LAS VIRGENES – MALIBU COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, January 19, 2021, 8:30 AM

MEETING INFORMATION AND ACCOMMODATION

Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Orders, which waived certain Brown Act meeting requirements, including any requirements to make a physical meeting location available to the public; and, most recently, the March 19, 2020 Executive Order, which ordered all residents to stay at home. As such, the Las Virgenes-Malibu Council of Governments will provide Members of the Public the opportunity to view and participate in the meeting remotely using Zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting: https://zoom.us/j/4714103699 Meeting ID: 471 410 3699 - Passcode: 1234

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1. Make comments limited to three minutes during the Public Comment Period, or 2. Submit an email with their written comments limited to 1,000 characters to terry@lvmcog.org no later than 12:00 p.m. on Monday, January 18, 2021. The email address will remain open during the meeting for providing public comment during the meeting. Emails received during the meeting will be read out loud at the appropriate time during the meeting provided they are received before the Board takes action on an item (or can be read during general public comment). For any questions regarding the virtual meeting, please contact terry@lvmcog.org.

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

Governing Board Members:

Kelly Honig, Westlake Village, Vice President Karen Farrer, Malibu Stuart Siegel, Hidden Hills Denis Weber, Agoura Hills Alicia Weintraub, Calabasas

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

3. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Public comments are limited to three minutes per speaker. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54954.2, the Governing Board is prohibited from discussing or taking immediate action on any item not on the agenda unless it can be demonstrated that the item is of an emergency nature, or the need to take action arose subsequent to the posting of the agenda.

4. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The COG's Amended and Restated Joint Powers Agreement was approved by the Governing Board and subsequently confirmed by all of the member cities, last year. The Amended and Restated JPA states a Governing Board Representative shall be elected annually to the position of President, and a different Governing Board Representative shall be elected to the position of Vice President of the Governing Board at the first regular meeting of the Governing Board held in January of each calendar year. The terms of office of the President and Vice President shall commence immediately following the elections and expire immediately following the elections which are conducted at the first regular meeting of the Governing Board held in January of the following calendar year. The City of Agoura Hills continues to serve as the COG Treasurer.

- Nominations for President
- Nominations for Vice President

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent Calendar items will be approved in one motion unless removed for separate discussion or action.

- A. November 17, 2020 Draft Meeting Notes Attachment (pages 4-6)
- B. January 2021 Financial Statement Attachment (page 7)

Recommended Action: Approve Consent Calendar

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Presentation on SCAG's Sustainable Communities Program Housing & Development Call for Applications Lyle Janicek, SCAG Regional Planner will give the presentation.
- B. Executive Director's Report Attachment (pages 8-9)
- C. Reports from Member Cities on COVID-19
 - Agoura Hills, Calabasas, Hidden Hills, Malibu, and Westlake Village

6. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Preview of Housing Legislation COG staff will present housing legislation that has been introduced. Attachment (pages 10-16)
 - Recommended Action: Discuss and refer to member cities for consideration.
- B. Appointment to Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission Attachment (pages 17-18)
 - Recommended Action: Appoint Malibu Mayor Mikke Pierson as the COG representative to the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission.

7. PUBLIC SAFETY, LEGISLATIVE AND AGENCY PARTNER UPDATES

- A. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
- B. Los Angeles County Fire Department
- C. League of Cities
- D. Updates from Legislative Staff and Agency Partners

8. GENERAL COMMENTS AND REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

9. FUTURE MEETING DATES

2021 Governing Board and TAC Meeting Schedule – Attachment (page 19)

10. ADJOURNMENT

Draft Meeting Notes Governing Board Meeting VIRTUAL MEETING - VARIOUS LOCATIONS November 17, 2020

The Governing Board conducted the virtual meeting, via Zoom, and in accordance with California Governor Newsom's Executive Orders N-20-20 and N-35-20 and COVID-19 pandemic protocols.

1 – Call to Order: Vice President Kelly Honig called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM.

Roll Call of Governing Board members present:

Illece Buckley Weber, Agoura Hills, President Kelly Honig, Westlake Village, Vice President

Karen Farrer, Malibu

Stuart Siegel, Hidden Hills

Alicia Weintraub, Calabasas

The following non-voting city elected officials participated in the meeting:

Ned Davis, Councilmember, Westlake Village

Laura McCorkindale, Councilmember, Hidden Hills

Denis Weber, Mayor Pro Tem, Agoura Hills

2 – Approval of Agenda:

ACTION: Governing Board member Siegel moved to approve the Agenda.

Governing Board member Weintraub seconded. The Motion carried

5-0, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: President Buckley Weber, and Governing Board members Farrer,

Honig, Siegel and Weintraub.

NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

- 3 Public Comment Period: Bruce Silverstein, Malibu City Councilmember-elect, introduced himself to the group.
- 4 Consent Calendar: 4.A Meeting Notes from October 20, 2020; 4.B November 2020 Financial Statement.

ACTION: Governing Board member Weintraub moved to approve the Consent

Calendar. Governing Board member Farrer seconded. The Motion

carried 5-0, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: President Buckley Weber, and Governing Board members Farrer,

Honig, Siegel and Weintraub.

NOES: None. ABSENT: None.

- 5.A Legislative Update, Vice President Honig called upon Senator Stern to provide an update and answer questions. No action was taken.
- 5.B Executive Director's Report: The Executive Director highlighted his report and answered questions. No action was taken.
- 5.C Member Cities Report on COVID-19: Vice President Honig called upon the City Managers and Governing Board members provided an update from their respective cities on COVID-19 related issues and actions. No action was taken.
- 6.A SCAG Regional Early Action Planning Grant: Following discussion, Vice President Honig determined there was a consensus not to move forward with the planning grant project. No action was taken.
- 6.B Renewal of MOU with Metro for Professional Services for Ara Najarian, Metro Board and Extension of Contract with Maureen Micheline to provide said services:

ACTION: Governing Board member Weintraub moved to approve the annual

MOU with Metro Board and Extension of Contract with Maureen Micheline to provide said services. Governing Board member Farrer seconded. The Motion carried 5-0, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: President Buckley Weber, and Governing Board members Farrer,

Honig, Siegel and Weintraub.

NOES: None. ABSENT: None

- 7.A Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department: Captain Becerra provided an update from the Lost Hills/Malibu Station.
- 7.B Los Angeles County Fire Department: Chief Smith provide an update.
- 7.C League of Cities: Jeff Kiernan provided an update from the League of Cities.
- 7.D Updates from Area Legislators and Agencies. Tessa Charnofsky provided an update from Supervisor Kuehl and Aurelia Friedman provided an update from Congressman Lieu.
- 8. Comments and Request for Future Agenda Items: None

- 9. Future Meeting Dates: Vice President Honig announced the dates for the next Technical Advisory Committee and Governing Board meetings.
- 10 Adjournment: Vice President Honig asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 AM.

ACTION: Governing Board member Siegel moved to adjourn the meeting.

Governing Board member Weintraub seconded. The Motion carried

5-0, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: President Buckley Weber, and Governing Board members Farrer,

Honig, Siegel and Weintraub

NOES: None. ABSENT: None

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Dipple Executive Director

DATE: January 19, 2021

TO: Governing Board and Alternates

FROM: Terry Dipple, Executive Director

SUBJECT: January 2021 COG Financial Statement

SUMMARY

All of the revenue and expenditures are in accordance with the COG's 20/21 adopted budget.

20/21 Expected Revenue

Dues	100,000
Metro (admin & planning)	57,250
Metro (for consultant)	103,470
LA County Homeless Grant	69,133
Total Expected Revenue	329,853
20/21 Expenditures to Date	-105,739
Terry Dipple – 7/20 Ex. Dir.	-12,250
M. Micheline 7/20 Metro	-8,283
G. Graham 7/20	-5.000
Terry Dipple – 8/20 Ex. Dir.	-12,250
M. Micheline 8/20 Metro	-8,283
G. Graham 8/20	-5,000
COG Liability Insurance	-3,607
Terry Dipple – 9/20 Ex. Dir.	-12,250
M. Micheline 9/20 Metro	-8,283
G. Graham 9/20	-5,000
Terry Dipple – 10/20 Ex. Dir.	-12,250
M. Micheline 10/20 Metro	-8,283
G. Graham 10/20	-5,000
Terry Dipple – 11/20 Ex. Dir.	-12,250
M. Micheline 11/20 Metro	-8,283
G. Graham 11/20	-5,000
Terry Dipple – 12/20 Ex. Dir.	-12,250
M. Micheline 12/20 Metro	-8,283
G. Graham 12/20	<u>-5,000</u>
Total to Date	-156,805

DATE: January 19, 2021

TO: Governing Board and Alternates

FROM: Terry Dipple, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Executive Director's Report

OVERVIEW

The purpose of this memorandum is to update the Governing Board on the status of COG projects and other items of interest.

Governor's Proposed 2021-22 Budget – One item in the Budget includes \$4.3 million to create a Housing Accountability Unit at the California Department of Housing and Community Development, "to further facilitate affordable housing production" through monitoring, technical assistance and enforcement of existing housing production laws. Examples of monitoring include sending HCD representatives to City Council meetings when new housing developments are being considered.

COG's Homeless Outreach Coordinator – Gabriel continues to provide weekly updates on his assistance to people experiencing homelessness in the region. Discussions have begun for continuation of the grant used to fund Gabriel's position. I have not been given a grant amount yet but anticipate it will be sufficient to continue Gabriel's position with the COG.

Evacuation Plan – On January 6th OEM held the fourth Zone Standards/Terminology Workshop, and discussed common terminology, and recent best practices and lessons learned in developing evacuation zones, particularly from Sonoma County and their recent developments and lessons learned since their 2017 Tubbs Fire and 2019 Kincade Fire. Based on the workshop discussions about standardizing terminology and criteria to consider for zone development, OEM will be developing a short (~2 page) planning document to use as a "style guide" for zone development. OEM also discussed the need for the zones to be usable at the field level, and leveraging existing mapping and GIS resources where available, which are the focus of the next two planned workshops.

I emailed an update to the Governing Board and city managers in late December that also included highlights from the November 19th OEM Zone Planning Workshop where discussion revolved around County progress on implementing recommendations from the Woolsey After Action Review, particularly relating to public information and warning, with examples from this year's Bobcat Fire. Also discussed was the recommendations to incorporate an underlying grid system (based on a standard recently rolled out with County Fire), with locally developed zones. Emphasis on grid and zone use was on their value in more quickly and accurately relaying to others locations for protective actions,

i.e. evacuation warnings, evacuation orders, etc. Based on the workshop discussions, proposed next steps include subsequent workshops to develop standards/definitions for zone development, work out operationally how zones would be used, and coordinate GIS considerations and use cases, before working with individual jurisdictions and stakeholders on local zone development/customization. A planning schedule was developed for those next workshops:

Current meeting schedule:

1/27 – Zone GIS Coordination Workshop (virtual).

2/18 - Stakeholder progress report OEM webinar (virtual).

Late February into March – One-on-one stakeholder meetings to draft zones based on developed guidelines.

Measure M – The Metro Board directed staff to circulate recommendations to modernize the Metro Highway Program, including broadening its mission, expanding funding eligibility, recommitting to the previously adopted Metro Complete Streets Policy, and updating performance metrics. As a result, Metro staff are requesting councils of governments and regional partners to review and provide feedback on the Measure R Highway Program Criteria and Measure M Guidelines. The proposed revisions being considered by the Metro Board would effectively provide more flexibility for COG cities (active transportation, highway improvements, and safety improvements) to receive funding through these highway programs. In addition, none of the COG's current Measure R or Measure M project submitted to Metro would be adversely affected by revisions to these guidelines.

Metro Traffic Reduction Study – The Traffic Reduction Study seeks to explore the feasibility of various congestion pricing concepts to reduce traffic in Los Angeles County. Metro staff are examining corridor pricing, cordon pricing, and Vehicle Miles Traveled pricing as potential strategies for managing transportation demand. Staff has launched their stakeholder and public engagement process with a focus on potential geographic locations for a pilot program, potential support and opposition to a pilot program, and potential tradeoffs they should consider. It is very important that Metro ensure this will be an unbiased analysis and justification to implement toll lanes. The highest value of tolling and convincing people to pay is to keep the users' trips at high speeds. That requires a connected network including connectors at all interchanges to allow the users to keep going without having to merge into congested lanes to get to the next freeway/express lane. The regional infrastructure is not set up for that. I will continue to provide updates to the COG as this study moves forward.

DATE: January 19, 2021

TO: Governing Board and Alternates

FROM: Terry Dipple, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Preview of 2021 Housing Legislation

OVERVIEW

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide information to the Governing Board regarding Housing Bills introduced as of January 12, 2021. Some of the measure are reintroductions of bills that failed in 2020. The list was provided by Jeff Kiernan, Cal Cities.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Governing Board discuss the proposed housing bills and refer the list to the member cities for positions to support or oppose and report back to the COG.

AB 15 (Chiu)

COVID-19 relief: tenancy: Tenant Stabilization Act of 2021.

Introduced: 12/7/2020

Summary: Would extend the definition of "COVID-19 rental debt" as unpaid rent or any other unpaid financial obligation of a tenant that came due between March 1, 2020, and December 31, 2021. The bill would also extend the repeal date of the act to January 1, 2026. The bill would make other conforming changes to align with these extended dates. By extending the repeal date of the act, the bill would expand the crime of perjury and create a state-mandated local program.

AB 16 (Chiu)

Tenancies: Tenant, Small Landlord, and Affordable Housing Provider Stabilization Act

of 2021.

Introduced: 12/7/2020

Summary: Would state the intent of the Legislature to enact the Tenant, Small Landlord, and Affordable Housing Provider Stabilization Act of 2021 to address the long-term financial impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on renters, small landlords, and affordable housing providers, ensure ongoing housing stability for tenants at risk of eviction, and

stabilize rental properties at risk of foreclosure. This bill would include legislative findings and declarations in support of the intended legislation.

AB 59 (Gabriel)

Mitigation Fee Act: fees: notice and timelines.

Introduced: 12/7/2020

Summary: Current law authorizes any party to protest the imposition of a fee, dedication, reservation, or other exactions imposed on a development project within 90 or 120 days of the imposition of the fee, as applicable, and specifies procedures for those protests and actions. The Mitigation Fee Act imposes the same requirements on a local agency for a new or increased fee for public facilities. Current law, for specified fees, requires any judicial action or proceeding to attack, review, set aside, void, or annul an ordinance, resolution, or motion adopting a new fee or service charge or modifying an existing fee or service charge to be commenced within 120 days of the effective date of the ordinance, resolution, or motion. Current law also provides that, if an ordinance, resolution or motion provides for an automatic adjustment in a fee or service charge and the adjustment results in an increase in the fee or service charge, that any action to attack, review, set aside, void, or annul the increase to be commenced within 120 days of the increase. This bill would increase, for fees and service charges and for fees for specified public facilities, the time for mailing the notice of the time and place of the meeting to at least 45 days before the meeting.

AB 68 (Salas)

Affordable housing: California State Auditor's Report.

Introduced: 12/7/2020

Summary: Would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would implement recommendations made in the California State Auditor's Report 2020-108, issued on November 17, 2020, relating to affordable housing.

AB 115 (Bloom)

Planning and zoning: commercial zoning: housing development.

Introduced: 12/18/2020

Summary: Would, notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of a city's or county's general plan, specific plan, zoning ordinance, or regulation, would require that a housing development be an authorized use on a site designated in any local agency's zoning code or maps for commercial uses if certain conditions apply. Among these conditions, the bill would require that the housing development be subject to a recorded deed restriction requiring that at least 20% of the units have an affordable housing cost or affordable rent for lower income households, as those terms are defined, and located on a site that satisfies specified criteria.

AB 215 (Chiu)

Housing element.

Introduced: 1/11/2021

Summary: The Planning and Zoning Law requires a city or county to adopt a general plan for land use development within its boundaries that includes, among other things, a housing element. That law requires the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to determine whether the housing element is in substantial compliance with specified provisions of that law. This measure declares the State of California is suffering from extremely high home prices, rents, and levels of homelessness. This is, in part, due to the lack of proper planning at the local level for the appropriate amount of housing. It is the intent of the Legislature to ensure proper planning occurs at the local level by requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development to review the plans and programs of any city or county where the amount of housing produced falls below an unspecified percentage of their regional housing needs allocation, and to recommend amendments to local housing elements as necessary.

ACA 1 (Aguiar-Curry)

Local government financing: affordable housing and public infrastructure: voter approval.

Introduced: 12/7/2020

Summary: The California Constitution prohibits the ad valorem tax rate on real property from exceeding 1% of the full cash value of the property, subject to certain exceptions. This measure would create an additional exception to the 1% limit that would authorize a city, county, city and county, or special district to levy an ad valorem tax to service bonded indebtedness incurred to fund the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of public infrastructure, affordable housing, or permanent supportive housing, or the acquisition or lease of real property for those purposes, if the proposition proposing that tax is approved by 55% of the voters of the city, county, or city and county, as applicable, and the proposition includes specified accountability requirements.

SB 3 (Caballero)

Tenancy: COVID-19

Introduced: 12/7/2020

Summary: The COVID-19 Tenant Relief Act of 2020 establishes certain procedural requirements and limitations on evictions for nonpayment of rent due to COVID-19 rental debt, as defined. Existing law defines COVID-19 rental debt as unpaid rent or any other unpaid financial obligation of a tenant that came due during the covered time period, defined as the period between March 1, 2020, and January 31, 2021. The act also

requires a notice that demands payment of rent that came due during the transition time period, defined as the period between September 30, 2020, and January 31, 2021, to comply with additional specified requirements. This bill would extend the covered time period and transition time period for purposes of the act to March 31, 2021.

SB 5 (Atkins)

Housing: bond act.

Introduced: 12/7/2020

Summary: Would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would authorize the issuance of bonds and would require the proceeds from the sale of those bonds to be used to finance housing-related programs that serve the homeless and extremely low income and very low income Californians.

SB 9 (Atkins) This is a reintroduction of last year's SB 1120 related to ministerial lot splits & duplexes

Housing development: approvals.

Introduced: 12/7/2020

Summary: Would require a proposed housing development containing 2 residential units within a single-family residential zone to be considered ministerially, without discretionary review or hearing, if the proposed housing development meets certain requirements, including, but not limited to, that the proposed housing development would not require demolition or alteration of housing that is subject to a recorded covenant, ordinance, or law that restricts rents to levels affordable to persons and families of moderate, low, or very low income, that the proposed housing development does not allow for the demolition of more than 25% of the existing exterior structural walls, except as provided, and that the development is not located within a historic district, is not included on the State Historic Resources Inventory, or is not within a site that is legally designated or listed as a city or county landmark or historic property or district.

SB 10 (Wiener) This is a reintroduction of last year's SB 902 that *permits* cities to zone any parcel for up to 10 units of residential housing without triggering CEQA. Note this is an opt-in measure, not a mandate.

Planning and zoning: housing development: density.

Introduced: 12/7/2020

Summary: Would, notwithstanding any local restrictions on adopting zoning ordinances, authorize a local government to pass an ordinance to zone any parcel for up to 10 units of residential density per parcel, at a height specified in the ordinance, if the parcel is located in a transit-rich area, a jobs-rich area, or an urban infill site, as those terms are defined. In this regard, the bill would require the Department of Housing and Community Development, in consultation with the Office of Planning and Research, to determine jobs-

rich areas and publish a map of those areas every 5 years, commencing January 1, 2022, based on specified criteria. The bill would specify that an ordinance adopted under these provisions is not a project for purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act. The bill would prohibit a residential or mixed-use residential project consisting of 10 or more units that is located on a parcel rezoned pursuant to these provisions from being approved ministerially or by right.

SB 11 (Rubio)

Residential property insurance: ratemaking strategies.

Introduced: 12/7/2020

Summary: The Insurance Rate Reduction and Reform Act of 1988, an initiative measure enacted by Proposition 103, as approved by the voters at the November 8, 1988, statewide general election, prohibits specified insurance rates from being approved or remaining in effect that are excessive, inadequate, unfairly discriminatory, or otherwise in violation of the act. The act requires an insurer that wishes to change a rate to file a complete rate application with the Insurance Commissioner, as specified. This bill would require the commissioner to convene a stakeholder group of expert parties to identify ways to measure and incorporate various fire damage mitigation strategies into the homeowners' insurance ratemaking process and to report the group's findings to the Legislature no later than December 31, 2023.

SB 12 (McGuire)

Local government: planning and zoning: wildfires.

Introduced: 12/7/2020

Summary: Current law requires that the Office of Planning and Research, among other things, coordinate with appropriate entities, including state, regional, or local agencies, to establish a clearinghouse for climate adaptation information for use by state, regional, and local entities, as provided. This bill would require the safety element, upon the next revision of the housing element or the hazard mitigation plan, on or after July 1, 2024, whichever occurs first, to be reviewed and updated as necessary to include a comprehensive retrofit strategy to reduce the risk of property loss and damage during wildfires, as specified, and would require the planning agency to submit the adopted strategy to the Office of Planning and Research for inclusion into the above-described clearinghouse.

SB 15 (Portantino) Similar to last year's SB 1299 which allows rezoning of idle retail sites and provides grant funds from HCD as an incentive to shift away from revenue generating retail sites.

Housing development: incentives: rezoning of idle retail sites

Introduced: 12/7/ 2020

Summary: Current law establishes, among other housing programs, the Workforce Housing Reward Program, which requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to make local assistance grants to cities, counties, and cities and counties that provide land use approval to housing developments that are affordable to very low and low-income households. This bill, upon appropriation by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act or other statute, would require the department to administer a program to provide incentives in the form of grants allocated as provided to local governments that rezone idle sites used for a big box retailer or a commercial shopping center to instead allow the development of workforce housing.

SB 55 (Stern)

Very high fire hazard severity zone: state responsibility area: development prohibition.

Introduced: 12/7/2020

Summary: Would, in furtherance of specified state housing production and wildfire mitigation goals, prohibit the creation or approval of a new development, as defined, in a very high fire hazard severity zone or a state responsibility area. By imposing new duties on local governments with respect to the approval of new developments in very high fire hazard severity zones and state responsibility areas, this bill would impose a statemandated local program.

SB 64 (Leyva)

Mobilehome parks: emergency relief: coronavirus (COVID-19).

Introduced: 12/7/2020

Summary: The Mobilehome Residency Law governs the terms and conditions of residency in mobilehome parks. Under existing law, the management of a mobilehome park may not terminate or refuse to renew a tenancy, except pursuant to certain procedures, and upon giving written notice to the homeowner of not less than 60 days. This bill would prohibit the management from terminating or attempting to terminate the tenancy of a homeowner or resident who is impacted by the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, as specified, on the grounds of failure of the homeowner or resident to comply with a reasonable rule or regulation of the park that is part of the rental agreement or failure to pay rent, utility charges, or reasonable incidental service charges during a declared state of emergency or local emergency related to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, and during a 120-day time period after the state of emergency or local emergency is terminated, unless necessary to protect the public health or safety.

SCA 2 (Allen)

Public housing projects.

Introduced: 12/7/2020

Summary: The California Constitution prohibits the development, construction, or acquisition of a low-rent housing project, as defined, in any manner by any state public body until a majority of the qualified electors of the city, town, or county in which the development, construction, or acquisition of the low-rent housing project is proposed approve the project by voting in favor at an election, as specified. This measure would repeal these provisions.

DATE: January 19, 2021

TO: Governing Board and Alternates

FROM: Terry Dipple, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Appointment to the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission

OVERVIEW

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide information to the Governing Board regarding the procedure to fill former Malibu City Councilmember, Jefferson Wagner's, position on Governing Board of the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission (Commission). Pursuant to the state legislation that established the Commission, the Las Virgenes-Malibu Council of Governments is the authorized body to appoint a representative from the Malibu Creek Watershed Cities. Mayor Mikke Pierson, Malibu, has requested to be appointed by the COG. Up to two alternates can also be appointed, if needed.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Governing Board appoint Mikke Pierson, Mayor, Malibu, as the COG's representative to the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission.

BACKGROUND

The Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission was established by an act of the California Legislature in 2002 to monitor, assess, coordinate, and advise the activities of state programs and oversee funding that affects the beneficial uses, restoration and enhancement of Santa Monica Bay and its watersheds. The Commission is a non-regulatory, locally based state entity whose functions, governance and membership are set forth in this Memorandum of Understanding. It is the intent of the Legislature that the Commission shall independently execute its duties and that the Commission's membership shall include federal, state and local public agency officials and employees and representatives of other stakeholder interests.

The Commission's mission is to restore and enhance the Santa Monica Bay through actions and partnerships that improve water quality, conserve and rehabilitate natural resources, and protect the Bay's benefits and values. The goal of the Commission is to accelerate the pace, extent, and effectiveness of Santa Monica Bay restoration through implementation and financing of actions that improve water quality, conserve and rehabilitate natural resources, and protect the health of the Bay's recreational users.

The Commission is authorized in statute to:

- Request and receive federal, state, local, and private funds from any source and to expend those moneys for the restoration and enhancement of Santa Monica Bay and its watershed.
- Award and administer grants for the benefit and enhancement of the Bay and its watershed.
- Enter into contracts and joint powers authority agreements, as necessary, to carry out the purposes of the Commission.
- To monitor, assess, and coordinate activities among federal, state, and local agencies, and where appropriate, private firms, to restore and enhance Santa Monica Bay and its watershed.

The Commission shall carry out any or all of the following functions in order to achieve its mission and goals:

- Promote participation by local governments, specials district, and community groups who are essential to implementation of watershed protection efforts.
- Promote collaboration and partnerships among stakeholders.
- Provide technical and financial support for the implementation of Bay restoration projects
- Provide an open and neutral forum for inter-agency/inter-organizational discussion and consensus building.
- Promote sound science that advances the implementation of Bay restoration policies.
- Serve as an information clearinghouse for Santa Monica Bay issues.
- Negotiate and oversee contracts.
- Draft watershed policies in order to build consensus on Santa Monica Bay issues.
- Facilitate inter-agency/inter-organizational efforts to improve the Bay's water quality and restoration of its natural (especially wetland) and living resources.
- Provide information to policy-makers and the general public on issues involving Santa Monica Bay through public outreach and involvement programs.
- Assist member organizations individually and collectively by providing coordination, public education, and leadership in the management and protection of the Bay and its resources.
- Use and promote an integrated, multi-disciplinary approach to Bay management.
- Coordinate and host periodic conferences on and relating to the state of the Bay and topics related to Bay management.

The Commission's Governing Board 2021 meeting calendar: February 18, April 15, June 17, August 19, October 21 and December 14. Until further notice, the meetings are remote and begin at 9:30 a.m.

DATE: January 19, 2021

TO: Governing Board and Alternates

FROM: Terry Dipple, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Las Virgenes-Malibu COG Meeting Schedule for 2021

TAC (1st Wednesday)

Governing Board (3rd Tuesday)

January 6th January 19th (Reorg)

February 3rd February 16th

March 3rd March 16th

April 7th April 20th

May 5th May 18th

June 2nd June 15th

July 7th July 20th

August (no meeting)

August (no meeting)

September 1st September 21st

October 6th October 19th

November 3rd November 16th

December (no meeting)

December (no meeting)

All meetings begin at 8:30 AM and will be virtual until further notice.