



**STATE LEGISLATION
COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, February 23, 2022
11:00am – 1:00pm**

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MEMBERS:

Mayor's Office (Chair) -- Edward McCaffrey
Supervisor Dean Preston -- Preston Kilgore
Supervisor Connie Chan -- Ian Fregosi
Assessor's Office -- Holly Lung
City Attorney's Office -- Rebekah Krell
Controller's Office -- Dan Kaplan
Treasurer's Office -- Eric Manke

AGENDA

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Edward McCaffrey, Preston Kilgore, Ian Fregosi, Holly Lung, Rebekah Krell, Dan Kaplan, and Eric Manke

Absent: None.

II. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES (Action Item). Discussion and possible action to approve the minutes from the meeting of January 26, 2022.

No public comment.

Motion to Approve: Edward McCaffrey

Seconded by: Eric Manke

Approved: 7-0

III. STATE LOBBYIST OVERVIEW AND UPDATE (Discussion Item). The City's state lobbyist will present to the Committee an update on State legislative matters.

Presenter: Karen Lange, Partner, Shaw Yoder Antwih Schmelzer & Lange

IV. PROPOSED LEGISLATION (Discussion and Action). Discussion and possible action item: the Committee with review and discuss state legislation affecting the City and County of San Francisco. Items are listed by Department, then by bill number.

New Business

San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency & Planning Department

Presenter: Kate Breen and Aaron Starr

SB 922 (Wiener): California Environmental Quality Act:
exemptions: transportation-related projects

Recommended Position: Support

Senate Bill 922 expands the provisions and eliminates the sunset in SB 288 (Wiener, 2020) to ensure San Francisco and California can create an equitable and sustainable transportation system without unnecessary delays. SB 922 will extend statutory exemptions to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for transportation projects that significantly advance the state's climate, public safety and public health goals.

Madison Tam from SPUR expressed SPUR's support for this bill.

Motion to Approve: Edward McCaffrey

Seconded by: Eric Manke

Approved: 7-0

Office of Civic Engagement & Immigrant Affairs

Presenters: Elena Shore and Chloe Noonan

SB 836 (Wiener): Evidence: immigration status

Recommended Position: Support

On January 6, 2022, Sen. Scott Wiener, D-San Francisco, introduced SB 836 Evidence: immigration status, which would prevent the disclosure of a person's immigration status in open court, unless the presiding judge finds that their immigration status is relevant to the case. This legislation would extend protections of the 2018 law, SB 785 (Wiener), which had a sunset date of January 1, 2022. SB 836 would remove the sunset date to make these protections permanent. This legislation would allow undocumented immigrants, including crime victims and witnesses, to testify in California

courts without fear that their immigration status be made public. The bill would require a two-thirds vote of the state legislature, and if passed, it would take effect immediately.

No public comment.
Motion to Approve: Ian Fregosi
Seconded by: Holly Lung
Approved: 7-0

Office of the City Attorney

Presenter: Rebekah Krell

AB 2766 (Maienschein): Unfair Competition Law: enforcement powers: investigatory subpoena

Recommended Position: Sponsor

Existing law provides authority to the California Attorney General, District Attorneys, as well as City Attorneys and County Counsels representing populations greater than 750,000 to file cases under the California Unfair Competition Law (UCL), an important civil prosecutorial tool to address unlawful, unfair or fraudulent business acts as well as unfair or deceptive advertising. However, only the Attorney General and the District Attorneys may issue pre-litigation subpoenas, which they routinely do to investigate, expedite and focus potential UCL cases. The bill would provide pre-litigation subpoena authority to the seven agencies that already have authority to bring UCL actions (San Francisco City Attorney, Los Angeles City Attorney, San Jose City Attorney, San Diego City Attorney, Santa Clara County Counsel, Los Angeles County Counsel, and San Diego County Counsel). It is limited in scope to apply only to potential violations of the UCL.

No public comment.
Motion to Approve: Edward McCaffrey
Seconded by: Eric Manke
Approved: 7-0

V. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

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No public comment.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting concluded at 11:52pm.

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