



**COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA
LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM COMMITTEE**

MINUTES

Date: Monday, September 10, 2012

Time: 10:30AM – 12:00PM

Place: **Board of Supervisors Conference Room, Fourth Floor**
105 E. Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara

Committee Members:	Salud Carbajal, First District Supervisor	Present
	Doreen Farr, Third District Supervisor	Present
	Chandra L. Wallar, County Executive Officer	Present
	Robert Geis, Auditor-Controller	Absent
	Dennis A. Marshall, County Counsel	Present

Public Comment

No request to speak during Public Comment.

Agenda Items:

1. **Approve minutes from the June 4, 2012 meeting. (Attachment 1: Draft 06/04/12 minutes)**

Motion made by Farr, seconded by Carbajal to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2012 meeting of the Legislative Program Committee. Motion passed by a vote of 4-0.

Note: Technical issues with the phone experienced

2. **Receive an update on Federal issues of interest to the County and direct staff to take action as necessary.**

Thomas Walters of Thomas Walters and Associates, Inc. provided a review of the Federal issues of interest. The Committee received and filed report.

Note: Given technical issues the Committee then proceeded to engage Tom Walters in a discussion of the Item number 4 Earth Quake Insurance Affordability Act. Item #3 was heard later in the meeting.

3. **Receive an end of session update on State issues of interest to the County and direct staff to take action as necessary.**

Monica Miller of Governmental Advocates provided an update to the Committee.

"Writings that are a public record under Government Code § 54957.5(a) and that relate to an agenda item for open session of a regular meeting of the County Legislative Program Committee and that are distributed to a majority of the members of the County Legislative Program Committee less than 72 hours prior to that meeting shall be available for public inspection at Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board at 105 E. Anapamu Street, 4th Floor in Santa Barbara, and also on the County's website at <http://www.countyofsbq.org/ceo/legis.aspx?id=308>"

- CEO Wallar previously requested legislative strategy to be prepared by Governmental Advocates. A follow-up request was made regarding specific content and format needed.
- The Committee received and filed report.

4. The Earthquake Insurance Affordability Act (EIAA)

- Terri Nisich provided an overview of the Act as represented in Attachment 4 of the report.
- Supervisors Carbajal thanked Supervisor Farr for bringing the items forward or consideration

Motion made by Supervisor Carbajal, seconded by Supervisor Farr to support the act. Motion passed by a vote of 4-0.

5. Preparation & Timeline for the 2013 Platform

Terri Nisich provided an overview of the Timeline for the development of the legislative platform as well as a review of both the CSAC and NACo legislative policy items. In addition the adopted County legislative principles were reviewed in order to affirm content of items or make changes. Discussion occurred among the committee members regarding inclusion of infrastructure projects as a key job creation vehicle within job growth and economic vitality principle. In addition, a request was made to reference Regional Housing needs numbers and regional governance entities such as SBCAG within the community sustainability principle.

Terri Nisich also announced the legislative program committee program and committee preparation will now be handled by Assistant to the County Executive Officer Dennis Bozanich.

*Motion made by Supervisor Farr, second by Supervisor Carbajal to incorporate changes discussed and return to committee for review on principles at October meeting.
Motion Passed 4-0.*

Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting date: *Monday, October 1, 2012*