

**ALAMEDA COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS'
PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATION/LEGISLATION
COMMITTEE**

**Monday, July 19, 2021
1:30 p.m.**

**Supervisor Keith Carson, Chair
Supervisor Wilma Chan**

Location: **Board of Supervisors Chambers – Room 512 5th floor**
County Administration Building
1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA 94612

Summary/Action Minutes

I. Federal Legislative Update – CJ Lake

Schedule

The House and Senate are in session this week. Both Chambers have votes scheduled.

Infrastructure

The focus of the week will again be in the Senate as Majority Leader Schumer plans to file cloture today on the motion to proceed to the bipartisan infrastructure bill, starting a 30-hour clock before a Wednesday procedural vote. He also set the same deadline for senators to move ahead on a budget resolution with reconciliation instructions that would allow Democrats to pass their \$3.5 trillion measure in the Senate without Republican support. Mr. Schumer's decision to hold these procedural votes is meant to increase pressure on lawmakers and turn their handshake deal into legislative text. It is his hope that this move will help make progress on both the bipartisan and partisan legislative tracks.

The Senate Democrats and Republicans have not yet released text of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Framework, but negotiators stated this weekend that talks remain ongoing. Senator Portman, one of the lead Republican negotiators stated yesterday that a provision increasing funding to the IRS to go after tax avoidance as a revenue raiser was removed from the bill over the weekend. Removal of this provision places another limit on the number and scope of pay-fors being discussed by the bipartisan cadre and throws more uncertainty into the mix.

Appropriations

House Democrats plan to take up a seven-bill appropriations package next week containing Agriculture-FDA, Energy and Water, Financial Services, Interior-Environment, Labor-HHS-Education, Military Construction-VA, and Transportation-HUD.

Five bills remain, Legislative Branch, Homeland, Defense, Commerce, Justice and Science, and State and Foreign Operations, without a clear fate on the House floor. The Senate has yet to release the texts of their appropriations bills or agree on top-line numbers for FY 22.

Purpose:

- ☐ Report progress
- ☐ Advocacy or Education
- ☐ Request PAL Committee Recommendation or Position
- ☒ **Other: Federal Update**

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

Request for Legislation position – Action Items

i. [Federal COVID-19 Relief Funding for Hospitals](#)

Recommendation: Support: Wilma Chan, Board of Supervisors, District 3

ii. [H.R. 1835](#) (Lee) COVID Community Care Act

Recommendation: Support: Wilma Chan, Board of Supervisors, District 3

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

II. State Legislative Update – Political Solutions

The Legislature has officially begun their Summer Recess and will return to the Capitol on August 16, 2021, where they will continue their work until the end of session on September 10, 2021. While on their recess the Legislative Leadership, the Governor and budget staff will continue to negotiate on many of the outstanding issues.

Today, the Governor signed AB 140 (Budget) Housing, which includes a \$10.3 billion affordable housing package and \$12 billion over two years to confront the homelessness crisis.

Governor Gavin Newsom

Governor Gavin Newsom, joined by Sebastopol Vice Mayor Sarah Gurney, Board of Supervisors' Member Lynda Hopkins, Board of Supervisors' President and CA State Association of Counties President James Gore, Assemblymember Marc Levine, and Senator Mark McGuire, discussed the California Comeback Plan and its investments to spur the construction of affordable housing. Also addressed was the historic \$12 billion in funding to tackle the homelessness crisis head-on while also demanding greater accountability and more urgency from local governments.

Alameda County Sponsored Bills

- AB 368 (Bonta) Food prescriptions. Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee
- AB 1294 (Quirk) Child Care Pilot Permanency. Status: Senate Appropriations – August 16th, included in the Legislature's budget
- AB 924 (Wicks) Alameda Health System: hospital authority. Status: Has been turned into a 2-year bill at the request of the County

Key Dates and Deadlines

- Summer Recess begins upon adjournment – July 16-August 13, 2021
- Legislature returns on August 16, 2021
- Appropriations Committee Deadline – August 27, 2021
- Assembly/Senate Floor Session Only – August 30- September 10, 2021
- Last Day to Amend Bills on Either Floor – September 3, 2021
- Floor Passage Deadline – September 10, 2021
- Governor Newsom Recall Election – September 14, 2021
- Governor's Sign/Veto Deadline – October 10, 2021

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- ☒ **Other: State update**

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Request for Legislation Position – Action Items

i. **Oakport Street Project: Clarifying Language - Transportation**

*Recommendation: **Support:*** Wilma Chan, Board of Supervisors, District 3

ii. **AB 369 (Kamlager) Medi-Cal services: persons experiencing homelessness**

*Recommendation: **Support with suggest amendment:*** Colleen Chawla, Director, Health Care Services Agency

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PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

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