

MEETING OF
CONTRA COSTA MAYORS CONFERENCE

Hosted by the City of Oakley
Oakley City Hall

6:30 p.m. – Thursday, June 1, 2023

Call Mayors Conference (Conference) to Order, Pledge of Allegiance to Flag, & Conduct Roll Call. For CSC roll call, Mayors or representatives authorized to act on behalf of mayors, such as mayors pro tempore, and vice mayors, or a council member authorized by the city council to act in lieu of a mayor are qualified to vote as members of the CSC. A quorum of the CSC shall consist of at least 50% of the mayors or the authorized elected representatives of mayors of cities in the county. Thus, a CSC quorum will be at least ten mayors or mayor representatives.

1. **Program: Presentation Regarding the Anyone, Anywhere, Anytime Project.**

2. **Approval of Minutes:** (attached) of the May 4, 2023 Conference and City Selection Committee (CSC) meetings in San Ramon.

Action: Move to Approve Minutes of May 4, 2023 Conference and CSC meetings.

3. **Appoint two full members to terms on the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) Board currently filled by Dave Hudson, San Ramon, and Cindy Silva, Walnut Creek and for two Alternate Member terms on the same Board currently filled by Lisa Motoyama, El Cerrito and Kevin Wilk, Walnut Creek, all terms ending June 30 2025. Cindy Silva and Lisa Motoyama have both been nominated for the member positions. There were no other nominations by the deadline.**

Action: Apply Conference rule and appoint Cindy Silva and Lisa Motoyama to the full member positions on ABAG for terms ending June 30, 2025.

Kevin Wilk has applied for the first alternate position and there was no nominee for the second position.

Action: Apply Conference rule and appoint Kevin Wilk to the first alternate position on ABAG for a term ending June 30, 2025.

Action: Nominations from the floor may be accepted for the second alternate position or the nomination may be carried over to the July agenda.

4. Appoint two member terms on the East Bay Economic Alliance Executive Committee (EBEDAEC) currently filled by Carlyn Obringer, Concord, and Chris Kelley, Hercules, and for an alternate member term, currently filled by Teresa Gerringer, Lafayette, all new terms ending June 30, 2025. Carlyn Obringer and Chris Kelley applied for reappointment by the deadline.

Action: Reappoint Carlyn Obringer and Chris Kelley to member terms on the EBEDAEC for terms ending June 30, 2025.

5. Conference Appointee Reports:

6. Chair Announcements:

7. Mayors Announcements:

8. State and Federal Legislative Update:

9. County Supervisor Comments:

10. League of California Cities Update: Samantha “Sam” Caygill, East Bay Division Public Affairs Manager.

11. Public Communication: *Members of the public are advised that public comments at this place should be confined to items not on the agenda and should be limited to **no more than 2 minutes in length**. Also, no more than one speaker from any organization should address the mayors on the same evening.*

12. Welcome to Oakley:

13. Adjourn to July 6, 2023 Meeting in Moraga.

Deadline for July agenda is 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 20.

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1. Two-thirds of Conference voting members find a need for immediate action exists and the need to take action came to the attention of the Conference after the agenda was prepared (Note: If fewer than two-thirds of Conference members are present, taking up an off-agenda item requires a unanimous vote); or

2. A majority of the Conference finds an emergency (for example: work stoppage or disaster) exists.

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MINUTES OF THE
CONTRA COSTA MAYORS CONFERENCE
AND CITY SELECTION COMMITTEE MEETINGS
Meeting at San Ramon Community Center

Thursday, May 4, 2023 – 6:35 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Dave Hudson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL OF CITY DELEGATES:

Antioch: Mayor Lamar Thorpe
Brentwood: Mayor Joel Bryant
Clayton: Mayor Jeff Wan
Concord: Mayor Laura Hoffmeister
Town of Danville: Mayor Robert Storer
El Cerrito: Mayor Lisa Motoyama
Hercules: Council Member Christine Kelley
Lafayette: Council Member Teresa Gerringer
Martinez: Council Member Debbie McKillop
Moraga: Mayor Renata Sos
Oakley: Mayor Aaron Meadows
Orinda: Mayor Inga Miller
Pinole: Mayor Devin Murphy
Pittsburg: Mayor Shanelle Scales-Preston
Pleasant Hill: Mayor Timothy Flaherty
Richmond: Council Member Soheila Bana
San Pablo: Vice Mayor Patricia Ponce
San Ramon: Mayor Dave Hudson
Walnut Creek: Mayor Cindy Silva

Presiding: Conference Chair Dave Hudson

The above delegates comprised a quorum for the meetings.

1. **Presentation:** Made by the Valley Link Project that will connect Northern San Joaquin County communities to the Tri-Valley and the Dublin/Pleasanton Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) station through rail service via the route of the historic Transcontinental Railroad right-of-way through the Altamont Pass.

2. **Approval of Minutes of the May 4, 2023 Mayors Conference (Conference) and City Selection Committee (CSC) meetings:**

Action: Motion to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2023 Conference and CSC meetings passed. Voting aye were delegates from Antioch, Brentwood, Clayton, Concord, Danville, El Cerrito, Hercules, Lafayette, Martinez, Moraga, Oakley, Orinda, Pinole, Pittsburg, Pleasant Hill, Richmond, San Pablo, San Ramon, and Walnut Creek.

3. **Conference Chair Hudson recessed the Conference Meeting and CSC Chair Lamar Thorpe called the CSC to order for item 4.**

4. **Appointment to a member position on the Contra Costa Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) currently filled by Scott Perkins, San Ramon, and to an alternate member position currently filled by Edi Birsan, Concord, on LAFCO, both new terms ending on May 4, 2027.** Scott Perkins has been nominated for reappointment to the full member position and Edi Birsan has volunteered to serve in the alternate position (nominations attached). There were no other nominations by the deadline.

Action: Delegates applied the CSC rule and appointed Scott Perkins to the member position and Edi Birsan to the alternate position, both terms ending May 4, 2027. Voting aye were delegates from Antioch, Brentwood, Clayton, Concord, Danville, El Cerrito, Hercules, Lafayette, Martinez, Moraga, Oakley, Orinda, Pinole, Pittsburg, Pleasant Hill, Richmond, San Pablo, San Ramon, and Walnut Creek.

5. **CSC Meeting recessed & Chair Hudson called the Mayors Conference back to order for the balance of the agenda.**

6. **Call for nominations for two Full Member terms on the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) Board currently filled by Dave Hudson, San Ramon, and Cindy Silva, Walnut Creek and for two Alternate Member terms on the same Board currently filled by Lisa**

Motoyama, El Cerrito and Kevin Wilk, Walnut Creek, all terms ending June 30 2025. Any mayor or council member, including the current incumbents, is eligible to serve in these positions. Nominations, specifying position nominated for, shall be filed by email with Executive Director, Gary Pokorny at gjpokorn@lmi.net no later than 5 p.m., Tuesday, May 16, 2023.

7. Call for nominations for two member terms on the East Bay Economic Alliance Executive Committee (EBEDAEC) currently filled by Carlyn Obringer, Concord, and Chris Kelley, Hercules, and for an Alternate Member term, currently filled by Teresa Gerringer, Lafayette all new terms ending June 30, 2025. Any mayor or council member, from cities that are members of the EBEDAEC, is eligible to serve in these positions. Nominations, specifying positions, shall be filed as noted above.

8. Request for Endorsement of the 2023/2024 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Funding Recommendations.

Following a thorough application and review process, the Contra Costa City-County Engineering Advisory Committee (CCEAC) forwarded their recommended funding plan for TDA, Article 3, projects for 2023-'24. They requested endorsement of the recommendations. (Letter of transmittal and recommendations attached.)

Action: Motion that the Mayors Conference endorse the TDA funding proposal for 2023-2024 as submitted by the CCEAC passed. Voting

Aye: Voting aye were delegates from Antioch, Brentwood, Clayton, Concord, Danville, El Cerrito, Hercules, Lafayette, Martinez, Moraga, Oakley, Orinda, Pinole, Pittsburg, Pleasant Hill, Richmond, San Pablo, San Ramon, and Walnut Creek.

9. Conference Appointee Reports: Newell Arnerich noted that CCTA launched autonomous vehicle shuttle service in San Ramon in late April. Chris Kelley noted that a delegation from the EBEDA visited the Lawrence Livermore Lab for a tour of the National Hydrogen Ignition Facility. The tour was very informative. Karen Stepper added that others may request such a tour which she highly recommended. Sue Noack noted that MTC recently held a retreat which was very informative and that focused on what is happening to mass transit in the post-covid environment. Carlyn Obringer indicated that the Airport Commission is trying to re-energize regional airport planning, the EDA has an upcoming leadership retreat, and the Parks District is studying rules for use of e-bikes on Park District trails. Kevin Wilk noted that the Family Justice Center is holding a "Gala" May 24. Cindy Silva reminded all that ABAG will be holding a General Assembly June 16 and that the budget must be adopted at that time and a quorum is needed to adopt. Soheila Bana reminded everyone that the recent release of 24 tons of

toxic dust from the Marinez refineries is being investigated by the Hazardous Materials Commission and a report will be forthcoming.

10. **Chair Announcements:** Chair Hudson thanked all who sent cards, letters, and the large “GetWell” sheets from an earlier Conference meeting. All were very meaningful and helped his spirits during his recovery.

11. **Mayor Announcements:** Antioch is funding city supported transitional housing for homeless and is supporting a City Crisis Response Team. Hercules has received a grant to plan an intermodal transit facility. Two new hotels have broken ground in Pittsburg. Pleasant Hill is preparing to implement district elections for council. San Ramon is planning a groundbreaking for the I-680 pedestrian overcrossing. Concord is reissuing a call for proposals for a new master developer for the Naval Weapons station project. Bret Prebula will be announced soon as the new city manager of Clayton. Moraga’s new Town Manager is Scott Mitnick. Brentwood is the U-Pick capital of the world. Finally, there was much trash talking about the upcoming bocce ball tournament.

12. **State and Federal Legislative Update:** Ryan Brown, for Congressman Mark DeSaulnier, announced an upcoming grants assistance workshop. He also noted that he has called on the Department of Justice to investigate the Antioch Police Department.

13. **County Supervisor Announcements:** Candace Andersen welcomed all to District 2 and discussed the County budget.

14. **League of California Cities Update:** Sam Caygill noted that mid-May is the deadline for bills to get out of committee at the Legislature, discussed various key bills for cities, and reminded all of the bocce tournament in Danville June 29.

15. **Public Comments:** Mark Foley, Chair of the BART Board announced that new fare gates are being installed system-wide to reduce fare cheating, he announced a new schedule, and announced the new Inspector General. Susannah Meyer, Executive Director of Empowered Aging noted that June is Elder Abuse Awareness month. A volunteer with Climate 350 Contra Costa announced an awareness event and a representative of Contra Costa Water District announced an anniversary event.

16. **Welcome to San Ramon;** Mayor Hudson welcomed all to San Ramon, thanked Vice Mayor Mark Armstrong for filling in for him in City affairs, thanked Loella Haskew for doing the same for the Conference. He introduced current and past council members and mayors and city staff members, and invited all to dinner at City Hall.

17. **Adjourn Conference to June 1, 2023 meeting in Oakley.** Chair Hudson adjourned the meeting at 7:45.

**Deadline for next agenda is 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 16, 2023.**

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

2023

June 1, Oakley

July 6, Moraga

August 3, Lafayette

September 7, Clayton

October 5, Pleasant Hill

November 2, Brentwood

December 7, San Ramon



Mayor Cindy Silva
1666 North Main Street
Walnut Creek, CA 94596
walnut-creek.org

May 15, 2023

Dear Contra Costa Mayors,

It has been one of my great honors to serve over the past six months as one of the two Contra Costa Mayors Conference representatives to the ABAG Board and, prior to that, as the first alternate to the ABAG Board (2021-2022). I would like to continue my work at ABAG on behalf of our 19 cities.

For those of you who may not know me, I have served on the Walnut Creek City Council since 2006 and four times as mayor (2010-2011, 2012-13, 2018-2019, and 2022-23).

Since my first year on City Council, I have played an active role in the Mayors Conference. I chaired the Conference in 2017, served as the chair of the City Selection Committee in 2019, and served on the Conference Executive Committee for six years.

Over my 17 years on the City Council, I have been involved in housing, land use and transportation issues at the local, regional and state level.

- As the 2022 President of the League of California Cities – and for my four years as a state officer – I have been part of the leadership team advocating at the state level on housing, housing affordability, and homelessness issues. I have been a member of the Cal Cities Board since 2015.
- Since 2010, I have served on the Housing, Community and Economic Development policy committee of Cal Cities, and I chaired the committee in 2016.
- In 2020, I co-chaired a statewide task force on housing; previously I served on a Cal Cities Housing Working Group (2017) and a statewide Homelessness Task Force (2016).
- From 2008-2010, I served on TRANSPAC and chaired the regional committee for Central Contra Costa in 2010.

I would be honored to have your support to continue as one of our two Contra Costa representatives to the ABAG Board.

Sincerely,

Cindy Silva
Mayor, City of Walnut Creek

May 15, 2003

Contra Costa County Mayor's Conference
C/O Gary Pokorny, Executive Director
gjpokorn@lmi.net

RE: Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) Representative


Dear Mr. Pokorny and Chair Hudson:

I wish to nominate myself to serve as one of the two Full Member representatives to the ABAG Board should Mayor Hudson not choose to continue. I have been attending as Alternate every meeting since I was appointed in January of this year.

My understanding of the issues facing the region and our local government needs is augmented by my professional background in housing and planning, so that I can ably represent the Mayor's Conference as part of ABAG.

I would be honored to have the opportunity to serve the Contra Costa Mayor's Conference on the ABAG Executive Board.

Sincerely,



Lisa Motoyama, Mayor
City of El Cerrito

Dear Mayors,

I wish to be reappointed to the Alternate Member position as Contra Costa Cities representative to ABAG for a term ending June 30, 2025.

Sincerely,

(signed)

Kevin Wilk,
Council Member,
Walnut Creek

Hi Gary,

I am interested in reapplying to serve as a Mayor's conference appointment as a member of the East Bay EDA Executive Committee. Do I need to submit a formal letter of interest or will this email suffice?

Best Regards,
Carlyn

Carlyn Obringer
City Councilmember, District 2
City of Concord

Hello Gary,

I would like to apply for re-appointment to the East Bay EDA. The appointment will take place at the June 2023 Mayors Conference.

Thanks,
Chris

Chris Kelley
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