

COMMITTEE: Legislative	DATE: September 7, 2018	LOCATION: 10 N. San Pedro Rd., Room 1025
PRESENT: Bloch, López, Boutilier, Dowling, <i>McKeon, Mills</i> EXCUSED: Bortel, <i>Dick, Lubamersky</i>		
RECORDER: Michele McCabe and Aging Program Manager Jenay Cottrell		
NEXT MEETING: Friday, September 7, 2018; 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. at 10 N San Pedro Rd. Room 1025		

MINUTE SUMMARY	ACTION TAKEN/RESPONSIBLE PARTY
<p>Call to Order: Co-Chair Bloch called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.</p> <p>Agenda Approval: The agenda was approved as written.</p> <p>Meeting Minutes Approval: The minutes were approved with one correction. Co-Chair Bloch’s bill did go forward.</p> <p>Open Time for Public Expression: Cottrell announced that she will be covering this committee until another staff member was hired.</p> <p>Legislative Aide Reports: Carole Mills announced that the legislative session is over for 2018. Governor Brown has until September 30, 2018 to sign or veto bills.</p> <p>Co-Chair’s Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Co-Chair Bloch acknowledged both Assembly person Levine and Senator McGuire for being incredible partners who are appreciated by the Commission on Aging. 	

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<p>Advocacy – Old Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Both AB 2994 (Grab bars in public bathrooms) and AB 2132 (Permit Fee Waivers) are on Governor Browns desk for signature. • AB2994 – Board of Supervisors wrote a support letter on August 30, 2018. There was no need for the Commission to send another letter. • AB 2132 – Committee voted to send a letter urging the governor to sign. Staff will take care of this next week. <p>Proposed Changes to the 2019 Legislative Plan The Committee voted to change the following:</p> <p>2018 FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM</p> <p>A. POLICY</p> <p>1. a) Affordable Care Act. Oppose efforts to repeal or weaken the federal Affordable Care Act (ACA), which allowed 22 million Americans nationwide to obtain health care coverage, or efforts to turn over Medicaid (Medi-Cal in California) to the states. Marin County alone has over 30,000 residents on Medicaid under the program.</p> <p>b) Medicare Oppose efforts to convert Medicare to a voucher system with less funding. Support efforts to extend coverage by adding vision, dental, hearing and podiatry care.</p> <p>8. Support efforts to raise the payroll tax cap for Social Security to \$250,000. Support efforts to calculate the social security pension cost of living adjustments with the use of the CPI-E instead of the CPI-W.</p> <p>E. Older American Act</p> <p>1. Support full or expanded funding for all titles of the Older American’s Act</p>	

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<p>2018 STATE LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM A. PRIORITY ISSUES</p> <p>4. Affordable Housing Preservation/Rehabilitation/Development. Explore efforts to establish a greater voice for local governments with respect to the share of regional housing needs allocated to them by the state. Explore funding opportunities per the recently approved SB 2 (Atkins; 2017), the Building Homes and Jobs Act, which establishes a new \$75 recording fee on certain real estate transactions to create a permanent source of state funding for affordable housing, expected to generate \$225–\$260 million per year. Explore the Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2018 on the November 2018 statewide ballot, regarding the issuance of \$4 billion in state general obligation bonds, with \$1 billion dedicated toward veterans housing, for potential Marin County benefit. Support efforts to permit counties to collaborate with their cities to create more affordable housing opportunities, or to preserve existing affordable housing units, including a broader range of options that would be eligible to receive state housing element credits, such as senior housing, assisted living units, housing cooperatives and second units/junior second units. Support state funding for the conversion of existing commercial and housing stock - and increasing funds, providing tax incentives, and exploring other mechanisms for affordable housing preservation, rehabilitation, development and/or conversion, including costs associated with Americans with Disabilities Act compliance. Implement AB2132 to waive permit fees for Marin residents who are age 60+ and the disabled.</p> <p>COUNTY OF MARIN 2019 LEGISLATIVE POLICY GUIDELINES</p> <p>A. TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS</p> <p>1. Multi-modal Transportation. Defend the SB 1 transportation funding bill signed into law in 2017 from any repeal efforts, which brings approximately \$4 million per year in new revenue for local streets and roads in the face of otherwise declining state and federal funding for transportation. Support efforts to incentivize commuters to use modes of transportation alternative to single occupancy vehicles, including employer-sponsored incentives. In concert with the Transportation Authority of Marin (TAM) and the Marin</p>	

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<p>County Transit District, oppose state efforts to redirect funding from the Public Transportation Account for non-transportation purposes, including the State Transit Assistance (STA) program that provides the sole source of state funding for local transit operations and capital purchases. Support efforts in concert with TAM, Metropolitan Transportation Commission, Marin Transit, SMART, the Golden Gate Bridge Highway and Transportation District and others to give PTA funds constitutional protection. Support proposals for infrastructure bonds to establish a long-term funding source for transit capital projects. Support efforts to increase funding for purchase of vehicles at the local level that serve mobility programs for seniors and the disabled.</p> <p>G. HOUSING AND LAND USE</p> <p>7. Sustainable Communities Strategies (SCS). Continue to work with the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) to monitor and support SCS initiatives that balance the need to protect local government revenues with sound land use planning by local communities – i.e. incorporating new ideas in the areas of growth management, transportation, health, commerce, housing, age-friendly and open space to create more livable communities.</p> <p>Advocacy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Business López brought up two issues in the 2018 Legislative Plan that the Commissioners should be more informed about: <p>G. HOUSING AND LAND USE</p> <p>6. Indian Gaming. Support efforts to provide local government greater authority with respect to Indian gaming. Compacts with California tribes should include a mandate for judicially enforceable agreements between tribal and local governments, such that Indian gaming tribes comply with state environmental standards, and localities should have more authority to mitigate the significant adverse off-reservation impacts of Indian gaming. Ensure that the U.S. Secretary of the Interior has discretion to consider impacts to the local community before taking land into trust for gaming purposes. Support legislation</p>	

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<p>which balances tribal, local, state and federal concerns while protecting or enhancing state and local government authority to mitigate off-reservation impacts. Work with stakeholders and regional partners to ensure that any casinos proposed for development in Marin or in neighboring jurisdictions: 1) do not create significant local adverse off-reservation impacts, and/or 2) that Marin communities have a voice in such negotiations and are provided sufficient authority and funding to mitigate any such impacts.</p> <p>7. Sustainable Communities Strategies (SCS). Continue to work with the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) to monitor and support SCS initiatives that balance the need to protect local government revenues with sound land use planning by local communities – i.e. incorporating new ideas in the areas of growth management, transportation, health, commerce, housing, age-friendly and open space to create more livable communities.</p> <p>Adjourned: The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.</p> <p>Next Meeting: December 7 at 10 N San Pedro Rd. Room 1025</p>	