



MMC Full Caucus Meeting
Wednesday, February 2, 2022
Zoom
7:30 – 10:00 AM

Legislative Update & Discussion of Bills

Meghan Dollar & Kevin Bommer, CML

- CML is supporting [HB22-1051](#) bill regarding the CHFA affordable housing tax credit
- SB21-62/273 regarding bail reform
 - Will include some mandatory summons but provides more flexibility for police officers
 - The Caucus should meet with chiefs of police before taking a stance on the bill
- Fentanyl legislation to create higher penalties for possession and funneling dollars into education and outreach
- Cities are concerned about [HB22-1113](#) – municipal courts could charge someone under the age of 13 and would lose access to diversion programs
- [HB22-1067](#) – CML is providing an amendment to the bill to make clarifying language around timelines
 - 48 turnarounds on bail hearings
 - CML worked with sponsors to make this process more efficient for municipal courts
- EPR bill
 - Companies that sell plastic, metal, and glass into the State will be responsible for paying for a statewide recycling program
 - Producer responsibility non-profit will manage this program
 - Fees are based on weight and type of plastic
- Collective bargaining
 - The State would make collective bargaining a matter of statewide concern and would apply if to all public institutions
 - The very few cities that allow collective bargaining have nothing as broad as is put forward in the legislation
 - Could allow employees to set-aside existing agreements
 - Governor Polis doesn't support this version
 - Understand that some mayors support collective bargaining
 - Some concerns that voters have shown support for unions and labor rights but have rejected collective bargaining five times for municipal employees

- [HB22-1024](#) - regarding tax exemption of public-school construction
 - This bill could door for every special interest to get an exemption on taxing by home rule authorities
- [HB22-1026](#) - smart commuting bill - employer alternative
 - Winter was working on alternative
 - Mauro DRCOG supporting bill and asking for amendments - modifies an existing cost and makes it a tax credit
 - DRCOG wants to make it a credit so you can deduct the expense of making alternatives available to employees (income tax credit)

Nominating Committee Report

- The Nominating Committee is comprised of exiting mayors and previous chairs
- Mayor Bud Starker to step into the role of Chair with Mayor Adam Paul serving as Vice Chair
- Mayors newly appointed to the Executive Committee
 - Russell Stewart
 - Guyleen Castriotta
 - Laura Weinberg

MMC Overview

- [See slideshow](#)
- Metro Mayors Caucus is staffed by Civic Results, a non-profit
- Political climate in 1993 when the Caucus was formed was tumultuous, focusing on competition rather than collaboration
- The Caucus is a consensus-based organization with deliberate decision-making

Committee Achievements 2021

- [See slideshow](#)
- H3C
 - Regional Convening on Homelessness with MDHI & Division of Housing
 - 99.75% of MMC members signed a Built for Zero Pledge to End Veteran Homelessness
 - Raised more than \$79,000 for the Flex Fund and leveraged this to help secure grant funding for MDHI
 - Supported legislation that made it easier to exit homelessness and enter stable housing
 - Volunteered for a Mayors Build Day with Habitat for Humanity

- TMC
 - Ongoing negotiations on SB21-260 that lead to MMC support
 - Actively engaged in communicating with legislators and the Governor regarding transportation concerns
 - Engaged in GHG emissions conversations with the State
- CIRCLE
 - 2 committee meetings
 - Presentations on waste diversion efforts
 - Asked Mayors to support “Erase the Waste” Campaign
 - Denver CASR sustainability initiatives
 - EPR bill will likely be a focus this year

Principles & Priorities Discussion

- Local Control
 - Add 4. Unfunded Mandates
- CO Fiscal Health
 - Asking voters for greater fiscal flexibility
 - Educating voters on what services they’re losing because of TABOR will be important moving forward
 - “Repeal TABOR” language should be changed to “modify”

Adjourned at 10:00 AM

In Attendance

Mayor Bud	Starker	Wheat Ridge
Mayor Adam	Paul	Lakewood
Mayor Marc	Williams	Arvada
Mayor Clint	Folsom	Superior
Mayor Jackie	Millet	Lone Tree
Mayor Jan	Kulmann	Thornton
Mayor Russell	Stewart	Cherry Hills Village
Mayor Tracy	Engerman	Castle Pines
Mayor Guyleen	Castriotta	Broomfield
Mayor Aaron	Brockett	Boulder
Mayor Stephanie	Piko	Centennial
Mayor Benjamin	Huseman	Commerce City
Mayor Linda	Montoya	Federal Heights
Mayor Michael	Hancock	Denver
Mayor Kyle	Schlachter	Littleton

Mayor	Meredith	Leighty	Norhtglenn
Mayor	John	Beltrone	Edgewater
Mayor	Laura	Weinberg	Golden
Mayor	Royce	Pindell	Bennett
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Mayor	Tara	Fluhr	Sheridan
Mayor	Tom	Feldkamp	Bow Mar
Mayor	JD	Mangat	Lafayette
Mayor	Joan	Peck	Longmont
Mayor	George	Lantz	Greenwood Village
Mayor	Greg	Mills	Brighton
Mayor	Jeff	Toborg	Parker
Mayor	Nancy	McNally	Westminster
Mayor	Ashley	Stolzmann	Louisville
	Charles	Gilford III	Denver
	Chris	Rork	Sen. Hickenlooper Office
	Kevin	Bommer	CML
	Max	Haynes	Sen. Hickenlooper Office
	Rich	Mauro	DRCOG
	Meghan	MacKillop	CML
	Taylor	Reimann	Boulder
	Marjorie	Sloan	RTD
	Doug	Tisdale	RTD
	Meghan	Dollar	CML
	Evan	Dreyer	Denver
	Doug	Rex	DRCOG
	Andres	Carrera	Sen. Hickenlooper Office
	Michael	Davies	CDOT
Executive Director	Catherine	Marinelli	MMC
Principal	Peter	Kenney	MMC
Program Manager	Meghan	White	MMC