



Mountain Housing Council
Policy Working Group Meeting Summary
Monday, August 22, 2022

Attendees: Lynn Baumgartner, Fred Ilfeld, Hilary Hobbs, Peter Greenburg, Shawna Purvines, and Tara Zuardo
Facilitation: Steve Frisch

Topic	Discussion	Next Steps
Bill Tracking List	<p>We discussed MHC action regarding 9 bills moving forward in the legislature. See the Bill tracking list tab “Top Discussion 8-22-22 for more information. The last day for amendments wil by August 26th.</p> <p>AB2011- Wicks: Affordable Housing and High Road Jobs Act of 2022</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Would require that labor be paid prevailing wages but doesn’t require unionized labor.• MHC signed onto floor alert in support at the request of Bay Area Council because it frees up more land across the state for affordable housing.• Still being negotiated and likely to be amended between now and 8/25th.• Town of Truckee submitted a letter of opposition to AB2011 because of the requirement of ministerial approval of housing developments in commercial zones. It would disregard local planning efforts in the 2040 general plan. <p>SB6-Caballero: Local planning: housing; commercial zones</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Similar to AB2011. Requires both paying prevailing wage and hiring unionized labor or labor in apprenticeship programs for unionized labor.• Asked to sign a floor alert. We did not commit to floor alert because it is in conflict of AB2011.• Both bills allow lower standards for residential development in commercial zones.	<p>Support. Sign floor alert</p> <p>MHC will not sign a floor alert since it would be seen to be in conflict with AB2011</p>

	<p>AB2097- Friedman: Residential, commercial, or other development types; parking requirements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would reduce parking requirements in areas that are ½ mile of ‘served public transit’ (downtown near the train station and the Tahoe City train center). • Asked to sign a floor alert in support by Housing CA (HC), the Affordable Housing and Climate Solutions working group (AHCS), California Coalition of Rural Housing (CCRH), and a number of other organizations. • The Town of Truckee took a position of opposition unless amended to exclude smaller jurisdictions/jurisdictions at elevations because of snow control. • The MHC previous position of support was to support if amended. <p>AB 2094-Rivas: General plan: annual report: extremely low-income housing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This would require jurisdictions to report their progress to meet housing needs for extremely low-income households (30% AMI and lower) in their regular reporting to HCD. • This could give HCD another piece of data that might actually direct more funding into the extremely low income housing category which would make it harder for our region to compete successfully for funding. • Asked to sign a floor alert by AHCS <p>AB 2295-Bloom: Local educational agencies: housing development projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would make housing development an allowable use on local educational agency property (school districts, college districts). This bill would streamline review and eliminate some of the requirements of the state surplus land act. (Still has to go through CEQA and local approval). <p>SB 886-Weiner: California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: public universities: university housing development projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would allow student and staff housing at CA universities to get CEQA exemption assuming it meets safety standards. This is not applicable to community colleges. <p>AB 1816-Bryan: Reentry Housing and Workforce Development Grant Program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wrap-around service bill for people who were formerly incarcerated in state 	<p>MHC will not sign onto floor alerts due to it not being realistic with our snow control</p> <p>MHC will not take a position and will continue to watch.</p> <p>Support. Submit a letter and a floor alert</p> <p>Support. Sign floor alert</p> <p>Support. Sign floor alert.</p>
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	<p>prisons who are experiencing homelessness. Funding would come through homeless funding and the amount will be determined in the junior trailer bill.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asked to sign floor alert. Supported by HC, CCRH, AHCS <p>AB 2817-Reyes: House California Challenge Program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supported by the Governor’s office. No budget allocation. Simply creates the program through HCD and HHS. Introduced at the last minute and would require follow-up legislation next year. • Would provide direct rental assistance to help persons who are experiencing homelessness to obtain housing. • Asked to sign floor alert by HC, AHCS, CCRH <p>SB 1338-Umberg: Community Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment (CARE) Court Program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creates CARE courts- court ordered care at a homeless facility for those deemed not able to care for themselves due to chronic homeless or mental illness. Many homeless advocates are not in support. Super controversial. • Nevada County took an oppositional position. • Asked to sign the floor alert by the Bay Area Council. 	<p>Watch. Needs more discussion.</p> <p>MHC will not support at this time and will review with the Supportive Housing and Homelessness group.</p>
<p>Future Meetings</p>	<p>November 7,8, or 9: Next Meeting: 3-hour hybrid meeting to strategize next year’s priorities. MHC will also invite key partners such as lobbyists, JPA, Seana Doherty, NLTRA to attend.</p> <p>February 21, 22, or 23: Day at the Capital</p> <p>April 26 or 27: Day at the Capital</p>	<p>Kristina will send a Doodle Poll to select a date for future meetings.</p>