



NOTICE & AGENDA
LEGISLATIVE ACTION COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 8, 2018 | 6:20 PM
SUNNYVALE CITY HALL | WEST CONFERENCE ROOM
456 WEST OLIVE AVENUE | SUNNYVALE, CA

1. Call to order 6:20 PM
2. Consent Agenda
 - a. Meeting Minutes: August 2017
3. Legislative Action Committee Guiding Principles (action)
4. Legislative Update – Patrick Ahrens, Office of Assembly Member Low
5. Legislative Action Committee Watch list:
 - a. Statewide Ballot Measures
 - b. Legislation
 - i. SB 827 ([Wiener](#) D) Planning and zoning: transit-rich housing bonus. (action)
6. Committee member comments: Each Legislative Action Committee member may speak to any issue not on the agenda; time limit at discretion of chair and vote of committee.
7. Public comment
8. Announcements
9. Adjournment 6:50 PM

Draft Legislative Action Committee Meeting Minutes
August 10, 2017

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:25 PM.
 - Campbell – Liz Gibbons
 - Cupertino – Rod Sinks
 - Gilroy – Peter Leroe-Munoz
 - Los Altos – Jan Pepper
 - Los Altos Hills – Gary Waldeck
 - Los Gatos – Marico Sayoc
 - Milpitas – Anthony Phan
 - Monte sereno – Burton Craig
 - Morgan Hill – Steve Tate
 - Mountain View – Pat Showalter
 - Palo Alto – Greg Scharff
 - San Jose – Chappie Jones
 - Santa Clara – Debi Davis
 - Saratoga – Mary – Lynn Bernald
 - Sunnyvale – Larry Klein
2. The Consent Agenda containing the June 8, 2017 meeting minutes were approved unanimously.
3. LAC discussed watch items as well as items previously acted upon:
 - a. AB 574 (Quirk) Potable Reuse (unanimously) agreed to recommend support letter
 - b. SB 35 (Weiner): affordable housing: streamlined approval process. Sent opposition letter, however bill has been substantially amended. , committee agreed 13 – 1 (Jones/San Jose abstained) to recommend sending oppose letter again.
4. LAC received requests from Senator Hill requesting support:
 - a. SB 21 (Hill) law enforcement surveillance transparency will recommend bringing back in September.
 - b. SB 611 (Hill) Disability placard program – legislative committee unanimously supported by consensus.
5. Meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Andi Jordan
Executive Director
Cities Association of Santa Clara County

Bill	Brief description	LAC/LCC Actions	Initiated by	Status 10/7/2017
SB 2 (Atkins)	Building Homes and Jobs Act	Support February 2017	Betsy Shotwell	<p>9/21/2017-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 5:30 p.m.</p> <p>9/29/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 364, Statutes of 2017.</p> <p>9/29/2017-S. CHAPTERED</p> <p>Senate: Ayes: Beall, Hill, Monning, Wieckowski Nos: No Vote:</p> <p>Assembly: Ayes: Berman, Caballero, Chu, Kalra, Low, Stone Noes: No Vote:</p>
SB 3 (Beall)	Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2018	Support February 2017	Betsy Shotwell	<p>9/21/2017-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 5:30 p.m.</p> <p>9/29/2017 Signed by Governor</p> <p>Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 365, Statutes of 2017.</p> <p>Senate: Ayes: Beall, Hill, Monning, Wieckowski Noes: No Vote:</p> <p>Assembly: Ayes: Berman, Caballero, Chu, Kalra, Low, Noes: No Vote:</p>
AB1250 (Jones-Sawyer) De facto ban on local government contracts	Requires full economic evaluation & CEQA before letting a contract. Must list contact and salary info for all workers paid by the contract.	Oppose & send letter STRONGLY Opposed by CLC Policy Committee LAC 8/0		Died in Rules committee on 9/5/2017

	(Amended: 6/21/2017) Status: 7/13/2017-Withdrawn from committee. Re-referred to Com. on APPR. Location: 7/13/2017-S. APPR.	Change Action to WATCH since cities are now exempt from Onerous Contracting Measure June LAC Meeting: Opposed and sent letter LCC removed opposition on 6/21/17		
SB649 (Huesco) Wireless Telecommunications Facilities	Limits local control & revenue from installation of "small cell" equipment. Small is 6 cubic ft for antennas and 21 cubic ft for associated equipment. Wireless telecommunications facilities. (Amended: 7/18/2017) Status: 7/18/2017-Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR. Location: 7/12/2017-A. APPR.	Oppose unless the dimensions are fixed. LAC 6/2 Change Action to WATCH as bill has extensive amendments and passed the Senate with only one NO vote. June: Opposed and sent letter LCC: oppose	Opposed but still alive, encourage advocacy against bill.	9/21/2017-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 5:30 p.m. Senate: Ayes: Noes: Beall, Hill, Monning, Wieckowski No Vote: Assembly: Ayes: Low, Nos: Caballero, Kalra, Stone No Vote: Berman, Chu
AB1089 Local elective offices: contribution limitations (Mullin)	Establishes a campaign contribution limit for local offices of \$4,400 per candidate per election. Supported by LWV, Common Cause and many others Local elective offices: contribution limitations. (Introduced: 2/17/2017) Status: 6/20/2017-Coauthors revised. Location: 4/5/2017-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE	June: Support and sent letter LAC 8/0 LCC- neutral		
AB920 California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program	Supported by RWRC before it was dramatically revised. RWRC's professional organization supported this bill. (Amended: 7/17/2017) Status: 7/17/2017-Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR. Location: 7/17/2017-S. APPR.	Watch and follow RWRC's lead on new version June: continue to watch LCC - watch		2 year bill – 9/1/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(12). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/21/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018) Assembly vote: Ayes: Berman, Caballero, Chu, Kalra, Low
AB 1479 (Bonta) Supervisor of Public Records Request Requirement.	Requires each agency to establish a "supervisor" of public records requests. Adds other requirements and sets fines.	Oppose and send letter LAC8/0. On LCC HOT List to Oppose		9/19/2017-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 3 p.m.

	<p>June: Opposed by CLC</p> <p>(Amended: 7/18/2017) Status: 7/18/2017-Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR. Location: 7/18/2017-S. APPR.</p>	<p>June: Oppose and sent letter</p> <p>LCC: change of position 7/18/17 (removal of opposition)</p>		<p>Senate: Ayes: Beall, Hill, Monning, Wieckowski Noes: No Vote:</p> <p>Assembly: Ayes: Berman, Caballero, Chu, Kalra, Low, Noes: No Vote:</p>
<p>SB 618 (Bradford) Load-serving entities: requires integrated resource plans</p>	<p>Requires each electrical load-serving entity like our SVCE prepare a plan to show that it was using a balanced portfolio for a reliable energy supply with optimal use of renewable energy. Problem is it give the PUC the review & approval authority.</p> <p>(Amended: 7/18/2017) Status: 7/18/2017-Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR. Location: 7/10/2017-A. APPR.</p>	<p>SVCEA & CLC urge opposition. Held at DESK; LCC Position is to "Watch"</p> <p>June: Oppose unless amended and send letter. Jan Pepper asked to see the Draft prior to sending. Passed unanimously (13-0-2)</p> <p>LCC position: Neutral</p>		<p>9/21/2017 Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 5:30 p.m.</p> <p>10/2/2017 Signed by Governor 10/2/2017 Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 431, Statutes of 2017.</p> <p>Senate: Ayes: Beall, Hill, Monning, Wieckowski Nos: No Vote:</p> <p>Assembly: Ayes: Berman, Caballero, Chu, Kalra, Low, Stone Noes: No Vote:</p>
<p>AB 184 (Berman) Planning for Sea Level Rise Database</p>	<p>Provides funding for continuing and strengthening SLR database by State. Generally sounds good, but lacked info for action.</p> <p>Sea level rise planning: database. (Amended: 5/23/2017) Status: 6/27/2017-Read second time. Ordered to third reading. Location: 6/27/2017-S. THIRD READING</p>	<p>Watch; Calendared for 6/13/2017 Senate Natural Resources & Water;</p> <p>LCC position: watch</p> <p>June: Support and sent letter</p> <p>LCC position: watch</p>		<p>9/12/2017-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 2:30 p.m.</p> <p>9/28/17 approved by Governor. 9/28/17 chaptered by Secretary of State – Chapter 338, Statutes of 2017.</p> <p>Senate: Ayes: Beall, Hill, Monning, Wieckowski Nos:</p>

				<p>No Vote:</p> <p>Assembly: Ayes: Berman, Caballero, Chu, Kalra, Low, Stone Noes: No Vote:</p>
AB 574 (Quirk) Potable Reuse	<p>Bill would remove certain references to “direct potable reuse,” “indirect potable reuse for groundwater recharge,” and “surface water augmentation,” and would instead specify the four different types of potable reuse projects as “groundwater augmentation,” “reservoir augmentation,” “raw water augmentation,” and “treated drinking water augmentation</p> <p>Potable reuse. (Amended: 7/12/2017) Status: 7/13/2017-Withdrawn from committee. Re-referred to Com. on APPR. Location: 7/13/2017-S. APPR.</p>	<p>Watch;</p> <p>LCC Position: Watch</p> <p>June: continue to watch</p> <p>August: Support, sent letter</p>	Pat Showalter	<p>9/19/2017-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 3 p.m.</p> <p>Senate: Ayes: Beall, Hill, Monning, Wieckowski Nos: No Vote:</p> <p>Assembly: Ayes: Berman, Caballero, Chu, Kalra, Low, Stone Noes: No Vote:</p>
AB 733 (Berman) Enhanced infrastructure financing districts: projects: climate change. Morrell, Senate – Rules	<p>Allows enhanced finance districts. Generally sounds good, but lacked info for action.</p> <p>Status as of 8/2/17 – (Amended: 6/26/2017) Status: 6/26/2017-Read second time and amended. Ordered to third reading. Location: 6/26/2017-S. THIRD READING</p> <p>AB-733 Enhanced infrastructure financing districts: projects: climate change. Berman Senate - Third Reading SB-733, Public Utilities Act:</p>	<p>Watch;</p> <p>Calendared for Senate Governance & Finance – 6/7/2017</p> <p>LCC position: Watch</p> <p>8/2/17 – LCC watch June LAC meeting: Place on August agenda</p> <p>8/4/17 Recommend to continue to watch.</p>		<p>9/13/2017-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 4 p.m.</p> <p>Senate: Ayes: Beall, Hill, Monning, Wieckowski Nos: No Vote:</p> <p>Assembly: Ayes: Berman, Caballero, Chu, Kalra, Low, Stone Noes: No Vote:</p>
AB 1222 Vehicles: electronic wireless communications devices	<p>Designed to fix issues with ham radio while driving</p>	<p>Watch;</p> <p>LCC position: Watch June LAC meeting: place on August agenda</p>		<p>9/26/2017-Chaptered by Secretary of State- Chapter 297, Statues of 2017</p> <p>Senate:</p>

	<p>As of 7/11/17 passed out of assembly, passed senate transportation referred to committee on appropriations</p> <p>Please see attachment from Bay Area Radio Association (Analysis of AB 1785, current law)</p> <p><i>For the purposes of Section 23123.5(f) CVC, a radio installed and mounted in a vehicle with a wired hand microphone (e.g., business band or citizen band [CB]radio) is not considered a wireless communication device, nor is it considered a specialized mobile radio device, and therefore is not subject to enforcement under this section.</i></p> <p><i>The members of the Bay Area Radio Association have been unsuccessful in getting the author of AB1222 to use the exact language of the March 28, 2017 CHP enforcement memo (highlighted in yellow, above), in any amended version of the Bill. During conference calls with Staff Members of Bill Author Assembly Member Quirk's office, we were advised of a concern that if the law specifically and clearly eliminated from enforcement named group(s) of users, continued Federal Highway Safety Funding to the State of California could be placed in jeopardy.</i></p>	<p>NOTE: analysis shows that the current law (see attachment).</p>		<p>Ayes: Beall, Hill, Wieckowski Nos: No Vote: Monning Assembly: Ayes: Berman, Caballero, Chu, Kalra, Low, Stone Noes: No Vote:</p>
<p>SB 35 (Weiner) Planning and Zoning: affordable housing: streamlined approval process</p>	<p>Makes many affordable housing projects "by right" which would stream-line the process, but reduce local control and limits opportunity for public review</p>	<p>May 11 LAC Rec: Watch; Passed Senate 23-12 & ordered to Assembly; On LCC Hot List to Oppose June meeting: opposed and sent opposition letter. Bill has been amended significantly since LAC opposition letter. May want further action.</p> <p>Board approved Sending opposition letter, August 10, 2017</p>		<p>9/22/2017-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 3 p.m.</p> <p>9/29/17 Approved by Governor.</p> <p>9/29/17 Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 366, Statutes of 2017.</p> <p>Senate: Ayes: Beall, Hill, Monning, Nos:</p>

				<p>No Vote: Wieckowski</p> <p>Assembly: Ayes: Berman, Caballero, Chu, Kalra, Low, Stone Noes: No Vote:</p>
AB1506 (Bloom, Chiu, Bonta): Repeal Chapter 2.7: relating to tenancy	Would Repeal Costa Hawkins Act	<p>Watch; This is now a two-year bill.</p> <p>June LAC meeting: to watch and place on LAC Aug. 10 agenda</p>		
AB 1585 (Bloom): Planning and Zoning: Affordable housing: single application	Affordable housing – this bill would establish in each city, county, and city and county in the state an affordable housing zoning board and procedures by which a public agency or nonprofit organization proposing to build affordable housing units, as defined, or a developer proposing to build a housing project that meets specified affordability criteria, could submit to that board a single application for a comprehensive conditional use or other discretionary permit.	<p>LCC Position: Oppose; is now a two-year bill</p> <p>June LAC meeting: place on August agenda</p>		2 year bill
AB 1598 (Mullin): Affordable housing authority	<p>Affordable housing authorities This bill would authorize a city, county, or city and county to adopt a resolution creating an affordable housing authority ... Boundaries that are identical to the boundaries of the city, county, or city and county that created the authority. The bill would authorize specified local entities to adopt a resolution to provide tax increment revenue to the authority.</p> <p>8/21/17 – hearing with Senate Appropriations</p>	<p>LCC Position: Watch</p> <p>June meeting: place on August agenda</p>		<p>9/21/2017-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 3:30 p.m.</p> <p>Senate: Ayes: Beall, Hill, Monning, Wieckowski Nos: No Vote:</p> <p>Assembly: Ayes: Berman, Caballero, Chu, Kalra, Low, Stone Noes: No Vote:</p>
SB 21 (Hill): law enforcement surveillance transparency	require each law enforcement agency, as defined, to submit to its governing body at a regularly scheduled hearing, open to the	<p>LCC position: oppose unless amended</p> <p>California Police Officers Association oppose</p>	Request to support by Senator Hill	2 year bill

	<p>public, a proposed Surveillance Use Policy for the use of each type of surveillance technology and the information collected, as specified. The bill would require the law enforcement agency to cease using the surveillance technology within 30 days if the proposed plan is not adopted. The bill would require the law enforcement agency to submit an amendment to the surveillance plan, pursuant to the same open meeting requirements, for each new type of surveillance technology sought to be used. The bill would require the policy and any amendments to be posted on the agency's Internet Web site. The bill would also require the agency to make specified reports, at approved intervals, concerning the use of surveillance technology, and to make those reports available on the agency's Internet Web site.</p> <p>7/13/17: referred to committee on appropriations</p>			9/1/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(12). (Last location was APPR. on 8/23/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)
SB 611 (Hill): Disability placard program improvements	<p>This bill would require an applicant for a special license plate, a distinguishing placard, or a temporary distinguishing placard to provide proof of his or her true full name and date of birth at the time of application by submitting specified documents to the department. The bill would include licensed podiatrists on the list of medical professionals authorized to provide disability certifications ...</p>	LCC position: watch	<p>Request to support by Senator Hill</p> <p>Recommendation – no action</p> <p>BOD action to support and send letter, August 10, 2017</p>	<p>9/22/2017-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 3 p.m. 10/4/2017 approved by the Governor 10/4/2017 Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 485, Statutes of 2017.</p> <p>Senate: Ayes: Beall, Hill, Monning, Nos: No Vote: Wieckowski Assembly: Ayes: Berman, Caballero, Chu, Kalra, Low, Stone Noes: No Vote:</p>
SB 797 (Hill, Beall, Wieckowski, Weiner)	Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board:	Place on Sept. LAC Agenda	BOD at August meeting	9/15/2017-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 3:30 p.m.

SB 595 (Beall)	Metropolitan Transportation Place on Sept. LAC Agenda 3 Commission: Toll Bridge Revenues (Increase in tolls)	Place on Sept. LAC Agenda	BOD at August meeting	9/21/2017-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 5:30 p.m.
SB 540 (Roth)	Workforce Housing Opportunity Zone: streamline the housing approval process by having cities identify Workforce Housing Opportunity Zones Place on Sep	Place on Sept. LAC Agenda	BOD at August meeting	<p>9/22/2017-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 3 p.m. 9/29/2017 Approved by Governor 9/29/2017 Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 369, Statutes of 2017.</p> <p>Senate: Ayes: Beall, Hill, Monning, Nos: No Vote: Wieckowski</p> <p>Assembly: Ayes: Berman, Caballero, Chu, Kalra, Low, Stone Noes: No Vote:</p>

Introduction

The Cities Association takes positions on federal, state, and regional legislative issues that may impact its member cities, so as to advocate for the interests of the member cities. In most cases, positions are taken by the Board of Directors after receiving a recommendation from the Legislative Action Committee (LAC). However, legislative issues occasionally arise in a fashion that prevents timely deliberation and response from the Board of Directors. To address such occasions, the Board of Directors establishes this list of standing legislative advocacy positions. When time does not permit consideration by the Board of Directors, the President of the Cities Association is empowered to advocate for or against issues according to these standing legislative advocacy positions, subject to subsequent ratification by the Board of Directors.

General Administration

The Cities Association respects the importance of local control over areas of municipal responsibility, and it opposes legislation and initiatives that weaken or eliminate existing local control.

Municipal Revenue

The Cities Association recognizes the ongoing difficulty for cities to maintain and enhance revenue, due to the legislative framework that governs municipal revenue sources. As a general rule, the Cities Association opposes legislation or initiatives that threaten municipal revenue sources.

Opposition to Unfunded Mandates

Recognizing the frequency with which federal, state, and regional initiatives attempt to impose unfunded mandates on cities, the Cities Association opposes unfunded mandates.

Protecting Tax Exempt Municipal Bonds

The Cities Association recognizes that tax exempt municipal bonds are an essential revenue tool for cities to fund infrastructure projects and other critical initiatives. The Cities Association supports the existence of tax exempt municipal bonds and opposes efforts to weaken or eliminate such bonds.

Improved Access to Grants and Reimbursement

The Cities Association recognizes that cities depend on grant funding and reimbursements from state, federal, and regional agencies. It also recognizes that unnecessary bureaucracy and other barriers can impede or reduce the availability and effectiveness of grant revenue. Accordingly, the Cities Association supports efforts to streamline grant and reimbursement processes. It specifically opposes unnecessary regulations, requirements, or bureaucratic processes to new or existing grants and reimbursement opportunities.

CalPERS Stability

The Cities Association recognizes the threat posed to cities by CalPERS unfunded liabilities. As such, the Cities Association supports efforts to provide long-term stability of CalPERS funding.

Land Use

CEQA Reform

The Cities Association supports the environmental protections provided by the California Environmental Quality Act. At the same time, it recognizes the burdensome nature of some CEQA provisions, as well as the frequency with which CEQA is utilized to obstruct projects for reasons unrelated to environmental protection. As such, the Cities Association supports efforts to streamline the CEQA process and prevent CEQA abuse, provided those efforts do not materially weaken the environmental protections provided by CEQA.

Inclusionary Housing

The Cities Association supports legislative efforts to support inclusionary zoning that maintains local control by overturning the Palmer Decision.

Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)

The Cities Association supports expanding the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, and it opposes efforts to reduce CDBG funding.

Public Works

Infrastructure Funding

The Cities Association supports increased state and federal funding to meet cities' infrastructure needs.

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program

The Cities Association supports restoration of the federal Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program and the budgeting of adequate federal funds for the EECBG Program.

Protecting Cities' Water Supply

The Cities Association supports legislation and funding that supports water efficiency, conservation, increased use of recycled water, drought relief and policies, and local agencies' ability to manage and protect groundwater supplies. The Cities Association opposes legislation and initiatives that threaten the availability of water provided to cities by regional water agencies. The Cities Association further recognizes that the affordability of water is a critical issue for the residents of its member cities, and it opposes legislation and initiatives that would create undue fiscal impacts on water ratepayers.

Transportation

The Cities Association recognizes that transportation planning must be done on a regional level in order to be effective and supports efforts for adequate funding of transportation.

Environment

Climate Change

The Cities Association recognizes the danger posed by climate change, and the unique and substantial responsibility and opportunities that cities have to combat climate change through land use and municipal regulation. It therefore supports efforts and initiatives to mitigate climate change. It

specifically supports the provision of funds, incentives, and/or revenue-raising authority to assist cities in funding climate change mitigation and adaptation.

Community Choice Energy (CCE) Programs

The Cities Association supports the availability of Community Choice Energy, and it opposes legislation and initiatives that threaten CCE programs or their economic competitiveness.

Zero Waste

The Cities Association advocates for the achievement of zero waste goals. In particular, the Cities Association supports Extended Producer Responsibility programs, which shift the fiscal burden of hazardous waste disposal to the entities that produce the hazardous products.

Parks

The Cities Association recognizes the importance of open space for recreation and exercise. It supports funding for acquisition, operation and maintenance of parks.

Economic Development

As a general rule, the Cities Association supports new and existing financing tools for local governments to maximize resources for economic development.

Workforce Development

The Cities Association supports local workforce development agencies, which are entirely funded through state and federal grants. As such, the Cities Association opposes cuts to workforce development funding.

Library Services

The Cities Association supports [the American Library Association Bill of Rights](#).

Library Bonds

The Cities Association supports a State Constitutional Amendment to lower the voting threshold for library-related municipal bonds from 2/3rds to 55%.

Education

The Cities Association recognizes that the State of California separates municipal government from school governance. However, adequate funding of schools is essential to the well-being of communities, and a failure to properly fund schools can impact crime, traffic, economic development, property values, and other areas of interest to schools. As a general rule, the Cities Association supports efforts to ensure proper school funding.

School Impact Fees

The Cities Association recognizes that state limits on school development impact fees generate insufficient revenue for school capital projects in Santa Clara County, due to the high cost of development in Santa Clara County as compared to the rest of the State of California. Accordingly, the Cities Association supports efforts to raise state limits on school development impact fees to levels reflecting the actual cost to schools imposed by new housing development.

Human Rights

The Cities Association respects the right of every individual to the services provided by municipal government, and to enjoy the benefits of living within its communities. The Cities Association opposes legislation or initiatives that threaten the rights of specific groups, or changes to policies or law enforcement processes that target specific groups.

2018 TENTATIVE LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR

COMPILED BY THE OFFICE OF THE ASSEMBLY CHIEF CLERK

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DEADLINES

- Jan. 1** Statutes take effect (Art. IV, Sec. 8(c)).
- Jan. 3** Legislature reconvenes (J.R. 51(a)(4)).
- Jan. 10** Budget must be submitted by Governor (Art. IV, Sec. 12(a)).
- Jan. 12** Last day for **policy committees** to hear and report to **fiscal committees** fiscal bills introduced in their house in the odd-numbered year (J.R. 61(b)(1)).
- Jan. 15** Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.
- Jan. 19** Last day for any committee to hear and report to the **Floor** bills introduced in that house in the odd-numbered year. (J.R. 61(b)(2)). Last day to submit **bill requests** to the Office of Legislative Counsel.
- Jan. 31** Last day for each house to pass bills introduced in that house in the odd-numbered year (J.R. 61(b)(3)) (Art. IV, Sec. 10(c)).

JANUARY							
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Wk. 4	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Wk. 1	28	29	30	31			

FEBRUARY							
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Wk. 1					1	2	3
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Wk. 3	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Wk. 4	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Wk. 1	25	26	27	28			

- Feb. 16** Last day for bills to be **introduced** (J.R. 61(b)(4), J.R. 54(a)).
- Feb. 19** Presidents' Day.

MARCH							
	S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
Wk. 1					1	2	3
Wk. 2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Wk. 3	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Wk. 4	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Spring Recess	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

- Mar. 22** **Spring Recess** begins upon adjournment (J.R. 51(b)(1)).
- Mar. 30** Cesar Chavez Day observed.

APRIL							
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Wk. 2	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Wk. 3	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Wk. 4	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Wk. 1	29	30					

- Apr. 2** Legislature reconvenes from Spring Recess (J.R. 51 (b)(1)).
- Apr. 27** Last day for **policy committees** to hear and report to fiscal committees **fiscal bills** introduced in their house (J.R. 61(b)(5)).
- May 11** Last day for **policy committees** to hear and report to the Floor **nonfiscal** bills introduced in their house (J.R. 61(b)(6)).
- May 18** Last day for **policy committees** to meet prior to June 4 (J.R. 61(b)(7)).
- May 25** Last day for **fiscal committees** to hear and report to the **Floor** bills introduced in their house (J.R. 61 (b)(8)). Last day for **fiscal committees** to meet prior to June 4 (J.R. 61 (b)(9)).
- May 28** Memorial Day.
- May 29 – June 1** **Floor session only.** No committee may meet for any purpose except for Rules Committee, bills referred pursuant to Assembly Rule 77.2, and Conference Committees (J.R. 61(b)(10)).

MAY							
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Wk. 1			1	2	3	4	5
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Wk. 3	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Wk. 4	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
No Hrgs.	27	28	29	30	31		

*Holiday schedule subject to final approval by Rules Committee.

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JUNE							
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No Hrgs.						1	2
Wk. 1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Wk. 2	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Wk. 3	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Wk. 4	24	25	26	27	28	29	30

June 1 Last day for each house to pass bills introduced in that house (J.R. 61(b)(11)).

June 4 Committee meetings may resume (J.R. 61(b)(12)).

June 15 Budget Bill must be passed by midnight (Art. IV, Sec. 12(c)).

June 28 Last day for a legislative measure to qualify for the Nov. 6 General Election ballot. (Elec. Code Sec. 9040)

June 29 Last day for **policy committees** to hear and report **fiscal bills** to fiscal committees (J.R. 61(b)(13)).

JULY							
	S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
Wk. 1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Summer Recess	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Summer Recess	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Summer Recess	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Summer Recess	29	30	31				

July 4 Independence Day.

July 6 Last day for **policy committees** to meet and report bills (J.R. 61(b)(14)). **Summer Recess** begins on adjournment, provided Budget Bill has been passed (J.R. 51(b)(2)).

AUGUST							
	S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
Summer Recess				1	2	3	4
Wk. 2	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Wk. 3	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
No Hrgs.	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
No Hrgs.	26	27	28	29	30	31	

Aug. 6 Legislature reconvenes from Summer Recess (J.R. 51(b)(2)).

Aug. 17 Last day for **fiscal committees** to meet and report bills (J.R. 61(b)(15)).

Aug. 20 – 31 Floor session only. No committee may meet for any purpose except Rules Committee, bills referred pursuant to Assembly Rule 77.2, and Conference Committees (J.R. 61(b)(16)).

Aug. 24 Last day to **amend** on Floor (J.R. 61(b)(17)).

Aug. 31 Last day for each house to pass bills (Art. IV, Sec 10(c), J.R. 61(b)(18)). **Final Recess** begins on adjournment (J.R. 51(b)(3)).

IMPORTANT DATES OCCURRING DURING FINAL RECESS

2018

Sept. 30 Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills passed by the Legislature before Sept. 1 and in the Governor's possession on or after Sept. 1 (Art. IV, Sec.10(b)(2)).

Oct. 1 Bills enacted on or before this date take effect January 1, 2019 (Art. IV, Sec. 8(c)).

Nov. 6 General Election.

Nov. 30 Adjournment *sine die* at midnight (Art. IV, Sec. 3(a)).

Dec. 3 2019-20 Regular Session convenes for Organizational Session at 12 noon (Art. IV, Sec. 3(a)).

2019

Jan. 1 Statutes take effect (Art. IV, Sec. 8(c)).

*Holiday schedule subject to final approval by Rules Committee.



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February 8, 2019

The Honorable Scott Wiener
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State Capitol Building, Room 4066
Sacramento, CA 95814
VIA FAX: 916-651-4911

**RE: SB 827 (Wiener) Planning and Zoning.
Notice of Opposition (as introduced 1/3/18)**

Dear Senator Wiener:

The Cities Association of Santa Clara County opposes SB 827 (Wiener), which would exempt certain housing projects from locally developed and adopted height limitations, densities, parking requirements, and design review standards.

The Cities Association is a collaboration of the 15 cities in Santa Clara County that addresses pressing issues of mutual interest to cities across the region. We believe that that SB 827 would undermine locally adopted General Plans, Housing Elements (which are certified by the Department of Housing and Community Development), and Sustainable Community Strategies (SCS). SB 827 allows private for-profit housing developers to determine housing densities, parking requirements, and design review standards within one-half mile of a "major transit stop," or along a "high-quality transit corridor" which could be miles away from an actual bus stop. Under existing law, cities are already required to zone for densities at levels necessary to meet their entire Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA). Additionally, SB 827 would provide developers a means to generate additional profits without any requirement to build affordable housing.

Exempting large-scale developments from General Plans, Housing Elements, and zoning ordinances goes against the principles of local democracy and public engagement. Public hearings allow members of the community to inform their representative of their support or concerns when planning documents are developed. Public engagement also often leads to better projects. Disregarding such processes will increase public distrust in government and could lead to additional ballot measures dealing with growth management.

For these reasons, the Cities Association of Santa Clara County opposes SB 827.

Sincerely,

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January 23, 2018

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RE: SB 827 (Wiener) Planning and Zoning.
Notice of Opposition (*as introduced 1/3/18*)

Dear Senator Wiener:

The League of California Cities regrets that it must oppose your SB 827, which would exempt certain housing projects from locally developed and adopted height limitations, densities, parking requirements, and design review standards.

Specifically, SB 827 would undermine locally adopted General Plans, Housing Elements (which are certified by the Department of Housing and Community Development), and Sustainable Community Strategies (SCS). SB 827 allows private for profit housing developers and transit agencies to determine housing densities, parking requirements, and design review standards within one-half mile of a “major transit stop,” or along a “high-quality transit corridor” which could be miles away from an actual bus stop. Under existing law, cities are already required to zone for densities at levels necessary to meet their entire Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA). Additionally, SB 827 would provide developers a means to generate additional profits without any housing affordability requirements. Therefore, it is highly unlikely that developers will choose to construct affordable housing over increased profit margins.

Contrary to SB 827, local governments must balance the needs and desires of the community when developing land use planning documents. Locally elected officials are acutely aware of the challenges of gentrification and displacement that can be associated with rapid development.

Last year, the Legislature passed and the Governor signed a comprehensive 15 bill “housing package”, which included measures that provided new sources of funding, streamlined the housing approval process, and increased oversight of local government land use decisions. Your bill, SB 35, was included in the package and was a significant part of the housing discussion. All of these bills just took effect on January 1, 2018, two days prior to the introduction of SB 827.

The “housing package” includes the following bills:

- SB 2 (Atkins, Chapter 364, Statutes of 2017) Building Homes and Jobs Act is projected to generate hundreds of millions of dollars annually for affordable housing, supportive housing, emergency shelters, transitional housing and other housing needs via a \$75 to \$225 recording fee on specified real estate documents.
- SB 3 (Beall, Chapter 365, Statutes of 2017) Veterans and Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2018 places a \$4 billion general obligation bond on the November 2018 ballot to fund affordable housing programs and the veterans homeownership program (CalVet).
- SB 35 (Wiener, Chapter 366, Statutes of 2017) streamlines multifamily housing project approvals, at the request of a developer, in a city that fails to issue building permits for its share of the regional housing need by income category.
- SB 166 (Skinner, Chapter 367, Statutes of 2017) requires cities and counties to provide enough housing sites to meet RHNA at each income level at all times.
- SB 167 (Skinner, Chapter 368, Statutes of 2017), AB 678 (Bocanegra, Chapter 373, Statutes of 2017), and AB 1515 (Daly, Chapter 378, Statutes of 2017) makes numerous changes to the Housing Accountability Act, including imposing mandatory fines for defying a court order, and modifying the findings requirement to deny a housing development project to be supported by a preponderance of the evidence, rather than by substantial evidence in the record.
- SB 540 (Roth, Chapter 369, Statutes of 2017) streamlines the housing approval process by conducting all of the necessary planning, environmental review and public input on the front end through the adoption of a detailed Specific Plan.
- AB 72 (Santiago, Chapter 370, Statutes of 2017) provides the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) new broad authority to find a jurisdiction's housing element out of substantial compliance if it determines that the jurisdiction fails to act in compliance with its housing element and allows HCD to refer violations of law to the attorney general.
- AB 73 (Chiu, Chapter 371, Statutes of 2017) streamlines the housing approval process by allowing jurisdictions to create a housing sustainability district to complete upfront zoning and environmental review in order to receive incentive payments for development projects that are consistent with the ordinance.
- AB 879 (Grayson, Chapter 374, Statutes of 2017) expands upon existing law that requires, by April 1 of each year, cities to send an annual report to their respective city councils, the state Office of Planning and Research and HCD that includes information related to the implementation of the General Plan.
- AB 1397 (Low, Chapter 375, Statutes of 2017) requires lands in a city's housing element to include vacant sites and sites that have "realistic and demonstrated potential" for

redevelopment to meet a portion of the locality's housing need for a designated income level.

- AB 1505 (Bloom, Chapter 376, Statutes of 2017) allows a jurisdiction to adopt an ordinance that requires a housing development to include a certain percentage of residential rental units affordable to and occupied by households with incomes that do not exceed limits for households with extremely low, very low, low or moderate income.

Given that the significant changes to California's housing law have only been in effect for a few weeks, the Legislature's focus should not be on passing more bills that seek to change the rules for housing construction, but rather assist HCD with implementing the new laws. Importantly, HCD is already understaffed and is currently seeking a significant budget augmentation to hire additional personnel. As a result, HCD has only begun to solicit stakeholder input and involvement, and it will be many months before guidelines are issued.

While there is still more work to be done to address the housing affordability and supply crisis gripping many regions of the state, the Legislature, housing developers, and cities all need adequate time to fully understand and digest the many changes to California housing law. Several Legislators have also discussed introducing a "cleanup" bill this year to address some of the inconsistencies in the "housing package."

The League is committed to collaboratively working with you and others on finding solutions to the housing supply and affordability crisis gripping many areas of the state. However, in its present form, the League must oppose SB 827. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (916) 658-8264.

Sincerely,



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Legislative Representative

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Introduced by Senator Wiener
(Principal coauthor: Senator Skinner)
(Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Ting)

January 3, 2018

An act to add Section 65917.7 to the Government Code, relating to land use.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 827, as introduced, Wiener. Planning and zoning: transit-rich housing bonus.

The Planning and Zoning Law requires, when an applicant proposes a housing development within the jurisdiction of a local government, that the city, county, or city and county provide the developer with a density bonus and other incentives or concessions for the production of lower income housing units or for the donation of land within the development if the developer, among other things, agrees to construct a specified percentage of units for very low, low-, or moderate-income households or qualifying residents.

This bill would authorize a transit-rich housing project to receive a transit-rich housing bonus. The bill would define a transit-rich housing project as a residential development project the parcels of which are all within a $\frac{1}{2}$ mile radius of a major transit stop or a $\frac{1}{4}$ mile radius of a high-quality transit corridor, as those terms are further defined. The bill would exempt a project awarded a housing opportunity bonus from various requirements, including maximum controls on residential density or floor area ratio, minimum automobile parking requirements, design standards that restrict the applicant's ability to construct the maximum number of units consistent with any applicable building code, and maximum height limitations, as provided.

The bill would declare that its provisions address a matter of statewide concern and apply equally to all cities and counties in this state, including a charter city.

By adding to the duties of local planning officials, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
 State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares that this act
 2 addresses a matter of statewide concern and shall apply equally to
 3 all cities and counties in this state, including charter cities.

4 SEC. 2. Section 65917.7 is added to the Government Code, to
 5 read:

6 65917.7. (a) As used in this section, the following definitions
 7 shall apply:

8 (1) “Block” has the same meaning as defined in subdivision (a)
 9 of Section 5870 of the Streets and Highways Code.

10 (2) “High-quality transit corridor” means a corridor with fixed
 11 route bus service that has service intervals of no more than 15
 12 minutes during peak commute hours.

13 (3) “Transit-rich housing project” means a residential
 14 development project the parcels of which are all within a one-half
 15 mile radius of a major transit stop or a one-quarter mile radius of
 16 a high-quality transit corridor. A project shall be deemed to be
 17 within a one-half mile radius of a major transit stop or a one-quarter
 18 mile radius of a high-quality transit corridor if both of the following
 19 apply:

20 (A) All parcels within the project have no more than 25 percent
 21 of their area outside of a one-half mile radius of a major transit
 22 stop or a one-quarter mile radius of a high-quality transit corridor.

23 (B) No more than 10 percent of the residential units or 100 units,
 24 whichever is less, of the project are outside of a one-half mile

1 radius of a major transit stop or a one-quarter mile radius of a
2 high-quality transit corridor.

3 (4) “Major transit stop” has the same meaning as defined in
4 Section 21064.3 of the Public Resources Code.

5 (b) Notwithstanding any local ordinance, general plan element,
6 specific plan, charter, or other local law, policy, resolution, or
7 regulation, a transit-rich housing project shall receive a transit-rich
8 housing bonus which shall exempt the project from all of the
9 following:

10 (1) Maximum controls on residential density or floor area ratio.

11 (2) Minimum automobile parking requirements.

12 (3) Any design standard that restricts the applicant’s ability to
13 construct the maximum number of units consistent with any
14 applicable building code.

15 (4) (A) If the transit-rich housing project is within either a
16 one-quarter mile radius of a high-quality transit corridor or within
17 one block of a major transit stop, any maximum height limitation
18 that is less than 85 feet, except in cases where a parcel facing a
19 street that is less than 45 feet wide from curb to curb, in which
20 case the maximum height shall not be less than 55 feet. If the
21 project is exempted from the local maximum height limitation, the
22 governing height limitation for a transit-rich housing project shall
23 be 85 feet or 55 feet, as provided in this subparagraph.

24 (B) If the transit-rich housing project is within one-half mile of
25 a major transit stop, but does not meet the criteria specified in
26 subparagraph (A), any maximum height limitation that is less than
27 55 feet, except in cases where a parcel facing a street that is less
28 than 45 feet wide from curb to curb, in which case the maximum
29 height shall not be less than 45 feet. If the project is exempted
30 from the local maximum height limitation, the governing height
31 limitation for a transit-rich housing project shall be 55 feet or 45
32 feet, as provided in this subparagraph.

33 (C) For purposes of this paragraph, if a parcel has street frontage
34 on two or more different streets, the height maximum pursuant to
35 this paragraph shall be based on the widest street.

36 SEC. 3. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to
37 Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because
38 a local agency or school district has the authority to levy service
39 charges, fees, or assessments sufficient to pay for the program or

- 1 level of service mandated by this act, within the meaning of Section
- 2 17556 of the Government Code.

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