



**County of Santa Barbara
Meeting of the Legislative Program Committee**

MINUTES

Date: September 23, 2010

Time: 3:30 – 5:00 PM

Place: **Board of Supervisors Conference Room, Fourth Floor**
105 E. Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara

Committee Members: Salud Carbajal, First District Supervisor (ABSENT)
Janet Wolf, Second District Supervisor
Michael Brown, County Executive Officer
Robert Geis, Auditor-Controller
Dennis A. Marshall, County Counsel

Public Comment: No requests to speak during general Public Comment.

Action Items:

1. Approve the minutes from the August 26, 2010 meeting.

Motion made by Supervisor Wolf, seconded by Dennis Marshall, to approve the minutes from the August 26, 2010 meeting. Motion passed by a vote of 3-0, with Supervisor Carbajal and Robert Geis absent.

2. Receive an update on federal issues of interest to the County and direct staff to take action as necessary.

The Legislative Program Committee received an update from Thomas Walters and Associates, Inc.

3. Receive an update regarding CSAC's position on efforts related to the *Carcieri* Supreme Court decision and fee-land into trust reform and direct staff to take action as necessary.

The Legislative Program Committee received an update from Thomas Walters and Associates, Inc.

Public Comment:

- o Judith Iskanian: Thanked the County, CSAC, and NACO for the “quick fix”.
- o Doug Herthel: Recommended that the Board opt for a “quick fix” because another tribe would be a drain on resources.
- o James Marino: 1998 Supreme Court decision on tribal business rights; lack of accurate definition of ‘tribe’; eligible land; ruling out a ‘quick fix’.

Motion made by Supervisor Wolf, seconded by Michael Brown, to reaffirm CSAC opposition on efforts related to the Carcieri Supreme Court decision and fee-land into trust reform. Motion passed by a vote of 4-0, with Supervisor Carbajal absent.

4. Receive an update on State issues of interest to the County, including recent State Budget developments, and direct staff to take action as necessary.

The Legislative Program Committee received an update from Monica Miller of Governmental Advocates.

Motion made by Supervisor Wolf, seconded by Dennis Marshall, to write a letter on behalf of the Board of Supervisors to CSAC, California legislators, and the governor, outlining the impacts of the budget impasse, and bring this item before the Board of Supervisors on October 5, 2010. Motion passed by a vote of 4-0, with Supervisor Carbajal absent.

5. Receive a report on the nine November 2010 Statewide Ballot Propositions and direct staff to take action as necessary.

The Legislative Program Committee received a report from Terri Nisich.

Public Comment:

- o Judith Iskanian: Legislative Program Committee should not have taken a position on Proposition 23.

Proposition 19: Motion made by Supervisor Wolf, seconded by Michael Brown, to oppose Proposition 19. Motion passed by a vote of 4-0, with Supervisor Carbajal absent.

Proposition 21: Motion made by Michael Brown, seconded by Robert Geis, to take no position. Motion passed by a vote of 4-0, with Supervisor Carbajal absent.

6. Review and make recommendations on the Legislative Principles and direct staff to take action as necessary.

The Legislative Program Committee received a report from Terri Nisich.

The Legislative Program Committee requested that the Legislative Principles section regarding the Williamson Act include protection of agricultural resources.

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Motion made by Supervisor Wolf, seconded by Robert Geis, to adjourn the meeting of September 23, 2010. Motion passed by a vote of 4-0, with Supervisor Carbajal absent.

Note: Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 10, 2010 from 3:30-5:00pm (PST)

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