

Legislative Committee Report April 12, 2022, meeting

The committee met once, at a noticed meeting on March 18, to discuss criteria for identifying bills for tracking and to create an initial list of such bills. Two members of the public attended. The committee is focusing on proposed measures with direct, potentially adverse effects on Los Altos Council governance. We are deferring tracking of measures to support until later in the session. We are considering, but not necessarily following, bills tracked by CalCities. At this time, CalCities has taken an “oppose” position on two bills.

Below is the calendar for council action, based on the legislative calendar (also given below). This is followed by the initial list of bills.

Council action: Committee welcomes council members’ and staffs’ suggestions for additional bills to track.

Calendar for City Council action

April 26 – Council action on any bills in **policy** committees (originating house)

May 10 – Council action on any bills in **fiscal** committees and floor votes (originating house)

Note: No further Council meetings for action prior to **floor votes** in originating house

June 14 – Council action for **policy** committees (second house)

June 28 – Council action for **fiscal** bills (second house)

July 12 – Last opportunity for Council action on **floor votes for second houses** (note: fiscal committees for second houses will not necessarily have taken action)

Legislative Calendar – key dates

Apr. 29 – Last day for policy committees to hear and report to fiscal Committees **fiscal** bills introduced in originating house.

May 6 – Last day for policy committees to hear and report to the floor **nonfiscal** bills introduced in originating house.

May 13 – Last day for **policy** committees to meet prior to May 31.

May 20 – Last day for **fiscal** committees to hear and report to the **floor** bills introduced in originating house.

May 27 – Last day for each house to pass bills introduced in that house

July 1 – Last day for **policy** committees to meet and report bills (second house)

Aug. 12 – Last day for **fiscal** committees to meet and report bills (second house)

Aug. 25 – Last day to **amend** bills on the floor

Aug. 31 – Last day for each house to pass bills.

Current list of bills being tracked for possible action.

The description is not comprehensive as to the provisions of the proposed legislation.

AB 2053 (Lee) Would create a new California Housing Authority

AB 2063 (Berman) Would prohibit collection of certain impact fees on “density bonus” units (collection currently is limited on affordable units).

AB 2097 (Friedman) Would prohibit any requirement for parking on developments within one-half mile of public transit. [CalCities: Oppose]

AB 2221 (Quirk-Silva) Would require an agency to return an approved permit or a full set of comments with a comprehensive request for revisions, within the specified time, on certain ADU applications.

AB 2625 (Ting) Would create certain exemptions to the Subdivision Map Act for leasing or easement of land involving an electrical energy storage system.

AB 2762 (Bloom) States intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation to allow local agencies to build affordable housing on parking lots that serve public parks and recreational facilities.

SB 897 (Wieckowski) Would require objective standards for ADUs and JADUs, would prohibit standards limiting ADUs to less than 25 feet in height, would reduce the required parking in a multifamily dwelling by 2 parking spaces for each ADU located on the lot, and eliminates the owner-occupancy requirement in either the primary or JADU unit.

SB 922 (Wiener) Would remove the January 1, 2030, sunset to exempt certain bicycle transportation plans, signal timing, and other related projects from CEQA.

SB 930 (Wiener) Would authorize the Department of Housing and Community Development to review, adopt, amend, and repeal standards, forms, or definitions to implement the Housing Accountability Act without complying with the Administrative Procedure Act.

SB 932 (Portantino) Would require addition of a multi-modal transportation network in the Circulation Element of the General Plan for plans after June 30, 2024. [Cal Cities: Oppose]

SB 1067 (Portantino) Would prohibit a city with population greater than 200,000 from imposing any minimum automobile parking requirement on a housing development within ½ mile of public transit under certain conditions.

SB 1292 (Stern) Would require jurisdictions that constrain development within certain fire hazard zones to provide for replacement development double the number of units eliminated in the fire hazard zones.