

**ALAMEDA COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS'  
PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATION/LEGISLATION  
COMMITTEE**

**Monday, September 28, 2020  
1:30 p.m.**

**Supervisor Keith Carson, Chair  
Supervisor Wilma Chan**

Location: **Board of Supervisors Chambers – Room 512 5<sup>th</sup> floor**  
County Administration Building  
1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA 94612

**Summary/Action Minutes**

**I. Federal Legislative Update – CJ Lake**

**Congressional Schedule**

Both chambers will hold floor votes this week and will be in session through the week.

Appropriations - Continuing Resolution

The Senate is scheduled to take up a continuing resolution to fund the government through December 11 before the end of the fiscal year on Wednesday night.. The House passed the CR last Wednesday by a vote of 359-57.

**Coronavirus Stimulus/Relief Discussions**

This morning, Speaker Pelosi said that she and Treasury Secretary Mnuchin may still reach a deal on a coronavirus stimulus package. Pelosi and Democrat leaders have stated that in the absence of a deal they may vote on a House-only version of a relief package that includes more funding for airlines and restaurants and more PPP funding. Over the last few weeks, little progress has been made, and Democrats, Republicans, and the White House are still not in agreement on the topline figure of a relief bill. Speaker Pelosi offered \$2.5 trillion, while Republicans are around a billion dollars lower than that. It is difficult to see how a package will come together with the General Election right around the corner and members are heading home to campaign.

**SCOTUS Schedule**

- Monday, 10/12: Opening statements
- Tuesday, 10/13: First round of questions
- Wednesday, 10/14: Second round of questions and closed session
- Thursday, 10/15: Outside witnesses
- Thursday, 10/22: Report the nominee out of committee

**Coronavirus Relief Fund**

Two weeks ago, we reported on a letter from the National Governors Association, National Conference of State Legislatures, National League of Cities, National Association of Counties, International City/County Management Association, US Conference of Mayors, and the Council of State Government in which they noted that there was some conflicting guidance regarding payroll costs for public health and public safety employees who are responding directly to the COVID-19 public health emergency coming from the Department of the Treasury and the Office of the Inspector General at the Department of the Treasury.

Last Monday, the U.S. Department of Treasury's Office of Inspector General (OIG) released an updated FAQ document that contains the requested modifications to the reporting requirements for the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF). OIG's updated guidance addresses concerns regarding the additional reporting and record retention requirements for counties using CRF payments

**Purpose:**

- Report progress
- Advocacy or Education
- Request PAL\_Committee Recommendation or Position
- Other: Federal Update**

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

**Request for Legislation position – Action Item**

**i. [S. 4431 \(Feinstein\) The Emergency Wildlife and Public Safety Act of 2020](#)**

**Recommendation: Support:** Richard Valle, President, Board of Supervisors, District 2  
[Attachment](#)

**Purpose:**

- Report progress
- Advocacy or Education
- Request PAL\_Committee Recommendation or Position**
- Other:

**Recommendation from PAL Committee:** Support. Move to the full Board of Supervisors.

**II. State Legislative Update – Political Solutions**

The Legislature remains on their interim recess until December 7, 2020. Committees are in the process of scheduling any oversight or informational hearings, some of which are taking place this week on priority issues related to COVID-19 response and the budget.

**Tuesday, September 29, 2020**

Two informational budget hearings have been scheduled, as indicated below. As always, the PS Team will provide summaries after the hearings.

- Assembly Budget Subcommittee #6 on Budget Process, Oversight, and Program Evaluation -- Informational Hearing on "Public Health Data and Guidance and the CalREDIE System."
- Assembly Budget Subcommittee #6 and Assembly Accountability and Administrative Review Committees -- Joint Informational Hearing on "State Expenditures."
- Legislative Analysts' Office presentation on "State Spending and Administrative Costs"

**Governor Gavin Newsom**

The Governor announced some major changes related to Climate Change last week that will be implemented in the coming months and during the next legislative session, including issuing an Executive Order halting the sale of gas-powered vehicles by 2035. The Governor has until September 30 to act upon the bills that have been sent to his desk. The PS Team continues to report out as he signs or vetoes key bills. Press conferences continue to be held regularly throughout the week to update the media and Californians about the state's actions on COVID-19 and the wildfires.

**Monday, September 28, 2020**

Governor Newsom gave an update on the wildfire situation, the COVID-19 statistics, and Project Homekey.

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- Other: State update**

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**Request for Legislation position – Action Items**

**i. Proposition 17 – Voting Rights Restoration for Persons on Parole**

*Recommendation: **Support:** Keith Carson, Vice-President, Board of Supervisors, District 5*

**ii. Proposition 20 – Criminal Sentencing, Parole and DNA Collection Initiative**

*Recommendation: **Oppose:** Keith Carson, Vice-President, Board of Supervisors, District 5*

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- Other:

**Recommendation from PAL Committee:** Support. Move to the full Board of Supervisors.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

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