Summary/Action Minutes

I. Proposed Resolution of the Alameda County Board of Supervisors for the Purpose of Supporting a Rail Connection between the Bay Area Rapid Transit and Altamont Corridor Express Rail Systems in the Tri-Valley

Attachment

Supervisor Scott Haggerty, District 1, President, Board of Supervisors, presented a resolution to support Rail Connection between the Bay Area Rapid Transit and Altamont Corridor Express Rail Systems in the Tri-Valley area.

Michael Tree, Executive Director, Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority (LAVTA), presented a PowerPoint presentation of LAVTA’s support of the ACE and BART connection in the Tri-Valley.

The proposed BART extension to Livermore at Isabel Avenue can fill a portion of the current ten mile gap between Dublin/Pleasanton BART station and ACE. A direct connection between ACE and BART would boost ridership and eliminate car trips through the I-580 corridor.

Purpose:
☐ Report progress
☐ Advocacy or Education
☒ Request Transportation and Planning Committee recommendation
☐ Other:

Recommendation from the Transportation and Planning Committee: Support. Move to the full Board of Supervisors.

II. Update on Medical Cannabis Dispensary and Cultivation Ordinances

Attachment

Liz McElligott, Assistant Deputy Director, Community Development Agency, presented a memorandum to update to the Committee on the draft Medical Cannabis Dispensary and Cultivation Ordinances.

The Medical Cannabis Interdepartmental Working Group presented drafts to the Medical Cannabis Dispensary and Cultivation ordinances at the September meeting of the Transportation and Planning Committee. County staff has attended a series of public meetings to obtain public input on the ordinances. Staff provided brief summaries of public input from the several community meetings.

The Sheriff’s Office opposes the increase in dispensaries, any cultivation in the County and any deliveries in the County due to a probable increase in criminal activity.

Next Steps
The Working Group will make any revisions per the Committee’s direction and continue presenting the draft ordinances at public meetings throughout the County to obtain additional public input.
Speakers

Randy Waage stated that he does not support additional dispensaries in the unincorporated area.

James Anthony stated that crime has not been an issue with current dispensary locations and he looks forward to seeing information on taxing medical cannabis.

Alex Zavell stated that there have been studies conducted about crime in areas of regulated dispensaries and there has been no increase in crime and some studies show a decrease in crime around dispensaries. It is likely due to security requirements for regulated dispensaries.

Sharif El-Sissi commented that there is a need for expansion of dispensaries as there could be an hour wait on weekends. He also supports a tax on medical cannabis. The dispensaries have added law enforcement with surveillance video footage for unrelated crime issues.

Denise Martelacci, Brownie Mary Democratic Club President, stated that she has been involved in the process for several years and there have been no issues with dispensaries. The two dispensaries in the unincorporated area are not been competitive and patients have to go outside of the jurisdiction to obtain certain medical cannabis products.

Jason Oberman stated that businesses near dispensaries can be vibrant, as in the City of Oakland’s uptown area. Dispensaries are creating attractive store fronts and require security. Dispensaries will go through a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) process and other vetting tools.

Purpose:

☐ Report progress
☐ Advocacy or Education
☐ Request Transportation and Planning Committee recommendation
☐ Other:

Recommendation from the Transportation and Planning Committee: County staff will bring an update to the November 7th Transportation and Planning Committee after reviewing public comments from today’s meeting.

III. Update on the Local Agency Management Program (LAMP) Document

Attachment

Ron Browder, Interim Director, Environmental Health Department, presented a PowerPoint presentation to update the Committee on the Local Agency Management Program (LAMP) document.

Since the last update to the Board of Supervisors in August the revised draft Technical Manual for Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems has been posted to the Environmental Health Department’s website for review and comments.

The City of Oakland is working with consultants to develop a plan to extend sanitary sewer lines to isolated pockets of owners who have an Onsite Wastewater Treatment System.

The Sunol Citizen’s Advisory Council has allocated $20,000 towards a feasibility study to explore a community system for Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems.

As a result of public input changes have been made to the draft documents and there will be additional public comment periods before the LAMP is submitted to the State for approval.

Timeline

- October 2016 - Final revisions to the provisional documents will be completed by October 2016.
- November 2016 – Final 30 day public comment period
December – Seek Transportation and Planning Committee support and Board of Supervisors approval and adoption of the ordinance and the Technical Manual;

December 2016 – Submit final documents to the State

Speaker

Dale Silva, on the subject on deed restrictions are for advance systems only; in the material does not make the distinction; deed restrictions are discuss eliminating deed restrictions; yearly requirement of inspections of advance systems; Appreciate the work of Environmental Health is doing

Purpose:

☑ Report progress
☐ Advocacy or Education
☐ Request Transportation and Planning Committee recommendation
☐ Other:

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

IV. Proposed Ordinance Implementing 2016 California Building Standards Code

Attachment

Bill Lepere, Assistant Agency Director, Public Works Agency, presented a memorandum and proposed ordinance to implement 2016 California Building Standards Code.

In July of 2016 the State published the 2016 California Building Standards Code. The triennial Building Standards Code will be effective on January 1, 2017. The proposed ordinance will adopt and amend the 2016 California Building Standards Code to include local regulations in unincorporated Alameda County.

The proposed ordinance does not add any new county amendments, except for administrative procedures and those areas where the Board of Supervisors has previously approved standards. The proposed ordinance will have a minimum impact on the ongoing permit process.

The Public Works Agency requests support from the Transportation & Planning Committee to move this item to the full Board for adoption.

Purpose:

☐ Report progress
☐ Advocacy or Education
☑ Request Transportation and Planning Committee recommendation
☐ Other:

Recommendation from the Transportation and Planning Committee: Support. Move to the full Board of Supervisors.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

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