

Transportation, Communications, and Public Works Policy Committee

April 2, 2020

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Welcome and Introductions

Chair, Newell Arnerich
Councilmember, Town of Danville

Public Comment



General Briefing

Refer to Handout

Melanie Perron, Deputy Executive Director, Advocacy
and Public Affairs, League of California Cities

COVID-19 Update

Melanie Perron, Deputy Executive Director, Advocacy and Public Affairs, League of California Cities

Overview

- COVID-19 League Resources
- Legislative Deadlines and Priorities
- 2020 California State Budget Outlook
- Federal Relief and Stimulus Bills

COVID-19 League Resources and Advocacy

League Efforts and Resources for Cities:

- COVID-19 dedicated webpage and email
 - www.cacities.org/coronavirus
 - covid-19@cacities.org
- Daily COVID-19 updates via email
- Webinar series on the impacts of COVID-19
 - www.cacities.org/Education-Events/Webinars

Statewide and Federal Partnerships:

- Collaborating with Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) and Governor's Office
 - Statutory and regulatory waivers and relief
 - Funding needs
- Working with National League of Cities and League's federal lobbying team on federal legislation and resource needs

Legislative Deadlines and Priorities

- California State Legislature on recess from March 20 until April 13
 - Likely to extend through April or longer
- Legislative Deadlines:
 - June 15 – State Budget must be passed by Legislature at midnight
 - July 1 – Governor must sign or veto the State Budget
 - August 31 – End of regular session
 - Sept 30 – Legislation must be signed or vetoed by Governor
 - Nov 30 – Regular session sine die
- Potential Legislative Priorities:
 - COVID-19 response and recovery
 - Homelessness and housing
 - Wildfires/PG&E bankruptcy

2020 California State Budget Outlook

State budget process will be significantly altered:

- Asm. Budget Chair told legislators to lower their expectations on budget outlook to reflect the new reality.
- Budget committee hearings are on hold; most likely have a streamlined budget process this year.
- Budget likely to be barebones - maintaining current levels of State funding, but with little to no additional spending.
- \$1.1 billion in [SB 89](#) funds to support the State's COVID-19 response.
- \$1.3 billion from the Special Fund for Economic Uncertainties for COVID-19 response.

Federal Relief and Stimulus Bills

Federal Bills:

- Bill #1 - [Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2020](#)
 - \$7.8 billion package, plus a \$500 million authorization to enhance telehealth services, will give resources to prepare, prevent and respond to the crisis, including vaccine development, support for state and local governments' prevention and response efforts, and the purchase of critical medical supplies to protect public health and safety.
- Bill #2 – [H.R. 6201 Families First Coronavirus Response Act](#)
 - Guarantees free coronavirus testing, establishes paid leave, enhances Unemployment Insurance, expands food security initiatives, and increases federal Medicaid funding.
- Bill #3 - [The CARES Act](#)
 - \$2 trillion emergency package intended to stave off total economic collapse in the wake of the coronavirus crisis.
 - \$139 billion is reserved to be distributed between states and units of local government.
- Potential 4th Stimulus Bill
 - Talked about in the House of Representatives.
 - League working with federal team on potential requests.
 - Details forthcoming.



Questions?

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Legislative Update

Caroline Cirrincione, Legislative Policy Analyst, League of California Cities

Legislative Update

AB 2215 (Chau) Service Stations. Definition. Electric Vehicle Charging Stations.

This measure would exclude unattended electric vehicle charging stations from the definition of a "service station," which are essentially gas and fueling stations.

- **League Position:** Watch

AB 3277 (Jones-Sawyer) Parking Penalties. Collection.

This measure would increase the total amount of unpaid parking tickets that can be paid in installments from \$300 to \$750 and extend the amount of time they can be paid from 18 months up to 30 months.

- **League Position:** Watch

Other Bills of Interest

AB 326 (Muratsuchi) Vehicles: Motorized Carrying Devices.

This measure would require local governments to allow “motorized carrying devices” to operate in the public right of way, including sidewalks and city streets.

- **League Position:** Watch

AB 429 (Nazarian) Seismically Vulnerable Buildings: Inventory.

This measure would require the Seismic Safety Commission to identify funding and develop a bidding process for hiring a third-party contractor to develop a statewide inventory and/or survey of potentially seismically vulnerable buildings.

- **League Position:** Support

AB 1112 (Friedman) Shared Mobility Devices: Local Regulation.

This measure would prohibit local governments from requiring individual trip data from shared mobility device providers as a condition of an agreement to operate within the jurisdiction.

- **League Position:** Oppose

Other Bills of Interest

AB 1286 (Muratsuchi) Shared Mobility Devices: Agreements.

This measure would require shared mobility service 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.

- **League Position:** Support/Co-Sponsor with the Consumer Attorneys of California

AB 1939 (Gonzalez) Pedicabs: Electric Bicycles.

This measure would expand the definition of a pedicab to include electric bicycles and would expand the definition of a bicycle to include electric bicycles.

- **League Position:** Watch

AB 1997 (Nazarian) Building Codes: Earthquake Safety: Functional Recovery Standard.

This measure would require the California Building Standards Commission to assemble a working group to investigate the merit of using a “functional recovery” standard for earthquake design of buildings.

- **League Position:** Watch

Other Bills of Interest

AB 2163 (Rivas) Rural Broadband and Emergency Infrastructure Grant Act of 2020.

This measure would develop the Rural Broadband and Emergency Infrastructure Grant Program to provide California fairgrounds with grants for broadband and telecommunications infrastructure deployment to support local, regional, and state emergency and disaster response.

- **League Position:** Watch

AB 2168 (McCarty) Planning and Zoning: Electric Vehicle Charging Stations: Permit Application: Approval.

This measure would require cities and counties to deem permit applications for electric vehicle charging stations complete within five business days and approved within 15 business days.

- **League Position:** Oppose

Other Bills of Interest

AB 2738 (Quirk-Silva) Highway Users Tax Account: Apportionment to Counties: Expenditure.

This measure would require counties to spend their share of highway user tax account (HUTA) funds on roads in the county that have the highest need and would require such counties to consult with the cities within the county to identify collaborative transportation projects to improve local streets and roads.

- **League Position:** Watch

SB 794 (Jackson) Emergency Services: Telecommunications.

This measure would authorize cities to enter into agreements with their own social services departments and/or public utilities or to utilize their records to automatically enroll their residents into the city or county-operated public emergency warning system.

- **League Position:** Watch

Questions?

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