

MAYORS' & COUNCILMEMBERS' ASSOCIATION OF SONOMA COUNTY

Cloverdale, Cotati, Healdsburg, Petaluma, Rohnert Park, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol, Sonoma, Windsor

Meeting of Thursday, June 13, 2019

6:00 PM

BOARD MEETING

Sonoma County Library Administration Headquarters
6135 State Farm Drive
Rohnert Park CA

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

1. **Call to Order** – Chair Amy Harrington (City of Sonoma).
2. **Roll Call**

Cloverdale (Melanie Bagby)		Petaluma (Teresa Barrett)		Sebastopol (Neysa Hinton)	
Cotati (John Dell'Osso)		Rohnert Park (Gina Belforte)		Sonoma (Amy Harrington)	
Healdsburg (David Hagele)		Santa Rosa (Tom Schwedhelm)		Windsor (Dominic Foppoli)	

3. **Approval of Minutes of April 11, 2019.**
4. **Public Comment**
5. **Business Items:**
 - (a) **Appointments to the Following Boards / Committees:**
 - **ABAG Executive Board**, one position, to fill expired term of Jake Mackenzie (Rohnert Park), term expires June 2019. Two year fixed term.
Letters Received: None Received
 - **ABAG Executive Board** (Alternate), one position, to fill expired term of Julie Combs (Santa Rosa), term expires June 2019. Two year fixed term.
Letters Received: None Received
 - **Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation & Open Space District** Citizens Advisory Committee, one position, to fill the expired term of John Dell'Osso (Cotati), term expires June 2019. Two years from appointment.
Letters Received: John Dell'Osso (Cotati)
 - **ABAG Regional Planning Committee**, one position, to fill vacated term (Feb. 2021) of Julie Combs (Santa Rosa). Term expires two years from appointment.
Letter(s) Received: Susan Adams (Rohnert Park)
 - (b) **Report from Sub-Committee (Cotati/Rohnert Park/Sonoma) and Update on Action Item from April 11, 2019 Board Meeting Regarding CASA Compact Letter**

- (c) **Report on Home Sonoma Leadership Council and Request for Board to Submit a Request to the Cities for Direction on Future Governance**
(Assistant City Manager Don Schwartz, representing cities without designated federal CDBG designation (all cities except Santa Rosa))
- (d) **Request for Item to be brought forward to the Mayors and Councilmembers General Membership at its Meeting of August 2019 (Mayor Hinton, Sebastopol)**

6. **Announcement(s)**

7. **Adjournment** Next Board of Directors Meetings: August 8, 2019 in the City of Santa Rosa CA.

Upcoming Meetings:

August 8, 2019	City of Santa Rosa
October 10, 2019	City of Sebastopol

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BOARD MEETING

Thursday, April 11, 2019

Petaluma, CA

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order** – Meeting was called to order by Chair Amy Harrington (Sonoma) at 6:47 p.m.

2. **Roll Call – Chair Harrington called for the roll call:**

Present:	City of Cloverdale	Mayor Melanie Bagby
	City of Cotati	Mayor John Del'Osso
	City of Healdsburg	Mayor David Hagele
	City of Petaluma	Mayor Teresa Barrett
	City of Rohnert Park	Mayor Gina Belforte
	City of Santa Rosa	Mayor Tom Schwedhelm
	City of Sebastopol	Mayor Neysa Hinton
	City of Sonoma	Mayor Amy Harrington
	Town of Windsor	Mayor Dominic Foppoli

3. **Approval of Minutes of January 31, 2019**

Motion by City of Rohnert Park, seconded by the City of Cotati, to approve the January 31, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes as submitted.

VOTE:

Ayes: Cities of Cloverdale, Cotati, Healdsburg, Petaluma, Rohnert Park, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol, Sonoma, Town of Windsor

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Motion carried.

4. **Public Comment:** Teri Shore, Greenbelt Alliance, spoke under public comment.

5. **Business Items:** Chair Harrington introduced the item and requested that the Board discuss the committees, letters of interest received, and requested that the Board act on the following appointments.

(a) Appointments to the Following Boards/Committees:

Board of Directors

• ABAG Regional Planning Committee, one position, to fill expired term (Feb. 2019) of Julie Combs (Santa Rosa). Term expires two years from appointment.

Letter(s) Received: Julie Combs – Santa Rosa
Susan Adams – Rohnert Park

Public Comment: None

Motion by the City of Rohnert Park, seconded by the City of Cotati, to nominate Susan Adams to fill the position on the ABAG Regional Planning Committee.

VOTE:

Ayes: Cities of Cotati and Rohnert Park,
Noes: Cities of Cloverdale, Healdsburg, Petaluma, Sebastopol, Santa Rosa, Sonoma, and Town of Windsor
Absent: None
Abstain: None
Motion failed.

Motion by the City of Cloverdale, seconded by the City of Petaluma, to nominate Julie Combs to fill the position on the ABAG Regional Planning Committee.

VOTE:

Ayes: Cities of Cloverdale, Cotati, Healdsburg, Petaluma, Sebastopol, Santa Rosa, Sonoma, and Town of Windsor
Noes: City of Rohnert Park
Absent: None
Abstain: None
Motion carried.

- North Bay Division, League of California Cities, Executive Board, one position to fill the term of Mark Milan (previously Windsor). Term expires two years from appointment
Letter(s) Received: Rachel Hundley – Sonoma

Public Comment: None

Motion by City of Cotati, seconded by City of Petaluma, to appoint Rachel Hundley to the North Bay Division, League of California Cities, Executive Board, with a term ending date of April 2021.

VOTE:

Ayes: Cities of Cotati, Healdsburg, Petaluma, Rohnert Park, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol, Sonoma, and Town of Windsor
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: City of Cloverdale
Motion carried.

(b) Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Action on CASA Compact

- Report on Legislative Committee's Work on CASA Compact and Letter (Chairman Hundley)

Council Member Hundley (Sonoma) gave a report on what actions the Legislative Committee had taken. She presented the Board with a copy of a letter that the committee had prepared and submitted. The key points of the CASA Compact that it addressed were the "one size fits all" approach, the diversion of revenue from Sonoma County, and not being able to obtain data with projections as to what it would cost the County.

- Report from Mayors on Actions by Individual City Taken to Date

Mayor Dell'Osso (Cotati) noted that Cotati had put together a letter addressing their concerns. He noted that his biggest concern was the way CASA was moved through MTC and ABAG made it appear that there was

consensus from all of the counties, which was not accurate. He felt that there was a number of legislative bills that appeared to have support that was not actually there.

Mayor Hinton (Sebastopol) stated that Sebastopol would be abstaining from any votes on the item since they did not feel that the Mayors & Council Members Association was vested with the authority to take a legislative position; 2. Sebastopol has already voted on CASA with the League of California Cities Legislative Committee in favor of sending a letter of opposition which all had received; and Sebastopol will take an official position on CASA and submit its own letter in response after CASA is agendized and they have heard from their members of the public.

Mayor Bagby (Cloverdale) stated that Cloverdale was opposed to the CASA Compact in general and would be supporting the letter.

Mayor Hagele (Healdsburg) stated that Healdsburg had officially opposed the CASA Compact. He noted that their biggest issue was related to local control. Mayor Hagele said that they also had discussed the regionalization and local tax dollars going to some big entity and how much would come back to Healdsburg. He stated that they were doing a lot locally.

Mayor Barrett (Petaluma) stated that Petaluma had held a workshop but did not take formal action. Their concerns were also regarding local control and revenue. She noted that there was also some support for the Compact.

Mayor Schwedhelm (Santa Rosa) stated that Santa Rosa had a robust discussion but did not take any formal action either. He noted that their representative on the Legislative Committee had shared the letter with them and he believed that Santa Rosa's strategy was going to be to address the pieces of legislation one by one as they came out.

Mayor Harrington (Sonoma) stated that Sonoma had opposed CASA for many of the reasons already stated. She noted local control, RHNA number status, regional body spending local tax dollars.

Mayor Belforte (Rohnert Park) stated that was difficult for Rohnert Park was that they were building. She said that there was also a transportation crisis which went hand in hand with housing. Their biggest concern was the process and how it unfolded. She spoke about lobbyists, upcoming legislation and the need for a united front going forward.

Mayor Foppoli (Windsor) stated that they were dealing with district elections so had not agendized it.

- Discussion by Board of Directors and Possible Action to Take a Position on CASA with Board Recommendation to bring to the General Membership at the June Meeting for Action

Chair Harrington put forward a few courses of action the Board could possibly take: make recommendations to be put forward to the general membership; form a sub-committee to draft a letter for consideration by the general membership in June; or visit Sacramento.

Mayor Dell'Osso (Cotati) felt a letter would be impactful.

Mayor Bagby (Cloverdale) stated that it would be good to encourage individuals to attend the League's Legislative Action Day.

Mayor Hagele (Healdsburg) said he felt that legislators were rushing to introduce bills on housing and did not feel they would be listening. He suggested each city focus on their communities and would be hesitant to spend too much time drafting letters when they could be spending their time doing something locally.

Mayor Belforte (Rohnert Park) expressed concern that if legislators do not hear from the cities, they think it is okay. She thought the county needed to communicate how they felt.

Mayor Bagby (Cloverdale) suggested that the group watch two bills by Senator Weiner and Senator McGuire.

A subcommittee of Mayor Dell'Osso, Mayor Harrington, and Mayor Belforte was formed to draft a letter to be brought back before the general membership in June.

Motion by Mayor Bagby (Cloverdale), seconded by Mayor Barrett (Petaluma), to place the draft letter on the June agenda.

VOTE:

Ayes: Cities of Cloverdale, Cotati, Healdsburg, Petaluma, Rohnert Park, Santa Rosa, Sonoma, and Town of Windsor

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: Sebastopol

Motion carried.

- c. Report on Home Sonoma Leadership Council and Request for Board to Submit a Request to the Cities for Direction on Future Governance and Return this Item to the June MC Board and General Membership Meetings

Chair Harrington introduced the item and turned it over to Mayor Belforte and Assistant City Manager Don Schwartz who spoke to the item.

Public Comment: Council Member Patrick Slayter spoke under public comment.

Motion by City of Petaluma, seconded by City of Rohnert Park, to add a discussion regarding the Home Sonoma Leadership Council to the June 13th Board and General Membership agendas.

VOTE:

Ayes: Cities of Cloverdale, Cotati, Healdsburg, Petaluma, Rohnert Park, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol, Sonoma, and Town of Windsor

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

6. **Announcement:** None

7. **Adjournment:** Chair Harrington adjourned the Board meeting at 7:20pm to the Next Board of Directors Meetings: June 13, 2019 in the City of Rohnert Park, CA.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Rebekah Barr
City of Sonoma City Clerk
Recording Secretary – 2019 Chair City

Upcoming Meetings:

August 8, 2019 City of Santa Rosa
October 10, 2019 City of Sebastopol

ITEM 5.a

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS/ COMMITTEES



April 30, 2019

Chair
Mayors and Councilmembers Association
City of Sonoma
No. 1 The Plaza
Sonoma CA 95476
ATTN: Rebekah Barr, MMC, City Clerk

Re: Request for Reappointment to the Citizens Advisory Committee of the Sonoma County
Agricultural Preservation & Open Space District

Dear Mayors and Councilmembers Board of Directors,

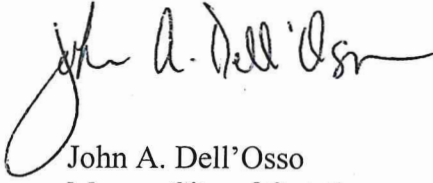
I am writing you to ask for your support for reappointment on the Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation & Open Space District (District) Citizens Advisory Committee. I would be honored to have the opportunity to continue representing our cities. I feel that my background of working for the National Park Service (NPS) at Point Reyes National Seashore for over 35 years gives me an excellent understanding of open space issues in the Bay Area and nationally. Additionally, for over 50 years at the Seashore, we have preserved and maintained the historic dairy and beef ranches at Point Reyes while continuing to be a natural sanctuary and human haven for myriad of species and over 2.5 million annual visitors.

At the District, I was first appointed in 2012, reappointed in 2015 and have been serving as the Chair since 2017. I would be honored to continue serving the District. With that role, I have been updating the Mayors' & Councilmembers' Association at our bi monthly meetings of any updates from the Committee and will continue to do so.

If you look at the mission statement for the District and the NPS, there are some very strong similarities; mainly to preserve and protect for future generations. I have been committed to this concept in my professional, personal, and public life.

I respectfully ask for your vote to reappoint me to this committee. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions at 707-664-0598 or at john.delloso@sbcglobal.net.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John A. Dell'Osso". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning of the first name.

John A. Dell'Osso
Mayor, City of Cotati



City Council

Gina Belforte
Mayor

Joseph T. Callinan
Vice Mayor

Susan Hollingsworth Adams
Jake Mackenzie
Pam Stafford
Councilmembers

Darrin Jenkins
City Manager

Don Schwartz
Assistant City Manager

Michelle Marchetta Kenyon
City Attorney

Karen Murphy
Assistant City Attorney

JoAnne Buerger
City Clerk

Betsy Howze
Finance Director

Tim Mattos
Public Safety Director

John McArthur
*Director of Public Works and
Community Services*

Mary Grace Pawson
*Director of
Development Services*

Victoria Perrault
Human Resources Director

May 17, 2019

Chair
Sonoma County Mayors' and Councilmembers Association
City of Sonoma
No. 1 The Plaza
Sonoma CA 95476
ATTN: Rebekah Barr, MMC, City Clerk

Re: Request for Appointment to the ABAG Regional Planning Committee

Honorable Mayors and Councilmembers,

I am submitting this letter to you to advance my candidacy for selection to the ABAG Regional Planning Committee.

As your representative, I would work to fill ABAG's mission to "strengthen cooperation and collaboration among local governments to provide innovative and cost-effective solutions to common problems that they face."

Prior to my election to the Rohnert Park City Council, I served as a member of the Rohnert Park Planning Commission for 14 years, including 4 years as Chair and 5 years as Vice-Chair. I played a significant role in numerous projects of interest to the community.

As your representative to ABAG, I would bring this expertise and knowledge of land use development including the review and processing of numerous land use actions for a total of 2,981 new housing units to our County. I have also been an active participant in the development and implementation of countless land use and municipal code policies that have and will shape our community now and in the future.

I respectfully ask for your support of my request for appointment. Please feel free to call or email me should you have any questions at (707) 291-8450, or sadams@rpcity.org. I appreciate your support.

Yours Sincerely,

Susan Hollingsworth Adams
Councilmember

ITEM 5.d

MAYOR HINTON
REQUEST FOR
AGENDA ITEM

MAYORS' & COUNCILMEMBERS' ASSOCIATION OF SONOMA COUNTY

Revised Request Submitted: 6/5/2019

Cloverdale, Cotati, Healdsburg, Petaluma, Rohnert Park, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol, Sonoma, Windsor
Meeting of June 13, 2019

SUBJECT: Request for Item to be brought forward to the Mayors and Councilmembers Executive Board Meeting Agenda at its Meeting of August 2019 (Mayor Hinton, Sebastopol)

According to the By Laws of the Board for the Mayors and Councilmembers Association – the Board reviews policy items and develops the agenda for the Association. **(1) In connection with the development of the agenda for the Association, any member of the Board of Directors may, during a regular Membership meeting or Board of Directors meeting, request to place an item on the next Regular Membership Meeting Agenda. The Board of Directors will determine by majority vote of a quorum of the Board whether to place the item on the agenda for the next regular Membership Meeting.**

Mayor Hinton, City of Sebastopol, has requested that the Board consider making a formal request to propose to add an alternate position to the current Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Appointment. In the recent re-appointment of Councilmember Jake Mackenzie for the next four-year term this idea was suggested by two Sonoma County Board of Supervisors. (See letter attached)

Full representation at all times is important for the Metropolitan Transportation Commission appointment. This proposed alternate position would ensure that in cases of absences for whatever reason someone from Sonoma County Mayors' and Councilmembers' could not attend, our member would always present and participating.

The Board is being asked tonight to consider the following:

1. To move the recommendation forward to August 2019 MC Executive Board Meeting Agenda in which case the Executive Board will vote to place the item and if approved, would move on the MC General Membership Meeting of October 2019. A full vote by membership would then be taken. If action is approved, then a letter will be sent with recommendation to the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors. This action would support the concept suggested to create an Alternate Seat for the Metropolitan Transportation Commission position held by a Mayors' and Councilmembers' appointment.

COUNTY OF SONOMA
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June 3, 2019

Executive Board
Mayors' and Councilmembers' Association of Sonoma County

Re: Alternate Position for Metropolitan Transportation Commission Appointment

Dear Executive Board Members,

As you know, the Board of Supervisors recently reappointed Councilmember Jake Mackenzie to represent Sonoma County on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) for the next four-year term.

At the Board of Supervisors meeting on May 14th, 2019 I mentioned that I felt it would be in Sonoma County's interest to consider adding an alternate position to the MTC seat as well. Supervisor Gore is interested in exploring this option as well.

We feel this would be important to offer an "apprentice" opportunity that may give some experience for future appointments. Additionally, and possibly more important, the appointed alternate could serve in cases of vacation, illness or conflicts for the current Metropolitan Transportation Commissioner. The new alternate position would ensure that Sonoma County always has full representation at MTC meetings. This is common practice for most committee appointments.

We are aware that Mayor Hinton of Sebastopol plans to bring it to the Executive Board Meeting of Mayors' and Councilmembers' Association in June for discussion and possible recommendation to your full membership.

If your organization is in support of the idea as we are, we encourage you to make a formal request with recommendation back to the Board of Supervisors. With your recommendation, we would then submit the idea to the full board so that we may discuss the concept further and possibly move the request on a State level.

Sincerely,

Lynda Hopkins, District 5 Supervisor

James Gore, District 4 Supervisor