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AGENDA ITEM 10b
HCAOG Board Meeting
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DATE: February 9, 2023
TO: HCAOG Board of Directors
FROM: Beth Burks, Executive Director
SUBJECT: **Election of Officers, Appointment of a California Association of Council of Governments (CALCOG) Delegate for Calendar Year 2024**

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Staff's Recommended Action:

That the HCAOG Board elect a Chair, Vice Chair, third Executive Committee Member, and CALCOG Delegate to serve during calendar year 2024.

Staff Summary:

In accordance with Articles II and VII of the HCAOG Bylaws, the Chair, Vice Chair, and third Executive committee member shall be appointed annually by the HCAOG Board. Additionally a CALCOG delegate is appointed each year.

Currently these positions are held as follows:

Chair: Mayor Pro Tem Mike Johnson, City of Fortuna

Vice Chair: Mayor Adelene Jones, Blue Lake

Executive Committee Member and CALCOG delegate: Councilmember Stacy Atkins-Salazar, City of Arcata

There are no term limits specified in the bylaws. A single motion can be made to appoint a slate of members. The term will take effect at the January 2024 Board Meeting.

Additional information on the positions follows.

HCAOG Bylaws

Section 2.2: Rights of the Presiding Officer

The Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, or such other member as may be presiding, shall be deprived of none of the rights or privileges of a member by reason of his or her occupying the chair and may move, second, and debate from the chair, subject only to such limitations of debate as are by the rules imposed on all members.

Section 2.3: Chairperson Duties

The Chairperson shall preside and preserve order at all regular and special meetings of the Board. The Chairperson shall state every question coming before the Board, announce the decision of the Board on all subjects, and decide all questions of order without debate, subject, however, to an appeal to the Board on which a member shall speak but once, the Chairperson having precedence in speaking on question on order.

Section 7.1 Executive Committee

The Board annually appoints an Executive Committee to carry out administrative and executive functions between regular monthly meetings. The Executive Committee is made up of the Chair, Vice Chair and an additional member selected by the Board.

Section 7.2 Executive Committee Emergency Actions

When it is not possible because of time or other constraints to assemble a quorum of the Board for routine decisions between regular meetings, the Chairperson and at least two other Board members, but no more than a quorum, may act as an executive committee to authorize transactions not specifically required by statute to be determined by a majority with a quorum present; and any such executive committee action shall be reviewed and either approved or rescinded at the next meeting of the Board at which a quorum can be assembled. The purpose of this section is primarily to avoid delay in meeting Work Program schedules and carrying out other general activities; the executive committee is not authorized to approve allocations or take any long-term action which for which a resolution is usually required.

The California Association of Councils of Governments (CALCOG) Representative and Alternate (optional).

CALCOG is a nonprofit, social welfare organization formed to serve regional governments. There are currently 48 member agencies. Membership ranges in size from the Lake County/City Area Planning Council (population 64,000) to the Southern California Association of Governments (population 19 million). Most members are involved in planning and funding transportation infrastructure; many actually deliver specific projects, and a few also operate transit systems. Each member has a single representative. Some, but not all members appoint alternates. In recognition of the inter-relationship between regional and local governments, both the California State Association of Counties and the League of California Cities may also appoint a representative to the CALCOG Board of Directors.

CALCOG's work program includes:

- A consensus-based advocacy program that targets high priority Legislation in which our members have a common interest.
- Facilitate member meetings and conferences designed to share information and encourage peer-to-peer learning.
- Coordinate government-to-government communications between state, regional, and local governments as it relates to implementing policy, including transportation, housing,

and climate change.

- Provide general educational information to interested stakeholders, governmental partners, and the public the structure, role, constraints, and opportunities for effective regional governance.
- As the only entity that counts all 18 of the state's Metropolitan Planning Organizations amongst its membership, focus on SB 375 (requiring regions to achieve a greenhouse gas reduction target within their transportation planning process).
- Coordinate transportation policy implementation with Caltrans, the California Transportation Commission, and California State Transportation Agency. California is a leader in devolving authority to make decisions at the regional level. But with that duty comes a responsibility to work with the state to assure that state goals are met.