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DONAHUE NAMED TO TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE FOR THIRD YEAR

SACRAMENTO – The League of California Cities has named Vallejo City Council member Dan Donahue to a one-year term on the League’s Transportation, Communication and Public Works Policy Committee for 2003.

It is the third consecutive year Donahue has been named to the committee.

Donahue, in his second term as a city council member, was appointed by to the post by League of California Cities North Bay Division President Harry Price, Vice Mayor of Fairfield.

The committee deals with all issues and aspects of public works and transportation including air, bus, automobile, mass transit and communications.

“It’s an honor to be selected to this committee, and I’m thrilled that I’ve been asked to serve for the third consecutive year,” Donahue said. “I look forward to helping shape policy for the League that will affect not only Vallejo, but the entire state.”

Issues facing the committee this year include implementation of Proposition 42, a constitutional dedication of sales tax revenues on gasoline to transportation purposes which will provide a significant injection of new revenue for the entire transportation system and for a wide variety of multi-modal purposes.

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The committee will also look at SB 975, which significantly expands the definition of public works and the application of the state’s prevailing wage requirements to public works projects that involve installation. It also expands the definition of what constitutes public funds and captures significantly more projects beyond just public works that involve public/private partnerships.