ALAMEDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' TRANSPORTATION/ PLANNING COMMITTEE

Monday, July 3, 2023 9:30 a.m.

Supervisor David Haubert, Chair Supervisor Nate Miley Location: <u>Board of Supervisors Chamber – 5th Floor</u> County Administration Building 1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA 94612

Summary/Action Minutes

I. <u>ACTION ITEM</u>: United States Postal Service Mailing Place Names and ZIP Codes in Unincorporated Alameda County – *continued to a future meeting* Alameda County Planning Department, Community Development Agency <u>Attachment</u>

II. <u>INFORMATIONAL ITEM</u>: Code of Conduct/Business for County Departments

David Haubert, Vice-President, Board of Supervisors, District 1, and Nate Miley, President, Board of Supervisors, discussed the need for a code of conduct and clear standards for public-facing interactions with county staff. He noted the importance of professionalism and transparency in serving the community. Some members of the public feel mistreated and that is essential to provide clear expectations and a resolution process for any issues.

The Committee discussed the need to have a publicly accessible document outlining expectations and the resolution process for any issues that may arise. The Committee directed the County Counsel and County department heads to work together to create this document and bring it back to the committee for discussion, possibly within two months.

Speakers

Kelly Abreu, Tuan, Tom Silva, and Chuck Moore commented on the Code of Conduct/Business for County Departments.

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

Recommendation from Transportation & Planning Committee: The Committee directed the County Counsel and County department heads to work together to create a code of conduct document and bring it back to the committee for discussion, possibly within two months.

III. <u>ACTION ITEM</u>: Direct Housing & Community Development staff to prepare a staff report and presentation on the opportunity and potential impacts of a regional affordable housing bond for discussion by the full Board in July 2023; Direct Housing & Community Development staff to begin the housing equity framework development process Attachment Michelle Starratt, Director, Alameda County Housing & Community Development Department, Community Development Agency, presented a PowerPoint presentation and staff report on the potential impacts of a regional affordable housing bond for discussion by the full Board in July 2023.

The presentation outlined the need for a regional affordable housing bond, potential funding sources and the impact on housing in Alameda County. The goal is to allocate funds for housing projects, especially those targeting homeless individuals and low-income households.

The Measure A1, Affordable Housing Initiative has completed over 4,100 new housing units in Alameda County, exceeding the original goal.

A regional housing bond could assist in the current and future housing needs in the county, including addressing severely cost-burdened households. It emphasizes the need for affordable housing solutions to accommodate expected growth.

Potential funding sources include a regional effort led by the Bay Area Housing Finance Agency to raise funds through a general obligation bond, could provide substantial funding for Alameda County and other counties in the Bay Area.

In addition, Bay Area Housing Finance Authority (BAFA) was created in 2019 to find regional solutions to the housing crisis in the Bay Area. It has the authority to raise revenue for all nine Bay Area counties through various means, including a general obligation bond.

Polling data shows varying levels of public support for general obligation bonds for housing over the years, with the most recent support reaching 72% in Oakland. A constitutional amendment may be necessary to pass such bonds.

The Housing & Community Development Agency requests support from the Transportation & Planning Committee to forward the proposal to the full board for direction, including the creation of an equity framework and an update to the regional process for affordable housing funding.

Speakers

Kelly Abreu, Tuan, and George Wu commented on the presentation on the opportunity and potential impacts of a regional affordable housing bond.

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Recommendation from the Transportation & Planning Committee:

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Tuan raised concerns about the effectiveness and efficiency of housing programs. He expressed the need for a more data-driven approach, suggesting that policymakers should provide measurable and tangible metrics to justify their programs. He also called for studying successful policies from other cities and implementing proven strategies.

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