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Meeting Minutes - Final

ABAG Executive Board

President, Jesse Arreguin, Mayor, City of Berkeley
Vice President, Belia Ramos, Supervisor, County of Napa
Immediate Past President, David Rabbitt, Supervisor, County of Sonoma

Thursday, January 21, 2021

4:30 PM

Board Room - 1st Floor (REMOTE)

Association of Bay Area Governments Executive Board Meeting No. 455

The ABAG Executive Board may act on any item on the agenda.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 4:30 p.m.,
or immediately following the preceding ABAG/ACFA meeting.

Agenda, roster and webcast available at <https://abag.ca.gov>

For information, contact Clerk of the Board at (415) 820-7913.

Roster

Candace Andersen, Jesse Arreguin, Nikki Fortunato Bas, London Breed, Tom Butt, David Canepa, Keith Carson, Cindy Chavez, Pat Eklund, Maya Esparza, Carroll Fife, Neysa Fligor, Leon Garcia, Liz Gibbons, Giselle Hale, Barbara Halliday, Rich Hillis, David Hudson, Otto Lee, Matthew Mahan, Rafael Mandelman, Gordon Mar, Nathan Miley, Karen Mitchoff, Stephanie Moulton-Peters, Raul Peralez, David Rabbitt, Belia Ramos, Carlos Romero, James Spering, Loren Taylor, Lori Wilson.
Jayne Battey (Non-voting).

1. Call to Order / Roll Call / Confirm Quorum

President Arreguin called the meeting to order at about 4:35 p.m. Quorum was present. Jayne Battey (Advisory Member, non-voting) was present.

Present: 32 - Andersen, Arreguin, Bas, Butt, Canepa, Carson, Chan, Chavez, Eklund, Esparza, Fife, Fligor, Garcia, Gibbons, Hale, Halliday, Hillis, Hudson, Jimenez, Lee, Mahan, Mandelman, Mar, Miley, Mitchoff, Moulton-Peters, Rabbitt, Ramos, Romero, Spering, Taylor, and Wilson L

1.a. Public Comment

1.b. Executive Board Announcements

2. Closed Session

The Executive Board entered Closed Session at about 4:42 p.m.

[21-0218](#) Closed Session-CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION

The ABAG Executive Board will meet in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a) and paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9 to confer with counsel regarding New Livable California, et al. v. Association of Bay Area Governments, Court of Appeal Case No. A159235.

3. Open Session

The Executive Board returned to Open Session at about 5:40 p.m. There was no reportable action.

[21-0219](#) OPEN SESSION-REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION

4. President's Report

4.a. [21-0085](#) ABAG President's Report for January 21, 2021

President Arreguin gave the report.

5. Executive Director's Report

5.a. [21-0086](#) Executive Director's Report for January 21, 2021

Therese W. McMillan gave the report.

6. Executive Board Consent Calendar

Upon the motion by Eklund and second by Gibbons, the Consent Calendar was approved. The motion passed unanimously by the following vote:

Aye: 28 - Andersen, Arreguin, Bas, Butt, Carson, Chan, Chavez, Eklund, Fife, Fligor, Garcia, Gibbons, Hale, Halliday, Hillis, Hudson, Jimenez, Lee, Mahan, Mar, Mitchoff, Moulton-Peters, Rabbitt, Ramos, Romero, Spering, Taylor, and Wilson L

Absent: 4 - Canepa, Esparza, Mandelman, and Miley

6.a. [21-0087](#) Approval of ABAG Executive Board Minutes of December 17, 2020

6.b. [21-0212](#) Authorization to enter into a contract with Collective Strategies Consulting LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 for services for the Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN) through December 31, 2021

- 6.c. [21-0213](#) Authorization to amend a Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN) contract with Grounded Research and Consulting, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$190,325 for services for BayREN implementation through December 31, 2022
- 6.d. [21-0214](#) Authorization to amend a Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN) contract with the County of San Mateo in an amount not to exceed \$50,500 to provide services for services for BayREN implementation through December 31, 2022
- 6.e. [21-0215](#) Authorization to amend a contract with Visual Strategies for Association of Bay Area Governments website operations and maintenance in an amount not to exceed \$132,500 for Fiscal Year 2020-2021
- 6.f. [21-0216](#) Authorization to enter into contract with the East Bay Regional Park District on behalf of the San Francisco Bay Area Water Trail Program to support ADA accessible water recreation facilities in an amount not to exceed \$120,000 February 28, 2021 to March 1, 2023
- 6.g. [21-0226](#) Contract Authorizations related to ABAG's Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Disadvantaged Community and Tribal Involvement Program (DACTIP) Grant
- 6.h. [21-0227](#) Ratification of Appointments to Committees

7. ABAG Finance Committee

- 7.a. [21-0089](#) Report on ABAG Finance Committee Meeting of January 21, 2021, and Confirmation of the Election of Chair and Vice Chair
- Chair Mitchoff gave the report.

Upon the motion by Arreguin and second by Hudson, the election of Mitchoff as Chair of the Finance Committee was confirmed. The motion passed unanimously by the following vote:

Aye: 27 - Andersen, Arreguin, Bas, Carson, Chan, Chavez, Eklund, Fife, Fligor, Garcia, Gibbons, Hale, Halliday, Hillis, Hudson, Jimenez, Lee, Mahan, Mar, Mitchoff, Moulton-Peters, Rabbitt, Ramos, Romero, Spering, Taylor, and Wilson L

Absent: 5 - Butt, Canepa, Esparza, Mandelman, and Miley

8. ABAG Housing Committee

- 8.a. [21-0091](#) Report on ABAG Housing Committee Meeting of January 7, 2021, and Confirmation of the Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Chair Wilson gave the report.

Upon the motion by Wilson and second by Ramos, the election of Wilson as Chair of the Housing Committee and Romero as Vice Chair was confirmed. The motion passed unanimously by the following vote:

Aye: 29 - Andersen, Arreguin, Bas, Butt, Carson, Chan, Chavez, Eklund, Fife, Fligor, Garcia, Gibbons, Hale, Halliday, Hillis, Hudson, Jimenez, Lee, Mahan, Mandelman, Mar, Mitchoff, Moulton-Peters, Rabbitt, Ramos, Romero, Spring, Taylor, and Wilson L

Absent: 3 - Canepa, Esparza, and Miley

- 8.b. [21-0092](#) Approval of Allocation of \$4.2 million in Regional Early Action Planning funds to Regional Planning Collaboratives

Chair Wilson gave the report.

Upon the motion by Wilson and second by Hudson, the allocation of \$4.2 million in Regional Early Action Planning grant funds to Regional Planning Collaboratives was confirmed. The motion passed unanimously by the following vote:

Aye: 29 - Andersen, Arreguin, Bas, Butt, Carson, Chan, Chavez, Eklund, Fife, Fligor, Garcia, Gibbons, Hale, Halliday, Hillis, Hudson, Jimenez, Lee, Mahan, Mandelman, Mar, Mitchoff, Moulton-Peters, Rabbitt, Ramos, Romero, Spring, Taylor, and Wilson L

Absent: 3 - Canepa, Esparza, and Miley

9. Joint MTC ABAG Legislation Committee

- 9.a. [21-0090](#) Report on Joint MTC ABAG Legislation Committee Meeting of January 8, 2021

President Arreguin gave the report.

10. ABAG Administrative Committee

- 10.a. [21-0088](#) Report on ABAG Administrative Committee Meeting of January 8, 2021

President Arreguin gave the report.

- 10.b. [21-0094](#) Adoption of ABAG Resolution No. 01-2021: Plan Bay Area 2050 Final Blueprint: Approval as Preferred EIR Alternative

Presentation on the Plan Bay Area 2050 Final Blueprint Outcomes, including performance and equity outcomes, and recommendation to advance the Final Blueprint as the Preferred Alternative in the EIR process.

Dave Vautin gave the report.

The following gave public comment: Robert Fruchtman, Eric Filseth, Bob Allen, Shajuti Hossain, Fernando Marti, Peter Papadopoulos, Rich Hall, Susan Candell, Julie Testa, Larisa Pedroncelli.

The following submitted public comment: City of Palo Alto, City and County of San Francisco.

Upon the motion by Arreguin and second by Spering, the ABAG Executive Board adopted ABAG Resolution No. 01-2021 and referred to staff to consider regional issues of gentrification and displacement in the EIR alternatives development as described in slide 9 of the staff presentation. The motion passed unanimously by the following vote:

Aye: 32 - Andersen, Arreguin, Bas, Butt, Canepa, Carson, Chan, Chavez, Eklund, Esparza, Fife, Fligor, Garcia, Gibbons, Hale, Halliday, Hillis, Hudson, Jimenez, Lee, Mahan, Mandelman, Mar, Miley, Mitchoff, Moulton-Peters, Rabbitt, Ramos, Romero, Spering, Taylor, and Wilson L

11. ABAG Regional Planning Committee

- 11.a. [21-0093](#) Report on ABAG Regional Planning Committee Meeting of January 14, 2021, and Confirmation of the Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Chair Mitchoff gave the report.

Upon the motion by Mitchoff and second by Arreguin, the election of Mitchoff as Chair of the Regional Planning Committee and Romero as Vice Chair was confirmed. The motion passed unanimously by the following vote:

Aye: 32 - Andersen, Arreguin, Bas, Butt, Canepa, Carson, Chan, Chavez, Eklund, Esparza, Fife, Fligor, Garcia, Gibbons, Hale, Halliday, Hillis, Hudson, Jimenez, Lee, Mahan, Mandelman, Mar, Miley, Mitchoff, Moulton-Peters, Rabbitt, Ramos, Romero, Spering, Taylor, and Wilson L

11.b. [21-0095](#) Adoption of ABAG Resolution No. 02-2021: Draft RHNA Methodology and Final Subregional Shares

Presentation on the Draft RHNA Methodology and Final Subregional Shares, including integration of Final Blueprint 2050 Households data and recommendation to submit to Housing and Community Development this winter.

Gillian Adams gave the report.

The following gave public comment: David Hagele, Jessica Jones, Ariel Kelley, Stephen Sotomayor, Eric Filseth, Jovan Grogan, Adam Eckhouse, Brian Schmidt, Peter Papadopoulos, Jeff Levin, Shajuti Hossain, Ken Chan, Fernando Marti, Rodney Nickens, Elizabeth Wampler, Pamela Wu, Julie Testa, Susan Candell, Zarina Kiziloglu, Kelsy Barnes, Rick Hall, Jordan Grimes, John Bauters.

The following submitted public comment: City of Dublin, Godwin, Habitat for Humanity, City of Monte Sereno, City of Palo Alto, City of Piedmont, City of Pleasanton, Public Advocates, City of San Bruno, City and County of San Francisco, City of San Rafael.

The following submitted late public comment: City of Concord, City of Danville, Environmental Organizations, Green Foothills, County of Marin, MEDA San Francisco, County of Santa Clara Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Clara LAFCO, Santa Clara County Planning.

Upon the motion by Arreguin and second by Romero, the ABAG Executive Board approved submission of the Draft Regional Housing Needs Allocation Methodology with equity adjustment for Housing and Community Development review; adopted Resolution No. 02-2021 with Final Subregional Share for Solano Subregion; and disbanded Cycle 6 Housing Methodology Committee as its work is now complete. The motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 28 - Andersen, Arreguin, Bas, Butt, Canepa, Carson, Chan, Chavez, Esparza, Fligor, Garcia, Gibbons, Hale, Halliday, Hillis, Hudson, Jimenez, Lee, Mahan, Mandelman, Mar, Mitchoff, Rabbitt, Ramos, Romero, Spering, Taylor, and Wilson L

Nay: 1 - Eklund

Abstain: 3 - Fife, Miley, and Moulton-Peters

12. Adjournment / Next Meeting

President Arreguin adjourned the meeting at about 10:11 p.m. The next regular meeting of the ABAG Executive Board is on March 18, 2021.