County of Los Angeles
2021 Legislative Planning

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Today's Agenda

- Introductions
- Legislative Program Roles
- County Advocacy
- 2021 Planning and Proposals
- County Sponsorship – State Legislation and Budget Proposals

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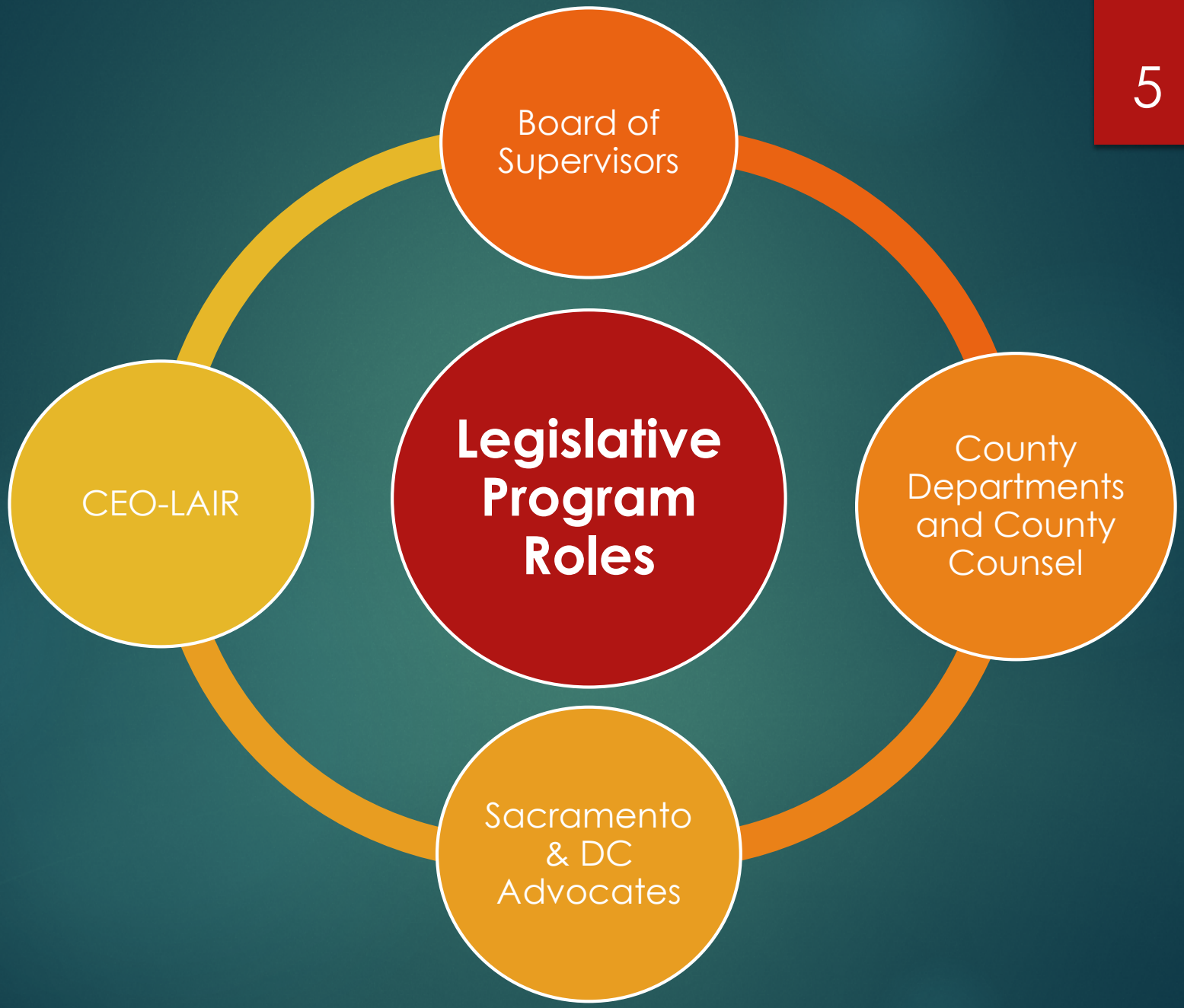
- State Budget Advocacy
- State Legislative Agenda
- Federal Legislative Agenda
- Q & A

Virtual Introductions

- Samara Ashley, Assistant Chief Executive Officer
- Olyvia Rodriguez, Manager, Chief Executive Office
- Patricia Carbajal, Manager, Chief Executive Office
- Brian Stiger, Chief Legislative Advocate (State)
- R.J. Lyerly, Chief Legislative Advocate (Federal)
- Legislative Analysts in Los Angeles
- Legislative Advocates in Washington D.C. and Sacramento


Board of Supervisors
CEO-LAIR
Legislative Program Roles
County Departments and County Counsel
Sacramento & DC Advocates

County Advocacy

- Pursuit of County Positions on Bills
- Advocacy by Sacramento and D.C. Staff

2021 Planning and Proposals

- 2021 County-Sponsored Legislation
- 2021-22 State Budget
- 2021 State Legislative Agenda
- 2021 Federal Legislative Agenda

County-Sponsored Legislation

Step 1: CEO-LAIR sends a memo to department heads soliciting recommendations for County-Sponsored Legislation.

Step 2: Departments, working with County Counsel and program staff, develop thoughtful proposals that are a priority for the County.

Step 3: Departments submit proposals to CEO-LAIR via a submission form. (Due no later than August 28, 2020).

County-Sponsored Legislation

Determining what and *what not* to sponsor

CEO-LAIR conducts a thorough review of all submitted proposals for County sponsorship,

Works with the Board offices and others to recommend those proposals that are of the County's <u>highest</u> priority.

County-Sponsored Legislation

What happens next?

CEO-LAIR issues a Sacramento Update to the Board identifying the major proposals the County will sponsor based on existing policy.

What if there is no existing policy to pursue the proposal?

Addition of a new policy to the State Legislative Agenda is recommended and subsequently approved by the Board.

THE STATE BUDGET PROCESS

Governor releases proposed budget for next fiscal year

BY JANUARY 10

Senate & assembly budget committees & subcommitees review the gov.'s budget & craft their own version.

Governor releases revised budget proposal

BY MAY 14

Senate & assembly budget committees & subcommitees review the revised budget & work to finalize their version.

Legislative leaders meet with the governor to iron out any issues and finalize a budget.

Legislature must pass a balanced budget

BY JUNE 15

Budget passes & goes to governor for a signature.

Start of the next fiscal year

JULY 1

STATE BUDGET ADVOCACY

The Budget is a Bill.

Similar to the legislative process but different in practical terms.

Most of the work occurs at the sub-committee level.

Important to get a head start.

The Budget process begins July 1st.

Things to Keep in Mind as You Build Your State Budget Proposal

The proposal should be directly related to the advancement of the Board's priorities.

Vet fiscal analysis with your CEO Budget Analyst, obtain concurrence if it affects other departments, obtain department head approval, and complete all the steps on the checklist.

Be prepared to explain State budget proposal, answer any questions, and testify at committee hearings as needed.

Prioritize proposals if submitting more than one.

Submit the fully completed recommendations by **no later than August 28, 2020.**

State Legislative Agenda

- General legislative principles
- Issues of major County interest
- Provides basis for County advocacy
- Starting this year, updated semi-annually
- Priorities for the year

State Legislative Agenda

Review all sections related to your operations and services.

Consider streamlining, consolidating, and deleting obsolete policies.

Obtain concurrence on recommended changes from other impacted departments.

State Legislative Agenda

Key Dates

7/16/20

Memo to Departments

9/1/20

1st Draft of Recommended Changes

9/8/20-9/18/20

Review Meetings with Departments

9/24/20

2nd Draft of Recommended Changes

10/19/20-10/26/20

Review with Board Offices

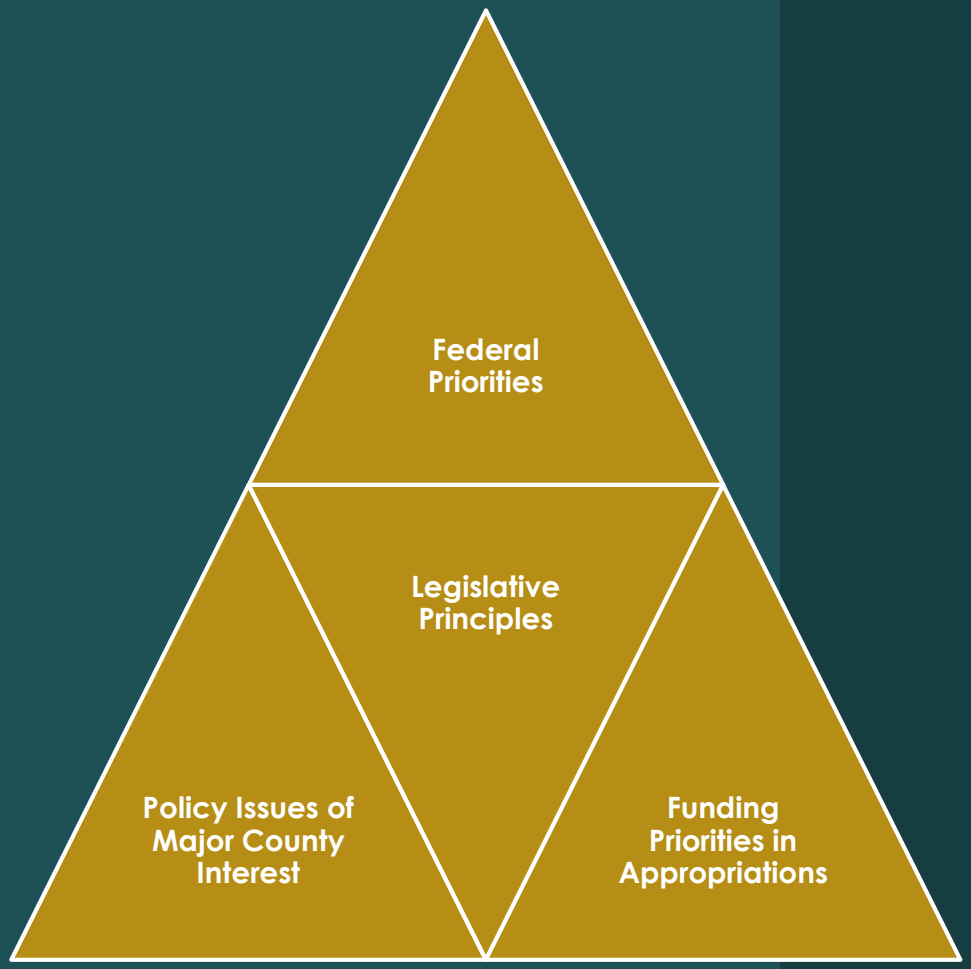
11/9/20

Final Review by CEO

12/8/20

Consideration by the Board

Federal Legislative Agenda Key Elements



Provides the basis for County Advocacy

Federal Legislative Agenda

Key Dates

Early October

Memo to Departments

Late October

Department Submissions

Late October

Review Meetings with Departments

November 2020

Review with Board Offices

January 2021

Consideration by The Board

All dates are subject to change

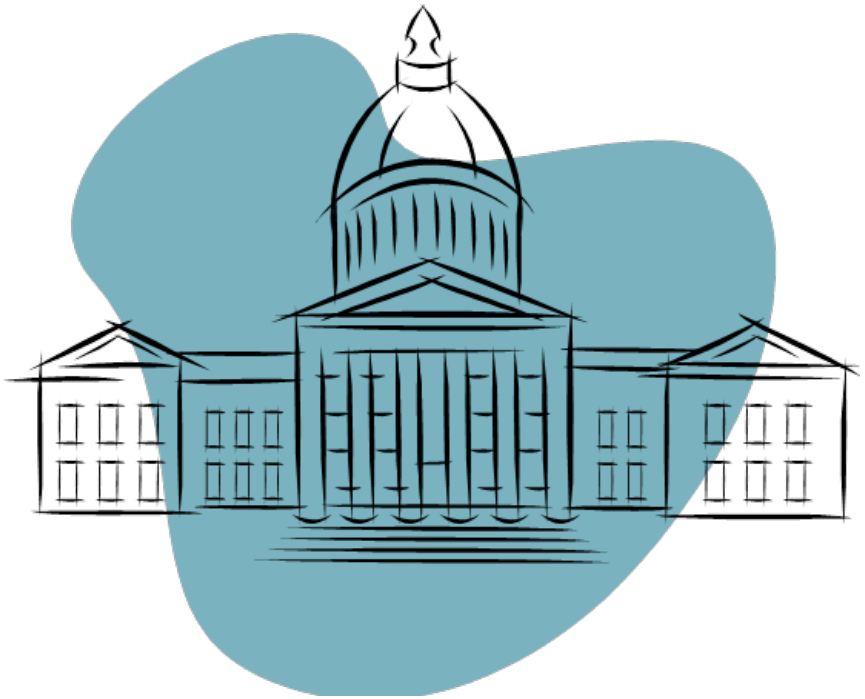
Q & A Session

Any questions?

Thank you!!

Thank you for joining us today!

We look forward to working together on the County's Legislative Priorities!



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