

ALAMEDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' TRANSPORTATION/ PLANNING COMMITTEE

Monday, November 7, 2022
9:30 a.m.

Supervisor Nate Miley, Chair
Supervisor David Haubert

Location: Board of Supervisors Chamber – 5th Floor
County Administration Building
1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA 94612

Summary/Action Minutes

I. Overview of Community Priorities and Need for Allocation of Second Tranche of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds for the Unincorporated Areas

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Leo Esclamado, Rosemary Vazquez, My Eden Voice, presented a PowerPoint presentation on an Overview of Community Priorities and Need for Allocation of Second Tranche of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds for the Unincorporated Areas.

Evaluating ARPA Tranche 1 investments and their equitable impact- Are our residents better off? How can this be measured towards Vision 2026 goals?

Sustainability of funded programs- community grassroots infrastructure, financial services, wealth building, etc.

Community mental health initiative

Addressing housing insecurity through innovative approaches such as case management for unhoused individuals and County anti-displacement infrastructure

We need ARPA second round funding to sustain and expand the work that is underway Supervisor Chan envisioned a second set of funds, at least \$15.5 million for Urban Unincorporated communities We need to continue process County started to support projects that directly promote equity

Speakers: Matt Turner, Rick Hatcher, Dr. Ann Maris, Charles Pisano, Julio Contreras, Maria Miranda, Nichole McFarland, Dave Thompson, Alina Farooq, Yuliana Wiser-León, Kelly Abreu, Peter Rosen and Mimi Dean all spoke in support of the My Eden Voice request for second tranche of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding.

Purpose:

- Report progress
- Advocacy or Education
- Request Transportation and Planning Committee recommendation**
- Other:

Recommendation from the Transportation & Planning Committee: Support. Move to the full Board of Supervisors.

II. Adopt and Approve an Ordinance Implementing the 2022 California Building Standards Code [Attachment](#)

Daniel Woldesenbet, Director, Public Works Agency, presented a memorandum and proposed ordinance to adopt and approve the Implementation of the 2022 California Building Standards Code.

On July 1, 2022, the State published the 2022 California Building Standards Code. The triennial Building Standards Code will be effective, as written, on January 1, 2023. The proposed ordinance will adopt and amend the 2022 California Building Standards Code to include local regulations in the unincorporated Alameda County.

The recommendation from the Public Works Agency is:

1. Adopt and approve an ordinance to:
 - A. Repeal the current Chapters 15.08 Building Code, 15.12 Electrical Code, 15.16 Plumbing Code, 15.20 Mechanical Code, and 15.24 Housing Code of the General Ordinance Code.
 - B. Adopt and approve new Chapters 15.08 Building Code, 15.12 Electrical Code, 15.16 Mechanical Code, 15.20 Plumbing Code, and 15.24 Housing Code in their place, of the General Ordinance Code.
 - C. Find that all Alameda County amendments continue to be reasonably necessary because of local climatic, geological, or topographical conditions or to set forth local administrative procedures.
 - D. Find adoption of the ordinance to be exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act.

Speakers: Tom Baker and Kelly Abreu made comments on the 2022 California Buildings Standards Code Ordinance.

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III. Comparison of Alameda County Building Code with the California Building Code [Attachment](#)

Daniel Woldesenbet, Director, Public Works Agency

The Adoption of the 2022 Building Code Ordinance will ensure continuity and consistency in the issuance of permits and enforcement of the county's building codes.

- The substantial majority of the local amendments to the State Code are administrative and are intended to customize and align with County regulations.
- The code appendices that are adopted by Ordinance amendments are intended to provide clarifying requirements for permitting specialized areas with reference to local geologic, topographic and climatic conditions.
- The implementation of the Building Code is NOT discretionary. However, changes to the local amendments can be made at anytime with the supported findings, and as long as they are not less restrictive than the State Code.

Speakers: Kelly Abreu, Marc Crawford, Peter Rosen and Ann Maris commented on the Comparison of Alameda County Building Code with the California Building Code.

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- Other:

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

IV. Somerset Avenue Improvement Project

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Daniel Woldesenbet, Director, Public Works Agency, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the Somerset Avenue Improvement Project.

The project goals for the Somerset Avenue Improvement Project are to provide a multi-modal facility that improves walkability and accessibility to local schools, businesses, and residences. It will also improve bicycle & traffic safety. In addition to drainage improvements, the project will rehabilitate/repair the pavement and improve corridor aesthetics.

Design Alternatives

Alternative 1: Class III bike route, on-street parking both sides, intersection bulb out, 6ft. sidewalk

Alternative 2: Class II bike lane, on-street parking on one side, intersection bulb out, 5 ft. sidewalk

Alternative 3: Class II bike lane with buffer, no on-street parking, no bulb out, 7ft. sidewalk

The Public Works Agency will receive comments from the Committee as well as community residents on which alternative is preferred on the Somerset Improvement Project.

Speakers

Several speakers gave public comment on their preferred design.

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Recommendation from the Transportation & Planning Committee: The Public Works Agency to work with Dave Campbell of Bike East Bay and other stakeholders to design a pilot program for Somerset Avenue and return to the Transportation & Planning Committee to report progress.

V. Discussion of utilizing existing American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding to create a pilot county program tasked with responding to tenant/occupant complaints of housing quality, maintenance concerns and substandard code violations – Continued to a future meeting

Edward Labayog, Code Enforcement Manager, Community Development Agency

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