

Report on ABAG to MCCMC

May 24, 2017

The ABAG General Assembly is **June 5, 2017 from 9:30 to 2:00 pm** at 375 Beale Street, SF. To register, click the following link: <http://abag.ca.gov/events/ga/2017/index.html>. Attachment 1 is the agenda.

PLAN BAY AREA 2040: We had a successful public workshop and open house on Saturday, May 20, 2017 from 8:30 to 1:00 pm at the Mill Valley Community Center. A big thank you to Mill Valley for hosting, to TAM for co-sponsoring and to ABAG and MTC staff who were instrumental in making the event an absolute success.

Thank you to the elected officials who attended and a ***special thank you*** to Supervisor Damon Connolly and Supervisor Dennis Rodini for participating. Also, a special thanks to Vice Mayor Stephanie Moulton Peters who moderated one of the panels, Council Member Pam Drew who served as ‘timekeeper’, and Council Member Renee Goddard who helped manage questions/comments. Over 70 people attended, asked questions and made a lot of comments. The slide shows presented at the workshop can be found at: <http://www.planbayarea.org/counties/focus-marin-county>

Lastly, comments are due June 1, 2017 on the Draft Plan Bay Area and the Draft Environmental Impact Report. The Draft Plan can be accessed at: <http://2040.planbayarea.org>. As mentioned previously, I encourage the Town/City Councils in Marin place the Plan Bay Area on a Council agenda and consider submitting comments. New this year is a ‘Plan of Action’ which is attached to this report. These are a list of the items that ABAG and MTC will be following up on in implementing the Plan. At an all-day retreat, on May 19, 2017, we discussed the attached Plan of Action and I highlighted some suggested changes. It was agreed that the participants would send suggested changes to Brad Paul. I highly encourage you to provide comments to Pat Eklund as soon as possible.

DRAFT ABAG FY 2017-2018 BUDGET AND WORKPLAN: On May 18, 2017, a majority of the ABAG Executive Board agreed to recommend the General Assembly adopt the Draft ABAG 2017-2018 Budget and Workplan scheduled for June 5, 2017. The conference “Evolution of ABAG – Planning Our Shared Future” (see attached agenda) includes the business meeting where ABAG’s 2017-2018 workplan and budget will be acted upon. The budget and workplan will be voted on at the General Assembly on June 5, 2017 during the business meeting. This vote is critical since it establishes our priorities and funding for years to come especially as the merger continues forward. Daniel Lurie, CEO and founder of the Tipping Point Community will be the featured speaker.

CONTRACT FOR SERVICES AND MOU BETWEEN ABAG AND MTC: In response to the ABAG Executive Board who had requested MTC agree to one of two statements in the MOU clarifying who would participate in the candidate interviews to replace the MTC Executive Director (in the event he retires prior to the agreed upon schedule to discuss the governing options); MTC requested the ABAG Executive Board adopt the following language (which the ABAG Executive Board did on May 18, 2017): A subcommittee composed of the MTC Commissioner representing the ABAG Executive Board, and the other MTC Commissioners that sit on both boards and other MTC Commissioners will serve on the interview committee. The ABAG Executive Board noted that this clause does not preclude the ABAG Executive Board from forming a subcommittee to provide input to the MTC Commissioner who represents ABAG on the Commission. The last remaining contingency is outstanding and should be resolved by June 1, 2017 which is: MTC would voluntarily agree that SEIU Local 1021 would represent the ABAG employees who transition to MTC. This would allow immediate negotiations between SEIU Local 2021 and MTC management.

UPCOMING MEETINGS (NOTE: ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT 375 BEALE STREET IN SF UNLESS NOTED):

- **June 5, 2017** - ABAG General Assembly 10:00 to 3:00 pm
- **June 9, 2017** -- Joint ABAG Administrative and MTC Planning Committee 9:30 am
- **June 15, 2017** – ABAG Executive Board 7:00 pm
- **June 28, 2017** – MTC Meeting 9:30 am

Please direct questions to Pat Eklund, Council Member, City of Novato (phone: 415-883-9116; email: peklund@novato.org or pateklund@comcast.net)

ABAG General Assembly






Evolution of ABAG – Planning Our Shared Future

June 5, 2017 – 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
375 Beale Street, Yerba Buena Room

9:30 a.m.	Registration Opens <i>Informational displays in atrium. Continental breakfast will be served.</i>	
10:00 a.m. to 10:10 a.m.	Welcome Remarks	Julie Pierce , ABAG President and Clayton City Councilmember Representative from the City and County of San Francisco to be announced
10:10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.	A Conversation with Daniel Lurie	Daniel Lurie , CEO and Founder of the Tipping Point Community David Rabbitt , ABAG Vice President and Sonoma County Supervisor
10:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.	Update on Progress <i>Contract for Services, Budget and Work Program, and other critical next steps.</i>	Julie Pierce , ABAG President Brad Paul , ABAG Acting Executive Director
11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	Understanding the Budget and Work Program <i>Engage with other delegates! Discuss the Budget and Work Program over lunch and prepare questions for the next session.</i>	
12:30 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Question and Answer <i>Delegates will have an opportunity to share highlights from lunch discussion and ask questions about the Budget and Work Program to feel confident and informed going into the vote.</i>	Moderator to be announced Julie Pierce , ABAG President Brad Paul , ABAG Acting Executive Director Courtney Ruby , ABAG Director of Finance and Administrative Services
1:00 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.	Business Meeting <i>Delegates vote on Budget and Work Program.</i>	
1:45 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.	Closing Remarks	Julie Pierce , ABAG President

Housing Actions	Partners and Timeframe
<p>Advance funding and legislative solutions for housing: Implement the recommendations of CASA, in coordination with ABAG's Regional Planning Committee.</p>	<p>MTC/ABAG, CASA committee, local jurisdictions</p> <p>2 YEARS</p>
<p>Continue recent housing successes: Implement the housing initiatives adopted in the One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) program, including the Naturally Occurring Affordable Housing (NOAH) preservation fund, JumpStart program, and funding for transportation conditioned on RHNA performance (80k by 2020 initiative).</p>	<p>MTC/ABAG, CMAAs</p> <p>4 YEARS</p>
<p>Spur housing production at all income levels and invest directly in affordable housing: Seek to include housing provisions or conditions in upcoming new funding sources (including planning grants), analyze applicability for additional regional funding sources to incentivize housing production and affordability. Continue to monitor and evaluate PDA performance.</p>	<p>MTC/ABAG, the Partnership, regional leaders</p> <p>2 - 4 YEARS</p>
<p>Use housing performance to prioritize funding for long-range transportation projects: Continue to evolve RTP/SCS Project Performance methods to seek stronger alignment between prioritizing transportation projects and housing performance.</p>	<p>MTC/ABAG, CMAAs</p> <p>4 YEARS</p>
<p>Strengthen policy leadership on housing: Expand and transform regional agency technical assistance for local jurisdictions tailored to both Bay Area-wide challenges and challenges unique to specific parts of the region. Focus areas for technical assistance could include guidance on implementing state legislation for housing production, guidance on housing preservation and community stabilization policies and coordination of neighboring jurisdictions along transit corridors and in sub-regions to identify shared solutions to housing challenges.</p>	<p>MTC/ABAG, local jurisdictions</p> <p>2 YEARS</p>
<p>Close data gaps for housing: Continue to collect, analyze, and disseminate information about housing opportunity sites, zoning, development trends and policy implementation by local governments to inform local, regional, and state policy development and evaluation; create accessible database of major development and publicly owned sites.</p>	<p>MTC/ABAG</p> <p>1 - 4 YEARS</p>

Economic Development Actions	Partners and Timeframe
<p>Coordinate regional economic solutions and increase funding for economic development: Continue work on developing the region’s Economic Development District and implement the action plan of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy.</p>	<p>MTC/ABAG, economic organizations, EDA, megaregional partners</p> <p>1-2 YEARS</p>
<p>Strengthen middle-wage job career paths for goods movement: Implement the recommendations of the Megaregional Goods Movement Cluster Study, which will focus on emerging industries and middle-wage jobs.</p>	<p>MTC/ABAG, freight businesses, megaregional partners</p> <p>1 - 4 YEARS</p>
<p>Increase transportation access to growing job centers: Broaden core capacity transit study partnership to cover a larger geography to plan for major transportation capital investments; move forward on planning efforts for a second Transbay Tube; continue to evaluate a means-based fare or other methods for reducing transportation costs for lower-wage workers.</p>	<p>MTC/ABAG, transit agencies, the Partnership, megaregional partners</p> <p>2 - 4 YEARS</p>
<p>Preserve existing infrastructure: Advocate for new revenues for transportation and continue focusing on “Fix It First” investments in keeping with long-standing MTC policy.</p>	<p>MTC/ABAG, state legislature</p> <p>1 YEAR</p>
<p>Preserve and enhance existing industrial lands: Establish criteria for Priority Production Areas to encourage local jurisdictions to plan for space needed for manufacturing, distribution and repair while assessing ways of meeting other critical needs such as housing.</p>	<p>MTC/ABAG, local jurisdictions</p> <p>2 - 4 YEARS</p>

Resilience Actions	Partners and Timeframe
<p>Develop a regional governance strategy for climate adaptation projects: Develop an institutional strategy for managing, coordinating, and implementing regional and local projects related to sea level rise.</p>	<p>BARC, MTC/ABAG, BCDC, Caltrans, local jurisdictions</p> 
<p>Provide stronger policy leadership on resilient housing and infrastructure: Expand guidance on resilient housing policies for earthquake, flooding, and fire, working in coordination with state and federal agencies and focusing on communities with high social vulnerability and exposure to natural hazards. Strengthen infrastructure lifelines to ensure that utilities can provide services under a variety of conditions and future scenarios.</p>	<p>MTC/ABAG, local jurisdictions</p> 
<p>Create new funding sources for adaptation and resilience: Pursue new funding opportunities, including innovative financing, for retrofits of buildings, retrofits of existing infrastructure, and infrastructure solutions to protect against flooding, earthquakes, and exposure to environmental health risks.</p>	<p>MTC/ABAG, BARC, BCDC</p> 
<p>Establish and provide a resilience technical services team: Broadly share best practices and grant opportunities for climate adaptation and natural hazard mitigation. Continue to assess vulnerabilities and identify workable solutions through public and private avenues. Integrate resilience into Priority Development Area (PDA) planning.</p>	<p>BARC, MTC/ABAG, BCDC</p> 
<p>Expand the region's network of natural infrastructure: Coordinate regional programs to preserve and expand natural features that reduce flood risk, strengthen biodiversity, enhance air quality, and improve access to urban and rural public space. Leverage existing initiatives—including Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs), the Resilient by Design Challenge, San Francisco Estuary Partnership, and Bay Restoration Authority—and partner with special districts and cities.</p>	<p>MTC/ABAG, BCDC, jurisdictions, utilities</p> 
<p>Establish the Regional Advance Mitigation Program (RAMP): Advance mitigation for infrastructure projects to strengthen regional biological conservation priorities. Work to secure off-site compensatory mitigation lands for multiple infrastructure projects in-advance of environmental reviews to improve both project delivery and conservation outcomes.</p>	<p>MTC/ABAG, Caltrans, RAMP coalition</p> 