



TO: SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
FROM: JEFF KIERNAN, REGIONAL PUBLIC AFFAIRS MANAGER,
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RE: UPDATE FOR OCTOBER 22 BOARD MEETING *(as prepared 10/13/2020)*

Annual Conference

The enduring pandemic required the League to adapt and shift our Annual Conference to a virtual event that took place over October 7 – 9. This event saw nearly 1,600 attendees, 127 speakers, 39 educational sessions, 19 business meetings, 6 networking events and 7 regional division events, including a presentation to the LA County Division by Political Data Inc. on upcoming General Election. This annual event was a great way to celebrate the efforts of our cities and recognize the League's achievements. Videos of our Helen Putnam award winning cities, and the League "by the numbers" video that debuted at the conference, can be found on the [League's YouTube channel](#). A quick reminder that anyone who registered for the conference will be able to watch the sessions for the next 6 months using the same [micro-site](#) and your login information.

- Congratulations also to Regional Director for the South Bay Cities COG, **Bea Dieringer**, on her selection at the Annual Conference to become the new President of the League of California Cities [Women's Caucus](#).

Ballot Measure Advocacy

The League of California Cities has endorsed Proposition 20, the Keep CA Safe Initiative, and has issued a recommendation that cities pass a resolution to support that campaign. Additionally the Los Angeles County Division has taken an official oppose position on LA County Measure J. Please contact me for additional details.

League Policy Committees

The League is currently seeking applicants for our 7 policy committees, please let me know if you are interested in serving on a committee so we can work together to find a slot for you on your preferred committee. First, it would help me if you could decide which policy committee you would like to serve by reviewing the 7 committees and their scope of work [HERE](#). Division, department, and caucus appointments are all being filled now, while the League President will begin accepting applications on November 16.

Legislation

The Governor's bill signing wrapped up last month and the League can report that he signed five notable bills into law that the League sponsored or supported:

- [SB 1441](#) (McGuire), which supports local governments' ability to collect Utility User Taxes from retail sales of prepaid wireless telecommunication products and services, and assists the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration with administration of the program.
- [AB 992](#) (Mullin), which modernizes the Brown Act to allow for elected officials to communicate with their constituents through social media platforms.
- [AB 434](#) (Daly), a measure that aligns six rental housing programs with the Multifamily Housing Program, to enable the state Department of Housing and Community Development to

implement a single application and scoring system for making awards under all seven programs, starting on Jan. 1, 2022.

- [AB 1286](#) (Muratsuchi), which requires shared mobility device providers to obtain a permit or agreement with the city or county it seeks to operate in and to comply with all local operation, parking, maintenance, and safety rules.
- [SB 865](#) (Hill), which strengthens safe excavation practices by increasing collaboration between excavators and operators, requiring data sharing amongst key stakeholders, and moving the Dig Safe Board to the Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety.

Upcoming Events

- [City Attorneys' Department Virtual Conference](#), Oct. 16, 23, 30, and Nov. 6
- [Municipal Finance Virtual Conference](#), Dec. 7, 9, and 11
- [Fire Chiefs Leadership Virtual Seminar](#), Dec. 10
- [City Clerks New Law & Elections Virtual Seminar](#), Dec. 17-18

Unfortunately, the Los Angeles County Division has made the decision to cancel the Annual All-Cities Holiday reception that normally takes place in December due to the health impacts of COVID-19.