



Monterey County

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Salinas, CA 93901

Action Minutes Legislative Committee

Monday, June 12, 2017

1:30 PM

Monterey Room, 2nd Floor

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:32 p.m.

Additions and Corrections

There were no additions or corrections.

Public Comment Period

There were no public comments.

Approval of Action Minutes

1. Consider approval of the Action Minutes from the Legislative Committee meetings of March 13; March 21; April 4; April 10; April 24; and May 26, 2017.

ACTION:

- Approved the Action Minutes from the Legislative Committee meetings of: March 13, March 21, April 4, April 10, April 24, and May 26, 2017.

Funding Related Advocacy & Grants Services

Presenters: Jennifer Capitolo & Ashley Walker (Nossaman LLP)

2. Receive reports and provide direction on activities related to funding and grant related efforts:
 - a. Strategic Grants Services Program
 - b. Statewide water quality initiatives
 - c. SB 193 (Cannella) Monterey County Water Resources Agency: Lake Nacimiento and Lake San Antonio: white bass
 - d. SB 5 (DeLeon) Parks Bond - consider SUPPORT position
 - e. Governor's Dam Safety Proposal

ACTIONS:

- Received reports;
- Directed staff to remain in contact with Senator Monning's Office regarding the progress of SB 623 (Monning) Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund;
- Directed Nossaman to provide information on the Governor's Dam Safety Proposal and advocate for funding for non-Delta projects;

- Directed Nossaman to meet with Senator Cannella, Senator Monning, Assemblymember Caballero, and Assemblymember Stone regarding potential County projects to include in SB 5 (DeLeón)/AB 18 (Garcia) Park Bonds - as follows: 1) Laguna Seca; 2) Interlake Tunnel; and 3) Salinas Regional Soccer Project.
- Took a SUPPORT position on SB 5 (DeLeón) and AB 18 (Garcia) Park Bonds; and directed that language be included in the support letters regarding possible amendments which would increase the possibility of funding for County projects;
- Directed Nossaman to explore grant funding options to repair the damaged roadway leading to the Boy Scout Camp.

State Reports

Presenters: John Arriaga & Laurie Johnson (JEA & Associates)

3. Receive reports, provide direction, and consider positions and/or recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on:
- a. Budget
 - b. Legislative
 - i. SCR 57 (Cannella) Memorial Highways
 - ii. California Gang Reduction, Intervention, and Prevention (CalGRIP)
 - iii. Adult Protective Services (APS) Home Safe
 - iv. AB 1250 (Jones-Sawyer) Counties and cities: contracts for personal service
 - c. Cannabis update
 - d. Receive State bill/issue track

ACTIONS:

- Received reports;
- SCR 57 (Cannella) Veterans Memorial Highway – directed JEA to work with Senator Cannella’s Office to have the bill heard in the Senate Transportation and Housing Committee as soon as possible, if possible on the consent calendar, and to advise if witnesses from the veterans’ families are needed in Sacramento to testify. Supervisor Alejo indicated he will request amendments to SCR 57 to include a 5th County veteran when the bill moves to the Assembly;
- Took a WATCH position on AB 1250 (Jones-Sawyer) Counties and Cities: contracts for personal services;
- Directed JEA to provide an update on trailer bill language related to cannabis regulations;
- Directed that SB 54 (DeLeón) Sanctuary State legislation be added to the July Legislative Committee agenda;
- Directed that staff support efforts to obtain funding for the construction of the Greenfield Courthouse.

Workforce Investment Opportunity Act

Presenters: Chris Donnelly and Brent Heberlee

4. Receive a report and provide direction on Workforce Investment Opportunity Act funding.

ACTION:

- Received report and directed Nossaman to continue to monitor and advocate for funding for Workforce Investment and Opportunity Act (WIOA) programs.

Federal Reports

Presenters: Brent Heberlee (Nossaman LLP)

5. Receive reports, provide direction, and consider positions and/or recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on:

- a. Legislative
 - i. Cannabis Banking Regulations
 - ii. Immigration - Sanctuary City Proposals
 - iii. Infrastructure
- b. Receive Federal bill/issues track

ACTIONS:

- Received reports;
- Directed that **OPPOSE** positions be taken on H.R. 83 (Barletta) Mobilizing Against Sanctuary Cities Act; H.R. 400 (Black)/S. 87 (Toomey) Stop Dangerous Sanctuary Cities Act; H.R. 824 (Smith) No Transportation Funds for Sanctuary Cities Act;
- Directed that a **SUPPORT** position be taken on S. 1034 (Feinstein) Agricultural Worker Program Act of 2017.

RFPs for State/Federal Legislative Advocacy and Grant/Funding Advocacy Services

Presenter: Nick Chiulos

6. Receive a report on activities to date and provide direction on how to proceed with RFPs for State Legislative Advocacy Services; Federal Legislative Advocacy Services; and Grant and Funding Advocacy Services:

- a. Report on work of staff level Evaluation Team and department head level Interview Team to date
- b. Provide direction to staff on which firms the Committee would like to interview for each of the RFPs, or provide other direction to staff on how to proceed
- c. Consider a recommendation to extend the County's current State, Federal and Grant contracts on a month-to-month basis until the RFP process can be concluded and selected firms are under contract with the County

ACTIONS:

- Received reports;
- Directed staff to schedule in-person or video conference interviews for the

Committee with the following firms;

1. RFP #10626 – Federal Legislative Advocacy: Carpi & Clay, Inc.; Nossaman LLP; Van Scoyoc Associates, Inc.

2. RFP #10627 – State Legislative Advocacy: Nossaman LLP; Prime Strategies of California; Townsend Public Affairs

3. RFP #10628 – Grant and Funding Advocacy: Nossaman LLP; Sustainable Strategies DC

- Directed staff to conduct reference checks prior to the Committee interviews;
- Directed that the County's current State, Federal and Grant contracts be extended on a month-to-month basis under the current scope of work and monthly retainer, until the RFP process can be concluded and selected firms are under contract with the County.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:32 p.m.

**Committee members: Supervisor Mary Adams and Supervisor Luis Alejo
Staff: Nicholas E. Chiulos, Assistant CAO; Annette D'Adamo, Management Analyst III; Paul Hierling, Management Analyst III; and Karina Bokanovich, Administrative Secretary-Confidential**

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