

Call to Order: 4:02PM

Roll Call: Council Liaisons Present: Mayor McKeon, Mayor Pro Tem Twining, and Councilman Burns

Public Comments: None.

1. Federal Update – TJ Stapleton, Stapleton & Associates. Applications for congressionally directed spending were due 3 weeks early as well as letters of support. Our team submitted three project applications and has already received feedback from Congressman Min's office. It's anticipated to be a fast legislative year, bills will be marked early, candidates will campaign early, and the budget will be approved after the election. The City needs to work on a contingency visit to lobby in May.

2. State Update - Taylor Triffo, Kahn Soares & Conway. Bill sponsored by HB, SB 979, has been referred to two committees – Housing scheduled for 4/7, and Judiciary. The League of California Cities won't engage on the bill because they have cities on both sides. There are concerns from other OC cities: if judicial review re-allocates then there may be additional allocations and concerns in those other cities; and amendments on RHNA requirements may delay housing requirements. There is expected commentary, and KSC continues to speak with Strickland's office and investigating appeals to council on governments. The conversation is ongoing and there are three weeks until the bill is set.

There is a significant uptick of e-bike legislation. Legislature waited until the Mineta report in late 2025 and took forth a series of recommendations with different authors taking up portions for recommendations - School districts requirements, speedometers, notification for retailers, speed limits with traffic violation enforcement. There is a piecemeal regulatory approach especially with key coastal legislators.

Amendments to spot bills are due March 20.

3. Updates from Committee Members. None.

4. Staff update. None.

Adjournment

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be April 20, 2026, 4PM.