

MINUTES
CML Executive Board Meeting
September 9, 2022, Denver, Colorado

Board members present: President Dale Hall, Council Member, Greeley; Vice President Jessica Sandgren, Mayor Pro Tem, Thornton; Secretary/Treasurer Wynetta Massey, City Attorney, Colorado Springs; Immediate Past President Robert Widner, City Attorney, Centennial; Larry Atencio, Council Member, Pueblo; Barbara Bynum, Mayor Pro Tem, Montrose; Greg Caton, City Manager, Grand Junction; A.J. Euckert, City Manager, Dacono; John Fogle, Council Member, Loveland; Carrie Hartwell, Town Clerk/Treasurer, Julesburg; Liz Hensley, Council Member, Alamosa; Seth Hoffman, City Manager, Lone Tree; Susan Jung, Mayor, Rocky Ford; Angela Lawson, Council Member, Aurora; John Marriott, Council Member, Arvada; Dana Sherman, Mayor, Brush; Katie Sickles, Town Manager, Bayfield; Russell Stewart, Mayor, Cherry Hills Village; Laura Weinberg, Mayor, Golden

Board members absent Charlie Willman, Mayor Pro Tem, Glenwood Springs; Melissa Youssef, Mayor Pro Tem, Durango.

CML Staff members present: Rachel Bender, Associate Counsel; Kevin Bommer, Executive Director; Meghan Dollar, Legislative Advocacy Manager; Meghan MacKillop, Legislative and Policy Advocate; Melissa Mata, Municipal Research Analyst; Alex Miller, Publication and Design Specialist; Karen Rosen, Meetings and Events Planner; Robert Sheesley, General Counsel; Jennifer Stone, Engagement and Communications Manager; Makenna Sturgeon, Training and Marketing Specialist; Jaclyn Terwey, Legislative and Policy Advocate; Mark Vanderbrook, Database Specialist; Lara Larkin, Executive Assistant.

The meeting was called to order by President Hall at 10:02 a.m. Attendance was taken and a quorum was established.

Jessica Sandgren MOVED AND John Fogle SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 9, 2022 MEETING. The motion passed unanimously.

Prior to staff presentation of the ballot initiatives and position summary, Kevin Bommer reminded the board the items presented are of municipal interest and should CML decide to contribute to any of the campaigns it would need to come from non-dues revenue.

Ballot positions and staff recommendations were presented by General Counsel Robert Sheesley and Legislative Advocacy Meghan Dollar. There was considerable discussion on proposition 122. Kevin Bommer recommended pulling Proposition 123 for a separate vote.

John Fogle MOVED AND John Marriott SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE staff's recommendation to oppose Proposition 122 & 126 and the specific wording within each recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

Liz Hensley MOVED AND Laura Weinberg SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE staff recommendation for supporting Proposition 123 and the specific wording. Kevin Bommer conducted a poll on Proposition 123 and the motion passed 14 to 5.

Dale Hall presented his President's Initiative. Succession planning, recruiting youth, and staff retention will all be focused on. Kevin Bommer adds CML can further develop Lessons on Learning, conduct interviews, and create video content to support the effort. CML staff will brainstorm additional ideas and will offer brief update at the October 14th board meeting.

General Counsel Robert Sheesley summarized the Amicus update and briefly discussed Salazar v. Kulmann regarding term limits and No Laporte Gravel Company involving campaign contributions and bias. Jefferson County has requested assistance with Stickle v. County of Jefferson; a slip and fall case which could have significant impact on municipal liability and government immunity. The Amicus committee met and recommended participation in support of their request.

Wynetta Massey MOVED AND Carrie Hartwell SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE the recommendations of the Amicus Committee. The motion passed unanimously.

Kevin Bommer asked the board if the format and content of Executive Director evaluation is still suitable. He suggested omitting #15 as it's focus is on Covid-19 organizational leadership. The BAM committee makes recommendations on compensation for the Executive Director and there will be discussion in an Executive session at the next Executive Board meeting on October 14, 2022.

Angela Lawson notes she is taking a position of abstaining on proposition 123 at this time.

A MOTION TO ADJOURN WAS MADE by Carrie Hartwell AND SECONDED by Susan Jung. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wynetta Massey
Secretary/Treasurer