ALAMEDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATION/LEGTISLATION COMMITTEE

Monday, October 6, 2014 1:30 p.m.

Supervisor Keith Carson, Chair Supervisor Wilma Chan Location: <u>Board of Supervisors Chambers – Room 512 5th floor</u>

County Administration Building 1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA 94612

Summary/Action Minutes

I. Federal Legislative Update

The House and Senate stand adjourned until November 12th after the midterm elections.

Attorney General

Attorney General Eric Holder announced on September 25, he plans to resign his post as Attorney General. He will remain in his post until a successor is nominated and confirmed by the Senate. Because Republicans hope to gain a Senate majority in the elections, we expect President Obama will send up a nomination before a new Congress convenes in January. The Senate will likely take up a nomination in the lame-duck session scheduled after the November 4 midterm elections.

FY14 Grants

Most federal agencies announced FY14 grant awards prior to the start of the new fiscal year on October 1. The County was notified of several DOJ awards last week:

- COPS Hiring Grant -- \$1 million Sheriff's Office; funding will be used to hire 8 new deputies 4
 deputies for the Transit Crimes Unit along AC Transit routes and 4 deputies for the School
 Resource Officers Unit throughout Alameda County.
- Byrne Justice Criminal Innovation Planning and Implementation Grant -- \$999,797 Sheriff's Office. The funding will support educational and job-training pathways, recreational opportunities, economic development and social enterprise development in the communities of Ashland and Cherryland.
- National Institute of Justice Solving Cold Cases with DNA -- \$267,952 Sheriff's Office. The funding will be used for staffing the cold case unit with an additional full time investigator.

Earlier in September, HRSA notified Health Care Services that it was awarded \$1.4 million for its Healthy Start application to reduce infant mortality. The funds will be used to provide women and families with essential home visiting case management services, care coordination, mental health services, family strengthening activities and peer support groups.

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1	Request PAL Committee Recommendation or Position	

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II. State Legislative Update

California Endowment Funding

Reversing the outcome of a budget negotiation, the Governor signed SB 18 into law which will require the State to accept the \$6 million offered by the California Endowment to assist with Medi-Cal renewals. During budget discussions the Department of Finance contended that the funds being offered were duplicative of efforts already under way. The Legislature rejected the offer of assistance however concerns remained about that decision. As a result, Senator Mark Leno from San Francisco introduced SB 18 and continued to encourage the Administration to accept the funding to keep eligible Medi-Cal beneficiaries enrolled in the program. The State will draw down a federal match of funding totaling \$12 million for renewal activities.

Cal-MediConnect

Almost half of individuals eligible for the Cal-MediConnect demonstration project (195,000) have been notified of their option to enroll in the program. The demonstration project is for people eligible for both Medicare and Medi-Cal and is currently running in Los Angeles, San Bernardino San Diego and San Mateo Counties. It is scheduled to be implemented in Alameda, Orange and Santa Clara Counties next year.

Air Board Funding Programs

On Tuesday, October 14, 2014 the Air Resources Board staff has scheduled an initial work group meeting to discuss the development of projects to be funded through the Air Quality Improvement Program and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Fund.

The meeting will focus on funding program on the use of light duty and heavy duty vehicles that benefit disadvantaged communities. This workshop will discuss the following programs:

- Light Duty Pilot Projects in Disadvantaged Communities (car sharing and mobility options)
- Heavy-Duty Zero Emission Truck and Bus Pilot Projects to benefit disadvantaged communities
- Disadvantaged communities Zero Emission Drayage.

Strategic Growth Council (SGC)

The Strategic Growth Council is meeting this afternoon where they will discuss the draft guidelines for the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program. This is an information only item for the SGC in advance of the workshops scheduled to start on October 23, 2014 in Merced and in Oakland on October 24, 2014.

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PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

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