

**MARIN COUNTY CITY SELECTION COMMITTEE  
AGENDA**

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 27, 2026  
6:00PM**

***In-person and remote participation:***

Homeward Bound of Marin (Gilardi Ctr – Key Room South Annex)  
1385 N. Hamilton Pkwy, Novato, CA

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**1. Roll Call, Welcome and Purpose of Meeting**

**2. Public Comment**

Opportunity for the public to address the Marin County City Selection Committee on matters not on the agenda. Please submit any written public comment to [MCCMCSecretary@mccmc.org](mailto:MCCMCSecretary@mccmc.org) and indicate "Public Comment" in the subject line.

**3. Approval of the Minutes of the April 22, 2026 City Selection Committee**

*Attachment 3a: Draft minutes of April 22, 2026 meeting*

**4. Consideration and Possible Recommendation of Appointment:  
One MCCMC Representative and One Alternate MCCMC Representative to the  
Association of Bay Area Governments Executive Board (ABAG)**

Incumbents: Representative - Pat Eklund, Novato;

Alternate Representative - Vacant

There are two seats, one Representative and one Alternate Representative, with two-year terms which expire June 20, 2026.

Letters of interest were received from:

Pat Eklund, Novato (for Representative), dated 4/16/26;

Pat Carapiet, Belvedere (for Alternate Representative), dated 4/22/26;

Joan Cox, Sausalito (for either Primary or Alternate Representative), dated 5/20/26

A call for letters of interest from elected officials interested in the appointment took place at the April 22, 2026 MCCMC meeting. Additional nominations will be accepted from the floor at the May 27, 2026 City Selection Committee meeting, and the Committee will be asked to vote via written ballot on the appointments of new two-year terms, commencing July 1, 2026, and expiring June 30, 2028.

Attachment 4.a.: Letters of Interest from (1) Pat Eklund, Novato (for Representative), (2) Pat Carapiet, Belvedere (for Alternate Representative), and (3) Joan Cox, Sausalito (for either Primary or Alternate Representative).

## Appointment Process

1. Introduction
2. Statements from candidates (optional)
3. Comments from MCCMC members and other members of the public
4. Mayors/Proxies discussion and vote by written ballot will take place

## 5. Announcements

Any subject not on the agenda may be presented at this time by members of the City Selection Committee. These topics cannot be acted upon or discussed but may be agendaized for a later meeting date.

## 6. Adjournment

Please contact Rebecca Vaughn at 415-927-5085 or [MCCMCSecretary@mccmc.org](mailto:MCCMCSecretary@mccmc.org) with any questions or require additional information.

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*Excerpt from MCCMC By-Laws related to City Selection Committee, as amended March 2018:*

### ARTICLE V

#### Committees/Authority Assignments

##### Section 1. Standing Committees:

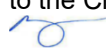
- a. Legislative Committee: The Legislative Committee shall consist of a Councilmember from each of the member cities, chosen by their respective City Councils, one city manager and one alternate city manager. Its duties shall be to review pending Federal and State legislation affecting cities and to take a position on the legislation consistent with a vote of the majority of the committee and the authority given the committee by MCCMC policies.
- b. Executive Committee: The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, Vice-President and the most immediate Past-President who is a member. It shall serve in an advisory capacity to the President to help plan and organize the activities of the COUNCIL.
- c. Mayors Select Committee: The Mayors Select Committee shall consist of the Mayor, or his/her designated representative from among each member's council, from each of the member cities and the Executive Committee of MCCMC. Its duties will be to form a consensus on and a recommended advocacy action for citywide and/or regional issues that directly and immediately affect all member cities and for which there is no other appropriate forum. The Mayors Select Committee shall also perform the functions of the **City Selection Committee** (relating to certain appointments and nominations) and under the powers vested by and pursuant to Cal. Gov't Code §50270 et seq. The Mayors Select Committee shall meet annually in April or at the first reasonably convenient time thereafter, and its Chair will be the President of MCCMC. Executive Committee members may be present but may not cast votes on City Selection Committee matters except when designated as described above. The President of MCCMC will report on the actions or recommendations of the Mayors Select Committee at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the COUNCIL, and shall call for a full vote of any recommended advocacy actions.

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Any writings or documents provided to a majority of the City Selection Committee regarding any item on this Agenda are available during normal business hours, for public inspection at Corte Madera Town Hall, 300 Tamalpais Drive, Corte Madera, CA. Any reports that are provided after the posting of this Agenda and prior to the meeting will be made available at this same location simultaneously as it is provided to the Committee.

I certify that this agenda was posted on or before May 22, 2026, in full public view and access at least 72 hours prior to the City Selection Committee meeting time in accordance with the Brown Act.

  
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Rebecca Vaughn  
MCCMC / City Selection Committee Secretary

MARIN COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBERS  
MEETING OF THE MARIN COUNTY CITY SELECTION COMMITTEE

**DRAFT**

MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2026  
6:00 p.m.

Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority Board Room  
1600 Los Gamos Dr., Suite 335. San Rafael, CA 94903

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**Mayors (or Proxies) Present**

Belvedere: -  
Corte Madera: Vice Mayor Fred Casissa (Proxy for Mayor Rosa Thomas)  
Fairfax: Mayor Stephanie Hellman  
Larkspur: Vice Mayor Gabe Paulson (Proxy for Stephanie Andre)  
Mill Valley: Councilmember Stephen Burke (Proxy for Mayor Max Perrey)  
Novato: Mayor Rachel Farac  
Ross: Mayor Julie McMillan  
San Anselmo: Mayor Steve Burdo  
San Rafael: -  
Sausalito: -  
Tiburon: -

**MCCMC Executive Committee Present:** President Stephanie Hellman, Fairfax; Vice President Gabe Paulson, Larkspur; Secretary Rebecca Vaughn

**1. Call to Order, Welcome and Purpose of Meeting**

MCCMC President Stephanie Hellman called the meeting of the Marin County City Selection Committee for April 22, 2026 to order at 6:02pm.

**2. Open Time for Public Comment**

President Hellman called for public comment. No public comment was received via email or from in-person or online attendees.

**3. Acceptance of the Minutes of the October 22, 2025 City Selection Committee**

President Hellman introduced the item. There was no public comment and no questions from Mayors/Proxies. There was a motion and a second (Farac/Paulson) to accept the draft minutes as presented. The minutes were accepted by a roll call vote of the Mayors/Proxies of the cities/towns present, 7-0-4 (Belvedere, San Rafael, Sausalito, Tiburon absent).

**4. Consideration and Possible Recommendation of Appointment of One MCCMC Primary Representative to the Marin County Local Agency Formation Commission (Marin LAFCo).**

Incumbent: Barbara Coler, Fairfax

**Introduction**

President Hellman summarized that there is one seat with a four-year term that will expire May 1, 2026. A call for letters of interest from elected officials interested in the appointment took place at the March 25, 2026 MCCMC meeting. Additional nominations would be accepted from the floor at the April 22, 2026 City Selection Committee meeting, and the

1 Committee will be asked to vote via written ballot on the appointment.  
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3 One letter of interest was received: Barbara Coler, Fairfax (incumbent)  
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5 **Statement from Candidates: None**  
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7 **Comments from MCCMC members and other members of the public**  
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9 President Hellman asked if there were any questions or comments from MCCMC members.  
10 No public comment was received via email or from in-person or online attendees, and no  
11 questions from Mayors/Proxies.  
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13 President Hellman then called for a vote.  
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15 **Mayors/Proxies discussion and vote**  
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17 There was a motion and a second (Burke/McMillan) to move the appointment of Barbara  
18 Coler, Fairfax, to a new four-year term as a MCCMC Primary Representative to Marin LAFCo.  
19 Secretary Vaughn distributed the ballots to the Mayors / Designated Proxies.  
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21 After receipt and tabulation of the votes, Secretary Vaughn announced that the final count was  
22 that all seven (7) ballots submitted were in support of the appointment of Barbara Coler,  
23 Fairfax. (No Mayors or designated Proxies were present from the other four jurisdictions of  
24 Belvedere, San Rafael, Sausalito, and Tiburon absent.  
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26 The votes were submitted as follows: Belvedere: Absent; Corte Madera for Barbara Coler;  
27 Fairfax for Barbara Coler; Larkspur for Barbara Coler; Mill Valley for Barbara Coler; Novato for  
28 Barbara Coler; Ross for Barbara Coler; San Anselmo for Barbara Coler; San Rafael: Absent;  
29 Sausalito: Absent; Tiburon: Absent  
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31 Secretary Vaughn announced that Barbara Coler, Fairfax, had unanimously received 7 votes  
32 out of the 7 ballots submitted, and that her appointment would be forwarded to Marin LAFCo.  
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34 **5. Announcements –**

35 Secretary Vaughn announced that a meeting of the City Selection Committee would be scheduled  
36 for May 27, 2026 for the purpose of voting on appointments of Primary and Alternate MCCMC  
37 Representatives to the Association of Bay Area Government (ABAG) Executive Board. The  
38 Announcement and request for letters of interest is also listed on the MCCMC Regular Meeting  
39 agenda.  
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41 **6. Adjournment**  
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43 MCCMC President Hellman adjourned the meeting of the City Selection Committee at 6:09p.m.

## PAT EKLUND

36 White Oak Way  
NOVATO, CA 94949

April 16, 2026

SUBJECT: MCCMC Designee to Association of Bay Area Governments Executive Board

Dear President Stephanie Hellman and MCCMC Colleagues:

This letter expresses my interest in continuing to serve as the MCCMC designee to the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) Executive Board.

Since serving, I have worked to ensure the interests of our towns and cities in Marin are represented in a strong, constructive and effective manner. I seek input and keep the cities/towns informed of issues through monthly written reports and when appropriate verbal reports. In addition, I also reach out to our city planners and Marin ABAG delegates and alternates especially when there is an important issue(s).

I am proud to share that the current ABAG President, Supervisor Ramos from Napa County has appointed me to serve on the following ABAG committees: ABAG Housing, Finance and Administrative Committees; the joint ABAG/MTC Legislative Committee and, the Bay Area Regional Collaborative which brings together member agencies including ABAG, BAAQMD, BCDC and MTC to address cross cutting challenges facing the nine county Bay Area. In addition, I represent the ABAG Executive Board on the SF Estuary Implementation Committee; and, President Ramos appointed me to the Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC). This demonstrates that I am an active participant and contribute to our decision-making process.

These committee assignments have given me the opportunity to advocate for programs and/or changes in state law that would be helpful to Marin and beyond. This is especially appropriate for the BCDC where I represent the counties of Marin and Sonoma for ABAG. Also, I have served on the last two Regional Housing Methodology Committees (Cycles 5 and 6); and, hope to serve in this upcoming cycle as well.

As in the past, I will continue to work with our cities – elected officials, planners and managers – along with the County of Marin to ensure that ABAG information and funding on housing and other areas of interest is distributed to cities and town. And, as always, I will continue to provide up-to-date information in the monthly reports. I also routinely collaborate with other cities/towns throughout the Bay Area and the League of CA Cities (as a member of the Council and Past President for the League of CA Cities) along with our county representatives on issues brought forward to ABAG. And, my written reports are distributed to many other cities/towns in the Bay Area.

I would be honored to continue to serve as your designee to the ABAG Executive Board. If you have any questions, please call: 415-336-9913 or email me: [pateklund@comcast.net](mailto:pateklund@comcast.net).

Sincerely,



Pat Eklund, Councilmember, City of Novato

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[MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com](mailto:MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com)

April 22, 2026

Dear President Hellman, Mayors, and Council Members,

This letter expresses my interest in serving as the MCCMC alternative representative to ABAG.

I am in my second year on the Belvedere City Council, and I currently serve as the city representative to the Richardson Bay Regional Agency (RBRA) and as the alternate to the Transportation Agency of Marin (TAM).

Prior to being elected to the City Council, I served for 10 years on the Belvedere Planning Commission -- including 3 years as chair. During my tenure, I served on committees addressing flood zone impacts, the creation of Objective Development Design Standards (ODDS), and the city's 6th-cycle Housing Element and updates.

These activities demonstrate my ability to collaborate and compromise, as well as my sincere commitment to the community I serve.

Thank you for considering my appointment to ABAG.

Yours truly,

*Pat*

Pat Carapiet  
Belvedere City Councilmember  
[pcarapiet@cityofbelvedere.org](mailto:pcarapiet@cityofbelvedere.org)



# CITY OF SAUSALITO

Steven Woodside, Mayor

Chris Zapata, City Manager

Date: May 20, 2026

Via Email: [MCCMCSecretary@mccmc.org](mailto:MCCMCSecretary@mccmc.org)

Rebecca Vaughn, MCCMC Secretary  
Marin County City Selection Committee

**Re: Letter of Interest —  
ABAG Executive Board Representative or Alternate Representative**

Dear Ms. Vaughn and Members of the City Selection Committee:

I write to express my interest in being considered for appointment as either the Representative or the Alternate Representative to the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) Executive Board for the two-year term running from July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2028.

I am currently completing my second term on the Sausalito City Council and have spent over thirty years practicing municipal law including housing law and land use. Over the last five years, I have lectured statewide on housing and homelessness issues, and I served for eight years as a Sausalito Planning Commissioner before joining the Council. In that time, I have assisted Sausalito in preparing three housing elements, all of which were submitted on time and certified by the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).

I am not new to ABAG. From 2018 to 2020, I served as the alternate to Councilmember Pat Eklund on the ABAG Executive Board. During that period, in 2019, I was appointed to the ABAG/MTC Housing Legislative Working Group, where I helped evaluate pending housing legislation through the lens of ensuring no single Marin County city is overburdened by inequitable mandates.

My interest in returning to the ABAG Executive Board is driven by several pressing policy concerns that I believe require experienced, pragmatic representation from Marin County.

First, I am committed to advocating for accurate and equitable Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) methodology. Sausalito's own RHNA numbers, for example, were calculated in part on the basis of unbuildable land area — including underwater streets and land owned by the Golden Gate National Recreation Area — which inflated the city's allocation unfairly. I would bring this firsthand experience to bear in urging methodological refinements that reflect ground-truth conditions in small communities across our county.

Second, I am a strong advocate for ensuring that limited transit infrastructure serving small towns — such as the ferry landings in Tiburon and Sausalito — is not mischaracterized as a "transit hub" for purposes of imposing heightened housing production requirements. Thoughtful, context-sensitive transit designations are essential if regional housing policy is to retain credibility and fairness.



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Third, in light of the recent state audit report critical of HCD's administration of housing law, I believe ABAG needs representatives who can work constructively with both MTC and the State to address those findings and chart a productive path forward. The State Auditor not only found flaws in the State's housing needs assessments, but also was critical of HCD's poor track record providing guidance to cities. I would urge ABAG to be an advocate for change in these areas of critical importance to cities. My background as a practicing municipal attorney and my prior service on the Housing Legislative Working Group uniquely position me to serve as that kind of practical collaborator.

I am honored to put my name forward and would welcome the opportunity to serve the cities and towns of Marin County in this capacity. I am available to address the Committee at its meeting on May 27, 2026.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Cox  
Councilmember  
City of Sausalito  
415-754-5100  
[jcox@sausalito.gov](mailto:jcox@sausalito.gov)

cc: Steven Woodside, Mayor