



Monterey County

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Salinas, CA 93901

Action Minutes Legislative Committee

Thursday, January 26, 2017

9:00 AM

Monterey Room, 2nd Floor

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Selection of Legislative Committee Chair and Vice Chair

1. Nominate and elect members to serve as Chair and Vice Chair of the Legislative Committee.

ACTION:

- The Committee elected Supervisor Alejo to serve as Chair and Supervisor Adams to serve as Vice Chair of the Legislative Committee.

Public Comment Period

There was no public comment.

Adoption of 2017 Legislative Committee Meeting Calendar

2. Consider adoption of the 2017 Legislative Committee calendar.

ACTION:

- The Committee adopted the 2017 Legislative Committee meeting calendar.

Federal Reports: Brent Heberlee - Nossaman LLP

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

- a. 115th Congress Organization
- b. Senate Confirmation Hearings
- c. President Trump Inaugural Address
- d. Legislative Updates
 - i. ACA repeal
- e. Other Activities
- f. NACo Legislative Conference - Washington D.C.
 - i. Legislative advocacy meetings/issues

ACTIONS:

- The Committee received Federal reports from Brent Heberlee, Nossaman LLP,

and provided direction as follows:

1. (a) Directed Nossaman LLP and JEA & Associates to research and report on actions taken by the National Association of Counties (NACo) and individual California cities and counties in response to executive orders by President Trump related to immigration enforcement. (b) Consult with Sheriff on how the executive order effects County operations/policy. (c) Return with report at the February Legislative Committee meeting.
2. Directed Manny Gonzalez (ACAO) to work with the Health Department and NMC to provide a presentation to the Board of Supervisors regarding the potential adverse impacts to Monterey County which would result from the repeal or restructuring of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) in February or early March.
3. (a) Directed Nossaman LLP to begin scheduling meetings in Washington DC during the NACo Legislative Conference with Congressman Panetta, Senator Feinstein, and Senator Harris. (b) Issues to be discussed during these meetings include: the repeal/replacement of the Affordable Care Act (ACA), marijuana/banking regulations, immigration, and Monterey County Soberanes Fire and Winter Storm disaster recovery. (c) Coordinate ACA meetings with Natividad Medical Center and the California Association of Public Hospitals, who will also be in Washington DC during the NACo Legislative Conference.

State Reports: John Arriaga & Laurie Johnson - JEA & Associates

4. Receive reports, provide direction, and consider positions and/or recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on:
 - a. Governor's Proposed Budget
 - i. In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS)
 - ii. Housing
 - iii. Cannabis Regulation
 - b. Legislation
 - i. Transportation Bills

ACTIONS:

- The Committee received State reports from John Arriaga & Laurie Johnson, JEA & Associates, and provided direction as follows:
 1. (a) Directed Elliott Robinson (DSS) and JEA & Associates to coordinate efforts with the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) and California Welfare Directors Association (CWDA) to minimize the impacts of funding cuts proposed in the Governor's proposed Budget (e.g. In-Home Support Services). (b) Report on central coast representation on the IHSS CAO Working Group on this issue.

Strategic Grant Services Program: Jennifer Capitolo & Ashley Walker - Nossaman LLP

5. Receive reports and provide direction on activities related to the Strategic Grant Services Program.

ACTIONS:

 - The Committee received Strategic Grant Services Program reports from Jennifer Capitolo & Ashley Walker, Nossaman LLP; and Paul Hierling (CAO-IGLA), and provided direction as follows:
 1. Directed Nossaman LLP to keep the County's legislative delegation

informed regarding the status of the San Lucas water situation, and directed staff to prepare a fact sheet on this issue.

2. Directed the Water Resources Agency to provide a report regarding possible funding through the Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) grant program to the Committee at their February meeting.

Other Items - Nick Chiulos, Assistant County Administrative Officer

6. Receive an oral report regarding recent winter storm damage, and provide direction on legislative strategy related to recovery efforts.

ACTIONS:

• The Committee received an oral report related to fire and storm related reimbursement efforts from Nick Chiulos, Assistant CAO-Intergovernmental & Legislative Affairs Division, and provided direction as follows:

1. Supervisor Alejo stated he will contact Senator Monning to request assistance in scheduling a meeting with the County's legislative delegation, the Governor's Office, and CalOES to discuss the County's fire and storm disaster recovery efforts – including the County's applications for California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA) and Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) funding reimbursements.

2. The meeting will be scheduled by Nossaman LLP in coordination with Senator Monning's office and CAO-IGLA staff in accordance with the posting requirements of the Brown Act. Appropriate handouts/letters will be prepared for meeting participants

3. Meeting attendees from Monterey County to include: Supervisor Alejo, Supervisor Adams, Nick Chiulos (CAO-IGLA), Gerry Malais (OES), Benny Young (RMA-PW), Jerry Quinn (Quinn & Associates) and Jennifer Capitolo (Nossaman LLP).

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.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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