

City Council

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President Rabbitt & Executive Board Association of Bay Area Governments 375 Beale Street, #700 San Francisco, CA 94105 Chair Haggerty & Governing Commission Metropolitan Transportation Commission 375 Beale Street, #700 San Francisco, CA 94105

RE: Request to make AB 1487 a two-year bill

Dear President Rabbitt and Chair Haggerty,

It is my understanding that ABAG and MTC will consider the recommendations of its ad hoc committee on AB 1487 in the coming week. I request that you support making AB 1487 a two-year bill so that the appropriate level of public input and review can be provided on this measure. I appreciate the level of effort that MTC and ABAG, as well as Assembly Member Chiu and many other legislators and stakeholders have contributed to this measure so far; however, the current process has not provided significant opportunity for individual cities and counties, let alone members of the public, to consider the potential impacts of this measure on our communities.

ABAG and MTC convened a joint legislative committee, which included only two city representatives, and less than a week ago they developed recommendations that will be taken to the ABAG Executive Board tomorrow and the MTC Governing Commission next week. While the summary sheet that is being taken to ABAG and MTC for consideration may represent an improvement to AB 1487, cities that were not part of the joint committee have not had time to review the provisions and provide input.

I understand that for AB 1487 to be considered this year, putting forth amendments in the coming days is necessary, which is why we feel that the best course of action is to make the bill a two-year bill. If the measure is made a two-year bill, all cities, counties, and members of the public will be provided opportunity to review the amendments that are being presented to ABAG and MTC, evaluate the potential impact those amendments would have on their communities, provide input, and ultimately result in a bill that works for the entire Bay Area.

If AB 1487 is made into a two-year bill, the City of Lafayette commits to working with all stakeholders to craft provisions for AB 1487 that can be broadly supported. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Mike Anderson

Mayor

cc: Councilmember Julie Pierce

Councilmember Amy Worth

Senator Glazer

Assembly Member Bauer-Kahan Contra Costa Mayors Conference

Sam Caygill, League of California Cities

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