MARIN COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBERS
AGENDA

Wednesday, October 22, 2025
5:30pm

Hosted by the City of San Rafael
Vivalon Campus – 999 Third Street, San Rafael, CA 94901

5:30 PM to 8:00 PM: Program and Networking
City Selection Committee Meeting: 5:30 PM
Regular Business Meeting: 5:35 PM *
***(Regular Business meeting will convene at 5:35pm or upon conclusion of the City Selection Committee Meeting, whichever is later)**

Agenda

1. Call to Order: MCCMC President Stephanie Hellman
2. Public Comment (Limit 3 minutes per person)
3. Committee Reports

3.a. Association of Bay Area Governments & Bay Conservation and Development Commission
3a. Written reports provided by Pat Eklund, Novato
3.b. Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District
3b. Written report provided by Holli Thier, Tiburon
3.c. MCCMC Legislative Committee
3c. Written report provided by Alice Fredericks, Tiburon
3.d. Transportation Authority of Marin
3d. Written report provided by Alice Fredericks, Tiburon

4. Business Items

4.a. Consideration and Possible Action to Make Appointments to Boards and Committees

4.a.1. MCCMC Representatives to League of California Cities, North Bay Division Executive Board for Calendar Year 2026. (Three seats have expiring terms: Representative, 2nd Representative, Alternate Representative.)

MCCMC Representatives are appointed annually for the upcoming calendar year.
Incumbents are:
1st: Eli Beckman, Corte Madera, 2nd: Vacant (Previously held by Mark Milberg, Novato), Alternate: Chantel Walker, San Anselmo

Incumbents Eli Beckman (Corte Madera), Chantel Walker (San Anselmo), have each indicated interest in seeking appointment to the first and second primary seats. A call for letters of interest was announced at the September 24th MCCMC meeting. Additional nominations may be accepted from the floor, and appointments will be voted on at the October 22, 2025 Meeting.

Attachment 4.a.1.: Letter of Interest from Chantel Walker, San Anselmo

4.a.2. Marin County Disaster Council Citizen Corps (“DC3”)
(Incumbent: Catherine Way, Larkspur, current 2-year term will expire 01/2026)

Incumbent Catherine Way, Larkspur, has indicated that she will not be seeking reappointment to a new two-year term. A call for letters of interest was announced at the September 24th MCCMC

meeting. A letter of interest was received from Fred Casissa (Corte Madera). Additional nominations may be accepted from the floor, and appointments will be voted on at the October 22, 2025 Meeting.

Attachment 4.a.2.: *Letter of Interest from Fred Casissa, Corte Madera*
Draft role and responsibilities of MCCMC Representative to DC3

4.a.3. Marin Transit Board of Directors

Current Representatives to the Marin Transit Board:

- Primary Representative 1, Maribeth Bushey, San Rafael: Seat expires January 1, 2027
- Primary Representative 2, Fred Casissa, Corte Madera: Seat expires January 1, 2026
- Alternate Representative: Maika Llorens Gulati, San Rafael, Seat expires January 1, 2026

Incumbents Fred Casissa (Corte Madera), and Maika Llorens Gulati (San Rafeal) have indicated interest in seeking re-appointment to their respective seats and have submitted letters of interest

A call for letters of interest was announced at the September 24th MCCMC meeting. Additional nominations may be accepted from the floor, and appointments will be voted on at the October 22, 2025 Meeting.

Attachment 4.a.3.: *Letter of Interest from Fred Casissa, Corte Madera*

4.b. Consideration and Possible Appointment of MCCMC Elected Official Primary and Alternate Seats on Marin Climate Action Network (MarinCAN) Board

The County of Marin has provided notice that the MarinCAN Board (formerly Drawdown Marin) currently has one vacancy for a city or town elected official to be chosen by MCCMC due to the resignation of Sausalito Councilmember Melissa Blaustein. Councilmember Llorens Gulati and Supervisor Sackett serve on the MarinCAN Board, which meets the second Wednesday of each month, and are available to connect with those who are interested in serving.

A call for letters of interest was announced at the June 25, 2025 meeting, and a vote on appointments was deferred to the October 22, 2025 meeting as no letters of interest were received prior to the September 24th MCCMC meeting. Nominations may be accepted from the floor, and appointments will be voted on at the October 22, 2025 meeting, should letters of interest be received.

4.c. Review of Draft Agenda for January 28, 2026 MCCMC Meeting To Be Held Via Zoom Webinar

Attachment 4c: Draft agenda for January 28, 2026 MCCMC Meeting

4.d. Consideration and Possible Approval of Draft Minutes of the September 24, 2025 MCCMC Meeting

Attachment 4.d: Draft minutes of the September 24, 2025 MCCMC meeting

ADJOURN REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING: To the January 28, 2026 meeting, to be virtually via Zoom Webinar
Deadline for consideration of potential agenda items – January 21, 2026. Please send to: MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com

5:30 PM to 8:00 PM: Program & Networking, Hosted by the City of San Rafael

1. Welcome: President Stephanie Hellman and San Rafael Mayor Kate Colin
    - MCCMC President Stephanie Hellman will provide opening remarks and lead a Moment of Silence honoring Novato Councilmember Mark Milberg.
    - San Rafael Mayor Kate Colin will welcome MCCMC to the City of San Rafael and provide an introduction of program speakers

2. The program will feature the following speakers:
    - Vivalon CEO, Kaushik Roy, will provide an update on Vivalon's programs and services.

    - SMART General Manager Eddy Cumins will provide an update on SMART's current programs, projects, and services, and an informational presentation will be provided by a representative from the SMART ballot initiative.

    - The City of San Rafael will be presenting about their SAFE (Specialized Assistance For Everyone) Team - they will provide a program overview, discuss impact and outcomes, and its regional relevance.

ABAG Report to MCCMC[1]

October 2025

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: This report highlights the legislative scoreboard for 2025 and the recent progress to develop a financing program for housing.

LEGISLATIVE SCOREBOARD FOR 2025:

The 2025 state legislative session ended following a year defined by continued fiscal constraints, complex federal-state dynamics, and the need for a strong state partnership to stabilize and strengthen the Bay Area's transit network. MTC and ABAG advanced a legislative agenda focused on securing near-term stability and long-term resources for transportation and housing, reauthorizing California's Cap and Trade program, and supporting policies and programs to advance Plan Bay Area 2050. Following are some of the major issues:

Senate Bill (SB) 63 (Wiener/Arreguín), which MTC supported and helped shape, authorizes placement of a regional transportation sales tax on the November 2026 ballot in five Bay Area counties. MTC also coordinated with coalition partners to combat proposals to claw back prior-year SB 125 state funding commitments for transit operations and capital projects and supported a $750 million bridge loan for Bay Area transit, which is currently under negotiation with the Newsom Administration.

MTC and ABAG supported reauthorization of the state's Cap and Trade program, which was extended to 2045 with an updated funding framework. Consistent with MTC-ABAG's Cap and Trade Advocacy Principles, the program will continue to serve as a tool to support implementation of Sustainable Communities Strategies (SCS), including through providing continuous appropriations for rail, transit and affordable housing programs. Also related to housing, MTC and ABAG sought $30 million in state support for the Bay Area Housing Finance Authority operations. While the request was not funded, it helped lay the foundation for future partnership through potential housing bond efforts with a letter of support from the Bay Area legislative delegation.

MTC and ABAG also co-sponsored Assembly Bill (AB) 670 (Quirk Silva), which allows jurisdictions to count toward their housing element targets units that are converted from "naturally occurring" affordable housing to deed-restricted units, and supported major housing finance and production proposals. MTC played a central role on AB 697 (Wilson), which enables near-term mobility and habitat restoration improvements on the State Route 37 corridor to proceed under a streamlined construction timeline. The bill is the culmination of a multi-year effort from North Bay partners. MTC and ABAG also co-sponsored SB 239 (Arreguín) to update the state's Brown Act law to expand options for members of advisory boards to participate in meetings remotely. Mid-year, Senator Arreguín agreed to integrate SB 239's provisions into SB 707 (Durazo) and advance a more comprehensive Brown Act bill. SB 707 is awaiting the Governor's signature.

In total, MTC and ABAG took positions on 11 bills this year (cosponsored two), provided technical assistance on seven others, as well as engaged in budget and Cap and Trade discussions. At the federal level, MTC and ABAG tracked evolving policy under the new administration and provided information and support to regional and national partners. Federal tax legislation made significant changes, including positive developments for housing through the expansion of the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit.

HOUSING COMMITTEE: The ABAG Housing Committee and Bay Area Housing Finance Authority (BAHFA) continued the discussion on next steps to design and launch a new financing product(s) for housing prior to a

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future ballot measure, both demonstrating and testing whether BAHFA could be a potential public lender and creating a stable revenue stream for the agency.

The purpose is to develop a new, regional project financing program. If feasible and subject to availability of funding, this program concept would allow BAHFA to launch a new financing product(s) prior to a future successful ballot measure, both demonstrating and testing BAHFA's potential as a public lender and creating a stable revenue stream for the agency. Essential components of this effort would draw from current established BAHFA programs as well as introduce new elements, to provide a holistic menu of tools to affordable housing entities, and enhance the value BAHFA can provide toward the preservation and production of housing in the region.

As a result of the most recent round of stakeholder feedback, along with the case study analysis, the following high-level changes to the program were proposed:

1) Expand Upper Limit Income Restrictions from 80% AMI to 120% AMI: There are some parts of the region where 120% of AMI is below market and public benefit can be derived at this level. In all cases, any income-restricted unit would still be required to set rents set at a level that is at least 10% below market.
2) Allow New Construction to the Extent Feasible: While staff had intended the suite of program elements to be targeted toward acquisition and preservation projects, there are program elements that can provide value to new construction and certain instances under which BAHFA's entire suite of proposed program elements will provide value. As BAHFA's ability to increase its Subordinate Debt loan amounts changes, new construction could become an increasing portion of the portfolio.
3) Consider an Equity Product: In addition to the Subordinate Debt product, staff is exploring the viability and need for an Equity product, whereby BAHFA would co-invest equity pari-passu with a developer/project sponsor. This would inherently come with increased risks but also additional potential upside, and may be appropriate where additional debt is not possible. This type of investment would only be made if underwriting and structure projected regular, current returns to the equity investors (to meet BAHFA's cashflow needs) and the project sponsor has a strong track record.
4) Eliminate Top Tier Loss Program in Near Term: As indicated above, the cost and risk of this proposed program element did not appear to provide sufficient value to dedicate BAHFA's limited resources at this time. Staff will continue to explore other ways in which BAHFA can assist with reducing the cost of taxable debt. The efficacy of a Top Tier Loss program could be re-evaluated at a later date, as part of a future program evaluation process.
5) Expand Welfare Exemption Program to Apply to New Construction: While originally contemplated as an important tool for preservation of affordable housing in the region, BAHFA has also experienced demand for this program for new construction projects. A change to allow new construction will help increase production of new affordable units, furthering BAHFA's mission.

The Chan Zuckerberg Initiative has awarded BAHFA a grant of $6 million for the upcoming program, consisting of $1 million for operating & start-up costs and the remaining $5 million for the subordinate debt program. On September 24, MTC approved reprogramming $5 million previously set aside for election related costs for Regional Measure 4 to satisfy a match requirement for the subordinate lending capital. Pending refinement and approval of the program design, the Mixed-Income Financing Program is anticipated to launch with an initial $10 million pilot subordinate debt fund in spring 2026.

The ABAG Housing Committee and BAHFA will continue to work together to determine whether this financing program is feasible.

Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC) Report to MCCMC[1]

October 2025

LEVEE MAINTENANCE BY CA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE:

On October 16, 2025, the Commission held a public hearing and voted to approve an application by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife to amend their existing permit that currently authorizes operations and maintenance activities, including levee maintenance, within the Eden Landing Ecological Reserve in the City of Hayward. The proposed project involves amending the existing permit to authorize placement of up to an additional 50,000 square feet of fill material in the Bay to protect and maintain existing Bayfront levees throughout the Reserve. The project does exclude raising or widening the levees beyond their historic footprints.

The existing permit was originally issued to CDFW on April 28, 2004, and authorized the South Bay Salt Ponds Initial Stewardship Plan (ISP) at Eden Landing, after CDFW acquired the site from the previous landowner, Cargill, Inc. The ISP involved operations and maintenance activities and other activities within former salt ponds to prepare the ponds for large scale tidal restoration. Over the years, there have been other permit modifications by the previous owner.

The permit modifications being requested in 2025 include placing up to 50,000 square feet (9,550 cubic yards) of additional fill material within the Bay, including soil and riprap, along approximately 2,000 linear feet of shoreline, to repair, protect, and maintain existing Bayfront levees throughout the Ecological Reserve. The existing levees subject to repair are historic salt pond berms that were not designed to modern engineering or flood protection standards and require periodic maintenance and recontouring to raise low spots, fill in eroded side slopes, and bring the levees back to consistent elevations. The levees subject to repair are in poor condition due to exposure to wind fetch and wave run-up, settlement over time, and impacts from storms.

BCDC NOAA ASSESSMENT AND STRATEGY (2026-2030):

The Commission was briefed on the draft San Francisco Bay Coastal Management Program Assessment and 5-year Strategy and workplan for the 2026 to 2030 Enhancement Cycle. The Commission receives financial assistance from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) under the provisions of the federal Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) to implement the Commission's coastal management program for San Francisco Bay.
When Congress reauthorized the Coastal Zone Management Act in 1990, it added Section 309 to establish a voluntary coastal zone enhancement grant program. To be eligible for Section 309 funding, state coastal management agencies are required to develop an Assessment and Strategy every five years.

Working with NOAA Office for Coastal Management, BCDC has undertaken an assessment of its Coastal Management Program to identify those elements that work well, those needing improvement. The assessment focuses on nine coastal issue areas identified by the US Congress as being nationally important. Based on this assessment, BCDC has developed a proposed comprehensive, multi-year approach that identifies program changes and implementation activities needed to address enhancement area objectives identified as high priority.

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AMENDMENTS TO BCDC'S PERMITTING REGULATIONS:

In September, the Commission approved the proposed revisions to the permitting regulations to: 1) streamline and improve the regionwide permitting program, 2) reduce permitting burdens for straightforward and routine activities; and, 3) make other targeted updates to clarify and improve permitting rules. The written public comment period closes at 5:00 pm on November 21, 2025.

The Commission will hold a public hearing on the Proposed Rulemaking on November 20, 2025, at its regularly scheduled meeting. Following is the link to the official notice of the proposed changes to BCDC's permitting regulations: 2025.09.11-NoticeProposedRulemaking-re-Permit-Regulations.pdf

Please let me know If you have any suggested changes and/or comments on the proposed changes that are under review by the public.

BCDC STRATEGIC PLAN 2023-2025

In 2023, the Commission adopted a 2-year workplan that included the following five goals:

1) Lead regional planning efforts that result in successful and equitable adaptation, restoration, development, and public access projects for the Bay Area in light of rising sea levels.
2) Improve BCDC's regulatory and planning functions to create a more unified and consistent regional-scale approach to managing the Bay and its shoreline in light of the uncertain future caused by rising sea levels.
3) Implement equity initiatives and practices throughout BCDC's policies, programs, and processes.
4) Communicate more successfully externally with stakeholders and internally among divisions.
5) Build and maintain an adequately resourced, responsive, and diverse organization that can meet its growing challenges more effectively and sustainably.

After the presentation, it was agreed that the strategic plan would be extended another year so that we can complete the entire strategic plan including the work on the Bay Plan Amendment and financing plan for increasing the beneficial reuse of sediment; work with the 51+ cities and counties to initiate, review and approve for Regional Shoreline Adaptation Plan, Bay Plan Maps Cartographic Update; complete the integration of compliance and enforcement roles with regulatory program; and, others that have required more time.

Golden Gate Bridge Board report for 9/24 packet!

Holli Thier <hollithier@gmail.com> Fri, Oct 17, 2025 at 2:50 PM
To: Rebecca Vaughn <mccmcsecretary@gmail.com>

I am committed to help all of our 11 Cities/Towns and County through my service. I want to make sure you know that I am always available to discuss issues with you, and do hope that you will reach out to me anytime at (415) 407-4843 or hollithiertiburontowncouncil@gmail.com or hollithierggb@gmail.com.

I want to thank all of you again for appointing me to the Bridge Board.

Highlighted Current Items From Past Meeting or Since Past MCCMC Meeting

1. Mascots Program

This month my report will focus on the MASCOTS program, which you may have heard about. The MASCOTS Plan is a collaborative effort among nine transit and funding agencies to improve coordination, reduce duplication, and strengthen connections across the Highway 101 corridor. The proposed service changes aim to simplify routes, enhance frequency, and better align service with rider demand. When Mascots was first proposed I was very clear that I supported the proposal however had some very significant concerns about late night ridership due to Golden Gate Service changes on the 101 Route and paratransit. The MASCOTS Program will affect each of our communities differently. For example, under MASCOTS, Sausalito will see an increase in bus service as routes 70 and 130 will be more robust than prior to MASCOTS. I encourage you to look at how MASCOTS will affect each community, and I am happy to help in any way I can.

2. At our September board meeting, we received the Updated Five- and Ten-Year Financial Projection for the period of FY 26/27 through FY 35/36. The District remains in good financial health despite the fact that we are continuing to still be below our pre-COVID readership levels.

Please attach September board meeting minutes

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Date Issued: September 26, 2025

GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE
HIGHWAY & TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2025

Resolution No. 2025-062 (September 25, 2025 meeting of the Finance-Auditing Committee)
Ratifies actions taken by the Auditor-Controller, as follows:
(1) Ratifies Commitments and/or Expenditures;
(2) Ratifies previous investments;
(3) Authorizes reinvestments; and,
(4) Accepts the "Investment Report" for August 2025.

Resolution No. 2025-063 (September 25, 2025 meeting of the Building and Operating Committee)
Approves award of Contract No. 2025-MD-009, *Security Guard Services for Bus and Ferry Facilities,* to Barbier Security Group of San Rafael, CA, for a two-year base period and three one-year optional renewals, with an estimated cost for the two-year base plus all three option years of $6,174,595.48; and, establishes a 15% contract contingency in the amount of $926,189 to allow for temporary and long-term increases in staffing as needed, as well as other unanticipated circumstances and a contractually permitted potential rate increase in years three through five, as detailed in the staff report.

Resolution No. 2025-064 (September 25, 2025 meeting of the Building and Operating Committee)
Approves award of Contract No. 2025-MD-053, *District Wide Janitorial Services,* to Aim to Please Janitorial Services, Inc. of San Francisco, CA, in a total amount not-to-exceed $1,631,538 for a base term of two years and up to three one-year option terms exercisable at the General Manager's discretion, to perform janitorial services at the Golden Gate Bridge Toll Plaza facilities, the Golden Gate Transit Bus facilities in San Rafael, Golden Gate Ferry vessels, and the Larkspur Golden Gate Ferry Terminal, as detailed in the staff report.

Resolution No. 2025-065 (September 25, 2025 meeting of the Finance-Auditing Committee)
Receives the Updated Five- and Ten-Year Financial Projection for the period of FY 26/27 through FY 35/36, as outlined in the Appendices of the staff report.

Resolution No. 2025-066 (September 25, 2025 meeting of the Rules, Policy and Industrial Relations Committee)
Approves award of five on-call contracts relative to Request for Proposals (RFP) No. 2025-D-028, *Temporary Staffing Services,* with 22nd Century Technologies, Inc. of McLean, VA; AppleOne, Inc., dba AppleOne Employment Services of Glendale, CA; Bolt Staffing Services, Inc. of Sonoma, CA; Compunnel Software Group, Inc. of Princeton, NJ; and Infojini, Inc. of Columbia, MD, for a three-year base term with a total aggregate not-to-exceed amount of $3 million, with two additional one-year options terms, exercisable at the General Manager's discretion, not to exceed $1 million per year, with the understanding that the total not-to-exceed amount for all five contracts for the base years and options years is $5 million, as detailed in the staff report.

Amorette M. Ko-Wong, Secretary of the District

California Legislative Session ending 9.13.25

MCCMC Legislative Committee Positions

DISPOSITION of BILLS

The Governor signed 794 of the bills that passed both houses of the legislature, and vetoed 123 as of the deadline Oct 12, 2025.. The following is a report on the major bills on which MCCMC took a position

CHAPTERED – signed into law

AB 1 (Connolly) Vehicles: Residential property insurance: wildfire risk.
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1 CHAPTERED

This bill would require the department, on or before January 1, 2030, and every 5 years thereafter, to consider whether or not to update its regulations to include additional building hardening measures for property-level mitigation efforts and communitywide wildfire mitigation programs. As part of this consideration, the bill would require the department to consult with specified agencies to identify additional building hardening measures to consider.

Cal Cities Position: Support MCCMC Position: Support

SB 79 (Wiener): Planning and zoning: housing development: transit-oriented development

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB79 CHAPTERED

This bill would additionally include land leased to support public transit operations in the definition of "agency's use," as described above. The bill would also revise the definition of "agency's use" with respect to commercial or industrial uses to instead provide that a district or a public transit operator may use land for commercial or industrial uses or activities, as described above.

Cal Cities Position: Oppose MCCMC Position: Oppose

a. **SB 346 (Durazo): Local agencies: transient occupancy taxes: short-term rental facilitator**

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB346 CHAPTERED
This bill would authorize a local agency, defined to mean a city, county, or city and county, to enact an ordinance to require a short-term rental facilitator, as defined, to report, in the form and manner prescribed by the local agency, the assessor parcel number of each short-term rental, as defined, during the reporting period, as well as any additional information necessary to identify the property as may be required by the local agency. The bill would authorize the local agency to impose an administrative fine or penalty for failure to file the report, and would authorize the local agency to initiate an audit of a short-term rental facilitator, as described.

Cal Cities Position: Sponsor/Support MCCMC Position: Support

AB 888 (Calderon): California Safe Homes grant program
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB888 CHAPTERED
This bill would establish the California Safe Homes grant program to be developed by the department to reduce local and statewide wildfire losses, among other things. The bill would require the department to prioritize specified needs when awarding grant funds, and would require eligible program applicants, which would include individuals, cities, counties, and special districts, to meet specified criteria. The bill would establish the Sustainable Insurance Account within the Insurance Fund, which would be continuously appropriated to fund the program. The bill would require 40% of the amount of the gross premiums tax collected from property and casualty insurance above the amount collected from those insurers in 2023 to be deposited into the account.

Cal Cities Position: Support MCCMC Position: Support

AB 1154 (Carrillo): Accessory dwelling units: junior ADU
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1154 CHAPTERED
This bill would additionally prohibit a local agency from imposing any parking standards if the accessory dwelling unit is 500 square feet or smaller.

Cal Cities Position: Neutral MCCMC Position: Support

SB 707 (Durazo): Open meetings: meeting and teleconference requirements.

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB707 CHAPTERED

This bill would, until January 1, 2030, require a city council or a county board of supervisors an eligible legislative body, as defined, to comply with additional meeting requirements, including that that, except as specified, all open and public meetings include an opportunity for members of the public to attend via a 2-way telephonic service or a 2-way audiovisual platform, as defined, that a system is in place for requesting and receiving interpretation services for public meetings, as specified, and that the city council or county board of supervisors eligible legislative body take specified actions to encourage residents to participate in public meetings, as specified.

Cal Cities Position: Concerns MCCMC Position: TBD

VETOED

AB 650 (Papan): Discontinuance of parks

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB650 VETOED

This bill will significantly amend and address the housing element review process by encouraging local jurisdictions to begin planning earlier and providing greater clarity and certainty to a complex and challenging process. The bill would allow local jurisdictions to begin the housing element update six months earlier than what is required under existing law; support good faith actors that are working through the housing element review process; and require HCD to provide written communication that identifies specific deficiencies in the draft and text or analysis that HCD believes needs to be included to comply with the law.

Cal Cities Position: Sponsor MCCMC Position: Support

AB 1143 (Bennett): State Fire Marshal: home hardening certification program

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1143 VETOED

This bill would require, on or before January 1, 2027, the Office of the State Fire Marshal to develop a home hardening certification program that identifies the best appropriate combination of those listed products and construction assemblies, and other home hardening techniques, including defensible space, to substantially reduce the risk of loss during a fire. The bill would require the Office of the State Fire Marshal, for the purpose of

developing the home hardening certification program, to convene and facilitate a workgroup, as specified.

Cal Cities Position: Support MCCMC Position: Support

AB 620 (Jackson): Transportation, clean fleets
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB620 VETOED
This bill, for any regulation adopted to develop or implement the program, or other regulations that are regarding the procurement or use of medium- and heavy-duty zero-emission vehicles by a public or private fleet, would require the state board to consider specified things, including, among other things, the environmental and supply chain benefits of renting medium- and heavy-duty zero-emission vehicles compared to procuring them.

Cal Cities Position: Support MCCMC Position: Support

ACTIVE BILLS

a. **AB 262 (Caloza): California Individual Assistance Act**
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB262 ACTIVE
This bill would enact the California Individual Assistance Act to establish a grant program to provide financial assistance to local agencies, community-based organizations, and individuals for specified costs related to a disaster, as prescribed. The bill would require the director to allocate from the fund, subject to specified conditions, funds to meet the cost of expenses for those purposes.

Cal Cities Position: Sponsor /Support MCCMC Position: Support w/Funding

b. **AB 846 (Connolly): Endangered species: incidental take: wildfire preparedness activities**
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB846 ACTIVE
This bill would authorize a city, county, city and county, special district, or other local agency to submit to the department a wildfire preparedness plan to conduct wildfire preparedness activities on land designated as a fire hazard severity zone, as defined, that minimizes impacts to wildlife and habitat for candidate, threatened, and endangered species. The bill would require the wildfire preparedness plan to include, among other things, a brief description of the planned wildfire preparedness activities, the approximate dates for the

activities, and a description of the candidate, endangered, and threatened species within the plan area. The bill would require the department, if sufficient information is included in the wildfire preparedness plan for the department to determine if an incidental take permit is required, to notify the local agency within 90 days of receipt of the wildfire preparedness plan if an incidental take permit or other permit is needed, or if there are other considerations, exemptions, or streamlined pathways that the wildfire preparedness activities qualify for, including, but not limited to, the State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection's California Vegetation Treatment Program.

Cal Cities Position: Sponsor/Support MCCMC Position: Support

c. **SB 677 (Wiener): Housing development: streamlined approvals**
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB677 ACTIVE
This bill would require ministerial approval for proposed housing developments containing no more than 2 residential units on any lot hosting a single-family home or zoned for 4 or fewer residential units, notwithstanding any covenant, condition, or restriction imposed by a common interest development association.

Cal Cities Position: Oppose MCCMC Position: Oppose

a. **AB 306 (Schultz and Rivas): Building regulations: state building standards**
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB306 ACTIVE
This bill would prohibit a city or county from making changes that are applicable to residential units to the above-described building standards unless a certain condition is met, including that the commission deems those changes or modifications necessary as emergency standards to protect health and safety. By requiring a city or county to take certain actions relating to building standards, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

Cal Cities Position: Oppose, Unless Amended MCCMC Position: Oppose

b. **SB 445 (Wiener): Transportation Projects: Permitting**
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB445 ACTIVE
This bill would require a lead agency to provide a written notice with specified information to a third-party entity, defined by the bill to mean a

local agency, electrical corporation, or private telecommunications provider, regarding its need to use, relocate, alter, change, or otherwise improve facilities, publicly owned and managed utilities, public spaces, or other publicly or privately owned facilities under the third-party entity's jurisdiction or ownership for the implementation of a sustainable transportation project. This bill would define "sustainable transportation project" to mean a project where the lead agency is a state agency, operator, or local agency that proposes the construction or modification of facilities meeting at least one of several specified criteria, including that it is exempt from CEQA pursuant to the above-described provisions.

Cal Cities Position: Oppose MCCMC Position: Oppose

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d. **AB 300 (Lackey): Fire hazard severity zones: State Fire Marshal**
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB300 ACTIVE
This bill would instead require the State Fire Marshall to do the above-described classification and review of lands within state responsibility areas as fire hazard severity zones, and identification and review of areas in the state as moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones, as specified, every 5 years.

Cal Cities Position: Support MCCMC Position: Support

TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY OF MARIN

Report Respectfully Submitted. Oct 19, 2025

Alice Fredericks Tiburon Town Councilmember

Ongoing TAM Activity:

Marin Sonoma Co-Ordinated Transit Service Plan (MASCOTS) The Southern Marin Transit 101workshop featuring presentations from Marin Transit and Golden Gate Transit on proposed service changes and responses to public comments related to the Marin-Sonoma Coordinated Transit Service Plan (MASCOTS)is planned Monday Oct 20,. The meeting will feature presentations from Marin Transit and Golden Gate Transit on proposed service changes and responses to public comments related to the Marin-Sonoma Coordinated Transit Service Plan (MASCOTS).

MASCOTS is a proposal to increase ridership and improve coordination of public transit service in the 101 corridor from Marin through Sonoma. Nine transit agencies are involved, including SMART, GGBHTD, and Marin Transit in Marin. The proposal will identify routes that are overserved (too many bus routes, too few riders), opportunities for better connections, more service and coordinated efficiencies. Golden Gate Transit and Marin Transit will identify opportunities to simplify services south of San Rafael and between Marin City, Sausalito and San Francisco.

MEASURE AA EXPENDITURE PLAN REVIEW: Some issues discussed include **Crossing guard funding**: Mechanisms of funding the increased demand for crossing guards were reviewed. Projected costs for the Crossing Guard Program are based on a 4% annual increase model. One option for funding increasing costs discussed was the re-allocation of Measure A local road category of funding to address the crossing guard need, given that funding from other sources can back fill any Measure A dollars reallocated among project priorities. In response to a comment that school enrollment appear to be declining, staff noted that it is not known if school enrollment declines represent a temporary or long-term trend and advised against making major adjustments based solely on current data. While the overall population is declining, there remains a continued need for local road and infrastructure improvements. Long term trends, including long-term demographic trends and the number of new housing developments, must be considered before significant program changes.

The Reimagined Roadways" Initiative, considers countywide needs beyond jurisdictional lines. Considering Reimagined Roadways initiative a part of the Measure AA Expenditure Plan Review, Public Works directors have highlighted the critical importance of each dollar for local maintenance and expressed an interest in exploring how funding categories, such as interchanges and reimagined roadways, could be combined to support comprehensive corridor improvements.

The TAM Board approved the Funding, Programs & Legislation (FP&L) Executive Committee recommendation of programming Measure AA 2.4 Innovation Program funds in the amount of $335,000 for the following projects: Mill Valley - Rapid Rectangular Flashing Beacon (RRFB) Accessibility Improvements ($85,000), and San Anselmo - Artificial Intelligence to Improve Efficiency of the Town's Traffic Signals ($250,000); and directs staff to develop a countywide active transportation counter program.

-TAM BOARD UPCOMING MEETINGs
October 23, 2025

UPCOMING Innovation Workshop is scheduled for October 23, 2025, 4pm-6pm at the Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority Boardroom

Staff will provide information from industry experts for discussion that includes the status of transportation innovation examining how innovative technologies can support goals and strategies to support the Countywide Transpiration Plan, and incorporating discussion of g capital programs like Re-imagined Roadways future proofing them, and incorporating them into Measure AA Expenditure Plan Review Discussions.

Staff and expert will discuss areas of transportation technology, including Artificial Intelligence (AI), Autonomous Vehicles (AVs), and Advancing Road Safety with Technology.

Discussion with TAM Commissioners will further clarify TAM 's vision, goals, and specific strategies to advance safe, equitable and sustainable transportation - consistent with the adoption of the Countywide Transportation Plan 2050 (CTP 2050) in December 2024,

TAM BOARD OF COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

At the TAM regular meeting that will follow the Innovation Workshop, the Commission with consider the following actions among others:

1. Measure AA allocation to the SMART Connect Larkspur Shuttle to serve Golden Gate Ferry Larkspur Terminal and address the growing demand for Larkspur Ferry service, recovering from the Covid decline of use. The SMART Connect Larkspur Shuttle serves the SMART Larkspur station, the Golden Gate Ferry Larkspur Terminal, and the surrounding Larkspur Landing area. On weekends, the shuttle also serves The Village and Town Center shopping malls in Corte Madera.

2. RM3 Funding for Star Route 37 - the proposed State Route 37 improvements to address the Regional Connectivity and Adaptation to Climate Change strategies defined in the CTP.

   The Route 37 corridor is divided into eight segments. Segments 1, 2, and 3 are in Marin County. A Policy Committee was formed in 2015 to provide direction. The Policy Committee includes representatives from Marin, Sonoma, Solano, and Napa Counties, as

well as elected officials and State, Regional, and Tribal representatives. A Memorandum of Understanding was created to define the structure of the Policy Committee and the supporting Executive Steering Committee (ESC) and Policy Leadership Team (PLT). The primary focus of the committees has been to develop and deliver the Resilient State Route 37 Program.

The Policy Committee recently prioritized the eight segments, and Segment 2 over Novato Creek was determined to be the top priority, mostly due to flooding potential. The Novato Creek Bridge Project (officially known as the Flood Reduction Project Phase 1) will construct a new structure at the ultimate elevation to clear the potential 100-year flood event and is expected to begin construction in 2027. The project is in design. The bridge will return to the current roadway profile until sufficient funds are obtained to construct the full elevated causeway in Segments 1 and 3. At that time, the Bridge will be widened to the ultimate width.

A funding package for the construction phase of the Novato Creek Bridge was recently completed by Caltrans by putting additional State Highway Operation and Protection Plan (SHOPP) funds towards the project, and work by staff to negotiate with other stakeholders a greater share of RM3 funding being allocated to Marin to complete the multi-modal aspects of the Project.

The total cost of the Flood Reduction Project Phase 1 is $270 million. This will be funded by $155 million from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), $75 million from the SHOPP, and $15 million that TAM received from Senator McGuire's office by way of AB 179. The final $25 million will be provided from the RM3 funding.

The RM3 funding requires Board action to agree to the new funding distribution in the MOU (refer to Attachment A) and to enter into an agreement with Caltrans to fund the construction capital. Previously, some of the RM3 funds were being held for Marin and Sonoma projects that would be defined later

For the Novato Creek Bridge project, with Caltrans as the project sponsor of the primarily SHOPP-funded project, TAM will not be responsible for cost overruns during construction. The money will be invoiced in a series of $2 million invoices from Caltrans and then reimbursed by MTC as the manager of the RM3 Program.

This action will be neutral for TAM budgeting as the amounts paid to Caltrans will be immediately presented to MTC for payment from the RM3 Program. The funds will be transferred over 13 months. Amendments will be necessary to the FY2025-26 TAM Budget to allow for the fund transfers.

The TAM Board will consider approval of the following actions:

a. Authorize the TAM Board Chairperson to execute Amendment 2 of the Resilient State Route 37 (SR 37) Program Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to modify the funding table and make other minor changes.
b. Authorize the Executive Director to enter into a Cooperative Agreement to transfer $25 million in Regional Measure 3 (RM3) funding to Caltrans for construction capital for Phase I of the SR 37 Flood Reduction Project.
c. Authorize amendments to the approved FY2025-26 TAM Budget to account for the Caltrans invoices and RM3 reimbursements.

3. **Authorization of letter to CALTRANS re HOV hours in Marin County.** The TAM Commission will consider authorization for the TAM Board Chair to send a joint letter with Sonoma County Transportation Authority (SCTA) to CALTRANS with 3 requests re the HOV hours on US 101 in Marin County making three key points:

   a. Do not wait six months or longer to consider changes,
   b. Encourage changing the hours to a shorter duration that makes sense to ease congestion and still support HOV and transit use in the corridor, potentially the 6:00 to 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 to 6:30 p.m. scenario that TAM and SCTCA have supported,
   c. Ensure that any mitigation efforts (such as ramp metering) do not increase impacts to local streets and roads, unless a demonstrated benefit for overall travel times has been established.

CALTRANS staff will be attending the Oct 23 meeting to present a summary of changes in corridor, monitoring and data collection plans, and the process for decision making on HOV hours in the corridor.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Innovation Workshop, see the agenda packet here: https://www.tam.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/10-23-25-TAM-Innovation-Workshop-Packet.pdf

Watch the Innovation Workshop here:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86931046450?pwd=3IsKnmpKu5AaxIbPnEoJiwQUI0q3Z4.1

TAM Commission meeting, see the agenda packet here: https://www.tam.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/10-23-25-TAM-Board-Packet.pdf

TAM Traveler or subscribe to it here

https://us13.campaign-archive.com/home/?u=072a83732f5acca0a1e1fd47b&id=e0a8a495fc

Outlook

LOI from Chantel Walker, CalCities Executive Board as one of the two Primary Representatives from MCCMC

From Chantel Walker <cwalker@sananselmo.gov>
Date Mon 10/20/2025 11:13 PM
To Rebecca Vaughn <rvaughn@cortemadera.gov>
Cc C L Walker <clwalker8899@gmail.com>

1 attachment (75 KB)
LOI Chantel Walker, CalCities Exec Board 1 yr Primary Rep Role.pdf;

Hi Rebecca,

I hope this email finds you well. Thank you very much for taking the time to talk with me last week.

Please find attached my letter of interest for consideration as one of the two MCCMC Primary Representatives to the CalCities North Bay Division Executive Board.

Mark's sudden passing earlier this month is a profound loss for our Marin and North Bay leadership community. I am deeply honored to put my name forward to continue his legacy of thoughtful, collaborative service.

My letter details the work I've participated during my 6-month Alternate Role appointment, including support for the formation of the statewide Veterans Interest Group, attendance at North Bay and statewide convenings, and consistent participation in Executive Committee activities. These experiences have reinforced my commitment to regional collaboration and to the shared priorities of our cities and towns.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please let me know if you need any additional information.

Warmly, Chantel

Chantel Walker
Council Member
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CHANTEL L. WALKER

October 20, 2025

Subject: *Letter of interest from Chantel L. Walker to represent MCCMC as a primary Representative to CalCities North Bay Division Executive Board*

Dear MCCMC Colleagues,

With a heavy heart and a clear sense of purpose, I write to express my interest in moving from the MCCMC League of California Cities (CalCities) Alternate Position to serving as one of MCCMC's two Primary Representatives to the CalCities North Bay Division Executive Board.

Like many of you, I was deeply saddened by the passing of Novato City Councilmember Mark Milberg earlier this month. Mark's commitment to collaboration and his dedication to advancing the collective interests of Marin's cities and towns through CalCities left a lasting impression on many of us. His encouragement, insight, and collegiality inspired me during my six months as the MCCMC Alternate, and it is in that spirit of service that I submit my request to be appointed to one of the two MCCMC primary representative roles on the CalCities North Bay Executive Board.

Over the past six months in the Alternate Role, I have actively participated alongside my Marin and North Bay colleagues in Executive Committee meetings and events. With the support and mentorship of Mark, Eli Beckman, and Executive Board President Jill Hoffman, I have contributed to discussions that shape regional collaboration and strengthen our collective policy voice. I have also supported the statewide formation of the CalCities Veterans Interest Group, attended CalCities North Bay meetings in Marin and Northern California, and participated in the CalCities Annual Conference in Long Beach earlier this month. These experiences have deepened my understanding of both the differential policy needs of North Bay communities and the common themes that connect us through shared priorities.

My professional background, as a senior government staff leader and now as an elected councilmember, spans housing, community development, and local government administration. I bring over two decades of experience in public service and a collaborative approach that emphasizes problem-solving, inclusion, and results. I believe these experiences and values will continue to serve our cities and towns well in the role of primary representative.

I would be honored to build on the foundation laid during my time as Alternate and to continue representing our interests at the regional level. Please note that I will be unable to attend the October 22 MCCMC meeting as I will be on the East Coast attending Parents' Weekend at my daughter's university, but I remain deeply committed to serving and will make myself available before and after Parent's Weekend as needed.

Thank you for your consideration and for the opportunity to continue contributing to our collective work through CalCities. I hope to have your support as I seek appointment as a primary representative to the CalCities North Bay Executive Board from MCCMC.

Warm Regards,

Chantel

Chantel L. Walker
Councilmember, Town of San Anselmo

Outlook

Letter of Interest - MCCMC Representative to Marin County Disaster Council Citizen Corps ("DC3")

From Fred Casissa <fcasissa@cortemadera.gov>
Date Mon 10/6/2025 7:31 PM
To Rebecca Vaughn <rvaughn@cortemadera.gov>

Dear President Hellman and MCCMC Members:

I'm am writing to express my interest in serving as the MCCMC representative to the Marin County Disaster Council Citizen Corps ("DC3"). In doing so, I understand the importance of D3's role in disaster preparedness, response, and recovery and that D3 is an essential component in working on a countywide basis, to improve disaster preparedness. In this respect, I previously co-chaired the Twin Cities Disaster Preparedness Committee, which supports and encourages disaster preparedness initiatives and supervises the NRG Program. I was a founding member of the Marin Estates (Corte Madera) NRG and have participated in several NRG semi-annual drills. Additionally, my exposure to disaster preparedness includes the following:

- Past Chair and current Board member - RVPA
- Current Chair and Board member - CMPA
- Past board member - MWPA
- Interaction with: Fire Chiefs from - Central Marin, Marin County, Kentfield, and Ross Valley; CMPA Chief of Police/command staff; and, MWPA Executive Officer/staff.
- Have toured the OEM emergency command center, county dispatch center, and the PG&E Hazzard, Awareness and Warning Center (HAWC).

A key aspect of the position is serving as the D3 Vice Chair. As previously noted, I have chaired several Boards, as well as serving as Corte Madera Mayor. Thus, I am comfortable in a lead position. Additionally, in the various positions that I have served, I have the ability to work collaboratively and in partnership with others to serve common goals and objectives. Thus, I'm capable of handling the responsibilities of Vice Chair.

I would be honored to serve as the MCCMC D3 representative. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Fred Casissa

Fred Casissa
Corte Madera Town Council Member

September 15, 2025

DRAFT: IN PROGRESS DC3 ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

This draft will give highlights of the MCCMC representative to the DC3 roles and responsibilities for a councilmember interested in applying. This draft is still in process and will be voted on by the DC3 Council at the December 11, 2025 meeting. The MCCMC representative's role has been updated to a Co-Chair position working alongside the Supervisor (Chair). This is a 2-year term.

Chair

The **Chair** leads the county's advisory body that strengthens disaster preparedness, response, and recovery through resident engagement, training initiatives, and inter-agency coordination. The Chair works closely with county OEM staff, first responders, community organizations, and residents to strengthen local resilience.

Key Responsibilities

- Lead and facilitate DC³ meetings, help set agendas, and ensure quorum and voting procedures align with council bylaws.
- Appoint chairs for standing committees.
- Oversee the evaluation of countywide disaster preparedness in the public sector and delivers annual reports to the Board of Supervisors.
- Act as the principal spokesperson for the DC³ at Board of Supervisors meetings and during public events.
- Champion public disaster readiness through community education, training, and engagement strategies.
- Encourage volunteerism, including programs such as CERT and neighborhood preparedness efforts.
- Build strong relationships with county agencies (Office of Emergency Management, Health, Public Works, Education, Red Cross, etc.)

Co-Chair (Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers Representative)

The **Co-Chair** serves alongside the Chair to guide the work of the Council, ensuring that the perspectives and needs of the county's incorporated cities and towns are integrated into disaster preparedness, response, and recovery planning. This role strengthens the bridge between countywide strategy and local municipalities, helping align efforts across jurisdictions. Appointed for a two-year term by the members of the Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers.

Key Responsibilities

- Share facilitation of meetings with the Chair; preside when delegated or in the Chair's absence.
- Represent the collective interests of city and town governments on the Council.
- Participate in agenda-setting, committee appointments, and strategic discussions to ensure municipal perspectives are included.
- Advocate for city and town priorities in the development and review of countywide disaster preparedness and response plans.
- Encourage consistency in planning, training, and public information efforts across municipalities.
- Support public awareness and community engagement activities with a focus on municipal neighborhoods and local volunteer networks.
- Promote participation in programs such as CERT, neighborhood response teams, and city-specific preparedness campaigns.
- Build and maintain collaborative relationships with local fire, police, public works, and other municipal agencies.

Outlook

Marin Transit MCCMC Representative - Letter of Interest

From Fred Casissa <fcasissa@cortemadera.gov>
Date Sun 9/28/2025 7:31 PM
To Rebecca Vaughn <rvaughn@cortemadera.gov>

Dear President Hellman and MCCMC Members:

I'm am writing to express my interest to continue serving as the MCCMC representative to the Marin Transit Board (" MT Board").

In 2022, I was selected as the MCCMC MT Board alternative and in 2025, was selected as the MCCMC representative to complete the term of Brian Colbert. Also in 2025, I assumed a leadership role, being appointed as the MT Board 2nd Vice President. Over the course of the last three years, I have had the opportunity to gain knowledge and insight into the operations and inner workings of Marin Transit. I have also learned the importance and an understanding of providing local transit service to all within Marin County.

I am currently in my second term as a Corte Madera Town Council member (past Mayor). In this capacity, I have held several positions on other boards/committees, including: past chair - CMPA and RVPA (continue to serve on both), MWPA (past board member), Casa Buena Home Key Project, and Age Friendly Corte Madera. This has allowed me to work collaboratively and in partnership with others on a variety of issues, which will be key in upcoming Marin Transit initiatives, including the new 1551 S. Francisco Blvd. Maintenance Facility and MACOTS. Further, as the MCCMC Board representative, I will be representing the needs of all the local municipalities, as well as that of the county.

I would be honored to continue to serve as the MCCMC representative to the MT Board. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Fred Casissa

Fred Casissa
Corte Madera Town Council Member

MARIN COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBERS
DRAFT AGENDA

Wednesday, January 28, 2026
Via Zoom Webinar

Guest Speakers:

- To be determined

Tentative Committee Reports

Association of Bay Area Governments / Bay Conservation and Development Commission
Homeless Committee
Marin County Disaster Council Citizen Corps
Marin Transit
Sonoma/Marin Area Rail Transit Commission
Golden Gate Bridge & Highway Transportation District
Transportation Authority of Marin
MCCMC Legislative Committee
Local Agency Formation Commission

Business Meeting

Review Of Draft Agenda For The February 25, 2026 MCCMC Meeting Via Zoom

Consideration and Possible Approval of the Draft Minutes of the October 22, 2025 MCCMC Meeting

Informational Item: Review of Draft Minutes of the City Selection Committee Meeting Held on October 22, 2025 (Informational item only, the draft minutes will be formally reviewed and approved by the City Selection Committee at its next available meeting)

8:00 PM ADJOURN: to the February 25, 2026 meeting – to be held via Zoom
Deadline for consideration of potential agenda items – Febraury 18, 2026 Please send to: MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com

MARIN COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBERS
DRAFT MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2025
Hosted by City of Mill Valley – Sweetwater Music Hall
19 Corte Madera Ave., Mill Valley, CA 94941
5:30-8:00pm – Program and Networking
Business Meeting – 5:30PM

Members Present

Belvedere: Mayor Jane Cooper; Councilmember Pat Carapiet
Corte Madera: Mayor Pat Ravasio, Councilmembers Jim Andrews, Eli Beckman, Fred Casissa, Rosa Thomas
Fairfax: Mayor Lisel Blash, Councilmembers Frank Egger, Stephanie Hellman
Larkspur: Councilmembers Scot Candell, Gabe Paulson
Mill Valley: Vice Mayor Max Perrey; Councilmember Caroline Joachim
Novato: Councilmembers Pat Eklund, Kevin Jacobs, Mark Milberg
Ross: Vice Mayor Elizabeth Robbins, Councilmember Mathew Salter
San Anselmo: Councilmember Chantel Walker
San Rafael: Mayor Kate Colin; Councilmembers Eli Hill, Rachel Kertz, Maika Llorens Gulati
Sausalito: Councilmember Jill Hoffman
Tiburon: Mayor Holli Thier

Ex Officio: MCCMC Secretary Rebecca Vaughn; City Managers: Heather Abrams (Fairfax); Dan Schwarz (Larkspur); Todd Cusimano (Mill Valley); Amy Cunningham (Novato); Christa Johnson (Ross); Cristine Alilovich (San Rafael); Marin County Executive Derek Johnson; Marin County Board of Supervisors: Brian Colbert, Eric Lucan, Stephanie Moulton Peters; Nancy Hall Bennett, CalCities North Bay Division

1. Call to Order / Roll Call

President Stephanie Hellman called the business meeting to order at 5:45p.m., and welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers, for September 24, 2025.

A roll call of the Marin towns/cities was taken. There was a quorum of the 11 Marin cities/towns, with representatives from each of the 11 Marin cities/towns in attendance.

2. Public Comment

- Eli Hill – Announced that the City of San Rafael will be hosting a screening of the film, Repairing the World: Stories from the Tree of Life, on Tuesday, October 21st at 1:00pm as a Lunch and Learn event for United Against Hate Week (UAHW). Typically, the City's Lunch and Learn events are for City staff only; however, the film's producer has requested that the City allow staff from other jurisdictions to attend. An email and invitation will be sent out to MCCMC as follow up after this meeting, please share this info with your respective city managers to share with staff.

3. Committee Reports

All Committee reports were submitted in writing and are available in the agenda packet on the MCCMC website. President Blaustein thanked those who submitted written reports and encouraged the membership to review the reports.

4.d.

3.a. Association of Bay Area Governments & Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC)
3a. Written reports provided by Pat Eklund, Novato
3.b. Disaster and Citizen Corps Council (DC3)
3b. Written report provided by Catherine Way, Larkspur
3.c. Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District
3c. Written report provided by Holli Thier, Tiburon
3.d. MCCMC Legislative Committee
3d. Written report provided by Alice Fredericks, Tiburon

4. Business Items:

4.a. Consideration And Possible Adoption Of MCCMC Operating Budget For FY 2025-2026, With Annual Dues Set At $800 For 2025-26 Only, and Appointment of MCCMC Secretary/Treasurer for 2025-26.
Attachment 4a: Staff report and attachments

A discussion was held regarding the proposed budget. It was noted that the website hosting, domain, and security renewals were charged in the previous year and were multi-year renewals. That, along with additional identified budget savings has made it possible to recommend a reduction in annual dues, from $850 to $800 per city, per year, for the 2025-26 business year.

Appointment of the MCCMC Secretary/Treasurer is a requirement per the MCCMC By Laws, most recently revised in 2018.

No public comment was received in person or via email regarding this item.

President Hellman called for a motion. There was a motion and second (Paulson /Milberg) to approve the adoption of the MCCMC Operating Budget for Business Year 2025-26 with annual dues set at $800 per city, per year, for 2025-26, and to appoint Rebecca Vaughn as Secretary/Treasurer for 2025-26
The motion was approved 11-0

4.b. Announcement Of Upcoming Vacancies And Call For Letters Of Interest For The Following Committee Appointments:

4.b.1. MCCMC Representatives to League of California Cities, North Bay Division Executive Board for Calendar Year 2026.
Three seats have expiring terms:
Representative, 2nd Representative and Alternate Representative.
MCCMC Representatives are appointed annually for the upcoming calendar year.

It was noted that the incumbents were listed incorrectly on the agenda, and that the correct incumbents are: 1st: Eli Beckman, Corte Madera; 2nd: Mark

Milberg, Novato, and Alternate: Chantel Walker, San Anselmo. Each incumbent has indicated interest in seeking appointment to a new one-year term and will submit letters of interest. A call for letters of interest was announced at the September 24th MCCMC meeting, with a vote on appointment scheduled for the October 22nd meeting.

4.b.2. Marin County Disaster Council Citizen Corps ("DC3")
(Incumbent: Catherine Way, Larkspur, current 2-year term will expire 01/2026)

Incumbent Catherine Way, Larkspur, has indicated that she will not be seeking reappointment to a new two-year term. She has provided for the agenda packet, a detailed listing of the role and responsibilities of the appointee to this Committee for those who may be interested in being considered for appointment.

A call for letters of interest was announced at the September 24th MCCMC meeting, with a vote on appointment scheduled for the October 22nd meeting should any letters of interest or nominations from the floor be received.

4.b.3. Marin Transit Board of Directors
Representatives to the Marin Transit Board:
Primary Rep. 1: Maribeth Bushey, San Rafael: Seat expires 1/1/27
Primary Rep. 2, Fred Casissa, Corte Madera: Seat expires 1/1/26
Alternate Rep.: Maika Llorens Gulati, San Rafael, Seat expires 1/1/26

It was announced that Incumbents Fred Casissa, Corte Madera, and Maika Llorens Gulati have indicated interest in seeking re-appointment to their respective seats and will submit letters of interest.

A call for letters of interest was announced at the September 24th MCCMC meeting, with a vote on appointment scheduled for the October 22nd meeting.

4.b.4. Golden Gate Bridge and Highway Transportation District
(Incumbent: Holli Thier, Tiburon, current 2-year term will expire 01/2026)

It was announced that the current two-year term of incumbent Holli Thier, Tiburon, will expire on January 1, 2026. She has indicated interest in seeking reappointment to a new two-year term and will submit a letter of interest. A call for letters of interest was announced at the September 24th MCCMC meeting, and it was announced that a vote on appointment will be scheduled to be heard by the City Selection Committee, a meeting of which will be scheduled for October 22nd, and will be a separately agendized meeting from the regular MCCMC business meeting.

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4.c. Consideration and Possible Appointment of MCCMC Elected Official Primary and Alternate Seats on Marin Climate Action Network (MarinCAN) Board

President Hellman announced that the County of Marin has provided notice that the MarinCAN Board (formerly Drawdown Marin) currently has one vacancy for a city or town elected official to be chosen by MCCMC due to the resignation of Sausalito Councilmember Melissa Blaustein. Councilmember Llorens Gulati and Supervisor Sackett serve on the MarinCAN Board, which meets the second Wednesday of each month, and are available to connect with those who are interested in serving.

No public comment was received in person or via email regarding this item.

President Hellman noted that seeing as no letters of interest were received, and no nominations were received from the floor, this item would be agendized for the October 22, 2025 meeting, and staff will reach out to the Marin elected officials to provide awareness of this appointment opportunity. Any interested councilmembers should send letters of interest to Secretary Vaughn, and that a vote by the MCCMC membership to fill the vacant seat will be held at the September MCCMC meeting should letters of interest be received.

4.d. Review Of Draft Agenda For October 22, 2025 MCCMC Meeting To Be Hosted By The City of San Rafael at the Vivalon Campus

There were no comments on the draft agenda.
No public comment was received in person or via email regarding this item.

4.e. Consideration and Possible Action to Approve the Draft Minutes of the June 25, 2025 MCCMC Meeting

No public comment was received in person or via email regarding this item.
President Hellman called for a vote to approve the draft minutes of the June 25, 2025 meeting. There was a motion and second (Thier /Walker) to approve the draft minutes for June 25, 2025.
The motion was approved 11-0.

5. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 to the next regular meeting scheduled for October 22, 2025 to be held in person, hosted by the City of San Rafael.