



**Mountain Housing Council
Policy Working Group Meeting Summary
Monday, May 23, 2022**

Attendees: Hilary Hobbs, Peter Greenberger, Karen Fink, John Falk, Yumie Dahn, Fred Ilfeld, Shawna Purvines, Danielle Hughes, and Tara Zuardo

Facilitation: Steve Frisch

| Topic | Discussion | Next Steps |
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| <p>May Budget Revise Update (See attached summary for Housing and Homelessness)</p> | <p>The Governor’s budget was revised on May 13th. The May revision reflects ~50B in discretionary surplus. In total, the Budget includes \$9.1B for housing resources and \$9.4 B for homelessness resources in 22-23.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • While the revenue forecast has been upgraded, there is also future economic uncertainty due to stock market declines. Steve predicts a substantial drop in tax receipts next year. <p>Key Takeaways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$2B for housing and homelessness • \$500M to accelerate affordable housing production • \$500M one-time General Fund over 23-24 & 24-25 for adaptive reuse investments. • 150M for Homekey Program, for a total of \$2.9B over two years • \$500M over two years for interim housing • \$3M one-time General Fund to provide transitional housing to youth discharged from CDCR’s Division of Juvenile Justice. <p><u>Timeline:</u> The Legislature must approve a state budget by June 15, and it must be signed by the governor by June 30</p> | |

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| <p>Potential "ask" for Infill Infrastructure Grant Program</p> | <p>Several coalitions have asked SBC and MHC to show support and join them in asking the Senate Budget Subcommittee to consider a \$5B increase in the next 3-5 years to the Infill Infrastructure Grant Program and that funding be apportioned by geographical regions (not defined) to provide proportional support to sustainable investments in all regions of the state.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Number of different ways to qualify for the IIG program under the proposed trailer bill: Of the criteria, most our area would meet the provision of a high resource area under TCAC mapping or transit rich ¼ mile from a downtown core.. Tahoe would also qualified under the MPO provision ● Closely mirrors the Senate’s recommendations for increased funding. ● Implementation Process: In order for this to be implemented, the Senate needs to accept the recommendation, the budget trailer bill would need to pass as is and not be amended, and then tied to the passage of the budget by June 15th. ● Downside to support: The budget trailer bill could be amended before June 15 and we could not get what we want. HCD could weaken the language and put rural areas at a disadvantage. ● Steve recommends that we sign onto the letter as this could be the best shot we have to get into the funding pot. ● HCD guideline update will have to go through a public process giving us an opportunity to make comments to ensure they consider rural areas in guidelines. | <p>Deadline: OPT OUT Wednesday (5/25) at noon. Let Steve know if you have objections to this “ask”. If we don’t hear from you, we will assume that you are OK with MHC showing support.</p> |
| <p>Bill Tracking List</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● On the list: If color coded <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Green-bills we supported and passed. ○ Red-bills that we supported and are dead. Failed to get out of committee ○ Yellow- bills that we did not take a position on and either passed or failed. Look at Column J for status. ● Key takeaways | <p>Add Truckee’s letter asking for AB2097 amendment to our talking points and materials for legislative meetings.</p> |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ AB 411 (Veterans Housing and Homeless Prevention Bond Act of 2022) was referred back to its committee of origin which means that it probably won't go forward. ○ AB 2221 (ADU Review Time Limits for Local Jurisdictions) Passed. Goes to 3rd reading on the floor. ○ AB 880 (establish the Affordable Disaster Housing Revolving Development and Acquisition Program) Passed Committee. No budget impact yet. ○ AB 2295 (Local educational agencies: housing development projects.) Passed. MHC is on record supporting it even though Dahle and Bigelow voted against it. Dahle didn't support it because there were a lot of details that needed to be worked out. ○ AB 2011 (Affordable Housing and High Road Jobs Act of 2022) Passed Assembly today and is on to the Senate ○ Other things to note: SB12- Still hanging out there. McGuire promises to bring it out again after the budget passes with changes and amendments on. MHC should brush up on provisions. | |
| <p>LIHTC letter– Dahle 60% threshold compared to 40%</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Assemblymember Dahle expressed a desire to be useful to us by weighing in with the State Treasurer's office and LIHTC on what those rules would be. ● Placer County didn't formally provide comment, just talking through with lobbyists. Roseville formally submitted ● Want it on the record so that we have it standing for next year. | <p>Tara and Steve work on a letter this week and then circle back to the lobbyists on how to weigh in.</p> |
| <p>Biden Proposal</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Set of recommendations going in front of Congress this summer. Put into statute Fed Housing policies. ● Ties public housing funding to leverage transportation in infrastructure bill <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Microtransit would qualify ● Increases funding in HUD and USDA funding pots ● Averaging of LIHTC units in order to set an average number that needs to be hit instead of a Federal number. Might be a lever for us to work on the 40% LIHTC threshold issue. Some bipartisan support | |

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| Meetings with Housing groups and legislatures | <p>Steve has been attending meetings– leg meetings. There is a lot of reticence from legislatures to do personal meetings because of COVID. Only one-on-one meeting we will pursue will be with HCD after the Budget passes. Steve will focus attention on the infrastructure trailer between now and June 15.</p> <p>More likely to get meetings with legislators on non-budget bills in August</p> | |
| Next Meeting | | June 21: 2 -2:30 PM Quick check-in re: budget |