



## **SCA Board of Directors MINUTES**

March 8, 2013 8:00 AM  
Telephonic Emergency Meeting

Mayor Law called the meeting to order at 8:08 AM once a quorum was achieved. Present on the call were Denis Law, Bob Sternoff, Mia Gregerson, Ken Hearing, John Marchione, Dini Duclos, and Don Gerend. Also present was SCA Executive Director Deanna Dawson.

Mayor Law explained that the Board had called an emergency telephonic meeting pursuant to SCA Bylaws 4.8 and 4.9 for the purposes of taking action on an emergency public policy position recommended by the PIC at its 3/6/2013 meeting. The Board had been provided with a copy of background materials from item 7 of the 3/6/2013 PIC meeting. (See attached.)

Mayor Law asked ED Dawson to give background on the item before the board. ED Dawson explained that the PIC had voted unanimously to support the following public policy position at its 3/6/2013 meeting: The Sound Cities Association supports the flexible use of lodging tax revenues by local jurisdictions for the operations and marketing of special events and festivals beyond June 30, 2013, and supports passage of HB 1253 and companion bill SB 5262.

ED Dawson noted that there has been a “Leadership Pull” last night in which Substitute House Bill 1253 (the latest version of the bill supported by the PIC) was brought to the House Floor Calendar. Bill info is found here: <http://apps.leg.wa.gov/billinfo/summary.aspx?bill=1253>. If approved by the Board, SCA staff will work with Mayor Law to draft a letter in support of the bill to distribute to legislators, and to the membership as a whole. ED Dawson also indicated that lobbyist Doug Levy had noted that Re. Larry Springer had indicated it would be helpful if members contacted chambers of commerce and hoteliers to ask for support of the bills.

John Marchione moved, seconded by Ken Hearing, to adopt the following public policy position of behalf of SCA:

The Sound Cities Association supports the flexible use of lodging tax revenues by local jurisdictions for the operations and marketing of special events and festivals beyond June 30, 2013, and supports passage of Substitute House Bill 1253 and companion bill Substitute Senate Bill 5262.

The motion passed 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15.