



# City of Aliso Viejo City Council

## Legislative Sub-Committee

July 25, 2016: 11:00am

Meeting called to order at 11:12am

Participants: Mayor Munzing, Councilmember Chun, Townsend Public Affairs Senior Associate Cori Williams, Townsend Public Affairs Associate Eric O'Donnell

**1. Public Comments – (an opportunity for the public to comment on any item of interest relevant to the Legislative Sub-Committee)**

1. None

**2. State General Update – (an update about matters of the State that are of interest to the Legislative Sub-Committee)**

1. Budget Update

i. Cap-and-Trade Update

1. On May 18, the California Air Resources Board (ARB) held the seventh cap-and-trade auction of greenhouse gas allowances. At this quarterly auction, buyers purchased just 2 percent of the available state-owned carbon credits, totaling \$10 million for the wide variety of programs funded through cap-and-trade revenues. Approximately \$500 million was expected to be generated.

- a. Governor has asked Legislature to hold off until August 16 auction results.

2. If the revenues from the next auction return back to previous revenue levels (near \$500M) then it is anticipated that a robust funding package will come together at the end of session. However, if the revenues come in lower, then it is not likely.

ii. Transportation Update

1. A transportation infrastructure funding package was not included in the budget as there is still no agreement in the Legislature on funding mechanisms. It is unlikely a comprehensive transportation funding proposal will be agreed upon this year.

- a. The budget increased the motor vehicle registration fee \$10 per year (\$70 to \$80) and will generate an additional \$400 million a year to State agencies.

- b. Discussion on AB 516 (Mullin) and if license plate changes included in this bill have any correlation to the transportation infrastructure package that is being developed by the Legislature and Administration.

iii. Emergency Drought Conservation Regulations

1. On May 9, Governor Brown issued an executive order outlining long-term water conservation goals and restrictions with the intent of making water conservation a way of life.
  - a. This executive order directs state agencies to shift their temporary emergency water conservation measures to permanent water conservation measures.
2. At their May 18 meeting, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted a proposal. The new regulations closely parallel the goals set in the Governor's Executive Order above, and will be in effect starting June 1, 2016 through January 2017.
3. Department of Water Resources (DWR) shall work with SWRCB to develop new water use targets as part of a permanent framework for urban water agencies. DWR and SWRCB must consult with stakeholders and issue a proposed draft framework by January 10, 2017.
4. Councilmember Ross Chun is going to relay this information to AVCA at the next subcommittee meeting and will report back if there is additional information that TPA can provide.
  - a. TPA is prepared to work with the SWRCB to ensure that City concerns are included in the stakeholder process. TPA is awaiting feedback from discussion with AVCA.

2. Priority Legislation

- i. AB 1217 (Daly) – Orange County Fire Authority
  1. City has an oppose position
  2. TPA provided an update on the status of the bill as well as the background of when the amendments were taken and summary of TPA's conversation with Daly prior to the introduction of the amendments in June.
- ii. SB 1069 (Wieckowski) – Land Use: Zoning
  1. TPA provided an update on the bill. Legislation changes the term "second units" to "accessory dwelling units" on single family lots that are independent of primary dwelling units.
    - a. Legislation eases barriers to the construction of these units.
    - b. Although intent of Legislation was to focus on California's coastal urban areas, this is a statewide bill that will impact all communities and will remove local land use flexibility.
    - c. TPA is monitoring the bill for the City and will provide updates on movement.

iii. Transient Occupancy Taxes

1. TPA provided update on legislation that was introduced this session related to short term rentals.
  - a. No legislation is moving forward this year, but this will return next year. Senator McGuire has been the champion.

2. TPA to get a copy of the City's STR resolution and provide feedback as to how the STR discussion would impact the City's ban.

### **3. Funding Opportunities**

1. Trails Project Funding Opportunities
  - i. TPA provided a draft matrix to the Council that outlines funding opportunities and a funding map for trails improvement project.
  - ii. Councilmember Chun stressed that improvements to the trails should focus on ingress/egress points, the access provided to the schools that use this trail as an access route, clearly defined boundaries for the trail and safety signage along the trail.
2. Baseball Tomorrow Grant – Major League Baseball (October 1)
  - i. TPA to work with City staff to identify if Iglesia Park would be an eligible project for this funding opportunity.

### **4. Federal Items of Interest**

1. E-Cigarettes – New Food and Drug Administration regulation to go into effect August 8, 2016
  - i. TPA provided an update

### **5. Overview of 2016 Ballot Initiatives**

1. TPA provided a detailed written summary of each ballot initiative and verbally discussed several of the initiatives that will be on the 2016 ballot. Those verbally discussed included:
  - i. Proposition 51: Statewide bond program for school facilities.
  - ii. Proposition 53: Statewide voter approval for revenue bonds.
  - iii. Proposition 56: Cigarette tax to fund healthcare, tobacco research, and law enforcement.
  - iv. Proposition 62: Repeals the death penalty in the state of California.
  - v. Proposition 64: Legalizes marijuana/hemp and enacts sales and cultivation taxes.
  - vi. Proposition 67: Referendum overturning the ban on plastic bag use.

### **6. Any Items Not on the Agenda**

1. Discussion of illegal disposal site abatement grant program – TPA to follow up with staff.
2. SB 272 (Hertzberg) – TPA to follow up with staff on compliance

### **7. Adjourn – meeting adjourned at 12:08pm**