

CITY COUNCIL INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMISSION

MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 17, 2021

Huntington Beach City Hall ZOOM

Call to Order at 4:04PM

Roll Call

- Council Liaisons: (Present) Mayor Carr, Mayor Pro Tem Ortiz, and Council Member Posey
- Staff Liaisons: (Present) Chi, Hopkins, Jun, Frakes. From Townsend: Cori, Eric, Laura

Public Comments (2 minutes per speaker)

None.

Approve Minutes from January 17, 2021 meeting.

APPROVED

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. State

- a. <u>General State Update</u>: Focus on bill introduction as deadline is Friday, February 19, 2021. Currently the bill count is 1400, but it is expected to grow to potentially 2400-2700 bills to be introduced. No leadership limitations on number of bills thus far.
- b. Legislative Positions:
 - i. AB 59: Will bring back next month to decide on position.
 - ii. AB 339: Recommends waiting until amendments come out in approx. 2 weeks before taking position.
 - iii. SB 9 (reintroduction of SB 1120 from last year): The League of California Cities recommends opposition unless amended. Will wait on position. Posey recommends calling attention at next Council meeting.
 - iv. SB 274: Review.

2. Federal

- a. <u>Coronavirus Relief Package Update</u>
- b. <u>Congressional Assignments and Cabinet Nominations</u>: Cabinet is in varying states of confirmations, and there has been no controversies. Buttigieg confirmed as US Secretary of Transportation, and is pushing for more infrastructure spending. Yellen confirmed as US Secretary of the Treasury, and Townsend believes this will be good for local funding. Becerra is due to be confirmed as Health and Human Services Secretary, and Townsend will be watching to see how his confirmation will affect sober living homes issues. Townsend will be following the confirmation of Isabel Guzman as the nominee for Small Business Administrator, and believes that this will be a huge agency going forward due to the effects of the Covid-19 pandemic.
- c. <u>Surfside/Sunset Beach Sand Replenishment Update</u>: Townsend working with the White House to get this issue unstuck, as the US Army Corp of Engineers has an agreement with HB and other beach cities to replenish the sand every 10 years, and it's been 15 since the last replenishment.

Adjournment – 5:05pm

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on March 17, 2021 at 4:00PM.