

MINUTES
CML Executive Board Meeting
October 14, 2022, Denver, Colorado

Board members present: President Dale Hall, Council Member, Greeley; Secretary/Treasurer Wynetta Massey, City Attorney, Colorado Springs; Immediate Past President Robert Widner, City Attorney, Centennial; Barbara Bynum, Mayor Pro Tem, Montrose; Greg Caton, City Manager, Grand Junction; 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; Laura Weinberg, Mayor, Golden; Charlie Willman, Mayor Pro Tem, Glenwood Springs; Melissa Youssef, Mayor Pro Tem, Durango.

Board members absent Vice President Jessica Sandgren, Mayor Pro Tem, Thornton; ; Larry Atencio, Council Member, Pueblo; A.J. Euckert, City Manager, Dacono; John Fogle, Council Member, Loveland; Russell Stewart, Mayor, Cherry Hills Village

CML Staff members present: Rachel Bender, Associate Counsel; Kevin Bommer, Executive Director; Melissa Mata, Municipal Research Analyst; Heather Stauffer, Legislative and Policy Advocate; 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; Allison Wright, Finance & Administration Manager; Lara Larkin, Executive Assistant.

The meeting was called to order by President Hall at 10:01 a.m. Attendance was taken and a quorum was established.

Susan Jung MOVED AND Barbara Bynum SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 9, 2022 MEETING. The motion passed unanimously. Charlie Willman abstained from the vote.

Executive Director Kevin Bommer recognized the former Legislative Advocacy Manager, Meghan Dollar, for her eleven years of service at CML. Bommer then announced Makenna Sturgeon, Training and Marketing Specialist will be leaving CML on October 21, 2022. The board thanked and congratulated both Dollar and Sturgeon for their work at CML and future career opportunities.

Legislative & Policy Advocate Heather Stauffer presented information on recommendations made by the CML Policy Committee at their October 7th meeting. CML advocates, Heather Stauffer and Jaclyn Terwey, summarized five requests for CML Initiated Legislation and three action items. Of note, the request for CML initiated legislation from the City of Grand Junction regarding Colorado's childcare tax credit system was withdrawn. Secondly, the Policy Committee unanimously approved removing the first item of focus on City of Golden's request regarding closing state loopholes to stop harmful noise from unmuffled trucks and jake brakes.

CML will not be able to change or approve any new policy statement language until the annual conference in 2023 as it requires full membership vote. The advocacy team will bring any legislation back to the policy committee and executive board for further discussion.

John Marriott MOVED TO APPROVE the first four recommendations of the policy committee on the CML requested legislation; with the fifth being pulled for a separate vote. Laura Weinberg SECONDED THE MOTION The motion passed unanimously.

John Marriott MOVED TO remove the policy position of "staff discretion to support" from the 5th requested legislative item. Seth Hoffman SECONDED THE MOTION and it passed unanimously.

After three action items were presented by the advocacy team, Greg Caton requested to vote on the items individually rather than collectively.

Greg Caton MOVED TO OPPOSE the staff recommendation of neutral on the Uniform Sales & Use Tax on Construction Material Resolution and Charlie Willman SECONDED THE MOTION. Bommer cautions the board against opposing a resolution Heather Stauffer reports the advocacy team participated heavily in the resolution. The motion failed 10-5.

Laura Weinberg made a SECONDARY MOTION TO APPROVE the staff recommendation and Barbara Bynum SECONDED THE MOTION. The motion passed with 5 opposing.

Barbara Bynum MOVED TO ACCEPT staff recommendation on the second action item of Electronic Sales and Use Tax Simplification System and Susan Jung SECONDED THE MOTION. The MOTION passed with two opposing.

Laura Weinberg MOVED TO APPROVE staff recommendation for staff discretion to oppose Transportation: Automated Vehicle Identification Systems. Carrie Hartwell SECONDED THE MOTION. The MOTION was approved unanimously.

General Counsel Robert Sheesley provided an amicus update on the Court of Appeals decision in DiPietro v. Coldiron and the City of Loveland.

BAM Committee members Secretary/Treasurer Massey and Kevin Bommer summarized the BAM committee recommendations. They recommend increasing Associate Member dues, adding CML compensation philosophy to CML Handbook, modestly increase vacation accrual, and amend the retirement plan accordingly.

Barbara Bynum MOVED and Katie Sickles SECONDED the motion TO ACCEPT the BAM committee's recommendations to increase the Associate Member dues. The motion passed unanimously.

Seth Hoffman MOVED and John Marriott SECONDED the motion TO ACCEPT the BAM committee's recommendations to approve the proposed changes to the personnel handbook. The motion passed unanimously.

Kevin Bommer addressed the Succession Plan timeline including Lessons on Local Government. An elected official track, youth engagement, and boards and commissions training were discussed. Further discussion may take place at the December board meeting.

Conference update was provided by Kevin Bommer. He reviewed how CML chooses the locations, presence of existing contracts, and capacity limitations of conference facilities.

At 11:49 a.m. the meeting paused, and staff members were excused. Board members returned for an Executive Session to conduct the annual evaluation of the Executive Director based on his performance plan of December 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Wynetta Massey
Secretary/Treasurer