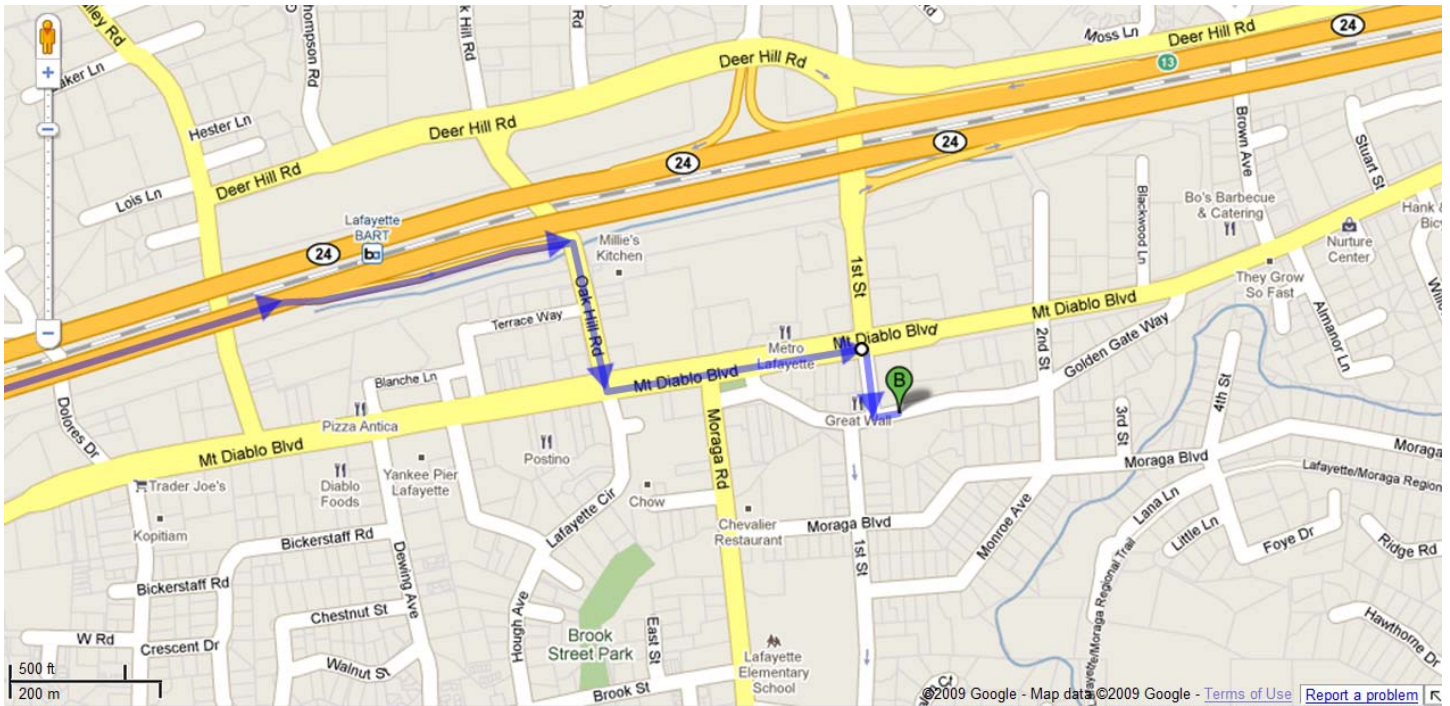
Dinner Reservations: **Four** dinners are prepaid for each City (Mayor and City Manager and spouses/significant others for each). **Please call or e-mail names for name badge purposes.** Others interested in having dinner should call or e-mail the City of Lafayette (above) and pay for the dinner at the door. **Dinner Cost: \$50.00**

Dinner will be an "Old English Dinner Buffet" including
Roasted Sir Loin of Beef with Creamy Horseradish Sliced Sourdough Crusted Breast of Chicken
Drizzled with a Traditional Béarnaise Sauce
White, Green and Red Cheese Tortellini
with a Decadent Cambazola Cream Sauce

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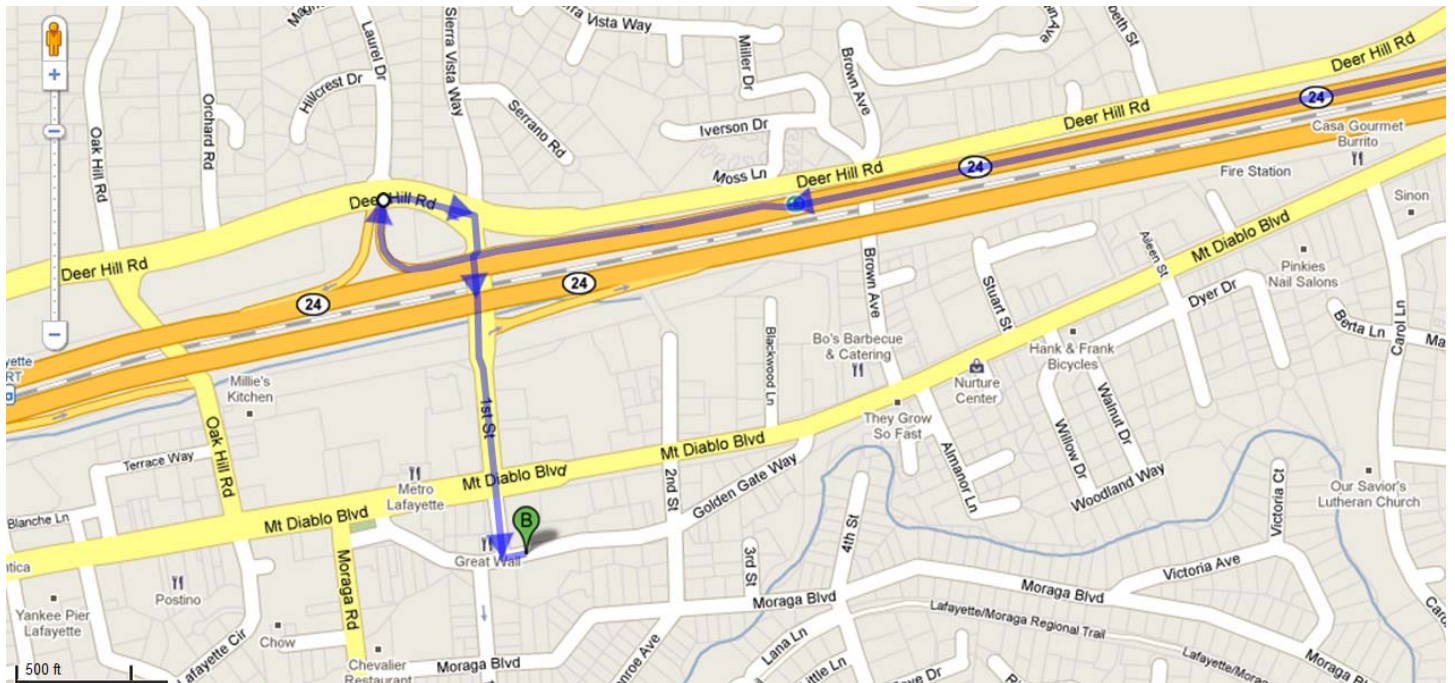
From San Francisco and East of the Caldecott Tunnel

Hwy 580 toward Hayward and then Hwy 24 toward Walnut Creek. Once through the Caldecott Tunnel proceed East on Hwy 24, Exit at Central Lafayette/Oak Hill Road, turn right onto Oak Hill Road. At the stop light take a left onto Mt. Diablo Blvd., two blocks turn right onto First Street, turn left onto Golden Gate Way. Parking lot on your left at the corner of First Street and Golden Gate Way.



Directions From Walnut Creek/Highway 680

Hwy 24 West (Oakland Direction) Exit Central Lafayette, bear right circling under the freeway onto to First Street, proceed through the stop light at Mt. Diablo Blvd., turn left onto Golden Gate Way. Parking lot on your left at the corner of First Street and Golden Gate Way.





C O N T R A C O S T A
C O U N T Y M A Y O R S ' C O N F E R E N C E

and
Contra Costa County City Selection Committee

DECEMBER 3, 2009
Business Meeting Agenda
6:30 P.M.

HOSTED BY THE CITY OF LAFAYETTE
Lafayette Library and Learning Center - Community Hall
3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd.
Lafayette, CA

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call:

1. Approval of Minutes of November 5, 2009, meeting held in Moraga.
2. **APPOINTMENT: Bay Area Air Quality Management District Board of Directors:**
The recent death of Danville Town Councilmember Mike Shimansky created a vacancy on this Board. This Mayors' Conference appointment is a two-year term with the current term ending on June 15, 2010. Nominations were accepted until 5 p.m., Wednesday, November 18th. Two nominations were received: One for Oakley Councilmember Jim Frazier (See Attachment 2A) and one for San Ramon Councilmember Dave Hudson. (See Attachment 2B). Action: (1) hear two-minute statements from each candidate, (2) conduct roll call vote, (3) consider whether this appointment shall also cover the time period beyond June 15, 2010, to cover the period of June 16, 2010 through June 15, 2012.
3. **APPOINTMENT ANNOUNCEMENT:** There are vacancies on the following groups, both the result of the death of Danville Town Councilmember Mike Shimansky. Nominations for the two committees will be open until Wednesday, December 23 at 5:00 p.m. Nominations are to be transmitted via e-mail (don@ccmayors.com) to the Executive Director by that date. Appointment to both committees will be made at the January 7 Conference meeting.
 - (a) **East Bay Regional Park District Advisory Committee.** The position is for a two-year term expiring December 31, 2010.
 - (b) **Contra Costa County Elections Citizen Advisory Committee.** This committee meets annually and there is no specified term.(See description of both committees in the attached material.)

4. **APPOINTMENT ANNOUNCEMENT: 2010 CONFERENCE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR:** Selection of a new 2010 Conference Chair and Vice Chair will be made at the January 7, 2010 meeting. Nominations for both positions will be accepted until 5:00 p.m., December 23. Nominations are to be transmitted to the Executive Director via e-mail (don@ccmayors.com) by this date.
5. Chair's Time
6. Mayors' Time
7. County Supervisor's Time
8. Public Communications
9. Welcome to Lafayette by Mayor Don Tatzin
10. Adjourn to January 7, 2010 meeting in Pleasant Hill

Agenda deadline for January 7 meeting is 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 23

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

February 4 – Richmond

March 4 – San Pablo

MINUTES
NOVEMBER 5, 2009
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY MAYORS' CONFERENCE
Soda Center, St. Mary's College
1928 St. Mary's Road, Moraga

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. in Moraga, California, by Conference Chair Robert Taylor who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL OF CITY DELEGATES:

Absent, Antioch
Mayor Taylor, Brentwood
Mayor Pierce, Clayton
Mayor Hoffmeister, Concord
Mayor Arnerich, Danville
Mayor Potter, El Cerrito
Mayor McDonald, Hercules
Mayor Tatzin, Lafayette
Absent, 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
Mayor Skrel, Walnut Creek

1. **Presentation: The Honorable Joan Buchanan**, Assemblymember, 15th District

Assemblymember Joan Buchanan addressed the Conference on two major topics: recently adopted water legislation and state finances. She provided an interesting summary of her opposition to all bills in the water legislative package largely because none provided adequate protection for the sensitive environment of the Delta. She characterized the legislation as bipartisan but written by largely Southern California interests. She noted serious deficiencies in the legislation. For example, conservation measures require homeowners to reduce consumption by 20% and business by 10% while agriculture, which consumes 80% of all water, has no mandate for reduction.

Assemblymember Buchanan observed that no Delta legislator was involved in crafting the package of bills. Key to implementation is an \$11 billion bond package that will have to be

approved by the voters at a time when the state cannot balance its budget. The fight against this legislation will be centered in defeating the bond measure slated for the ballot in 2010.

Assemblymember Buchanan also noted that the budget problems continue with no bright prospects for the future. The budget is now projected, less than mid-way through the year, to be \$7 billion short with an expectation that the budget gap by next year will be \$20 billion. Performance based budgeting is sorely needed but not supported in the legislature. The budget problem is adversely impacting much of California's progress. Noted was the fact that 13% fewer students are enrolled in California colleges while reports indicate 20% more students per year are needed to support a dynamic and innovative economic culture for the state.

2. Approval of Minutes of October 1, 2009, meeting held in Oakley

MOTION was made, seconded and carried to approve the Conference minutes of the October 1, 2009, meeting held in Oakley.

3. **APPOINTMENT: Bay Area Air Quality Management District Board of Directors:**

The recent death of Danville Town Council Member Mike Shimansky created a vacancy on this Board. This Mayors' Conference appointment is a two-year term with the current term ending on June 15, 2010. Nominations are now being accepted for this vacancy and must be presented by e-mail to the Conference Executive Director no later than 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 18th. The Conference will act on those nominations and appoint a new member at its December 3rd meeting.

Chair Taylor announced that nominations were being accepted for the current vacancy on the Bay Area Air Quality Management District Board as detailed above.

4. **Conference Annual Budget:** The Executive Committee recommends adoption of the 2010 Mayors' Conference Budget.

Executive Director Blubaugh introduced the agenda item.

MOTION was made, seconded and carried to approve the 2010 Mayors' Conference Budget as presented.

5. **2010 Census—Complete Count:**

Kristine Solseng of the County 2010 Census Campaign made a brief presentation to the Conference on the importance to cities and the County that an accurate census count be conducted for the upcoming 2010 census.

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

Eric Figueroa updated the Conference about the League's recent filing of two initiatives geared to insuring that local revenues stay local.

7. Chair's Time

Chair Taylor announced that spouses were invited to the December Conference meeting to be held in Lafayette.

8. Mayors' Time

Danville Mayor Arnerich introduced recently appointed Danville Councilmember Robert Storer.

Lafayette Mayor Tatzin invited the Conference to the new Lafayette Library and Learning Center for the December meeting. Due to limited space, he encouraged early sign ups.

San Ramon Mayor Wilson announced the recent re-election of San Ramon Councilmembers David Hudson and Jim Livingstone and that he was also re-elected on an unopposed ballot.

9. County Supervisor's Time

Supervisor Uilkema welcomed the Conference to Supervisorial District 2. She expressed her support for area State legislators who supported the Delta water issues and she reported on her experiences at a recent State-wide conference about the hostile attitudes toward Northern California and Delta water issues which were expressed by individuals from other areas of the State. Supervisor Uilkema also reported that the Board of Supervisors would be holding forums regarding casinos and about the governance structure for the East County Fire Board.

10. Public Communications

Lynda Deschambault addressed the Conference regarding Contra Costa energy efficiency and sustainability programs and urged participation in the Contra Costa County Climate Leaders network and the quarterly workshops provided by the group.

11. Welcome to Moraga by Mayor David Trotter

Moraga Mayor David Trotter welcomed the Conference to Moraga and he introduced current and former Moraga Councilmembers and Mayors and Town staff.

12. Adjourn to December 3 meeting in Lafayette

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m. to the next Conference meeting to be held in Lafayette on December 3, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

Don Blubaugh
Executive Director



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Carol Rios

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Pat Anderson

COUNCILMEMBERS
Bruce Connelley
Jim Frazier
Kevin Romick

October 12, 2009

Mr. Robert Taylor
Chair
Contra Costa Mayors' Conference
1839 Ygnacio Valley Road, # 370
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NOMINATION
BAY AREA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

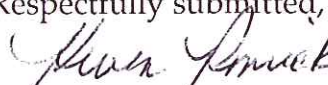
Dear Mr. Taylor:

As an appointed member to East County Transportation agencies, (Transplan, East Contra Costa Regional Fee & Financing Authority, State Route 4 Bypass Authority and eBART Partnership Policy Advisory Committee), Jim offers a unique perspective to air quality issues. With the passage of SB 375 and AB 32 it makes sense that transportation and air quality must move forward with the common goal of healthy air to protect our environment.

As a Councilmember for the City of Oakley, Jim has reached out and collaborated with many agencies: State, Local and Private to work towards creating a solution for each project at hand. Jim is also a small business owner in Contra Costa County and has been an advocate of carpooling whenever possible.

Jim sees the need to represent East Contra Costa County in this role and believes that far East County, with its projected growth, should have voice in our residents' air quality and environmental concerns. Jim is committed to working with our regional leaders to continue their efforts on better air quality.

I nominate Jim Frazier to serve as a representative on the Bay Area Air Quality Management District Board of Directors.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Romick
Councilmember



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November 12, 2009

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Bruce Connelley
Jim Frazier
Kevin Romick

Don Blubaugh, Executive Director
Contra Costa Mayors Conference
1839 Ygnacio Valley Rd. # 370
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Dear Don:

This letter is to nominate and support Oakley City Councilman Jim Frazier to serve on the Bay Area Air Quality Management Board on behalf of the Mayors Conference.

Jim's capacity to serve is unparalleled. Along with his work on the City Council, Jim has served as a Planning Commissioner, currently serves as a board member to various charitable non-profit organizations and is an appointed member to East County Transportation agencies, (Transplan, East Contra Costa Regional Fee & Financing Authority, State Route 4 Bypass Authority and eBART Partnership Policy Advisory Committee). Jim is also slated to become Oakley's Vice Mayor in December.

Jim has the knowledge, energy and capacity to serve the Mayors Conference very well in this capacity and I urge my fellow Mayors to support this nomination.

Sincerely,

Carol Rios
Mayor

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ASSEMBLYMEMBER, ELEVENTH DISTRICT

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November 3, 2009

Don Blubaugh
Executive Director
Contra Costa Mayors' Conference
1839 Ygnacio Valley Rd. #370
Walnut Creek, CA 94598

Dear Mr. Blubaugh:

I am pleased to have this opportunity to offer my support for the nomination of Oakley City Councilmember Jim Frazier for appointment by the Contra Costa Mayors' Conference to the Bay Area Air Quality Management District.

I have had the pleasure of working with Councilmember Frazier for several years on a variety of projects. He is an active and positive public servant. I have been impressed by his perseverance, diligence, and focus. Councilmember Frazier is one of the hardest working people I know. He cares about improving his community.

In my conversations with Councilmember Frazier, I know he is committed to protecting our environment and improving air quality. He has collaborated with numerous local, regional, and private agencies to seek common-sense solutions to problems facing his community. As a small business owner, Councilmember Frazier has promoted sound environmental policies.

These are among the reasons why I am pleased to support Councilmember Frazier's application for appointment to the Bay Area Air Quality Management District. I am certain he will be a strong and effective advocate for Contra Costa should he be appointed.

If you have any questions about my support for Councilmember Frazier, please feel free to contact me at my Martinez District Office at 925-372-7990.

I appreciate the efforts of all of the members of the Contra Costa Mayors' Conference on behalf of our shared constituents, and I look forward to continuing to work with you in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tom Torlakson".

Tom Torlakson





CITY OF SAN RAMON

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October 19, 2009

Contra Costa County Mayors Conference
Don Blubaugh, Executive Director
1839 Ygnacio Valley Rd # 370
Walnut Creek, CA 94598

Dear Contra Costa County Mayors Conference:

RE: Nomination – (Bay Area Air Quality Management District)

Honorable Mayors, it is my honor to nominate San Ramon Mayor Pro Tem Dave Hudson to be appointed as the Contra Costa County Mayors Conference representative to the Bay Area Air Quality Management District. This appointment would be to complete the term of Mike Shimansky, Danville.

I also recommend Dave Hudson be appointed to serve the next two year term from June 15, 2010 to June 15, 2012.

Dave Hudson has shown an awareness of the issues and has spent a tremendous amount of time studying AB32, California Climate action scoping plan, SB375, and the Reforestation Protocol.

Dave Hudson is well qualified for this position and will continue to be an asset to the Bay Area Air Quality Management District.

Respectfully submitted,

H. Abram Wilson
Mayor, City of San Ramon

ATTACHMENT 2 B

East Bay Regional Park District Park Advisory Committee
Fact Sheet

The Park Advisory Committee (PAC) is a 21-member citizens' advisory group appointed by the East Bay Regional Park District Board of Directors. Candidates are nominated by individual Board members and a variety of other public entities, such as the Mayors' Conference, Board of Supervisors, and Special District Chapters of Alameda and Contra Costa Counties.

The PAC studies issues and makes recommendations and comments on a spectrum of policy issues, such as grazing, dogs, horses and bikes in parks, the Park District budget, naming park facilities, park land use plans, new concessions, and more.

Members are appointed for two-year terms and may serve a total of four consecutive terms, or eight years. Service is voluntary and members receive no compensation.

Meetings are held in the evenings on the fourth Monday of each month at the Park District Headquarters in Oakland.

The PAC provides members with a great opportunity to learn more about the Park District and is a forum for input from the community.

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY ELECTIONS CITIZENS ADVISORY PANEL (ECAP)

PURPOSE STATEMENT

It is the purpose of the Contra Costa County Elections Citizens Advisory Panel (ECAP) to advise the County Clerk on issues concerning elections in Contra Costa County.

Goals

The first goal of the ECAP is to increase awareness of current election procedures in the County. Some of the ways to increase awareness are through public education, poll-worker recruitment and training and youth involvement. Therefore, the ECAP should first review current election practices to promote public awareness.

The second goal of the ECAP is to review proposed election practices to measure their voter-friendly content and ease of public understanding. Therefore, the ECAP should review proposed changes in election practices.

Structure

Membership should consist of citizens who have demonstrated their civic involvement and commitment to procedural issues over policy issues. Membership should also be geographically and culturally representative of the County.

The ECAP will consist of 15 members appointed by the County Clerk. Because of their familiarity with County government and the Elections Office, I am selecting 10 former grand jurors (two from each County Supervisorial District). In addition, I am selecting three people who will represent the following agencies: League of Women Voters, Mayors' Conference and business. Two people at large will be selected, bringing the total number to 15.

Powers and Duties

1. Respond to requests from the County Clerk.
2. Initiate questions to the County Clerk.

Limitations

The ECAP is advisory to the County Clerk only and will work directly with the County Clerk or his designee. Election times can be very hectic. This is a good time for ECAP members to observe election processes. However, the County Clerk has to determine how much involvement the ECAP can have without interfering with critical election deadlines. Therefore, the County Clerk will work to present election issues to the ECAP well in advance of major elections. The Committee meets on average once per year.