County of Monterey

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Monday, October 14, 2024 1:30 PM

Legislative Committee

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:33 p.m.

Additions and Corrections

There were no additions or corrections to the agenda.

Public Comment Period

There was no public comment received.

Approval of Action Minutes

1. Consider approval of the action minutes from the Legislative Committee meeting on September 9, 2024.

ACTION: The Committee approved the action minutes from the September 9, 2024, Legislative Committee meeting.

Reports from Legislative Offices

- 2. 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

ACTION: Received reports from:

Office of Assemblymember Dawn Addis by Alexis Arrazola

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

- **3.** 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, including Community Project Funding Requests Summary
 - d. Federal Bill/Issues Track

ACTIONS:

- Received report.
- Directed staff to engage in media activities to elevate the issue of FEMA reimbursement related to the Pajaro Levee sewer main from the 2023 flooding event.

<u>State Report – Presenter: Ashley Walker (Nossaman LLP)</u>

- **4.** Receive reports, provide direction, and consider positions and/ or recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on:
 - a. Status of the Legislature
 - b. Status of Priority Bills
 - c. Special Session
 - d. San Lucas Drinking Water Project
 - e. Governor's Actions and Executive Orders
 - f. State Bill/Issues Track

ACTIONS:

- Received report.
- Directed staff to prepare a Board Resolution thanking Senator Anna Caballero for her years of advocacy for the County of Monterey
- Provided direction on potential legislative and funding priorities for 2025 including: Brown Act modernization legislation for advisory committees; continued support for the establishment of a Veterans Home; and agricultural workforce housing legislative proposal.

Grant Report - Presenter: Ashley Walker (Nossaman LLP)

- **5.** Receive reports, provide direction, and consider positions and/or recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on:
 - a. San Lucas Drinking Water Project
 - b. Nationally Significant Federal Lands and Tribal Projects (NSFLTP) Program
 - c. Dam Safety Grant Program
 - d. Grant Track

ACTIONS:

- Received report

2025 Legislative & Grant Program Development - Presenter: Annette D'Adamo

6. Receive report and provide direction on the development of the 2025 Legislative Program, the annual Legislative Workshop, and the 2025 Strategic Grant Services Program.

ACTIONS:

- Received report, approved format changes to the Legislative Program, provided direction on aligning legislative and funding priorities with other County planning efforts; encouraged greater collaboration with County associations; and provided direction related to the format of the Legislative Workshop.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:26 p.m.