

MINUTES
CML Executive Board Meeting
FEBRUARY 23, 2024 - Denver, Colorado

Board members present: President Jessica Sandgren, Councilwoman, Thornton; Vice President Wynetta Massey, City Attorney, Colorado Springs; Secretary/Treasurer Seth Hoffman, City Manager, Lone Tree; Immediate Past President Dale Hall, Council Member, Greeley; Barbara Bynum, Mayor, Montrose; Michelle Eddy, Town Manager/Clerk, Blue River; Carrie Hartwell, Town Clerk/Treasurer, Julesburg; Liz Hensley, Council Member, Alamosa; Jim Keehne, City Administrator, Burlington; Dave Kerber, Mayor Pro Tem, Greenwood Village; Shannon Lukeman-Hiromasa, Mayor Pro Tem, Northglenn; John Marriott, Council Member, Arvada; James Marsh-Holschen, Council Member, Broomfield; Carol Saade, Council Member, Breckenridge; Amanda Sawyer, Council Member, Denver; Katie Sickles, Town Manager, Bayfield; Anna Stout, Council President/Mayor, Grand Junction; Laura Weinberg, Mayor, Golden.

Board members absent: Joshua Rivero, Councilmember, Parker; Dana Sherman, Mayor, Brush!; Robert Widner, City Attorney, Centennial.

CML Staff members present: Kevin Bommer, Executive Director; Rachel Bender, Associate Counsel; Elizabeth Haskell, Legislative & Policy Advocate; Kharyl Jackson, Marketing & Communications Specialist; Karen Rosen, Meetings and Events Planner; Jeremy Schupbach, Legislative & Policy Advocate; Robert Sheesley, General Counsel; Bev Stables, Legislative & Policy Advocate; Heather Stauffer, Legislative Advocacy Manager; Mark Vanderbrook, Database Specialist; Denise White, Engagement and Communications Manager; Rachel Woolworth, Municipal Research Analyst; Allison Wright, Finance and Administration Manager; Lara Larkin, Executive Assistant.

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

Michelle Eddy MOVED AND Shannon Lukeman-Hiromasa SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 26, 2024 MEETING. The motion passed unanimously.

Heather Stauffer, Legislative Advocacy Manager, and the Advocacy team gave updates on the legislative session and the Policy Committee's recommendations from their February 16th meeting.

HB24-1161 Land Use: Motor Vehicle Access for Individuals with Disabilities, Transportation: RTD Governance, & HB24-1079 Criminal Justice/Public Safety: Persons Detained in Jail on Emergency Commitment were all pulled for separate discussion and vote.

Barbara Bynum MOVED and Michelle Eddy SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS AS PRESENTED EXCLUDING THE THREE PULLED BILLS. The motion passed unanimously.

John Marriott MOVED and Barbara Bynum SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION ON HB24-1161 TO REMAIN OPPOSE UNLESS AMENDED SUCH THAT CHANGING THE TERMINAL UNIT ON TOP DOES NOT CONSTITUTE "REMODEL." The motion passed unanimously.

Laura Weinberg MOVED and James Marsh-Holschen SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE STAFF DISCRETION TO SUPPORT IF AMENDED THE RTD GOVERNANCE BILL. The motion passed with two members opposing.

Barbara Bynum MOVED and Michelle Eddy SECONDED THE MOTION TO ADOPT A NEUTRAL POSITION ON HB24-1079 Criminal Justice/Public Safety: Persons Detained in Jail on Emergency Commitment. The motion passed with one opposing vote.

The Legislative Advocacy Team reviewed the Supplemental Action Items that came in after the Policy Committee met on February 16, 2024. Staff recommendation was Staff Discretion to Support SB24-090 Criminal Justice/Public Safety: Possess Identification While Driving rather than Support as printed in the board packet.

SB24-131 Elections/Public Safety: Prohibiting Carrying Firearms in Sensitive Spaces was pulled for a separate vote. SB24-113 Special Districts: Safer Youth Sports was pulled from the list and staff will monitor.

Barbara Bynum MOVED and Dave Kerber SECONDED THE MOTION TO TAKE STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS ON ALL SUPPLEMENTAL ACTION ITEMS EXCLUDING THE PULLED FIREARMS BILL. The motion passed unanimously.

At 11:56 p.m. the meeting paused for a short lunch break.
The meeting resumed at 12:14 p.m.

SB24-131 Elections/Public Safety: Prohibiting Carrying Firearms in Sensitive Spaces was discussed at length. John Marriott made a motion to oppose and then withdrew his motion. The Advocacy staff was asked to take it to the next Policy Committee meeting for further discussion. The staff will monitor the bill.

Kevin Bommer, Executive Director, gave an update on outstanding Municipal dues. He relayed a request to the Board from the City & County of Denver that is not able to pay the full amount due by the deadline. Under CML Bylaws, the Board may extend membership pending receipt of the amount due. Bommer suggested the Board approve an extension, and the Board discussed other options to address such issues in future years.

Laura Weinberg MOVED and Michelle Eddy SECONDED THE MOTION TO EXTEND THE DENVER'S MEMBERSHIP TO DECEMBER 30, 2024, PENDING RECEIPT OF OUTSTANDING DUES. The motion passed and Amanda Sawyer abstained from the vote.

Allison Wright, Finance and Administration Manager, provided financial reports for the year ended 12-31-2023 in the board packet. Wright will resubmit the reports to the BAM Committee due to a late invoice submission and will send them to the Board via email once the revision is complete.

General Counsel Sheesley provided the Amicus update. CML had two requests for Amicus but had decided to only go forward with Vail's request regarding Colorado Motor Carriers Association v. Town of Vail.

Barbara Bynum MOVED AND Amanda Sawyer SECONDED THE MOTION TO SUPPORT THE CML AMICUS RECOMMENDATION. The motion passed unanimously.

Bommer reviewed the upcoming NLC Conference activities and schedule.

Vice President Massey asked about Board Codes for upcoming CML Conference registration and Karen Rosen gave information regarding registration and hotel reservations.

Bommer provided information on the application process for upcoming Board vacancies. The announcement will be included in the upcoming March newsletter. There was discussion over backing up the due date to provide more time for applicants going forward.

Bommer provided dates for the upcoming summer Board Retreat; July 11-13, 2024.

Karen Rosen, Meetings and Events Planner, gave an update on the upcoming District Meetings to be held in May 2024

The meeting adjourned at 1:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Seth Hoffman
Secretary/Treasurer