

County of Monterey

Monterey County Government Center
168 W. Alisal St.
Salinas, CA 93901



Meeting Minutes - Final

Monday, December 11, 2023

1:30 PM

Legislative Committee

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:41 p.m.

Additions and Corrections

None.

Public Comment

None.

Approval of Action Minutes

1. Consider approval of the action minutes from the Legislative Committee meeting on September 11, 2023.

ACTION: Approved the action minutes from the Legislative Committee meeting on September 11, 2023.

2024 Meeting Calendar

2. Consider adoption of the 2024 Legislative Committee meeting calendar

ACTION: Adopted the 2024 Legislative Committee meeting calendar with the following changes: 1) Remove the April 9, 2024 meeting; 2) Move the December meeting to December 2nd from 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Reports from Legislative Offices

3. Introduction of staff and brief reports from State/Federal Legislative Offices
 - a. Office of Senator Alex Padilla
 - b. Office of Senator Laphonza Butler
 - c. Office of Congressman Jimmy Panetta
 - d. Office of Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren
 - e. Office of Senator Anna Caballero
 - f. Office of Senator John Laird
 - g. Office of Assemblymember Robert Rivas
 - h. Office of Assemblymember Dawn Addis

ACTIONS: Received reports by:

- Office of Senator John Laird by Isabel Meza

- Office of Senator Anna Caballero by Marisa Hernandez

Federal Report - Presenter: Maria Tripplaar (Ballard Spahr LLP)

4. Receive reports, provide direction, and consider positions and/or recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on:
 - a. Congressional Update
 - b. Budget Update
 - c. Federal Budget Requests

- i. FY24 Community Project Funding Update
- ii. FY25 Community Project Funding Requests
- d. Legislation
 - i. S. Res. 400 - A resolution honoring the life and legacy of Dianne Feinstein, the late Senator for the State of California (Padilla/Butler)
- e. Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Update
- f. Student Loan Relief Update
- g. Federal Bill/Issues Track

ACTIONS:

- **Received reports.**
- **Directed staff to work on potential FY25 Community Project Funding requests for the following projects: Family Justice Center; Salinas Skate Park and BMX Pump Track; Fort Ord blight removal; Pajaro County Sanitation District; Carmel River FREE project; San Lucas drinking water; Water Resources Agency projects such as Castroville Seawater Intrusion Project well rehabilitation/replacement; and NGEN system upgrades.**
- **Supported S. Res. 400 – A resolution honoring the life and legacy of Dianne Feinstein, the late Senator for the State of California (Padilla/Butler).**
- **Directed staff to track \$6.1 billion in high-speed rail funding.**

State Report - Presenter: Ashley Walker (Nossaman LLP)

- 5. Receive reports, provide direction, and consider positions and/or recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on:
 - a. Status of the Legislature
 - b. Legislation
 - i. AB 702 (Jackson) Local government financing: juvenile justice.
 - c. Water Bond Negotiations
 - d. Housing Element Policy
 - e. Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Funding
 - f. Governor's Actions and Executive Orders
 - g. State Bill/Issues Track

ACTIONS:

- **Received reports.**
- **Directed a report on AB 702 (Jackson) Local government financing: juvenile justice at be provided at the next Legislative Committee meeting.**
- **Received public comment by John Baillie regarding the Delta tunnels related to the proposed water bond.**

Grant Report – Presenter: Ashley Walker (Nossaman LLP)

- 6. Receive reports, provide direction, and consider positions and/or recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on:
 - a. San Lucas Drinking Water Project

- b. Grant Documents and Applications for 2023 State Budget Funds
- c. Grant Track

ACTIONS:

- Received reports.
- Directed staff to work with Housing and Community Development staff on advocacy efforts aimed at expediting the FEMA funding award for the CRFREE project; and on the extension of a Department of Water Resources grant related to the project.

Legislative Program – Presenter: Annette D’Adamo

- 7. Receive report, provide direction, and consider a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors to adopt the 2024 Legislative Program update including priority issues and State Budget requests:
 - a. General overview
 - b. State sponsored legislation and State Budget requests
 - c. Federal policy issues

ACTIONS:

- Received report.
- Recommended that the Board of Supervisors adopt the 2024 Legislative Program.

Strategic Grant Services Program – Presenter: Annette D’Adamo

- 8. Receive report, provide direction, and consider a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors to adopt the 2024 Strategic Grant Services Program

ACTIONS:

- Received report.
- Recommended that the Board of Supervisors adopt the 2024 Strategic Grant Service Program.

Legislative Workshop – Presenter: Annette D’Adamo

- 9. Receive report, provide direction, and consider a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors on the agenda and format of the 2024 Legislative Workshop

ACTIONS:

- Received report.
- Directed the following changes to the proposed Legislative Workshop agenda: 1) State of the County (3 minutes); Remarks by State and Federal Legislators (3 minutes each); Remarks by Board of Supervisors (2 minutes each).

- Recommended that the Board of Supervisors the 2024 Legislative Workshop agenda and proposed priority topics.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:06 p.m.