MINUTES CML Executive Board Meeting February 28, 2025 - Denver, Colorado

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; Liz Hensley, Mayor Pro Tem, Alamosa; Jim Keehne, City Administrator, Burlington; Dave Kerber, Mayor Pro Tem, Greenwood Village; Dan Kramer, Town Attorney, Estes Park; John Marriott, Councilmember, Arvada; James Marsh-Holschen, Councilmember, Broomfield; Rachel Medina, Mayor, Cortez; Candy Meehan, Mayor, Norwood; Hollie Rogin, Mayor, Lyons; Carol Saade, Council Member, Breckenridge; Amanda Sawyer, Councilmember, Denver; Anna Stout, Council Member, Grand Junction; Robert Widner, Attorney/Partner, Centennial.

Board members absent: Joshua Rivero, Mayor, Parker.

CML Staff members present: Kevin Bommer, Executive Director; Rachel Bender, Senior Associate Counsel; Elizabeth Haskell, Legislative & Policy Advocate; Kharyl Jackson, Marketing & Communications Specialist; Alex Miller, Publication & Design Specialist; Karen Rosen, Meeting and Events Planner; Jeremy Schupbach, Legislative & Policy Advocate; Robert Sheesley, General Counsel; Bev Stables, Legislative & Policy Advocate; Heather Stauffer, Legislative Advocacy Manager; Denise White, Engagement and Communications Manager; Allison Wright, Finance and Administration Manager; Lara Larkin, Executive Assistant.

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

John Marriott MOVED AND Dave Frank SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 24, 2025 MEETING. The motion passed unanimously.

TaShina Salas, Denver Regional Director for U.S. Senator John Hickenlooper was welcomed and introduced to both staff and board members. She gave a brief update on Hickenlooper's priorities, answered questions, and provided an update on the status of previously approved Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) requests and the prospects for CDS in 2025. Finally, she expressed the importance of members reaching out to their regional offices with questions and local updates.

Allison Wright, Finance and Administration Manager, provided an update on the current municipal dues as well as year-end financials.

Heather Stauffer, Legislative Advocacy Manager, and the Advocacy Team summarized recommendations from the February 28th, 2025 CML Policy Committee meeting and the supplemental action items. HB25-1237 Liquor: Soft Close for Bars and Taverns, was pulled for a separate discussion and vote.

Dave Frank MOVED and Amanda Sawyer SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE AND STAFF AS PRESENTED EXCLUDING HB25-1237

WHILE INCLUDING THE SUPPLEMENTAL ACTION ITEMS. The motion passed unanimously.

John Marriott MOVED and Laura Weinberg SECONDED THE MOTION TO ACCEPT STAFF RECOMMENDATION OF NEUTRAL ON HB-25 1237. The motion passed with two dissenting.

Seth Hoffman asked the legislative team about the status of HB25-1112, Local Authorities Enforce Vehicle Registration, and if staff had considered whether CML should have a position on SB25-161, Transit Reform. Staff provided the latest information on the vehicle registration legislation, and the Board discussed the transit reform bill. Staff agreed that the bill should be presented to the Policy Committee at its next meeting.

Kevin Bommer, Executive Director, gave an overview of the upcoming NLC Congressional City Conference (CCC) scheduled from March 9-12, including the activities scheduled on Capitol Hill for Colorado attendees.

Bommer shared Dave Frank was interested in being reappointed to the Colorado Opioid Abatement Counsel (COAC). Hollie Rogin MOVED and David Kerber SECONDED THE MOTION TO SUPPORT. The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 12:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Weinberg Secretary/Treasurer