

MINUTES
CML Executive Board Special Meeting
August 23, 2024 – Virtual Meeting

Board members present: President Wynetta Massey, City Attorney, Colorado Springs; Vice President Seth Hoffman, City Manager, Lone Tree; Secretary/Treasurer Laura Weinberg, Mayor, Golden; Immediate Past President Jessica Sandgren, Councilwoman, Thornton; Michelle Eddy, Town Manager/Clerk, Blue River; Dave Frank, Mayor Pro Tem, Montrose; Dale Hall, Mayor Pro Tem, Greeley; Jim Keehne, City Administrator, Burlington; Dave Kerber, Mayor Pro Tem, Greenwood Village; Dan Kramer, Town Attorney, Estes Park; James Marsh-Holschen, Councilmember, Broomfield; Rachel Medina, Mayor, Cortez; Candy Meehan, Mayor, Norwood; Joshua Rivero, Councilmember, Parker; Hollie Rogin, Mayor, Lyons; Carol Saade, Council Member, Breckenridge; Robert Widner, City Attorney, Centennial.

Board members absent: Liz Hensley, Mayor Pro Tem, Alamosa; John Marriott, Councilmember, Arvada; Amanda Sawyer, Councilmember, Denver; Anna Stout, Council Member, Grand Junction.

CML Staff members present: Kevin Bommer, Executive Director; Rachel Bender, Associate Counsel; Elizabeth Haskell, Legislative & Policy Advocate; Alex Miller, Publication & Design Specialist; Jeremy Schupbach, Legislative & Policy Advocate; Bev Stables, Legislative & Policy Advocate; Robert Sheesley, General Counsel; Denise White, Engagement and Communications Manager; Rachel Woolworth, Municipal Research Analyst; Allison Wright, Finance and Administration Manager; Lara Larkin, Executive Assistant.

The virtual meeting was called to order by President Massey at 10:00 a.m. Attendance was taken and a quorum was established.

Joshua Rivero MOVED AND James Marsh-Holschen SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 20, 2024 MEETING. The motion passed unanimously.

Kevin Bommer, Executive Director, gave a brief summary of the upcoming special session. Bommer identified that he and Elizabeth Haskell, legislative and policy advocate, would be covering the special session on property taxes and briefly described two key pieces of legislation that staff was requesting positions on. The first item would be a bill that would seek to enshrine the deal made between the governor, legislative leaders, and initiative proponents that would further reduce the rate of property tax increases in exchange for removal of Initiatives 50 and 108 from the November ballot. Staff recommended a position of staff discretion to amend. The second item would be a concurrent resolution that would refer a question to voters on the November ballot requiring local approval of any statewide property tax cuts adopted by initiative. Staff recommended staff discretion to support.

Dave Frank MOVED AND Jim Keehne SECONDED THE MOTION TO SUPPORT THE STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS ON BOTH BILLS AS PRESENTED. The motion passed unanimously.

Bommer added there would be other legislation introduced that were unlikely to pass. Staff requested staff discretion on any legislation that may have municipal interest or concerns.

Dave Frank MOVED AND Hollie Rogin SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION ON FUTURE BILLS DURING THE SPECIAL SESSION WITH THE UNDERSTANDING STAFF WILL PROVIDE ONGOING

UPDATES. The motion passed unanimously.

Bommer gave a brief overview of NLC board member and committee leadership application processes that were currently underway and noted that applicants are encouraged to get the endorsement of their state league. Because of deadline changes to the application and endorsement processes, the CML Board would not be able to review and approve endorsements at the October meeting, as has usually occurred. Bommer requested board approval to approve any endorsements administratively on behalf of the CML Executive Board.

Jessica Sandgren MOVED AND Carol Saade SECONDED THE MOTION TO GIVE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AUTHORITY TO ADMINSTRATIVELY APPROVE NLC BOARD AND LEADERSHIP ENDORSEMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD. The motion passed unanimously.

President Massey adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Weinberg
Secretary/Treasurer