

Monterey County

*Board of Supervisors Chambers
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor
Salinas, CA 93901*



Meeting Minutes - Draft

Friday, February 11, 2022

2:00 PM

Special Meeting - Legislative Workshop

Board of Supervisors

*Chair Supervisor Mary L. Adams - District 5
Vice Chair Supervisor Luis A. Alejo - District 1
Supervisor John M. Phillips - District 2
Supervisor Chris Lopez - District 3
Supervisor Wendy Root Askew - District 4*

Legislative Workshop - Objectives:

The purpose of the Legislative Workshop is to discuss legislative, budgetary and other issues of mutual concern with the County's legislative delegation and identify issues to work together on in 2022.

Please note, because this is a special meeting, there will not be general public comment - public comment will be allowed only for items on the agenda.

2:00 P.M. - Called to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Supervisor Mary L. Adams.

Roll Called

Present: 5 - Supervisor Wendy Root Askew appeared in person and Supervisor Chris Lopez, Supervisor John M. Phillips, Supervisor Mary L. Adams, Supervisor Luis A. Alejo appeared via video conference

Staff Present

Charles McKee, County Administrative Officer, appeared, via Zoom, with Les Girard, County Counsel and Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board who appeared in person.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Supervisor Mary L. Adams.

Announcement of Interpreter

Diego Celis, Spanish Interpreter, announced Spanish interpreter services for public comments.

1. Welcome and Introductions

Chair Supervisor Mary L. Adams welcomed all to the Legislative Workshop. She acknowledged and introduced the elected officials:

Congressman Jimmy Panetta
Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren
Senator Anna Caballero
Senator John Laird
Assemblymember Mark Stone
Assemblymember Robert Rivas
Zac Vaden, Field Representative with the Office of Senator Dianne Feinstein; and a
Representative from the Office of Senator Alex Padilla

She thanked the legislators for their time and attention to issues important to Monterey County and passed the facilitation of the workshop to Supervisor Wendy Root Askew as Chair of the Board's Legislative Committee to introduce the County's legislative team and go over the agenda

and meeting objectives.

2. Review of Agenda and Objectives

Supervisor Wendy Root Askew, Chair of the Legislative Committee reviewed the objectives of the agenda.

Charles McKee, County Administrative Officer welcomed all and made opening remarks.

3. County Priority Presentations

- a. County Administrative Officer Comments
- b. Sponsor Legislation: Monterey County Veterans Home
- c. State Budget Requests
 - i. \$312 million - Water Storage Infrastructure and Maintenance Projects (\$300 million) - and - San Lucas Clean Drinking Water (\$12 million)
 - ii. Dam Safety and Infrastructure Funding
 - iii. \$15 million - Historic Old Monterey County Jail
 - iv. \$40 million - Mental Health Rehabilitation Facility
 - v. \$10 million - Health Clinic in Marina, CA

Sponsor Legislation:

Monterey County Veterans Home:

Presenter: Jack Murphy, Management Analyst, via Zoom, from the Military and Veterans Affairs.

State Budget Requests:

\$312 million – Water Storage Infrastructure and Maintenance Projects (\$300 million) – and – San Lucas; Clean Drinking Water (\$12 million); and Dam Safety and Infrastructure Funding

Presenter: Brent Buche, General Manager, via Zoom, from the Water Resources Agency.

\$15 million – Historic Old Monterey County Jail

Presenter: Randy Ishii, Director, via Zoom, from the Public Works, Facilities and Parks.

\$40 million – Mental Health Rehabilitation Facility; and \$10 million – Health Clinic in Marina, CA

Presenter: Elsa Jimenez, Director of Health, via Zoom.

All presented via PowerPoint presentation.

4. Remarks by State and Federal Legislators on Priorities that Relate to Monterey County (3-5 minutes each)

- a. Senator Dianne Feinstein
- b. Senator Alex Padilla
- c. Congressman Jimmy Panetta

- d. Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren
- e. Senator Anna Caballero
- f. Senator John Laird
- g. Assemblymember Mark Stone
- h. Assemblymember Robert Rivas

Supervisor Wendy Root Askew facilitated remarks by the following:

**Senator John Laird;
Congressman Jimmy Panetta;
Assemblymember Mark Stone;
Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren
Assemblymember Robert Rivas;
Senator Anna Caballero; and
Zac Vaden, from Senator Diane Feinstein's office.**

All appeared via Zoom.

- 5.** Remarks by Monterey County Board of Supervisors Regarding 2022 Priorities (3-5 minutes each)
- a. Supervisor Luis Alejo - *District 1*
 - b. Supervisor John Phillips - *District 2*
 - c. Supervisor Chris Lopez - *District 3*
 - d. Supervisor Wendy Root Askew - *District 4*
 - e. Supervisor Mary Adams - *District 5*

Comments made by the Board:

**Supervisor Luis A. Alejo;
Supervisor John M. Phillips;
Supervisor Chris Lopez;
Supervisor Wendy Root Askew; and
Supervisor Mary L. Adams**

- 6.** Roundtable Discussion

Brief roundtable discussions had.

- 7.** Board Direction to Staff

Provided throughout the meeting.

- 8.** Public Comment on Agenda Items

Open for public comments; John Bailey, in person, Mayor Mike LeBarre and George Fontes, via Zoom, all commented.

Adjourned

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m. by Chair Supervisor Mary L. Adams.