



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
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4th Floor Conference Room A

Beverly Hills City Council Liaison / Legislative / Lobby Committee

SPECIAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Monday, January 23, 2017
4:00 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date / Time: January 23, 2017 / 4:05 PM

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor John Mirisch, Councilmember Lili Bosse, City Manager Mahdi Aluzri, Assistant City Attorney Lolly Enriquez, Recreation and Parks Commissioner Frances Bilak, Senior Management Analyst Cindy Owens, Andrew Antwih (Shaw/Yoder/Antwih via conference call), Chris Castillo (Shaw/Yoder/Antwih via conference call), Jamie Jones (David Turch & Associates via conference call), Program Operations Specialist Michael George, and Beverly Hills Courier Reporter Victoria Talbot.

1) PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public will be given the opportunity to directly address the Committee on any item listed on the agenda.

Speakers: None

2) Review Legislative Platform and obtain direction on bringing to Council for approval

- Staff presented a draft legislative platform to the Legislative Lobby Committee. This platform is meant to serve as the foundation for the City to support or oppose various local, state, and federal legislation in a variety of subject areas.
- The Legislative Lobby Committee directed Staff to revise the Legislative Platform to more precisely reflect specific issues pertaining to Beverly Hills.
- Issues of special focus in the 2017 Legislative Platform may include maintaining local control over public policy, tenant-landlord rights, pension reform, parks, transportation particularly regarding Metro's Purple Line Extension, autonomous vehicles, and multi-modal transportation such as bicycle lanes.

3) Equality Act

- On January 4, 2017, Richard Noble, Lead National Advocate for the Equality Act, requested that Council consider passing a resolution in support of the Equality Act which would amend the 1964 Civil Rights Act to include "sexual orientation and gender identity" among the categories of prohibited discrimination."
- Jamie Jones with David Turch & Associates provided background information on the bill.

- The Committee called for a broad letter to be drafted in support of the bill, and potential further support if the bill is reintroduced.

4) Transportation Funding

a. SB 1

b. AB 1

- Andrew Antwih presented the Committee two similar bills that could generate \$6B in revenue per year through a combination of fuel taxes, vehicle registration fees, cap-and-trade revenues, and revenue protections. Cities and counties could receive about \$2.5B.
- The Committee is concerned about the impact to residents versus the return that would be seen.
- The Committee is opposed to increasing taxes to pay for road improvements but supports fixing roads.

c. Governor's Transportation Proposal

- The Committee was presented information on the Governor's Transportation Proposal. The Proposal, incorporated in the 2017-2018 budget, includes proposals for a combination of initiatives including an excise tax on gas, a diesel tax increase, a road improvement charge, cap-and-trade revenues, and Caltrans efficiencies which total about \$4.2B per year.

d. Fix Our Roads Coalition

- The Committee was presented information on the Fix Our Roads Coalition. The Coalition includes business associations, labor unions, transportation entities, elected officials, and local governments, including the League of California Cities. The priorities of the coalition include maintaining and rehabilitating the current system, investing a portion of diesel tax and/or cap-and-trade revenue to high-priority projects, and raising revenue across several options.

5) Report on Governor's Budget Release

- The Committee was presented information on the Governor's Budget Release. There is currently an estimated \$1.6B deficit due to slowed increases in revenues, but this will be revised in May.
- The Committee requested more information on status of high-speed rail with respect to the budget, and whether any private funding is included as is potentially the case in Texas.

6) Autonomous Vehicle Legislation

a. AB 87

- The Committee was presented information on Assemblymember Ting's AB 87 which would require the Department of Motor Vehicles to revoke any vehicle registration for any operating autonomous vehicle in violation of the Autonomous Vehicle Tester Program and authorizes law enforcement to impound the vehicle. The bill also prohibits non-compliant companies from applying to the program for

two years and allows the DMV to impose a penalty of up to \$25,000 per vehicle per day of violation.

b. SB 145

- The Committee was presented information on Senator Hill's SB 145, which would eliminate the 180-day waiting period for companies that file an application for a DMV permit to deploy autonomous vehicles. Additionally, the bill would eliminate the requirement that the DMV notify the Legislature each time an application is submitted.
- The Committee will support SB 145 and continue to monitor its status.

7) Other pertinent legislation introduced

- The Committee will continue to monitor any legislation that could potentially limit or remove local control.

ADJOURNMENT

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