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UCC Board of Director's Meeting Summary January 11, 2017

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Contra Costa:	Supervisor Federal Glover, Lara Delaney
Los Angeles:	Donna Seitz, Michelle Rubalcava
Orange:	Peter DeMarco
Riverside:	Brian Nestande, Jean Hurst
Sacramento:	Supervisor Susan Peters
San Bernardino:	Supervisor James Ramos, Josh Candelaria, Nicole Wordelman
San Diego:	Geoff Patnoe (Alternate)
San Francisco:	
San Mateo:	Devon Anderson
Santa Clara:	Supervisor Ken Yeager, Michael Rattigan, Jean Hurst
Ventura:	Supervisor Kelly Long, Sue Hughes, Nicole Wordelman
UCC	Jolena Voorhis, Grace Childs

I. Call to Order

UCC Chair Supervisor Susan Peters convened the meeting and called the members to order.

II. Roll Call of Counties

There were 5 Supervisors, 2 alternates and 11 counties represented at this meeting.

III. Approval of Minutes from the November 30, 2016 UCC Board Meeting – APPROVED

A motion was made to approve the November 30, 2016 minutes and was approved. Below is the vote count.

Member	County	Yes	No	Absent	Not Voting
Supervisor Peters, Chair	Sacramento	X			
Vacant	Riverside			X	
Supervisor Carson (Alternate)	Alameda	X			
Supervisor Glover	Contra Costa	X			
Supervisor Ridley- Thomas	Los Angeles			X	

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Supervisor Bartlett	Orange			X	
Supervisor Ramos	San Bernardino	X			
Vacant (Alternate)	San Diego	X			
Vacant	San Francisco			X	
Supervisor Groom	San Mateo			X	
Supervisor Yeager	Santa Clara	X			
Supervisor Long	Ventura	X			
Vote Total		7		5	

IV. Supervisor John J. Benoit – Resolution in Memory

Supervisor Benoit has been a member of UCC since 2010 and served as Chair in 2015. As you know, Supervisor Benoit passed away on December 26 after a short battle with pancreatic cancer. It has been suggested that counties may want to pass a resolution in memory and share that with his family.

V. Items for Consideration
1) Budget Update

Staff reported in a preliminary memo that the Governor’s Budget was released with the following major changes:

- Unwinding of the CCI program which includes returning IHSS collective bargaining to the 7 counties in the CCI and removing the current IHSS MOE which caps counties costs at 2011-12 levels with a COLA of 3.5% per year. However, parts of the CCI will be maintained including the Cal Medi-Connect and the mandatory enrollment of the dual eligibles.
- Transportation Funding proposal and investment in state infrastructure similar to last year’s proposal.
- Noted concern regarding federal uncertainty on the Affordable Care Act, but no specific proposal to address the possibility of a repeal by the Trump administration.
- The cost shift of the IHSS MOE which includes county share of cost for the increase to minimum wage is estimated to be \$4.4 billion over the next 6 years. First year impact is \$623 million to all 58 counties.
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Staff notes that while there are other eliminations of programs that were authorized last year by the Legislature, the biggest impact to counties is the IHSS MOE repeal as part of the unwinding of the CCI. We are working with our county partners including CSAC, Welfare Directors, Public Authorities and others to try and mitigation this impact. However, the decision to repeal the CCI is not something we can oppose. Under the current statute, all that is required is for DOF to notify the Legislature that the CCI is financially prudent. However, counties are currently reviewing all of our options including legal avenues as well

as beginning negotiations with the Administration on possible mitigation of this significant fiscal impact.

Supervisor Yeager stated that he was glad there was some focus on the IHSS issue.

2) Other Emerging or Continuing Legislative Issues

a) Homelessness – No Place Like Home (NPLH)

Staff provided a memo with an update on the implementation of NPLH this includes the draft paper released by HCD in December.

With the passage of AB 1618 and AB 1628 which provide for the creation and implementation for No Place Like Home (NPLH), we are in the beginning process of the implementation phase of this program.

NPLH provides \$2 billion in bond funding through the Mental Health Services Act to fund permanent and supportive housing to the homeless.

CSAC-CBHDA-UCC-RCRC Technical Working Group

The four associations are working together to organize the NPLH Technical Working Group which include county staff from both housing and mental health perspectives to help advise us on NPLH implementation issues and to help respond to the HCD Guidelines.

While in the preliminary phases, the working group has approximately 60 members and we anticipate meeting monthly to discuss issues and our priorities regarding the program.

The first meeting of the Technical Working Group was on November 18, 2016. At this meeting several issues were identified for further discussion with HCD and to research and discuss at the next meeting:

- Underwriting responsibilities
- Definition of homeless count (currently considering Point in Time count)
- Loan vs. Grant

Next meeting: January 20, 2017

HCD Draft Paper Released

On December 21, 2016, HCD released their draft paper on NPLH for public comment, which staff provided in a handout. HCD is also conducting workshops to hear feedback from stakeholders beginning on January 3, 2017 and continuing on through January.

Specific issues for counties:

- Underwriting. The HCD paper makes it clear that HCD will be responsible for underwriting the loans except for those under the alternative program and except for those receiving \$500,000 under the non-competitive program. This has resolved one of the major questions of our technical experts. If a county is responsible for underwriting the paper states that ~~10% of the award can be used for administrative costs.~~

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- Homeless Count Methodology. The HCD paper states that the competitive funding pools would be based on two factors: Homeless Point in Time Count weighted at 70 percent and Extremely Low Income Renter Cost Burden weighted at 30 percent. It is also stated that this methodology will be used to determine the amount of funds to be made available to each funding pool (county tiers). Therefore, it will not be used in the specific program application just in the amount of funds provided to the county. County staff is currently reviewing these factors and are also considering whether other factors should be used.
- Developer Experience. In the HCD paper it states that a developer must have experience doing 2 housing projects with at least one supportive housing unit within the last 10 years. This may be an issue for some of the rural counties.
- Operating Subsidy. The HCD paper also outlines the process for the operating subsidy referred to as the COSR. This will be a project-by-project decision and HCD is still working on the methodology for the various county tiers.

HCD Workshop Schedule

January 3, 2017 – Sacramento

2020 W. El Camino Avenue
 Sacramento, CA 95833
 Room 402
 Time: 9:00 – 12:00

January 6, 2017 – San Francisco

Association of Bay Area Governments
 375 Beale Street
 San Francisco, CA 94105
 Time: 9:00 – 12:00

January 11, 2017 – Redding

City of Redding, City Hall
 777 Cypress Avenue
 Redding, CA 96001
 Council Chamber
 Time: 9:00 – 12:00

January 13, 2017 – Los Angeles

Ronald Reagan Building
 300 S. Spring Street
 Los Angeles, CA 90013
 Auditorium
 Time: 9:00 – 12:00

January 24, 2017 – Fresno

Central Valley Community Foundation
 5260 N. Palm Avenue
 Fresno, CA 93704
 Time: 9:00 – 12:00

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Staff noted that they attended the first workshop held by HCD in Sacramento on January 3rd. The meeting was very well attended and several questions were asked about some of the requirements and to provide maximum flexibility to the counties. Staff continues to solicit feedback regarding this draft paper from counties and are planning to submit joint comments from all four associations by January 31, 2017, which is the deadline.

b) UCC Priorities - APPROVED

At the last Board meeting, staff adopted the Legislative Priorities for 2017. One issue that was not addressed in the priorities was the proposal to repeal the ACA by the incoming Trump Administration.

UCC staff is proposing to adopt a new language under the Health Care Financing to address to potential changes and impacts to counties related to the Affordable Care Act.

Below is a draft of the statement proposed to be added under Health Care Financing:

With the election of President-Elect Trump, UCC will monitor and engage on any proposals to repeal or alter the Affordable Care Act (ACA). California receives approximately \$16 billion in federal funds for the 2014 expansion of Medi-Cal and an additional \$5 billion for Covered California, therefore any change or reduction in funding could be extremely harmful for Californians, California's health care system, and for counties. UCC will oppose modifications or repeal of the ACA that harm county safety net providers or counties. UCC will work with our county partners to advocate for the retention of the ACA and to protect our policy and fiscal interests should the ACA and the federal funding be repealed.

Supervisor Yeager stated that he thought the priorities looked good and were strong. There was a motion and a second to approve the update to the UCC Priorities. Below is the vote count:

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Supervisor Peters, Chair	Sacramento	X			
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Supervisor Bartlett	Orange			X	
Supervisor Ramos	San Bernardino	X			
Vacant (Alternate)	San Diego	X			
Vacant	San Francisco			X	

Supervisor Groom	San Mateo			X	
Supervisor Yeager	Santa Clara	X			
Supervisor Long	Ventura	X			
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c) Legislative Update

Staff provided a memo with some of the introduced bills that may impact the urban counties. The Legislature has returned and introducing bills slowly and most of these are spot bills.

Below are some of the major bills that staff is tracking that have been introduced and have some substance:

AB 1 (Frazier)/SB 1 (Beall) – Transportation funding

This bill would increase various taxes and fees for an investment of \$7 billion in transportation funding.

Status: Introduced on 12/5/16.

AB 30 (Caballero) – Planning and Zoning

This bill would allow a legislative body of a city or county to identify an area of underperforming infill and direct the planning agency to prepare a specific plan to provide for immediate development within that area. The specific plan would have to allow development by-right.

Status: Introduced on 12/5/16.

AB 42 (Bonta) – Bail Reform

Spot bill on bail reform.

Status: Introduced on 12/5/16.

AB 44 (Reyes) – Workers’ compensation: medical treatment: terrorist attacks

This bill would exempt medical treatment for employees or first responders who sustained injury as a result of an act of terrorism in the workplace from utilization review.

Status: Introduced on 12/5/16.

AB 52 (Cooper) – Public employees: orientation and information programs

This bill would require the public employers to provide all employees with an orientation and require the employers to allow the exclusive representative to participate.

Status: Introduced on 12/5/16.

AB 64 (Bonta) – Cannabis: medical and non-medical

This bill would place more restrictions on advertising medical marijuana, allows cooperatives to operate as a profit or non-profit entity for medical marijuana, and allows licenses to be issued to those without a storefront under the both recreational and medical cannabis statutes.

Status: Introduced on 12/12/16.

SB 2 (Atkins) – Building Homes and Jobs Act

This bill would impose a fee of \$75 to be paid at the time of the recording of every real estate instrument, paper or notice required to be recorded. These funds will be sent to HCD for funding various affordable housing projects.

Status: Introduced on 12/5/16.

SB 8 (Beall) – Diversion: mental disorders

This bill would authorize a court, with the consent of the defendant to postpone prosecution of a misdemeanor or felony punishable in a county jail and place the defendant in a pretrial diversion program if the court is satisfied the defendant suffers from a mental disorder.

Status: Introduced on 12/5/16.

SB 10 (Hertzberg) – Bail: pretrial release

Spot bill on bail reform.

Status: Introduced on 12/5/16.

SB 21 (Hill) – Law enforcement agencies: surveillance: policies

This bill would require each law enforcement agency to submit to its governing body at a noticed hearing, a proposed plan for the use of all surveillance technology and the information collected.

Status: Introduced on 12/5/16.

Staff reported on a few bills to highlight: AB 42 is the bail reform vehicle which is one of the top priorities for the democrats this year. AB1 and SB 1 are the new Transportation Funding bills – similar to last year's vehicles. AB 52 is the new version of AB 2835 on requiring employee orientation and training.

d) UCC Workplan

Staff provided a draft UCC Workplan for 2017. This is a working document and there will be changes to this document after the budget release. This workplan notes all of our major priorities and policy issues that the Board has approved or placed a priority on.

V. Proposals for Next Month's Meeting Agenda

- 1) New Chair and Vice-Chair
- 2) State Budget
- 3) Homelessness
- 4) Legislative Update

VI. Public Comment

There were no public comments made.

VII. The next meeting will be held on February 1, 2017, via conference call.