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Meeting Minutes - Final

ABAG Executive Board

President, Jesse Arreguin, Mayor, City of Berkeley
Vice President, Belia Ramos, Supervisor, County of Napa
Immediate Past President, David Rabbitt, Supervisor, County of Sonoma

Thursday, March 18, 2021

6:00 PM

Board Room - 1st Floor (REMOTE)

Association of Bay Area Governments Executive Board Meeting No. 456

The ABAG Executive Board may act on any item on the agenda.
The meeting is scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m.,
or immediately following the preceding ABAG/ACFA committee meetings.
Agenda, roster and webcast available at <https://abag.ca.gov>
For information, contact Clerk of the Board at (415) 820-7913.

Roster

Susan Adams, Candace Andersen, Jesse Arreguin, Nikki Fortunato Bas, London Breed, Tom Butt, David Canepa, Keith Carson, Cindy Chavez, Pat Eklund, Maya Esparza, Carroll Fife, Neysa Fligor, Leon Garcia, Liz Gibbons, Giselle Hale, Barbara Halliday, Rich Hillis, David Hudson, Otto Lee, Matthew Mahan, Rafael Mandelman, Gordon Mar, Nathan Miley, Karen Mitchoff, Stephanie Moulton-Peters, Raul Peralez, David Rabbitt, Belia Ramos, Carlos Romero, James Spring, Loren Taylor, Lori Wilson. Jayne Battey (Non-voting).

1. Call to Order / Roll Call / Confirm Quorum

President Arreguin called the meeting to order at about 6:00 p.m. Quorum was present. Jayne Battey (Advisory Member, non-voting) was present.

Present: 31 - Adams, Andersen, Arreguin, Brown, Butt, Canepa, Carson, Chan, Chavez, Eklund, Esparza, Fife, Fligor, Garcia, Gibbons, Hale, Halliday, Hudson, Lee, Mahan, Mandelman, Mar, Miley, Mitchoff, Moulton-Peters, Peralez, Rabbitt, Ramos, Romero, Taylor, and Wilson L

Absent: 2 - Bas, and Hillis

2. Public Comment

3. Executive Board Announcements

4. President's Report

- 4.a. [21-0291](#) ABAG President's Report for March 18, 2021

President Arreguin gave the report. He noted that the appointment to the North Bay seat on the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission was withdrawn.

5. Executive Director's Report

- 5.a. [21-0292](#) Executive Director's Report for March 18, 2021

Brad Paul gave the report.

6. Executive Board Consent Calendar

Cindy Silva voted as alternate for Tom Butt.

Upon the motion by Eklund and second by Esparza, the Consent Calendar, excluding the appointment to the North Bay seat on the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission under Item 6.d., was approved. The motion passed unanimously by the following vote:

Aye: 29 - Adams, Andersen, Arreguin, Brown, Butt, Canepa, Carson, Chan, Chavez, Eklund, Esparza, Fife, Fligor, Garcia, Gibbons, Halliday, Lee, Mahan, Mandelman, Mar, Miley, Mitchoff, Moulton-Peters, Peralez, Rabbitt, Ramos, Romero, Taylor, and Wilson L

Absent: 4 - Bas, Hale, Hillis, and Hudson

- 6.a. [21-0293](#) Approval of ABAG Executive Board Minutes of January 21, 2021

- 6.b. [21-0299](#) Authorization to: (1) Award three firms with placement on the Regulatory Support for the Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN) and 3C-REN Bench: Law Office of Elizabeth Kelly, M.Cubed, and Frontier Energy, Inc.; and (2) Enter into Contract with the Law Offices of Elizabeth Kelly for regulatory support services in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 annually for services for the BayREN and 3C-REN (through a co-funding agreement) through December 31, 2023, for a total of \$450,000, subject to the annual budgetary approval process; and (3) Enter into a contract with M.Cubed in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 annually for services for BayREN and 3C-REN (through a co-funding agreement) through December 31, 2023, for a total of \$150,000, subject to the annual budgetary approval process.

- 6.c. [21-0350](#) Authorization to enter into Contract with SimpleLab, Inc. for up to \$300,000 to provide water quality testing and related services under ABAG's Integrated Regional Water Management's Disadvantaged Community and Tribal Involvement Program (DACTIP) Grant

6.d. [21-0467](#) Ratification of Appointments to Committees

7. ABAG Administrative Committee

7.a. [21-0294](#) Report on ABAG Administrative Committee Meetings of February 12, 2021 and March 12, 2021
President Arreguin gave the report.

8. ABAG Finance Committee

8.a. [21-0295](#) Report on ABAG Finance Committee Meeting of March 18, 2021
Karen Mitchoff gave the report.

8.b. [21-0297](#) Adoption of ABAG Resolution No. 03-2021 - Approval of the ABAG Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Program
Karen Mitchoff gave the report.

Upon the motion by Mitchoff and second by Ramos, the ABAG Executive Board adopted Resolution No. 03-2021. The motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 29 - Adams, Andersen, Arreguin, Brown, Butt, Canepa, Carson, Chan, Chavez, Eklund, Esparza, Fligor, Garcia, Gibbons, Hale, Halliday, Hudson, Lee, Mahan, Mar, Miley, Mitchoff, Moulton-Peters, Peralez, Rabbitt, Ramos, Romero, Taylor, and Wilson L

Absent: 3 - Bas, Hillis, and Mandelman

Abstain: 1 - Fife

8.c. [21-0368](#) Adoption of ABAG Resolution No. 04-2021 - Approval of MTC Loan Terms and Conditions to fund BayREN Water Upgrades \$ave Program
Karen Mitchoff gave the report.

Upon the motion by Mitchoff and second by Chavez, the ABAG Executive Board adopted Resolution No. 04-2021. The motion passed unanimously by the following vote:

Aye: 30 - Adams, Andersen, Arreguin, Brown, Butt, Canepa, Carson, Chan, Chavez, Eklund, Esparza, Fife, Fligor, Garcia, Gibbons, Hale, Halliday, Hudson, Lee, Mahan, Mar, Miley, Mitchoff, Moulton-Peters, Peralez, Rabbitt, Ramos, Romero, Taylor, and Wilson L

Absent: 3 - Bas, Hillis, and Mandelman

9. Joint MTC ABAG Legislation Committee

- 9.a. [21-0296](#) Report on Joint MTC ABAG Legislation Committee Meetings of February 12, 2021 and March 12, 2021

President Arreguin gave the report.

- 9.b. [21-0365](#) Approval of a Support Position on Senate Bill 10 (Wiener) Housing Approval Streamlining Tool

Rebecca Long gave the report.

The following gave public comment: Caller; Jordan Grimes, Aaron Eckhouse.

Upon the motion by Arreguin and second by Hale, the ABAG Executive Board approved a support position on Senate Bill 10 (Wiener). The motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 19 - Andersen, Arreguin, Butt, Canepa, Chan, Garcia, Hale, Halliday, Hudson, Lee, Mahan, Mar, Miley, Mitchoff, Peralez, Rabbitt, Ramos, Romero, and Wilson L

Nay: 10 - Adams, Brown, Carson, Chavez, Eklund, Fife, Fligor, Gibbons, Moulton-Peters, and Taylor

Absent: 4 - Bas, Esparza, Hillis, and Mandelman

- 9.c. [21-0366](#) Approval of a Support Position on Senate Bill 7 (Atkins) Extension of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Judicial Review Streamlining Authority

Rebecca Long gave the report.

Cindy Silva voted as alternate for Tom Butt.

Upon the motion by Arreguin and second by Hudson, the ABAG Executive Board approved a support position on Senate Bill 7 (Atkins). The motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 23 - Adams, Andersen, Arreguin, Butt, Canepa, Carson, Chan, Chavez, Fligor, Garcia, Hale, Halliday, Hudson, Lee, Mahan, Miley, Mitchoff, Peralez, Rabbitt, Ramos, Romero, Taylor, and Wilson L

Nay: 5 - Brown, Eklund, Fife, Gibbons, and Moulton-Peters

Absent: 4 - Bas, Esparza, Hillis, and Mandelman

Abstain: 1 - Mar

- 9.d. [21-0409](#) Adoption of Resiliency/Climate Adaptation Advocacy Principles to guide legislative engagement on climate adaptation legislation including, but not limited to, Assembly Bill 11 (Ward), Assembly Bill 50 (Boerner-Horvath), and Assembly Bill 51 (Quirk), and Assembly Bill 897 (Mullin) as well as resilience-related bond proposals, Assembly Bill 1500 (Garcia) and Senate Bill 45 (Portantino)

Rebecca Long gave the report.

The following gave public comment: Warner Chabot.

The Executive Board deferred action on this item to its next meeting.

10. ABAG Regional Planning Committee

- 10.a. [21-0349](#) Report on ABAG Regional Planning Committee Meeting of March 11, 2021

Karen Mitchoff gave the report.

11. Local Government Services

- 11.a. [21-0298](#) Authorization to enter into a Financing Services Agreement with the Sonoma County Regional Climate Protection Authority (RCPA) for startup capital for the BayREN Water Upgrades \$ave Program in an amount not to exceed \$1 million, as provided by MTC Resolutions No. 4394 and 4358

Jenny Berg and Chris Cone gave the report.

Cindy Silva voted as alternate for Tom Butt.

Upon the motion by Rabbitt and second by Adams, the ABAG Executive Board authorized the Executive Director of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, or her designee, on behalf of the Association of Bay Area Governments and the Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN), to enter into a Financing Services Agreement with the Sonoma County Regional Climate Protection Authority (RCPA) for startup capital for the BayREN Water Upgrades \$ave Program in an amount not to exceed \$1 million, as provided by MTC Resolutions No. 4394 and 4358. The motion passed unanimously by the following vote:

Aye: 26 - Adams, Andersen, Arreguin, Brown, Butt, Canepa, Chan, Chavez, Eklund, Fligor, Garcia, Gibbons, Hale, Halliday, Hudson, Lee, Mahan, Mar, Miley, Mitchoff, Moulton-Peters, Peralez, Rabbitt, Romero, Taylor, and Wilson L

Absent: 7 - Bas, Carson, Esparza, Fife, Hillis, Mandelman, and Ramos

12. Adjournment / Next Meeting

President Arreguin adjourned the meeting at about 8:09 p.m. The next regular meeting of the ABAG Executive Board is on April 15, 2021.