



**COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA  
LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES**

Date: Monday, September 9, 2013  
Time: Called to order at **1:36PM**  
Meeting adjourned at **2:50PM**  
Place: Board of Supervisors Conference Room, Fourth Floor  
105 E. Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara

Committee Members: Salud Carbajal, First District Supervisor – **Present**  
Doreen Farr, Third District Supervisor - **Present**  
Chandra L. Wallar, County Executive Officer - **Present**  
Robert Geis, Auditor-Controller - **Absent**  
Dennis A. Marshall, County Counsel - **Present**

**Public Comment**

Mr. William Connell spoke on legislation supportive of veterans, particularly Assembly Bill (AB) 143

**Agenda Items:**

1. Approve minutes from the July 1, 2013 meeting. (*Agenda Item 1: Draft 07/01/13 minutes*)  
**Motion to Approve made by Supervisor Farr, seconded by Supervisor Carbajal; Approved 4-0.**
2. Receive an update on Federal issues of interest to the County and direct staff to take action as necessary. (*Agenda Item 2: Update from Thomas Walters and Associates, Inc.*)
  - 2A. Advocacy letters sent last month. (*Agenda Item 2A: Copies of letters*)  
**Motion to Receive made by Supervisor Carbajal, seconded by Supervisor Farr; Approved 4-0.**
3. Receive an update on State issues of interest to the County and direct staff to take action as necessary. (*Agenda Item 3: Update from Governmental Advocates*)
  - 3A. Advocacy letters sent last month. (*Agenda Item 3A: Copies of letters*)  
**Motion to Receive made by Supervisor Carbajal, seconded by Supervisor Farr; Approved 4-0.**

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<http://www.countyofsbq.org/ceo/legis.aspx?id=308>”

4. Receive an update on state and federal legislation or administrative actions of interest to the County and direct staff to take action as necessary.

- 4A. **SCA 7**, as amended (Wolk): Library Advisory Committee voted to forward this item to the Legislative Program Committee. The constitutional measure seeks to reduce the local vote threshold for special library taxes and construction bonds from the current two-thirds vote to 55%. (*Agenda Item 4A: SCA 7 – draft letter and Library Advisory Committee Action Summary*)

***Motion to forward a Letter of Support for consideration by the Board of Supervisors on 10/15/2013 made by Supervisor Carbajal, seconded by Supervisor Farr; Approved 3-0. County Executive Wallar abstained.***

- 4B. **AB 919**, as introduced (Williams): Sales and use taxes: veterans: itinerant vendors: repayment. (*Agenda Item: 4B: AB 919 Fact Sheet*)

***Mr. William Connell spoke in favor of supporting this legislation.***

***Motion to forward a Letter of Support for consideration by the Board of Supervisors on 10/15/2013 made by Supervisor Carbajal, seconded by Supervisor Farr; Approved 4-0.***

- 4C. **AB 52**, as amended (Gatto): Native Americans: California Environmental Quality Act. (*Agenda Item: 4C: Bill text*).

**Supervisor Carbajal left the meeting during discussion on this item.**

***Motion to forward a Letter with a Watch position including comments and questions from County Counsel and Planning & Development staff for consideration by the Board of Supervisors on 10/15/2013 made by Supervisor Farr, seconded by County Executive Wallar; Approved 3-0.***

- 4D. **AB 1229**, as introduced (Atkins): Land Use: zoning issues. (*Agenda Item 4D: AB 1229 Legislative Brief*)

***Motion to forward a Letter of Support for consideration by the Board of Supervisors on 10/15/2013 made by Supervisor Farr, seconded by County Executive Wallar; Approved 3-0.***

5. Staff Reports:

- 5A. Legislative Platform Outlines from other counties/organizations (*Agenda Item 5A: Legislative Platform Outlines*) **Presented to Committee by staff**

- 5B. Legislative Principles Update for 2014 (*Agenda Item 5B: 2013 Legislative Principles*)

***Motion to approve the use of the 2013 Legislative Principles for the development of the 2014 Legislative Platform made by Supervisor Farr, seconded by County Executive Wallar; Approved 3-0.***

- 5C. Legislative Matrix (*Agenda Item 5c: Legislative Matrix Update*) **Presented to Committee by staff**

6. Consider new Committee business for future meetings.

**None**

***Motion to Adjourn to next meeting on October 7, 2013 made by Supervisor Farr, seconded by County Counsel Marshall; Approved 3-0.***