1 MARIN COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBERS DRAFT 2 3 4 5 Wednesday, February 22, 2017 6 Hosted by the City of Larkspur 7 Jason's Restarant - Larkspur Community Room 8 100 Drakes Landing Road, Larkspur, CA 9 10 11 **Members Present** 12 Belvedere: Nancy Kemnitzer, Claire McCauliffe 13 Corte Madera: James Andrews, Sloan Bailey, Diane Furst, Bob Ravasio 14 Fairfax: Barbara Coler, Peter Lacques, John Reed Larkspur: 15 Larry Chu, Dan Hillmer, Ann Morrison, Catherine Way Mill Valley: Sashi McEntee, Stephanie Moulton-Peters 16 17 Novato: Denise Athas, Pam Drew, Pat Eklund, Josh Friday, Eric Lucan 18 Ross: Elizabeth Brekhus, P. Beach Kuhl, Elizabeth Robbins, Rupert Russell 19 San Anselmo: Matt Brown, Kay Coleman, Tom McInerny, John Wright 20 San Rafael: Kate Colin, Maribeth Bushey, Andrew McCullough 21 Sausalito: Joe Burns, Joan Cox, Ray Withy 22 Tiburon: None 23 24 Ex Officio: Belvedere Interim City Manager Beth Pollard; Larkspur City Manager Dan Schwarz; 25 Mill Valley City Manager Jim McCann, Novato City Manager Regan Candelario; Ross Town 26 Manager Joe Chinn; San Anselmo Town Manager Debbie Stutsman; San Rafael City Manager Jim 27 Schutz, Sausalito City Manager Adam Politzer, and Corte Madera Town Clerk/ MCCMC Secretary, 28 Rebecca Vaughn. 29 30 Guests were: Grant Colfax, Marin County Director of Health and Human Services; Joan Lubamersky, Field Representative for Assembly Member Marc Levine; Katie Rice – Marin County 31 32 Board of Supervisors District 1. Nancy Hall Bennett (League of California Cities). Anna Pletcher 33 (Candidate for Marin County District Attorney) 34 35 Call to Order 36 President Bailey called the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m. and welcomed everyone to the Marin 37 County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers for February 22, 2017. 38 39 **Public Comment** 40 None 41 42 **Welcome and Introduction of Guests** 43 President Bailey introduced Larkpsur Vice Mayor Dan Hillmer. Vice Mayor Hillmer welcomed 44 everyone to the City of Larkspur. Vice Mayor Hillmer introduced the following City 45 Councilmembers in attendance: Catherine Way, Larry Chu, and Ann Morrison. Staff in attendance were: City Manager Dan Schwarz, Central Marin Police Chief Mike Norton, Fire Chief Scott Shurtz, 46 Public Works Director Julian Skinner, Recreation Director Dick Whitley, City Clerk Cynthia 47 48 Huisman, Planning and Building Director Neal Toft, Finance Director Cathy Orme, Library Director 49 Janice Akel. He introduced the guest speakers from Marin Clean Energy, Community 50 Development Manager J.R. Killigrew, and Community Affairs Coordinator Jenna Famular. Other

special guests were Marin County Supervisor for District 1, Katie Rice, Nancy Hall Bennett from the League of California Cities, and Anna Pletcher, Candidate for Marin County District Attorney.

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The meeting resumed after dinner service.

## **Committee Reports**

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## Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) - Pat Eklund

Pat Eklund announced that she brought two brochures from ABAG: Green Streets and Stronger, 10 11 Safer Shorelines. They are out on table for anyone who would like a copy. All are available online 12 as well:

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Green Streets: http://www.abag.ca.gov/abag/events/agendas/r020117a-Item%2006%20Attach%201%20Urban%20Greening.pdf

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- Stronger, Safer Shorelines: http://ebooks.sfei.org/resiliency-brochure/
- 17 She announced that there have been a lot of false starts on the ABAG- MTC contract for services.
- 18 They were supposed to be making a decision on the contract for services and MOU at the end of
- 19 March ABAG meeting. But now there will be a little reprieve, which will give all of the delegates a chance to look closely at the contract. There will be a meeting on March 11<sup>th</sup>. At the General 20
- 21 Assembly meeting in May, the budget and work plan, and if cities do not vote for that, then the
- 22 merger goes away.
- 23 Public Workshop and Open House for Plan Bay Area will again be jointly sponsored by the
- 24 Transportation Authority of Marin and the ABAG local delegates. It will be held sometime in May,
- 25 and hopefully in Mill Valley. Draft EIR and Draft Plan Bay Area scenarios will be discussed. She
- encouraged everyone to look closely at the scenario that spreads housing around the nine bay 26
- 27 area counties and not just in the big cities.

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### Transportation Authority of Marin (TAM) – Stephanie Moulton-Peters

Alice Fredericks, Tiburon, could not attend. Stephanie Moulton-Peters, Mill Valley, stepped in to provide a report. She announced that there will be a Transportation Authority of Marin meeting the following evening, February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Regional Measure 3 will be discussed, along with the possibility that the Bay Area wide tolling authority will elect to put a ballot measure on in 2018 for raising bridge tolls to generate income to spend on various bay area improvement projects. Also at this meeting, there will be a discussion of concepts for a direct connection to 580 going east that could potentially be paid for with toll funds, as well as other projects in the area of the Richmond Bridge. Then the TAM Board will put together a list of priorities that they would like to request funding for should a ballot measure arise.

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#### Marin Homeless Committee – Kate Colin

Kate Colin, San Rafael, reported that the committee has met twice. She thanked the membership for taking the time to talk about this issue. She introduced her co-chair, Eric Lucan, Novato, and each of the City/Town delegates to the Homeless Committee: Kay Coleman, San Anselmo; Renee Goddard, Fairfax; Ann Morrison, Larkspur; Jessica Sloan, Mill Valley; James Campbell, Belvedere; Bob Ravasio, Corte Madera; Elizabeth Robbins, Ross; Joan Cox, Sausalito; Frank Doyle, Tiburon, as well as the two city managers on the committee, Dan Schwarz, Larkspur, and Adam Politzer,

Sausalito. At the recent meeting, discussion centered around mobile care and mobile showers. It was announced that the Community Homeless Program is in its second year. This year, in addition to supporting REST, some funds could be going toward mobile care or mobile showers. Your committee representatives will be starting conversations with your councils in the coming months about a possible funding allocation change to support both REST and mobile care.

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## Stephanie Moulton-Peters (Sea Level Rise Committee – BayWAVE Project)

- Stephanie Moulton-Peters, Mill Valley, announced that the MCCMC committee of elected officials
- 9 will be meeting Friday March 3<sup>rd</sup> to receive an update on the Sea Level Rise Vulnerability
- 10 Assessment. The group has been working in cooperation with the County and Supervisor Sears to
- see where sea level rise will impact the coastline along the bay. The draft report is nearly finished
- 12 and will be made available to the public later in the year. The group is now working on model
- solutions that can be employed in different locations. The big issue will be how to organize
- ourselves to implement solutions that will be made by all of our different cities and agencies in the
- bay area. The group will hear more in March where there will be a brief presentation to the
- 16 MCCMC membership.

## 17 Other Reports/Announcements Included:

- Corte Madera Mayor Diane Furst introduced Bob Ravasio who was appointed to fill the vacancy on the Town Council.
- Sausalito Mayor Ray Withy introduced Joe Burns, one of two recently elected council members, Joan Cox was introduced at the January MCCMC meeting.
- San Anselmo Vice Mayor Kay Coleman, raised a toast to Debbie Stutsman who is retiring.

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**Speakers:** MCE Community Development Manager J.R. Killigrew, and Community Affairs Coordinator Jenna Famular

Program: The Rise of Community Choice Aggregation and the Evolution of Energy Markets in California and the West

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Vice Mayor Hillmer introduced J.R. Killigrew and offered a brief summary of the background of MCE and community choice aggregation.

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- 33 Vice Mayor Dan Hillmer introduced guest speakers from MCE: J.R. Killigrew (Community
- 34 Development Manager) and Jenna Famular (Community Affairs Coordinator).
- 35 Mr. Killigrew explained that he will be talking about community choice aggregation (CCA) and the
- future of energy choice in California. The energy market was revolutionized in California with the
- 37 legislation in 2002. MCE was formed in 2008, launched service in 2010 in Marin and now has over
- 38 255,000 customers. Sonoma Clean power launched in 2014, and has been followed by Lancaster
- 39 Choice Energy, Clean Power SF, Peninsula Clean Energy, Silicon Valley Clean Redwood Coast
- 40 Clean Energy and Apple Valley Clean Energy, which will be coming soon.
- 41 At the end of 2017, 70% of PGE customers will be CCA customers. 50% of the electricity
- 42 customers will be participating in a CCA. Cal CCA is a trade organization created to help lobby for
- 43 the CCA's and give them a voice at the table with the Public Utility Commission.

- 1 The Mission of MCE is to provide: Renewable energy, local economies and workforce benefits,
- 2 energy efficiency, and stable, competitive rates.
- 3 MCE put together an aggressive net energy, solar cash out that offered over \$425,000 to
- 4 customers. Regarding the energy savings program: the rebates provided \$900,000 and saved 15
- 5 million + gallons of water.
- 6 At San Rafael airport: a 1 megawatt hanger rooftop solar array is supporting 20 jobs, the Cost Plus
- 7 Plaza in Larkspur has a 250 kilowatt solar array, and at the Buck Institute, a 1 megawatt carport
- 8 shade structure went online in April 2016, supports 25 jobs. In Novato, Cooley Quarry has a 1.5
- 9 megawatt ground-mounted solar array generating 100% local solar.
- 10 Regarding "Waste to Energy" Biogas 3.6 megawatt facility at Redwood Landfill went online in
- December 2016. It supports 6 jobs and generates enough energy to power 5,000 homes per year.
- 12 Other projects include:
  - New California Renewables has committed \$1.6 billion to a 535 megawatt solar project
    - 266 megawatt new wind and 12 megawatt new biogas

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- 16 24 projects totaling 813 Megawatts
- 17 In terms of economic development, 2,800 jobs have been supported and 1.2 million union jobs
- 18 have been created.
- 19 Solar employment growth by sector: from 2010-2016, solar growth has been enormous,
- demonstrating that renewable energy can be good for the planet and for peoples' pocket books.
- 21 Growing renewables: with the evolution of the CCA product, PG&E now has three products for
- their customers. MCE is here to facilitate a choice. Whether someone opts out or opts up, they're
- able to make that choice.
- 24 Consumption of energy has been decreasing and growth in market is increasingly exponentially.
- 25 Since 2005, total emissions are down 11.6%, but energy emissions are down 24%.
- 26 Marin Countywide Energy Emissions: Since 2005, County-wide energy emissions have decreased
- by 26%. This serves as a huge catalyst toward meeting climate emission goals.
- 28 Catherine Way, Larkspur, asked how this information is getting out to consumers.
- 29 Mr. Killigrew explained that most information is provided during the enrollment period. MCE sends
- out five mailings when new communities enroll, working with city staff and community outreach to
- 31 get the word out. They are currently working on ways to engage the Marin communities who have
- been around since 2010. He stated that MCE relies on city councilmembers to let them know what
- 33 is important in their communities. He let the membership know that they are happy to come speak
- 34 at Council meetings any time in order to provide updates and answer questions.
- 35 Barbara Coler, Fairfax, stated that Fairfax started with Alison tabling to help them meet their
- 36 climate actions goals. Jenna Famular has come out to many events. The MCE staff has really
- been helpful to Fairfax, which now has highest deep green signups of any of the MCE affiliates.

- 1 Dan Hillmer, Larkspur, asked what is the approach to getting more local energy development to
- 2 create more resilient energy opportunities. Mr. Killigrew mentioned feed and tariff projects, and
- 3 stated that MCE is focused on ensuring we can develop local products, such as biogas at the
- 4 Redwood Landfill. MCE wants to catalyze local developers to find space for solar to partner with,
- 5 and MCE pays above market.
- 6 Jim Andrews, Corte Madera, asked if MCE will be doing anything to come up with prototypes to
- 7 help customers load shift. Mr. Killigrew explained that demand response and consumption patterns
- 8 have shifted. So MCE has a surplus of energy during the day and surplus of consumption at night.
- 9 There are a couple of pilot projects, for example, the battery storage project at the College of
- 10 Marin.
- 11 President Bailey thanked Mr. Killigrew and Ms. Famular for their presentation and continued to the
- 12 Business meeting.

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#### **BUSINESS MEETING**

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President Bailey continued to the Business Meeting portion of the meeting.

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## 7.I Appointments to Fill MCCMC Committee Vacancies

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## 7.1.a. Representative to Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit Commission

President Bailey stated that Dan Hillmer has submitted a letter of interest for the appointment and asked the membership if there were any nominations from the floor. Seeing none, he called for a motion.

There was a motion and a second (Lucan/Brown) to appoint Dan Hillmer, Larkspur, as the Representative to the Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit Commission. The motion was approved by acclamation.

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7.2 Review of Draft of March 22, 2017 MCCMC Meeting Hosted by the City of Mill Valley There were no comments on the draft agenda.

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# 7.3 Approval of Minutes of January 25, 2017 MCCMC Meeting hosted by the Town of Fairfax

There was a motion and a second (Colin/Eklund) to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2017 meeting. The motion was approved by acclamation.

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## Adjournment

President Bailey thanked everyone for attending and adjourned the meeting at 8:20p.m. to the next regular meeting scheduled for March 22, 2017 hosted by the City of Mill Valley.

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