

Meeting of the South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce

June 1, 2021

The South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce (SBACC) had its monthly virtual meeting on June 1, 2021. Here are the highlights of that meeting:

- Governmental Affairs Report.

The following bills were discussed by the Board and the discussion was followed by a vote to Support or Oppose them:

AB 1037 (Support).(Grayson) Digital construction management technologies. This legislation would develop guidance and procedures to begin digital construction on state projects. Digital construction technologies are already streamlining workflows across entire private construction projects. It is a cost saving program.

AB 1524 (Support) (O'Donnell) This legislation would require the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to create the Project 800 Initiative to provide financial incentives to support the deployment of 800 zero-emission drayage trucks serving California ports.

SB 18 (Support) (Skinner) The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 designates the CARB as the state agency charged with monitoring and regulating sources of emissions of greenhouse gases. The state board is required to ensure that statewide greenhouse gas emissions are reduced to at least 40% below the 1990 level by 2030. This legislation would require the state board to prepare and approve a scoping plan for achieving the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and to update the scoping plan at least once every 5 years.

SB 22 (Support) (Hurtado) This bill would make changes to the existing School Facility Program and places the Public Preschool, K-12, and College Health and Safety Bond Act on the ballot for statewide elections in 2022.

SB 500 (Oppose) (Min) This bill proposes to require that Autonomous Vehicles (AV) be all electric well in advance of other vehicles This bill prohibits the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) from accepting an application for original registration of a light duty autonomous vehicle (AV), beginning on January 1, 2027, unless the AV is zero-emission vehicle (ZEV), as specified. Although it is anticipated that many companies will increasingly use EVs for AV testing and deployment as they are able to do so from a technology and business strategy perspective—consistent with various companies' commitments to electrification, sustainability, and reducing emissions— imposing electrification requirements on AV entities within 4 years would impede the ability for numerous AV entities to operate in California.

SB 686 (Oppose) Glazer) This bill would require a limited liability company that qualifies as a committee or a sponsor of a committee under the act, as specified, to file a statement of members with the Secretary of State. The statement of members would have to include certain information about the limited liability company, including a list of all persons who have a membership interest in the limited liability company of at least 10% or who made a cumulative capital contribution of at least \$1,000 to the limited liability company after it qualified as a committee or sponsor of a committee, or within the 2 calendar years before it qualified. This legislation would bring a massive expansion of the disclosure obligations for LLCs that engage in political activity because it would require them to identify individual members of the LLC, even if they are not involved in the LLC's political activities.

- Jeff Kiernan of the League of California Cities reported that the American Rescue Plan will be providing final dollar figures to the cities this week, as to what monies they can expect. He also reported that the regulations for the use of the monies are out and available and that the League is holding webinars on how the funds can be used.
- Aurelia Friedman of Congressman Ted Lieu's office, reported that the Congressman is sponsoring HR 7111, which will help address homeless Veterans. He is also working on a bill to improve the Veteran's Hospital in West Los Angeles.
- Chris Cagle of the South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB) reported that the SBWIB is preparing to take walk-ins soon at the One-Stops. He also reported that the agency received a \$500,000 grant to provide training for nurses and lab techs. He also stated that the SBWIB has been doing job fairs and that the next one is scheduled for June 17.

Submitted by:

Olivia Valentine,

Chair, South Bay COG