Summary/Action Minutes

I. Federal Legislative Update – CJ Lake

House and Senate are on two week district work period will return to session on April 29th

Tomorrow the Supreme Court will hear arguments on the federal government adding the citizenship question to the 2020 census. The decision could take a while, likely could receive a decision in mid-June.

Purpose:
☐ Report progress
☐ Advocacy or Education
☐ Request PAL Committee Recommendation or Position
☒ Other: Federal update

Request for Legislation position – Action Item

   i. S. 923 (Feinstein) Fighting Homelessness through Services and Housing Act

       Recommendation: Support: Alameda County Homelessness Council, County Administrator’s Office

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Recommendation from PAL Committee: Support. Move to the full Board of Supervisors.

II. State Legislative Update – Political Solutions

Budget

The Legislature has returned from Spring recess, and the Budget Sub Committees are resuming their work. The May Revise will be released on May 10, 2019 so most items remain open until then. Additionally, the Legislature and the Governor need to see what the April receipts brought in from taxes to determine the State’s fiscal health.
County Sponsored Legislation

AB 944 (Quirk) CalWORKs: sponsored noncitizen: indigence exception
County co-sponsored bill, AB 944 by Assembly Member Bill Quirk (D-Hayward) was referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee, the bill was sent to the Appropriations Suspense file, which will be taken up at the end of May.

AB 143 (Quirk-Silva) Emergency Shelter Housing
This bill will allow the County to be eligible for the Emergency Shelter Housing proposal as passed in 2017. This will enable the County to get emergency housing built and available much faster than the current system. The amendments have been taken to ensure that the County is added.

Other Priority Legislation

The County is also supporting SB 767 by Senator Glazer. This bill authorizes, but does not require, Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) to dispose of the 3,100-acre Expansion Area in the Carnegie State Vehicle Recreation Area (SVRA) and to permanently preserve the land for conservation purposes. The bill will be heard in Senate Governmental Organization on Tuesday, April 23, 2019.

Governor Newsom

The Governor just celebrated his first 100 days in office. He has had a very ambitious agenda tackling issues related to mental health, homelessness, Healthcare4All, brain health, reforming of the DJJ system, among others. He had a very promising meeting last week with the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors, where they successfully shared with him the need for Counties to have flexibility and access to dollars to address the homelessness crisis.

Governor Newsom will be addressing the CSAC legislative conference on Wednesday, April 24, 2019.

Key Dates/Deadlines

- April 22, 2019 – Legislature returns from Spring Recess
- May 10, 2019 – May Revise released
- May 10, 2019 – Policy committee deadline
- May 31, 2019 – House of Origin deadline
- June 15, 2019 – Budget must be passed by midnight

Request for Legislation position – Action Items

i. **AB 261** (Mathis) Developmental services: regional centers: suspension of services
   
   **Recommendation: Support:** Colleen Chawla, Director, Health Care Services Agency

ii. **AB 311** (Frazier) Regional centers: billing: daily rates
   
   **Recommendation: Support:** Colleen Chawla, Director, Health Care Services Agency

iii. **AB 728** (Santiago) Homeless multidisciplinary personnel teams
    
    **Recommendation: Support:** Alameda County Homelessness Council Office

iv. **AB 816** (Quirk-Silva) California Flexible Housing Subsidy Pool Program
    
    **Recommendation: Support:** Alameda County Homelessness Council
v. **AB 1197** (Santiago) California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: local and regional housing projects and emergency shelters
   Recommendation: **Support**: Alameda County Homelessness Council

vi. **SB 66** (Atkins) Medi-Cal: federally qualified health center and rural health clinic services
   Recommendation: **Support**: Colleen Chawla, Director, Health Care Services Agency

vii. **SB 369** (Hertzberg) Safe Parking programs
    Recommendation: **Support**: Alameda County Homelessness Council

viii. **SB 424** (Jackson) Tobacco products: single-use and multiuse components
     Recommendation: **Support**: Nate Miley, Board of Supervisors, District 4 and Colleen Chawla, Director, Health Care Services Agency

ix. **SB 744** (Caballero) Planning and Zoning: CEQA: permanent supportive housing
    Recommendation: **Support**: Alameda County Homelessness Council

x. **Budget Request for State funding increase for Communicable Disease Infrastructure**
   Recommendation: **Support**: Colleen Chawla, Director, Health Care Services Agency

xi. **Budget Request for State funding for CALWORKs: update and strengthen Earned Income Disregard**
    Recommendation: **Support**: Lori A. Cox, Director, Social Services Agency

two. **Comment letter on Notice of Proposed Rulemaking regarding Mental Health Services Act Fiscal Regulations**
   Recommendation: **Support**: Colleen Chawla, Director, Health Care Services Agency

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**PUBLIC COMMENT**
None.

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