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Bills in Committee and Legislative Hearings of Interest June 12 – 28

The Legislative hearing committee schedule is gearing up again with bills having crossed houses last week. The Legislature is also focused on the FY 2017-18 budget, which must be sent to Gov. Jerry Brown by June 15. The League continues to track numerous bills affecting cities. Some hearings, if not all, will be televised. The [Senate](#) and [Assembly](#) publish weekly television schedules, but audio is always available online. In addition, many hearings are also webcast via the [California Channel](#). *For more, see Page 2.*



Submit Your Session Proposals for the 2018 Public Works Officers Institute & Expo

July 28 is the Deadline

The League is soliciting session proposals for the 2018 Public Works Officers Institute & Expo. Geared towards city and county public works directors, assistant directors, engineers and staff, the event will be held at the Hyatt Regency Monterey, March 28 – 30. Session proposals are due by July 28. *For more, see Page 2.*



League-Sponsored Bond Agency Issues \$25 Million in Tax-Exempt Bonds for Ivy Hill Apartments in Walnut Creek

Some of the most significant benefits of League membership for cities since 1988 have flowed from the League's co-sponsorship of the [California Statewide Communities Development Authority](#) (CSCDA). This program provides a variety of public agencies and developers access to low-cost, tax-exempt financing and economic development tools. CSCDA recently issued a total of \$25,000,000 in tax-exempt multifamily affordable housing bonds for the Ivy Hill Apartments in Walnut Creek. *For more, see Page 3.*

Additional information about the important bills the League is tracking is available in the [2017 Bills of Interest and Hot Bills List](#). Published on April 12, this list will continually be updated throughout the remainder of the Legislative Session. Bill language and the League's position letters and sample letters can be found at www.cacities.org/billsearch by plugging the bill number into the search function.

Here are a number of upcoming hearings and measures of interest to cities:

June 12

Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee, 1 p.m., State Capitol, Room 3191

- **AB 1002 (Cooley)** Center for Cannabis Research. *League position: Support.*

June 13

Senate Transportation and Housing Committee, 1:30 p.m., State Capitol, Room 4203

- **AB 56 (Holden)** California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank: housing. *League position: Support.*
- **AB 879 (Grayson)** Planning and zoning: housing element. *League position: Support.*

June 14

Assembly Elections and Redistricting Committee, 9 a.m., State Capitol, Room 444

- **SB 665 (Moore)** Elections: ballot measures. *League position: Support.*

Assembly Local Government Committee, 1:30 p.m., State Capitol, Room 447

- **SB 742 (Moore)** City treasurers. *League position: support.*

June 20

Senate Public Safety Committee, 8:30 a.m., State Capitol, Room 4203

- **AB 887 (Cooper)** Public safety officers: investigations and interviews. *League position: Preliminary opposition.*

June 21

Assembly Labor and Employment Committee, 1:30 p.m., State Capitol, Room 447

- **SB 63 (Jackson)** Unlawful employment practice: parental leave. *League position: Oppose.*

Assembly Utilities and Energy Committee, 1:30 p.m., State Capitol, Room 437

- **SB 618 (Bradford)** Load-serving entities: integrated resource plans. *League position: Neutral.*

June 27

Assembly Health Committee, 1:30 p.m., State Capitol, Room 4202

- **SB 17 (Hernandez)** Health care: prescription drug costs. *League position: Support.*

June 28

Senate Labor and Industrial Relations Committee, 9:30 a.m., State Capitol, Room 2040

- **AB 44 (Reyes)** Workers' compensation: medical treatment: terrorist attacks: workplace violence. *League position: Oppose.*

The Public Works Officers Institute offers participants three days of education on the latest developments in public works, leadership, managing transportation, infrastructure, water, waste programs and more. The event features a combination of general and breakout sessions, networking, and an expo.

Session Proposal Submission Guidelines

- Submissions, non-commercial in nature, from any individual, group, business or organization, on any topic are welcome.
- Sessions may not include sales, commercialism or product promotion of any kind.
- The planning committee will consider the educational value of each proposal and the extent to which it presents new and/or significant information when selecting proposals that will move forward into the program.

Examples of 2017 Sessions

In March 2017, the range of topics included the Highway Safety Improvement Program, Diverging Diamond interchange, funding for stormwater, and implementing updated lighting systems.

For more information and to get a copy of last year's program, please contact [Katie Sacco](#).

Submission Process

Only proposals submitted online through the online [proposal form](#) will be considered.

There are a limit to the amount of words allowed within the title and description of each proposal. Please draft the proposal in a word-processing program first and then paste the final version into the online form.

For more information, please visit www.cacities.org/PWProposal.

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About Ivy Hill Apartments

Ivy Hill Apartments ("Ivy Hill") is an acquisition and rehabilitation of 116 multifamily affordable housing apartments by CVII – Ivy Hill LP. The project sponsor is TH Real Estate. Ivy Hill will continue to provide 40 percent of its units to low income residents in Walnut Creek.

CSCDA and TH Real Estate partnered with Bank of America, N.A. and Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe, LLP to provide the \$25 million in tax-exempt multifamily affordable housing bonds for Ivy Hill. The project will undergo an interior and exterior renovation ensuring that residents have an updated, safe, and affordable community to call home for years to come. The financing of Ivy Hill will maintain the affordability of units for low-income tenants for 55 years.

Background

CSCDA is a joint powers authority created in 1988 and is sponsored by the League of California Cities® and the California State Association of Counties. It was created by cities and counties for cities and counties. More than 500 cities, counties and special districts are program participants in CSCDA, which serves as their conduit issuer and provides access to efficiently finance locally-approved projects. CSCDA has issued more than \$50 billion in tax exempt bonds for projects that provide a public benefit by creating jobs, affordable housing, healthcare, infrastructure, schools and other fundamental services. Visit [CSCDA's website](#) for additional information on the ways in which CSCDA can help your city.

New Contract for Tractors and Mowing Equipment Available to Cities through League Sponsored U.S. Communities Program

U.S. Communities, the League of California Cities[®] and the California State Association of Counties sponsored government purchasing alliance, is excited to announce a new contract for tractors, mowing equipment, implements, parts and service.

The contract was awarded to Mahindra North America and AGCO–Massey Ferguson and the mowing equipment contract was awarded to Grasshopper through a competitive solicitation process conducted by lead agency, Cobb County, Ga. The initial contract term is for three years with the option to renew for two additional one-year periods.

To learn more about this new contract and the solutions available, register for a [one of the free informational webinars](#).

Webinar Information

Tuesday, June 27 at 8 a.m.

[Register.](#)

Wednesday, June 28 at 10 a.m.

[Register.](#)

If you are unable to attend the webinars, click the supplier partner links to learn more or contact them directly.

- [Mahindra](#) is the world's number one selling tractor and the smart choice for property and ground maintenance needs. The company provides industry leading warranties, lift capacity, and more built in weight to help get your work done. Its exclusive Tier IV mCRD™ Hassle-Free Technology saves time, and money for more productivity, adding value to your investment.
- AGCO[®] provides the full line of [Massey Ferguson](#)[®] compact, utility and high-horsepower tractors and attachments, as well as Challenger[®] midrange, high-horsepower, 4WD articulated and track tractors. This renowned tractor brands provide you the flexibility to find exactly the right tractor for your unique needs and budget.
- The [Grasshopper ZeroTurn™ Mower](#) is built for strength and durability with a smooth ride and low maintenance. Grasshopper provides gasoline or fuel-efficient Clean Diesel engine options with increased versatility with choices of nine implements for debris management, turf renovation and snow removal.

For additional information on the U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance visit www.uscommunities.org/cc or contact [Amanda Cadelago](#) with the League at (916) 658-8226.

About U.S. Communities

The U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance, a strategic partner of the League of California Cities, is a government purchasing cooperative that reduces the cost of goods and services by aggregating the purchasing power of public agencies nationwide. U.S. Communities provides world class procurement resources and solutions to local and state government agencies, school districts (K-12), higher education, and nonprofits. State and local governments have access to a broad line of competitively solicited contracts with best in class national suppliers.

June 14 Conference to Focus on Water Policy and Health

Join Public Health Advocates (the home of the HEAL Cities Campaign) on June 14 in Sacramento for a one day-event with experts, policy makers and stakeholder organizations to address water with a focus on health and healthy equity. The convening will bring together scientists, advocates, policy makers and businesses to discuss cutting-edge strategies for promoting water access, water quality and water consumption in California and the nation.

The conference will provide local elected officials:

- A better understanding of why more than 1 million Californians lack reliable access to safe drinking water;
- Tools to support the health of their residents in the growing diabetes epidemic through water promotion; and
- An opportunity to network with local leaders.

Event Information and Registration

June 14, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Sheraton Grand Hotel
1239 J Street Sacramento

[Register online.](#)

Please contact Kanat Tibet with questions at (916) 213-6380.