

MARIN COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBERS AGENDA

Wednesday, March 23, 2022

6:00pm

VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE ONLY

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6:00 PM Welcome and Introductions

- 1. Call to Order:** MCCMC President Sashi McEntee
- 2. Public Comment** (Limit 3 minutes per person)
- 3. Welcome and Introduction of Guests:** President Sashi McEntee
- 4. Presentations:**

- 4.a. The role of the Northern California Regional Intelligence Center (NCRIC) & High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) in Protecting Public Safety and Privacy, Civil Rights, & Civil Liberties

Executive Director Mike Sena will provide an overview of the programs that he leads and the regional, state, and national threat and Information Sharing Environment (ISE). Director Sena will also provide an overview of how the NCRIC and HIDTA mitigate threats, identify vulnerabilities, and address the risks from organized criminal groups and violent criminals.

- 5. Committee Reports (written reports only – to be published in agenda packet and posted on website, <http://www.mccmc.org/>)**

- 5.a. Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)
 - 5a. Written report from Supervisor Damon Connolly

- 5.b. Association of Bay Area Governments
5b. Written report from Pat Eklund, Novato
- 5.c. BCDC Report from North Bay representative on the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC)
5c. Written report from Pat Eklund, Novato
- 5.d. Golden Gate Bridge, Highway & Transportation District
5d. Written report from Holli Thier, Tiburon
- 5.e. Marin Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo)
5.e. Written report from Sashi McEntee, Mill Valley (Written report not received at time of publication, agenda packet will be updated to include report once received)
- 5.f. Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District (SMART)
5f. Written report provided by Dan Hillmer, Larkspur
- 5.g. MCCMC Homelessness Committee Report
5.g. Written report from Rachel Kertz, San Rafael and Kate Colin, San Rafael (Written report not received at time of publication, agenda packet will be updated to include report once received)
- 5.h. MCCMC Climate Action Committee
5h. Written report not received at time of publication, agenda packet will be updated to include report once received
- 5.i. MCCMC Water Policy Ad Hoc Committee Report
5.i. Written report not received at time of publication, agenda packet will be updated to include report once received
- 5.j. Disaster Citizen and Council Corps (DC3)
5.j. Written report from Catherine Way, Larkspur

6. Business Meeting

- 6.a. Announcement of Upcoming Expiration of Terms of the MCCMC Representative and Alternate Representative to Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) Executive Board
 - 1. Primary MCCMC Representative to the ABAG Executive Board (Incumbent, Pat Eklund / Novato)
 - 2. Alternate MCCMC Representative to the ABAG Executive Board (Incumbent, Eli Hill, San Rafael)

Two seats with expiring terms: Representative and Alternate Representative, for two-year terms which run from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2022. Current incumbents, Pat Eklund and Eli Hill, respectively, have indicated interest in re-appointment.

Expiration of current terms will be announced and letters of interest will be solicited at the March 23, 2022 meeting. Consideration and Action to Make Appointments to Represent MCCMC on the ABAG Executive Board for new

two-year terms, commencing July 1, 2022 and expiring June 30, 2024, will be made by the City Selection Committee at its next meeting scheduled for April 27, 2022.

*Attachment 6a: Letter of Interest, Primary Representative, from Pat Eklund, Novato
Letter of Interest, Alternate Representative, from Eli Hill, San Rafael*

6.b. Announcement of Upcoming Expiration of Term of One MCCMC Representative to the Marin County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo)

1. MCCMC Representative to the Marin County Local Agency Formation Commission (Marin LAFCo)
(Incumbent, Barbara Coler, Fairfax)

One seat with expiring term: MCCMC Representative to Marin LAFCo, with a four-year term which expires May 22, 2022. Current incumbent, Barbara Coler, Fairfax, has indicated interest in re-appointment and has provided a letter of interest.

Expiration of current term will be announced and letters of interest will be solicited at the March 23, 2022 meeting. Consideration and Action to Make an Appointment to Represent MCCMC on Marin LAFCo for a new four-year term, commencing May 23, 2022 and expiring May 22, 2026, will be made by the City Selection Committee at its next meeting scheduled for April 27, 2022.

Attachment 6b: Letter of Interest from Barbara Coler, Fairfax

6.c. Review of Draft Agenda for April 27, 2022 MCCMC Meeting (In Person or Zoom, TBD) Please note that both the annual meeting of the Mayors Select Committee, and a meeting of the City Selection Committee, will be scheduled to take place prior to the start of the MCCMC regular meeting. The meetings will have a separate agenda, to be distributed no later than Friday, April 22, 2022. The start time is to be determined.

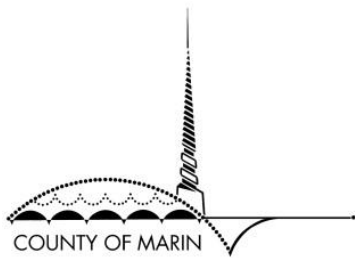
Attachment 6c: Draft agenda for April 27, 2022 MCCMC Meeting

6.d. Consideration and Possible Approval of Draft Minutes of the February 23, 2022 MCCMC Meeting

Attachment 6d: Draft minutes of the February 23, 2022 MCCMC virtual meeting

7. **ADJOURN: to the April 27, 2022 meeting, (In-person or virtual, to be determined)**

Deadline for Agenda Items – April 20, 2022 Please send to: MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com



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March 23, 2022

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Sashi McEntee, President

Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers

Dear President McEntee:

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) met this morning. Following is an update of topics of note on this morning's agenda and at recent Committee meetings. Please share this update with your membership.

Senate Bill 1050 (Dodd)

SB 1050 authorizes tolling on State Route 37 to provide funding for the interim and ultimate projects to improve mobility through this corridor and the surrounding environment. The bill was approved in the Senate Transportation Committee yesterday. The bill will now go to the Government & Finance Committee. MTC voted to Support the legislation today.

Senate Bill 1049 (Dodd)

SB 1049 would establish the Transportation Resilience Program in Caltrans, which would primarily be federally funded. The funds would be used for projects that address sea level rise risk and other climate change natural hazards. State Route 37 would be a viable candidate for the Transportation Resilience Program. We voted to sponsor and support the legislation at MTC today.

Senate Bill 917 (Becker): Seamless Transit Transformation Act

SB 917 requires MTC to develop a Connected Network Plan and requires transit agencies to meet various requirements related to integrated fares, mapping and wayfinding, and real-time transit information. Transit agencies in Marin are generally supportive of the intent of SB 917 but are concerned that the bill is not entirely consistent with the recommendations from the Blue-Ribbon Transit Task Force, and the resulting Bay Area Transit Transformation Action Plan. Transit operators are committed to implementing the Action Plan within the time frames outlined in the Bay Area Transit Transformation Action Plan, which are different time frames than laid out in SB 917.

MTC is working to align SB 917 with the Bay Area Transit Transformation Action Plan, through amendments, and the author has concurred. Today, MTC voted to support if amended.

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Regional Grant Strategy

This is a Bay Area focused advocacy strategy to maximize Bay Area federal discretionary grants, including a list of priority projects and programmatic categories for regional endorsement. The project list targets a limited set of US DOT administered Bipartisan Infrastructure Law grant programs. The transportation agencies in the region would agree to support certain projects as priorities in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA). For other programs, any local project would be supported by MTC if it is consistent with Plan Bay Area. This is intended to focus advocacy and limit internal competition. For the North Bay, State Route 37 is identified as a priority as is the Golden Gate Bridge seismic work. Other areas of the state, particularly Los Angeles region, are more united in their federal advocacy than the Bay Area, and it has served them well. MTC staff has done significant outreach at the staff level for this proposal. Today, MTC voted to approve the strategy.

Complete Streets Policy Update

Updating the Complete Streets Policy is the first item of adoption related to MTC's Active Transportation Plan. MTC is recommending updates to the Complete Streets Policy including updating the complete streets checklist requirements, creating a process for exempting projects from complete streets requirements, and updating when a project must adhere to the policy. The MTC approved the Complete Streets Policy today.

As always, I welcome your input and questions.

Sincerely,



Damon Connolly

cc: Rebecca Vaughn mccmcsecretary@gmail.com

ABAG Report to MCCMC¹

March 2022

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

- 1) **Bay Area Secures over \$650 Million in State Funding for 1,372 Affordable Homes:** In February, the Governor's office announced the first round of awards for the California Housing Accelerator. The first round of awards totaled \$923M with projects within the Bay Area securing over \$650M in funding.
- 2) **California State Auditor report on the Regional Housing Needs Assessment process used by the CA Housing and Community Development.** On March 17, 2022, the California State Auditor released their evaluation of the Regional Housing Needs Assessment process that the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) uses to provide key housing guidance for the State's local governments. The report states: "Overall, our audit determined that HCD does not ensure that its needs assessments are accurate and adequately supported."
- 3) **Housing Element Webinar and Assistance:** ABAG will conduct a webinar on March 25, 2022 from 10:00 to 12:00 on technical assistance available on housing elements and planning for housing in the wildland-urban interface. This webinar will also feature the new Middle Housing Development Tool that was developed to help jurisdictions better understand the market potential for middle housing development in their communities.
- 4) **ABAG/MTC Housing Funding Request for FY 2022-23 State Budget:** ABAG/MTC will be requesting \$7 billion as part of the F 2022-23 State Budget for affordable housing and homelessness .
- 5) **Regional Housing Needs Assessment Process Review:** The ABAG Executive Board discussed the 6th cycle RHNA process and discussed possible areas for process and methodology improvements and possible legislative changes for the 7th RHNA cycle.
- 6) **MTC's Draft Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) Policy:** The ABAG Executive Board provided feedback on MTC's Transit Oriented Communities Draft Policy.
- 7) **AB 1944:** The ABAG Executive Board voted to support AB 1944 with amendments. This bill proposes Brown Act changes to allow for hybrid meetings and changes the noticing requirements for virtual attendance.

Bay Area Secures over \$650 Million in State Funding for 1,372 Affordable Homes:

In February, the Governor's office announced the first round of awards for the California Housing Accelerator, a \$1.75 billion one-time investment to provide bridge funds to shovel-ready affordable housing projects. The program is derived from funds from the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. The first round of awards totaled \$923 million with projects within the Bay Area securing over \$650 million in funding (roughly 71%) that will lead to the production of 1,372 new affordable homes. The Housing Accelerator prioritizes projects for people experiencing homelessness and for those below 30 percent of the Area Median Income. Nearly all projects are expected to break ground this summer.

California State Auditor report on the Regional Housing Needs Assessment process used by the CA Housing and Community Development:

On March 17, 2022, the California State Auditor released their evaluation of the Regional Housing Needs Assessment process that the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) uses to provide key housing guidance for the State's local governments.

¹ Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers (MCCMC)

As part of the Legislature's efforts to ensure that the State is planning for the construction of enough homes to meet its housing needs and that cities and counties are facilitating that development, state law requires the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to conduct periodic housing needs assessments to determine existing and projected housing needs throughout California. HCD fulfills its responsibilities under state law by creating Regional Housing Needs Assessments. State law requires HCD to use population projections developed by the Department of Finance (Finance) when it completes the needs assessments. Finance factors into its projections multiple sources of information, including data from the U.S. Census Bureau (Census) and records of driver's licenses, births and deaths, school enrollments, and tax filings. Finance provides state- and county-level population projections to assist state, regional, and local planning, among other purposes. Finance also projects the number of future households, based on the population projections and the percentage of people in the population who are expected to form their own households in the future, which is known as the household formation rate.

The chair of the Joint Legislative Audit Committee directed the California State Auditor to conduct an **emergency audit** to examine HCD's regional housing needs determination process. This audit was in part due to recent stakeholder criticism of the needs assessment process and HCD's needs assessments. For example, some homeowners and advocacy organizations believe that HCD's needs assessments have produced higher numbers of housing needs than are reasonable. Changes to state law that became *effective in January 2019 allow HCD to account for present unmet housing needs in addition to future housing needs*. Potentially as a result of these statutory changes, some regions received housing needs allocations that are more than double the amount of their previous allocations.

Also, two lawsuits were filed that challenge HCD's process, including one that alleges that HCD did not consider all factors as required by state law. In one lawsuit, the Orange County Council of Governments, which is independent from the larger Southern California Association of Governments, sued HCD, alleging that HCD failed to use the appropriate population forecast, failed to appropriately evaluate household overcrowding and cost burden rates, and used unreasonable vacancy rates. In the other lawsuit, several interested individuals and two nonprofit corporations filed a lawsuit alleging that HCD failed to consider data regarding the relationship between jobs and housing in its assessment for the Association of Bay Area Governments, which is the San Francisco Bay Area council of governments. Both lawsuits are pending final resolution.

Due to the pending litigation, the California State Auditor, as part of this emergency audit, reviewed HCD's regional housing needs assessments for the following areas: the Sacramento Council, the Santa Barbara Association, and Amador County.

Summary of Recommendations

The report states: "Overall, our audit determined that HCD does not ensure that its needs assessments are accurate and adequately supported." Following is a summary of the specific findings and recommendations for the State legislature, HCD and the Department of Finance:

Legislature: To provide HCD additional clarity and guidance in conducting its vacancy rate adjustments, the Legislature should amend state law to clarify whether HCD should continue to use a healthy vacancy rate that includes both rental and owned housing or whether it should determine and use separate healthy vacancy rates for owned housing and rental housing.

HCD: To ensure that its needs assessments are accurate and do not contain unnecessary errors, by June 2022 HCD should institute a process to ensure that its staff performs multiple reviews of data in its assessments. To demonstrate that its needs assessments are complete and address all relevant factors, by September 2022 HCD should establish a formal process to document its consideration of all factors required by state law in its needs assessments. To ensure that it adequately supports the vacancy rate adjustments it makes to needs assessments, by February 2023 HCD should perform a formal analysis of healthy vacancy rates and historical trends to inform those adjustments.

Finance: To ensure that the household formation rates that it provides HCD are appropriate, Finance should, by February 2023, conduct a comprehensive review of its assumptions about the household formation rates it uses in projections, and it should document that review.

Both the HCD and Finance agreed with the recommendations of the California State Auditor and plan to implement them over the next year. The entire report is posted at: [Report 2021-125 \(ca.gov\)](#)

Housing Element Webinar and Technical Assistance:

On **March 25, 2022 from 10:00 to 12:00** ABAG will conduct a webinar on technical assistance available for local governments on housing elements and planning for housing in the wildland-urban interface. Dr. Tiffany Manuel will talk about how to have productive conversations with your residents about housing. Dr. Manuel has worked with both the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative and the Non-Profit Housing Association of Northern California, bringing her research to efforts to shift regional conversations around housing equity and access. Keynote speaker Attendees will learn about available assistance for Housing Element updates. Staff will present first year program highlights and future work and discuss new tools available related to wildfire prevention and the new [Middle Housing Development Tool](#) which helps jurisdictions understand the market potential for middle housing development in their communities. An overview of communications resources designed for elected officials and staff will also be provided. Registration is available from the ABAG home page: www.abag.ca.gov.

Additional technical assistance on housing is available on ABAG's website: [Regional Housing Technical Assistance | Association of Bay Area Governments](#)

The graphic is titled "REGIONAL HOUSING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (RHTA)" in large blue letters. Below the title, it is divided into three columns. The first column, "Regional Support", lists: Regional data tools, Housing Element training webinars, Deep dive workgroups on hot topics including Missing Middle & Wildfire, Guidance on implementing new laws including SB9 & Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing, and Templates for common staff reports & presentations. The second column, "Subregional Support", lists: County Planning Collaboratives staffed to provide tailored TA and Peer Cohorts for jurisdictions facing similar challenges. The third column, "Local Support", lists: REAP grants to all Bay Area jurisdictions for local planning, Regional Planning Consulting Bench, and Funding for community outreach. At the bottom left is the ABAG logo with the text "Association of Bay Area Governments" and "Technical Assistance for Local Planning HOUSING". At the bottom right is the URL <https://abag.ca.gov/our-work/housing/regional-housing-technical-assistance>.

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ABAG/MTC Housing Funding Request for FY 2022-23 State Budget:

ABAG/MTC will be requesting \$7 billion for affordable housing as part of the 2022-2023 State Budget. This request may include:

- ✓ \$5.5 billion for **affordable housing production**, distributed as follows:
 - \$5 billion for the Multifamily Housing Program and California Housing Accelerator Program to move through the pipeline HCD-funded projects that are ready to go but awaiting gap funding and to tee up the next round of projects.
 - \$500 million for state LIHTC, consistent with the Governor's budget.
 - \$500 million to preserve naturally occurring affordable housing, to be distributed through a new Community Anti-Displacement and Preservation Program; advocate that the Bay Area Housing Financing Authority (BAHFA) be eligible to apply for these funds.
 - \$500 million for IIG funding to support the Governor's proposed "housing as a climate strategy," consistent with the Governor's budget.

- \$500 million for other affordable housing production, preservation or protection investments, including potentially investments for which the BAHFA could compete. This leaves open the opportunity to respond to new proposals and partner requests as they are refined over the coming months.
- ✓ \$2 billion (minimum) over two years for funding to support individuals experiencing homelessness.

Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) Process Review:

The ABAG Executive Board discussed the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) Cycle 6 process conducted between 2019 and 2021 for ABAG and local jurisdictions and identified possible areas for process improvements, methodology changes and possible legislative changes for the 7th RHNA cycle. We discussed High Resource Areas, definitions for land availability and underutilized land, local jurisdiction surveys issued by ABAG, Sub-regions, city-to-city RHNA transfers, environmental hazards including, but not limited to, very high, high and moderate fire risks (ABAG treated counties differently than cities), WUI designations, sea level rise, flooding, availability of potable water, access (or lack of) to data, low property tax cities, etc.. ABAG staff will bring back proposed action items for additional discussion.

MTC's Draft Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) Policy:

MTC is updating their Resolution #3434 which was amended in 2005 to include one of the first 'transit oriented development (TOD)' policies in the United States. This policy aligned local land use planning with regional transit investments to support transit ridership. The proposed revision would change the focus include both Priority Development

Areas and Transit Rich Areas and establish requirements for densities and other policies in order to be eligible for transportation funding.

MTC Res. 3434 TOD Policy (2005)

- Only applies to half-mile station areas for specific transit expansion projects
- Minimum corridor-level housing thresholds by transit mode
- Must satisfy policy requirements before regional discretionary funds are programmed or allocated for transit expansion project

Proposed TOC Policy

- Plan Bay Area 2050 PDAs and TRAs with existing and/or future high-quality transit:
 - Focus on fixed guideway and rapid bus projects, including extensions and major improvements
- Requirements for:
 - Allowable residential and office densities
 - Affordable housing and anti-displacement
 - Parking management
 - Station access and circulation

Since this TOC policy will drive future grant programs for local governments on transit and housing, the ABAG Executive Board had a robust discussion on some of the proposed concepts. Specifically, we expressed concerns about the 'one size fits all' approach on the residential and commercial densities and emphasized that there should be more flexibility in the requirements. MTC will be bringing the revised TOC policy back to the ABAG Executive Board.

AB 1944:

On March 17, 2022, the ABAG Executive Board voted to support AB 1944 with amendments AB 1944 proposes changes to the Brown Act to allow for hybrid meetings and changes the noticing requirements for virtual attendance.

UPCOMING MEETINGS²

- **March 25, 2022 –** **Metropolitan Transportation Commission, 9:35 am**
MTC Bay Area Toll Authority, 9:40 am
MTC Bay Area Headquarters Authority, 9:45 am
MTC Bay Area Infrastructure Financing Authority, 9:50 am
- **April 8, 2022 --** **MTC Operations Committee, 9:35 am**
Joint MTC ABAG Legislation Committee, 9:40 am
Joint MTC Planning Committee and ABAG Administrative Committee, 9:45 am
ABAG ACFA Governing Board, 1:30 pm
ABAG Executive Board, 1:45 pm
- **April 13, 2022 --** **MTC Bay Area Toll Authority Oversight Committee, 9:35 am**
MTC Administrative Committee, 9:40 am
MTC Programming and Allocation Committee, 9:45 am
- **April 14, 2022 --** **ABAG Regional Planning Committee, 10:00 am**
ABAG Housing Committee, 1:00 pm
ABAG Bay Area Housing Finance Authority Oversight Committee, 1:00 pm
- **April 15, 2022 --** **Bay Area Regional Collaborative, 10:05 am**
- **April 21, 2022 --** **ABAG Power Executive Committee, 11:00 am**
ABAG Finance Committee, 5:00 pm
ABAG ACFA Governing Board, 5:15 pm
ABAG Executive Board, 5:30 pm
- **April 27, 2022 --** **Metropolitan Transportation Commission, 9:35 am**
MTC Bay Area Toll Authority, 9:40 am
MTC Bay Area HQ Authority, 9:45 am
MTC Bay Area Infrastructure Financing Authority, 9:50 am
Bay Area Housing Finance Authority, 9:55 am
- **April 28, 2022 --** **ABAG San Francisco Bay Trail Board of Directors, 12:00 pm**
- **May 12, 2022 --** **ABAG Housing Committee, 1:00 pm**
ABAG Bay Area Housing Finance Authority Oversight Committee, 1:00 pm

² All meetings are 'hybrid' which means that some Board/Committee members will be in person at 375 Beale Street, SF; and, others will be participating via Zoom, webcast, teleconference, unless noted otherwise. <https://mtc.legistar.com/> If you have questions, contact Pat Eklund, Councilmember, City of Novato at 415-883-9116 or via email at: pateklund@comcast.net.

Bay Conservation and Development Commission

Report to North Bay Cities¹

March 2022

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

- 1) **Howard Terminal Bay Plan Amendment 2-19:** The Seaport Planning Committee (a BCDC established committee) voted 5-4 to recommend to the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC) denial of the Oakland Athletics request to amend the Bay Plan and Seaport Plan to remove the Port Priority Use designation at Howard Terminal (BPA 2-19). BCDC will be briefed on the Cargo Forecast in April and conduct public hearings on the application in May and June.
- 2) **Suisun Marsh Local Protection Program Amendments:** BCDC approved the proposed Suisun Resource Conservation District (SRCD) Local Protection Plan amendment to update the 124 new management plans for individual managed wetland duck clubs.
- 3) **Beneficial Reuse of Dredge Material:** The US Environmental Protection Agency awarded a \$284,718 grant to BCDC to address beneficial reuse of dredged material.
- 4) **Legislation:** BCDC voted to support AB 1733 (Quirk) that would amend the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act for State bodies. The bill would allow convening “hybrid” BCDC public meetings with both physical and remote participation, by removing the requirement that a teleconference location used by a Commissioner for remote participation be accessible to the public. The bill is also an urgency act that would take effect immediately.

Howard Terminal Bay Plan Amendment 2-19: On March 16, 2022, the Seaport Planning Committee voted 5-4 to recommend to the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC) denial of the Oakland Athletics request to amend the Bay Plan and Seaport Plan to remove the Port Priority Use designation at Howard Terminal (BPA 2-19). BCDC will be briefed on the Cargo Forecast in April and conduct public hearings on the applications in May and June. BPA 2-19 will not involve consideration of the Oakland Waterfront Ballpark District Project itself. However, if BCDC does approve the request to amend the Bay Plan and Seaport Plan; and, the Oakland Athletics continue to move forward with the Waterfront Ballpark District Project as currently proposed, then the Project will be required to obtain a BCDC Major Permit.



The Waterfront Ballpark District Project as currently proposed by the Oakland Athletics provides for the following (as described in the Draft EIR):

- 1.2M square ft ballpark with 35,000 seats;
- 2,000 parking spaces for the ballpark;
- 400 Room Hotel totaling 280,000 sq ft
- 3,000 residential units
- 1.5M sq ft of office and commercial space
- 270,000 sq ft of retail space
- 18.3 acres of parks and open space
- 12 acres of streets and roadways

¹ Pat Eklund, Councilmember, City of Novato is the BCDC representative for the North Bay cities in Marin, Napa, Solano and Sonoma Counties. If you have questions, contact Pat Eklund at 415-883-9116 or via email at: pateklund@comcast.net.

In 2019, the State Legislature adopted AB 1191 that requires BCDC to determine, “whether the Howard Terminal property (55 acres) and adjacent areas designated for port priority use, or portions of them, are no longer required for port priority use and shall be deemed free of the port priority use area designation for purposes of the Oakland Sports and Mixed-Use Project, or whether these areas are needed for port priority use and should continue in port priority use designation.” BCDC is required to make this determination within 140 days of certification of the City of Oakland’s Final Environmental Impact Report for the Oakland Waterfront Ballpark District. If BCDC approves the their request to remove the Port Priority Use by approving the Bay Plan Amendment 2-19, then the project will be required to obtain a BCDC Major Permit. If the A’s don’t enter a binding agreement by 2025, the Port Priority Use designation is automatically reinstated.

Under the Moderate Growth scenario, Bay Area seaports are expected to be at or near capacity by 2050, and the Bay Area would need to activate 327 acres of additional space to meet demand. There are approximately 323 underutilized or dormant acres identified in the Cargo Forecast that could be used to meet demand, including Howard Terminal, leaving an estimated 4-acre deficit. Under slow cargo growth assumptions, the Bay Area will need about 98 acres more active terminal space by 2050, and under strong growth assumptions, the Bay Area will need substantially more seaport terminal space, about 753 more acres. A deficit in space available to accommodate growing regional cargo needs could increase pressure for Bay fill, even without the removal of the Port Priority Use area from Howard Terminal.

BCDC will conduct at least two public hearings in May and June on whether these 55 acres remains a port priority use area. The statutory deadline for BCDC’s determination is July 5, 2022.

Suisun Marsh Local Protection Program Amendments:

On March 17, 2022, BCDC approved the proposed Suisun Resource Conservation District (SRCD) Local Protection Plan amendment that updates 124 new Individual Ownership Adaptive Habitat Management Plans for each managed wetland in private ownership within the boundaries of the Commission’s Suisun Marsh Primary Management Area Jurisdiction. The amendment conforms to the Suisun Marsh Preservation Act, the McAteer-Petris Act, the Suisun Marsh Protection Plan, and the San Francisco Bay Plan. The Commission also adopted Resolution No. 2022-01 that conditionally certifies the proposed Suisun Resource Conservation District Local Protection Plan amendment to update the management plans for individual managed wetland duck clubs.

Beneficial Reuse of Dredge Material:

The US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) awarded a \$284,718 grant to BCDC to address beneficial reuse of dredged material. BCDC’s proposal was selected through a competitive process to develop and implement a project that will increase BCDC’s and the region’s ability to expand sediment and soil use to make wetlands and shorelines more resilient to rising sea levels. The total grant proposal is \$379,624, of which

USEPA will provide 75 percent (\$284,718) and BCDC will provide 25 percent (\$94,906) through in-kind staff work. Staff is seeking up to \$150,000 of additional funds from other sources to fully fund this project at \$529,624.



The Need for this Work



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UPCOMING BCDC MEETINGS:

BCDC Commission meets at 1:00 pm on the following dates: April 7, 21; May 5, 19; June 2, 16; July 7, 21; August 4, 18; September 1, 15; October 6, 20; November 3, 17; and December 1, 15, 2022.

BCDC Enforcement Committee meets at 9:30 am on the following dates: March 23; April 14, 27; May 12, 25; June 9, 22; July 14, 27; August 11, 24; September 8, 21; October 13, 26; November 3, 16; and December 8, 21, 2022.

BCDC Design Review Board meets at 5:00 pm on the following dates: April 11; may 9; June 13; July 11; August 15; September 12; October 17; November 14; and, December 12, 2022.

Golden Gate Bridge, Highway & Transportation District Board of Directors Report Submitted By Holli Thier 3/18/22

Hello Everyone! I hope you are all doing very well. I attended my first Transportation Committee Meeting on February 24, 2022, as well as the Board meeting on February 25, 2022.

I have more good news. In addition, to getting appointed to the Building and Operations Committee and the Transportation Committee, I was appointed to the Labor Committee, and attended my first meeting on February 25, 2022.

These past few months since my appointment, I have been learning a lot more about the District and am very excited to attend my third meeting on March 25, 2022. 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 Meeting

1. Golden Gate Bridge Highway Transit District to Receive \$75 M In Additional Pandemic Relief

We received some very good news last month that the Bridge District will receive an additional \$75 million in American Rescue Plan (ARP) funding as part of a nationwide competitive program. This one-time COVID relief money will be used to pay for ongoing bus and ferry service cost and backfill the missing Bridge tolls and transit fares associated with the continued diminished travel in the Golden Gate Corridor. The money will help keep District operations afloat for quite some time. The District issued a thank you to President Biden, Secretary Buttigieg, the Federal Transit Administration, Speaker Pelosi, and the Bay Area Congressional delegation for recognizing the District's need for additional COVID relief funding.

2. Description of Holli Thier GGHTD Committee

Assignments- I am including these again, so you can have this information.

Transportation Committee

The Transportation Committee:

- Reviews and oversees all matters affecting the Bridge traffic and bus and ferry transit systems, including transit equipment, routes and services.

The Transportation Committee will hear issues related to all bus and ferry service into and out of Marin.

Building and Operating Committee

The Building and Operating Committee:

- Reviews and oversees the planning, design and construction programs for Bridge and transit facility capital improvement projects; and
- Reviews and oversees Bridge and transit facility maintenance, repair and research projects.

The Building and Operating Committee will hear all issues related to Marin's Capital Projects and proposed projects.

Link To Minutes of Past Meeting

Please see attached the Meeting Minutes for February 25, 2022

Date Issued: February 25, 2022



SUMMARY OF ACTIONS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING OF FEBRUARY 25, 2022

Resolution No. 2022-007 (February 24, 2022 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 investments; and,
- (4) Accepts the "Investment Report" for January 2022.

Resolution No. 2022-008 (February 25, 2022 meeting of the Board of Directors)

Authorizes ratification of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 1575, which represents the Bus Operators bargaining unit. The recommended MOU covers the time period from ratification until August 31, 2022 and provides for a 3.5% wage increase and a \$1,000 lump sum payment per employee. It also provides for a 2% increase in the District's pension contribution, as well as several other amendments to the MOU, as attached.

Resolution No. 2022-009 (February 24, 2022 meeting of the Transportation Committee)

Adopts the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District's 2021 Title VI Program as presented by staff, which demonstrates the District's compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as detailed and attached to the staff report.

Ordinance No. 2022-001 (February 24, 2022 meeting of the Finance-Auditing Committee)

Approves the establishment of a pilot program for Non-Profit/Educational group fares for Golden Gate Ferry Service that offers a discount for non-profit and educational groups of approximately 35% over current Golden Gate Ferry Adult Single Ride and Youth, Seniors, Persons with Disabilities or Medicare fares, as detailed in the staff report.

Resolution No. 2022-010 (February 24, 2022 meeting of the Finance-Auditing Committee)

Approves renewal of the District's Marine Insurance Program, as detailed in the staff report, relative to the District's Protection and Indemnity exposures, Hull and Machinery exposure, Vessel Pollution exposures, Marine General Liability exposures, as well as the Excess Marine General Liability Insurance program, for a renewal package totaling \$959,445, effective February 20, 2022.

Resolution No. 2022-011 (February 24, 2022 meeting of the Finance-Auditing Committee)

Receives the Independent Auditor's Single Audit Report for the Year Ending June 30, 2021, as Submitted by Eide Bailly, LLP, as detailed in the staff report.

Resolution No. 2022-012 (February 25, 2022 meeting of the Board of Directors)

Adopts a resolution in accordance with Assembly Bill 361, finding that the proclaimed state of emergency continues to impact the ability to meet safely in person.

Attachment


Amorette M. Ko-Wong, Secretary of the District

**Golden Gate Bridge, Highway & Transportation District And
Amalgamated Transit Union Local #1575
TENTATIVE AGREEMENT
February 19, 2022**

The District and the ATU agree as follows:

1. Term: August 31, 2022 expiration date

2. Wages:

Upon ratification: 3.5%

3. Lump sum cash payment: \$1000

4. Pension:

a) Increase District contribution by 2%

b) For employees retiring on or after ratification, pension benefit amounts under all options that pay a survivor benefit to the member's spouse or domestic partner will be reduced to take into account the survivor benefit payments, rather than subsidized (i.e. it will be paid according to the actuarial equivalent).

5. Health:

a. Modify the annual District-paid Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) funding amounts for individuals enrolled in the following plans:

Medical Plan	Employee Only	Employee + One	Family
PERS Kaiser	\$1,500	\$3,000	\$3,000
PERS Gold	\$3,500	\$7,000	\$7,000
PERS Platinum	\$2,500	\$5,000	\$5,000

b. Retirees opting out of medical coverage on or after the ratification date must also opt out of District vision and dental coverages to get the opt out HRA.

c. Redefine "Magic 3" plans to be PERS Kaiser, PERS Gold and PERS Platinum and change "anchor" (baseline) plan to PERS Gold.

d. The District will provide an annual stipend to participants who enroll in PERS Kaiser or PERS Gold.

e. Modify the District-paid annual stipend amounts for participants enrolled in CalPERS Kaiser or PERS Gold at \$1,000 for employee only coverage, \$2,000 employee plus one coverage, and \$3,000 for family coverage.

f. Newly hired employees must be enrolled in PERS Kaiser or PERS Gold for at least two Open Enrollment periods following their date of hire.

6. Clothing Allowance:

All full-time operators shall receive \$300.00 and all part-time operators shall receive \$200.00 for uniform allowance annually. This paragraph will not apply to any operator on medical leave of absence or regular leave of absence until the return to work. Payment will be made in the paycheck following the next full pay period after return to work. ~~within seven (7) working days of return to work in the full amount.~~ In the following year, payment to such a driver will be prorated based on 1/12 of the amount for each month or portion of any month worked in the preceding year. The annual payment for uniforms will be made in the second pay period in February of each year of the Memorandum of Understanding. Operators on probation will receive uniform allowance in the paycheck following the next full pay period after return to work. ~~within seven (7) working days of completion of first probationary period.~~

7. Grievance Procedure:

Time limit for filing a grievance reduced to sixty (60) days.

8. Drug & Alcohol policy:

An employee with less than one year of service who violates the drug and alcohol policy will be discharged on the first violation. An employee with one or more years of service who violates the drug and alcohol policy will be eligible for referral to the EAP for the first violation, unless the conduct resulted in personal injury or property damage for which the employee was at fault, in which case the employee will be discharged.

9. MLOAs:

Leaves of absence due to sickness or disability will be provided in accordance with federal and state law. ~~for employees with less than ten (10) years of service as a bus operator will be limited to a period equal to the employee's length of service as an operator; provided, however, that this period will be no less than twelve (12) months and no more than two (2) years. Employees with ten (10) or more years of service may take a leave of absence due to sickness or disability up to three (3) years.~~ Medical leaves of absence shall commence only after the employee has exhausted all his or her accumulated sick leave. Before a Medical Leave of Absence is granted, employees must provide a written note from their treating physician that contains sufficient information as to the employee's functional limitations to allow the District to determine whether the Operator can be accommodated on the job or if a MLOA is needed. This does not require the Operator to reveal the underlying illness or injury but the note must contain information about the activities the Operator can or cannot do because of the illness or injury. The note also must contain information on the probable duration of the condition. If the Operator cannot be accommodated on the job, the MLOA will be provided. The Operator must submit an updated written doctor's note every 30 days. The District may request a Fitness for Duty upon release to return to work.

Alternatively, Operators may apply for FMLA/CFRA according to District policy. All MLOAs run concurrently with unpaid FMLA/CFRA leave. Employees who fail to comply with this provision will be subject to discipline including discharge.

10. Driver's license suspensions:

A personal leave of absence for a driver's license revocation or suspension due to drugs or alcohol, will only be granted one time. If the operator's license is revoked or suspended again for drugs or alcohol, the employee will be terminated.

11. Bereavement and Funeral Leave:

ARTICLE 34 BEREAVEMENT AND FUNERAL LEAVE

A. Bereavement Leave

1. Employees may take leave up to a maximum of fifteen calendar (15) days for bereavement due to a death in the immediate family.

2. The immediate family is defined as: spouse, domestic partner, son, daughter, father, father-in-law, mother, mother-in-law, brother, sister, step-parents, step-children, grandmother, grandfather, and grandchildren.

3. An employee whose vacation is interrupted by a death in the immediate family shall not be entitled to additional bereavement for the time that occurs during the vacation. Similarly, holidays, floating holidays or other paid days off that occur during the bereavement leave do not extend the length of the leave.

4. Employees will be required to apply sick leave credits, vacation credits, and floating holiday credits for the duration of the bereavement leave. If the employee does not have enough accrued paid time off to cover the entire bereavement leave, the remaining leave will be unpaid.

5. Employees taking bereavement leave must provide the name of the deceased family member and the employee's relationship to the deceased family member on a form provided by the District.

6. Employees may be required to concurrently apply for FMLA/CFRA leave.

B. Funeral Leave

1. An employee who attends a funeral occurring in the immediate family will be granted three (3) days leave with pay.

2. The immediate family is defined as: spouse, domestic partner, son, daughter, father, father-in-law, mother, mother-in-law, brother, sister, step-parents, step-children, grandmother, grandfather, and grandchildren.

3. The purpose of this section is intended to provide pay for time lost in connection with the death and funeral of an employee's relatives as defined above.

4. An employee whose vacation is interrupted by a funeral shall not be entitled to funeral leave. Similarly, holidays, floating holidays or other paid days off that occur during the funeral leave do not extend the length of the leave.

5. An employee who fails to attend the funeral or memorial service shall not be entitled to funeral leave.

6. In the event the employee cannot return to work, he or she will be allowed to apply either sick leave credits or vacation credits for the additional time off and shall give notice to the District twenty-four (24) hours prior to departure of the scheduled assignment of his or her inability to return.

7. In order to be eligible to receive funeral leave pay, an employee must submit the following information on a form provided by the District: the name of the deceased, the relationship of the deceased to the employee, the time and place of the memorial/funeral service, and a statement that the employee attended the memorial/funeral service.

FOR THE DISTRICT



Molly Kaban
Labor Negotiator

Date:

2/22/22

FOR THE UNION



Shane Weinstein
President

Date:

2/22/22

Committee Report 5f:

Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit District

The MCCMC Representative to SMART, Dan Hillmer, Larkspur, has provided the following SMART reports for your review:

SMART General Manager's Report, as presented to the SMART Board of Directors on March 16, 2022

https://www.sonomamarintrain.org/sites/default/files/Board/COC%20Documents/Agenda%20Item%20%234-GM%20Report_03.16.2022.pdf

SMART General Manager's Report, as presented to the SMART Board of Directors on March 2, 2022

<https://sonomamarintrain.org/sites/default/files/Board/COC%20Documents/GM%20Report%20IV%203.2.22.pdf>

Highlight Report on Disaster & Citizen Corps Council Meeting – March 10, 2022**Catherine Way, City of Larkspur Councilmember****MCCMC – DC 3 Representative**

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County of Marin DC 3 Mission:

- Review and evaluate disaster preparedness progress in the public and private sectors;
 - Promote disaster preparedness through communication and education;
- Harness the power of every resident through education and outreach, training and volunteer service to make their families, homes and communities safer from natural and/or man-made disasters or emergencies; and,
 - Report biannually to the Board of Supervisors.
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1. Update on COVID-19: Dr. Lisa Santora

Dr. Lisa Santora gave an update of the current status of COVID-19 within the county:

- Schools are open and masking policy is changing for in class instruction.
- There has been a rapid reduction in positive cases after Omicron was lessened.
- Worldwide watching for new variants and what type of impact they might have.
- Making plans for vaccinating very young children when the vaccine is approved for that age group.
- Working closely with the school Superintendent office to coordinate vaccines.

2. Introduction to new Countywide Preparedness Coordinator: Elaine Wilkinson

Introduction to new countywide preparedness coordinator who will focus on neighborhood response team organizing and the CERT program.

3. "Adapting to Wildfire" and Evacuation Study: Mark Brown

New campaign launched to educate community about adapting to wildfire.

<https://www.marinwildfire.org/news/new-adapt-to-wildfire-campaign-aims-for-culture-change-in-marin>

4. "Ember Stomp": Rich Shortall

First ever all family friendly event on May 28 at Civic Center Park focusing on wildfire preparation. Vendors, music, games, educational opportunities, food, etc. Free to all.

<https://firesafemarin.org/programs/wildfire-preparedness-festival/>

5. Local Hazard Mitigation Planning Update: Tom Jordan

Plan almost complete and meets the requirements of the State of CA in hazard mitigation planning. All Marin cities and towns participated in the creation of this report.

6. American Red Cross Month: Ann Eichhorn

March in American Red Cross Month and a proclamation was read into the record by Ann Eichhorn.

7. Report from the Public Disaster Education & Preparedness Subcommittee

https://www.marinsheriff.org/assets/videos/PDEP_Minutes-2022-2-7b.pdf

Important Websites: www.alertmarin.org

www.readymarin.org

emergency.marincounty.org

Please direct questions to Catherine Way: cway@cityoflarkspur.org



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March 15, 2022

Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers
ATTN: Sashi McEntee, President
26 Corte Madera Avenue
Mill Valley, CA 94941

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

Dear President McEntee 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 on the Executive Board, I have worked to ensure the interests of the cities and towns 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. I also reach out to our city planners and Marin ABAG delegates/alternates.

I am proud to share that Jesse Arreguin, Mayor of Berkeley and President of ABAG Executive Board, has appointed me to several additional ABAG committees. Currently, I serve on the ABAG Housing Committee, Regional Planning Committee, Administrative Committee and the Joint ABAG MTC Legislative Committee. In addition, I represent the ABAG Executive Board on the SF Bay Estuary Implementation Committee. 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.

As in the past, I will continue to work with the cities – elected officials, planners and managers – to ensure ABAG information and funding on housing and other areas of interest is distributed to assist our cities and towns. And, I will continue to provide up-to-date information in my monthly written reports.

As you know, I routinely collaborate with other cities/towns in the Bay Area along with our County representatives on issues brought forward to the ABAG Executive Board. And, my written ABAG reports are distributed to many cities/towns throughout the Bay Area.

I would be honored to continue to serve as your designee to the ABAG Executive Board. In addition, I believe having Councilmember Eli Hill as my alternate has strengthened our representation to ABAG.

If you have any questions, please call 415-883-9116 (home) or email me at:
pateklund@comcast.net.

Sincerely,

Pat Eklund, Councilmember
City of Novato

VIA E-MAIL

March 15, 2022

Rebecca Vaughn, Secretary
Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers
300 Tamalpais Drive
Corte Madera, CA 94925
E-Mail: MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com

SUBJECT: Re-appointment as MCCMC Alternate Representative to the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) Executive Board

Dear Mayors,

This letter expresses my interest in continuing to serve as the MCCMC Alternate Representative to the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) Executive Board. I am presently a member of the City Council of San Rafael.

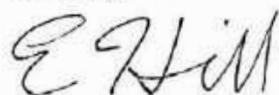
I have over 20 years of professional work experience as a strategy and technology consultant with public sector agencies at the local, state, and federal levels. As a San Rafael resident, I was appointed to the Fire Commission in 2019 and to the Planning Commission in 2020. In 2021, I was appointed to the San Rafael City Council to serve the remainder of Mayor Kate Colin's City Council seat through November 2022.

In my capacity as the Alternate Representative on the ABAG Executive Board, I have brought perspective based on my work with state and local agencies. Further, having served with Councilmember Pat Eklund since I was appointed in 2021, I can share that our team dynamic is strong and reflects a healthy exchange of ideas.

As has been observed, the authority and organization of ABAG/MTC has evolved and its policies will continue to have major ramifications to our communities. If afforded the opportunity, I will continue to serve the interests of Marin County with a focus on outcomes.

I would be honored to continue to serve as alternate to the ABAG Executive Board for MCCMC. Please feel free to contact me at 415-484-5978 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'E Hill', written in a cursive style.

Eli Hill, San Rafael City Councilmember



Rebecca Vaughn <mccmcsecretary@gmail.com>

LAFCO Commission City Member seat - MCCMC appointment process

From: **Barbara Coler** <bcoler@townoffairfax.org>

Date: Mon, Nov 22, 2021 at 9:07 AM

Subject: LAFCO Commission City Member seat - MCCMC appointment process

To: Rebecca Vaughn <MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com>, smcentee@cityofmillvalley.org <smcentee@cityofmillvalley.org>

Dear President McEntee and Secretary Vaughn.

As you know term for my seat on LAFCO is soon over. I would very much like to be reappointed for the primary seat. I have served on LAFCO first as an alternate, then as primary since 2019.

During my tenure on LAFCO I have been extremely engaged and I believe have added significant value to our decision-making. I have served on the Fairfax Town Council since Spring 2013, serving two times as Mayor. I understand the role of LAFCO and the roles/responsibilities of a LAFCO City member.

I respectfully request that the MCCMC body to reappoint me to the primary City member seat I currently occupy.

Please let me know if you need further information. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Barbara

Barbara Coler, Councilmember

Town of Fairfax

The opinions expressed in this email are those of this individual Council Member and are not representative of the entire Council or Town of Fairfax unless otherwise stated.

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Rebecca Vaughn

Town Clerk / Assistant Town Manager

Town of Corte Madera

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MARIN COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBERS DRAFT AGENDA

Wednesday, April 27, 2022*

Start time: 6:00pm possible in-person meeting or via Zoom webinar if needed (Start time tentative)

Please note that both the annual meeting of the Mayors Select Committee, and a meeting of the City Selection Committee, will be scheduled to take place prior to the start of the MCCMC meeting. The meetings will have a separate agenda, to be distributed no later than Friday, April 22, 2022. The start time is to be determined.

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Public Comment** (Limit 3 minutes per person)
3. **Welcome and Introduction of Guests**
4. **Presentation:** To be determined
5. **Tentative Committee Reports** (if held via webinar, written reports requested)
 - 5.a. Metropolitan Transportation Commission – Supervisor Connolly
 - 5.b. Association of Bay Area Governments
 - 5.c. BCDC / Report from North Bay representative on the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission
 - 5.d. Homeless Committee
 - 5.e. Marin County Disaster Council Citizen Corps
 - 5.f. Marin Transit
 - 5.g. Sonoma/Marin Area Rail Transit Commission
 - 5.h. Golden Gate Bridge & Highway Transportation District
 - 5.i. Transportation Authority of Marin
 - 5.j. MCCMC Legislative Committee
 - 5.k. Local Agency Formation Commission
 - 5.l. Climate Action Committee
 - 5.m. MCCMC Economic Recovery Committee
 - 5.n. MCCMC Water Policy Ad Hoc Committee

6. Business Meeting

- 6.a. Report out from City Selection Committee Meeting Regarding the Following Items:
 1. Primary MCCMC Representative to the ABAG Executive Board, (*Incumbent, Pat Eklund / Novato*)
 2. Alternate MCCMC Representative to the ABAG Executive Board (*Incumbent, Eli Hill, San Rafael*)
 3. MCCMC Representative to the Marin County Local Agency Formation Commission (*Incumbent, Barbara Coler, Fairfax*)
- 6.c. Review of Draft Agenda for the March 23, 2022 MCCMC Meeting
- 6.d. Consideration and Possible Action to Approve the Draft Minutes of the January 26, 2022 MCCMC Meeting Held Via Zoom Webinar

8:30 PM ADJOURN: to the March 23, 2022 meeting

Deadline for Agenda Items – March 16, 2022 Please send to:
MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com

**MARIN COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBERS
DRAFT MINUTES**

**Wednesday, February 23, 2022
VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
6:00pm**

Members Present

Belvedere: Mayor Wilkinson; Councilmember Kemnitzer
Corte Madera: Mayor Casissa; Councilmember Beckman
Fairfax: Vice Mayor Cutrano; Councilmembers Ackerman, Coler, Goddard
Larkspur: Mayor Haroff; Councilmembers Hillmer, Paulson; Way
Mill Valley: Councilmembers Carmel, McEntee
Novato: Mayor Lucan; Councilmembers Athas, Eklund, Milberg, Wernick
Ross: Mayor Robbins; Councilmembers Kuhl, McMillan
San Anselmo: -
San Rafael: Mayor Colin; Councilmembers Hill, Kertz
Sausalito: Councilmember Hoffman
Tiburon: Mayor Welner; Councilmembers Fredericks, Griffin, Ryan, Thier

Ex Officio: Mill Valley City Manager Alan Piombo; Ross Town Manager Christa Johnson; San Rafael City Manager Jim Schutz; MCCMC Secretary Rebecca Vaughn

Guests were: Supervisor Damon Connolly; Supervisor Dennis Rodoni; Supervisor Stephanie Moulton-Peters; Supervisor Katie Rice; District Attorney Lori Frugoli; Melissa Apuya – District Director for Assembly member Levine

Call to Order

President Sashi McEntee called the meeting to order at 6:04p.m., and welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers via webinar, for February 23, 2022.

A roll call of the Marin towns/cities was taken. There was a quorum of the 11 Marin cities/towns present, with representatives from ten cities/towns in attendance. (San Anselmo absent)

President McEntee then called for Public Comment.

3. Public Comment:

1. Supervisor Katie Rice - I am here tonight because I wanted to introduce one of the other public speakers who's going to be speaking, Kara Connors. She is our coordinator for the Marin County Suicide Prevention Collaborative. Hopefully you're all aware of the work that's been going on with this large coalition of folks. She's going to speak to you a little bit today about a program that's being launched under the collaborative, and hoping that all the cities and communities are aware of it and get involved in ways that are appropriate. I just wanted to give a warm hand off to Kara Connors.
2. Kara Connors, Marin County Suicide Prevention Collaborative - I wanted to speak to you, as Katie mentioned, about the Marin County Suicide Prevention Collaborative. We address prevention and intervention in post-vention strategies to prevent suicide in our community. There's a nationally recognized active post-vention strategy, which focuses on after the death

6.d.

of a suicide. That is the implementation of a loss team. The loss team is a local outreach to suicide survivors to support those left behind in the immediate aftermath of a suicide.

This model was created in 1999 after it was identified that loss survivors were taking an average of more than four years before they reached out for support. That time delay allows for compromised coping and activities of daily living to occur for a person who is now at disproportionate risk for attempting suicide. Many survivors would seek support to cope with their loss if they knew that help was available. In most referrals, four survivors of support of suicide groups come from physicians or nurses, and those are shared with next of kin, but often a hospital is not involved. When resources are available in communities, the length of time between that death and the survivor seeking help is too long, due in part to the lack of knowledge of available resources.

The team is comprised of two trained volunteers with lived experience and expertise to support families when law enforcement and the coroner conduct official and necessary steps. Having a loss team at the scene of a suicide provides loss survivors with practical support, a connection to resources, and most importantly, an installation of hope. Having someone who has lost a loved one to suicide introduce themselves and is in a position to attend to a newly bereaved person, plants seeds of hope.

The loss team will be launched and is led by the Felton Institute, who are in the early planning stages of launching the program. A training will be held in spring of 2022 by loss team experts to support all stakeholders and volunteers in launching of the loss team. The success of the loss team is dependent in part on the support of law enforcement, who will dispatch to a loss team coordinator, who will have their team on site within in an hour to support officials in their duties while taking care of those who are bereaved. Thank you so much for your support in sharing information about the loss team program with your communities and law enforcement, so that the loss team program can be a success in reaching those bereaved in one of their darkest moments and serve as a bridge for hope. Thank you very much.

3. Erica Heimberg, NOAH-Marin - I'm a member of NOAH Marin, and our name stands for Name Oppose and Abolish Hate in Marin. Fairfax Mayor Stephanie Hellman invited us to present this evening, but she wasn't able to be here. We are a community-based organization of Marin residents who came forward to do something about hate incidents and hate crimes in our county, and the increase of those over the last number of years. We really appreciate the opportunity to fill you all in on a piece of legislation that we have been working to move forward that will make Marin, and California, safer from extremists and white supremacists.

Our group formed after the incident in late 2020 when a Neo-Nazi plastered the town of Fairfax with swastika stickers, and was caught on video. We were shocked to learn that the DA could not press charges, as posting swastikas was actually legal in public. We researched the state penal code related to three terrorizing symbols, swastikas, nooses, and desecrated crosses, or burning crosses. We identified ways that we could ask to have this legislation amended so that swastikas could no longer be legally posted in public, and to unify the law and the way that it addresses swastikas, nooses, and burning crosses, because it was like a patchwork quilt of regulations about where it was legal and where it was illegal to post those terrifying symbols.

The amendment that we have proposed will unify how all three of these symbols will be treated as crimes, and will make it illegal to post swastikas, nooses, and desecrated crosses

1 in a range of spaces, including primary schools, junior high schools, high schools, college
2 campuses, public parks, public facilities, public spaces, places of worship, cemeteries, and
3 places of employment. And many of those places where previously it was legal to post a
4 swastika or another symbol. We talked to Assembly Member Rebecca Bauer-Kahan, who is
5 introducing our proposed changes as AB2282. She is a representative of the district where the
6 Neo-Nazi lives, and she is, herself, the grandchild of Holocaust survivors. We also spoke with
7 Assembly Member Marc Levine, who is co-authoring, and also with Senator Mark McGuire.
8 We will need letters of support to various committees and to the legislators, and we are putting
9 together a sample template for a letter of support that we hope that you will help us out with.
10 Thanks so much. And we did submit a press release on the issue for more information.

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13 4. Mark Solomons, NOAH-Marin - I just want to simply say that the tagline for this press release
14 is, "Strengthen and equalize penalties for using symbols of terror." And that's the point here,
15 and I hope it would be very straightforward to support this with each town council and
16 throughout Marin. It's very exciting to be in this process, as someone who's not really been
17 engaged in a political work. We've had great support from Mark Levine, who's here, who has a
18 lot of experience working with political process. I think the DA is also here and we hope that in
19 the future, if an incident like this were to happen, it would be able to be prosecuted then, once
20 it's in law. And as you all know, there was the recent flyering, which is very upsetting for all of
21 us to see flyers that promote antisemitism. I don't know if she's going to speak to that tonight
22 at all, but thank you for your time and please look forward to the information that will follow this
23 meeting. Thank you.

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26 5. Michelle Fadelli, First 5 Marin - I'm Michelle Fidelli from First Five Marin Children and Families
27 Commission. I'm here today to talk to you about the Marin Communications Forum that is our
28 monthly public policy forums that, in the olden days, used to be in person. We were online for
29 the past two years. And coming back in person in the month of March, which is I wanted to
30 alert you to. Our first in person forum is going to be on climate solutions, I'm co-hosting this
31 with Drawdown Bay Area, Leslie Alden, who was formerly on Board of Supervisors staff. Our
32 event is going to be on Friday, March 18th at the Embassy Suites in San Rafael. It's a free
33 event and would love to invite you, your council, and anyone else that you would like to invite.
34 We'll be offering breakfast. It's going to be a full morning event. I believe Rebecca has a flyer
35 that can be sent out tomorrow.

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38 Note/Late Correspondence Received: During Public Comment, and in response to the comments
39 received regarding AB2282, District Attorney Lori Frugoli submitted the following comment via zoom
40 chat, to be shared with all meeting attendees:

41 "From Lori Frugoli-she/her/hers to Everyone: I fully support the legislation and my office and the Police
42 Chiefs will be issuing a joint statement tomorrow regarding the anti-Semitic flyers that were distributed
43 in Novato and Tiburon and encouraging people who received them to report the incidents to law
44 enforcement."

46 **4. Presentations:**

48 4.a. Bay Adapt and Sea Level Rise – Impacts and Costs for Marin

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50 Pat Eklund, Novato, introduced the presentation, and Zach Wasserman, the Zack
51 Wasserman, Chair of the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission

(BCDC). Dana Brechwald, Adapting to Rising Tides Program Manager, and Mr. Wasserman, provided a presentation on Bay Adapt, which provides recommended actions for adapting to sea level rise within the SF Bay Area. The presentation summarized Bay Adapt and discussed recommendations as it relates to Marin and its 11 cities/towns.

Bay Adapt, a regional strategy for a rising bay, is a joint platform that would provide faster, better and more equitable adaptation to sea level rise in the Bay Area. The draft Joint Platform for the Bay Adapt Strategy outlines 5 categories, 9 actions and 21 tasks. It was published in August 2021 and is available to view online (link below). The nine Bay Adapt Actions are: 1. Collaborate on a “One Bay” vision; 2. Elevate communities to lead; 3. Broaden public understanding; 4. Best available science, data and knowledge; 5. Align local and regional plans; 6. Fund adaptation; 7. Refine regulatory processes; 8. Fund faster projects; 9. Track and report.

A sample resolution in support of Bay Adapt was also provided and included in the agenda packet available online, should any municipalities be interested in considering support and endorsement of the Bay Adapt model.

The presenters answered questions from the Council members.
Public comment was received from:

1. Bill Carney
2. Jeffrey Rhoads

The presentation slides for this item can be viewed here:
<http://www.mccmc.org/wp-content/uploads/MCCMC-Agenda-Pkt-2-23-22-1.pdf> (beginning on page 3 of the agenda packet pdf)

More information, and the Adapting to Rising Tides Bay Area Report, can be found at:
<https://www.adaptingtorisingtides.org/project/art-bay-area/>

Following the presentation and Q&A, President McEntee announced that written committee reports were included in the agenda packet, and then continued with the remainder of the meeting.

5. **Committee Reports:** All Committee reports were submitted in writing and are available in the [agenda packet on the MCCMC website](#). President McEntee thanked those who submitted written reports and encouraged the membership to review the reports.

- 5.a. Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)
5a. Written report from Supervisor Damon Connolly

- 5.b. Association of Bay Area Governments
5b. Written report from Pat Eklund, Novato

- 5.c. BCDC Report from North Bay representative on the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC)
5c. Written report from Pat Eklund, Novato

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- 1 5.d. Golden Gate Bridge, Highway & Transportation District
2 5d. Written report from Holli Thier, Tiburon
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4 5.e. ~~Marin Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo)~~ No report
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6 5.f. Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District (SMART)
7 5f. Written report provided by Dan Hillmer, Larkspur
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9 5.g. Transportation Authority of Marin
10 5g. Written report from Alice Fredericks, Tiburon
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12 5.h. MCCMC Homelessness Committee Report
13 5.h. Written report from Rachel Kertz, San Rafael and Kate Colin, San Rafael
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15 5.i. ~~Climate Action Committee~~ No report
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17 5.j. ~~MCCMC Water Policy Ad Hoc Committee Report~~ No report
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20 **6. BUSINESS MEETING**

- 22 6.a. Review of Draft Agenda for March 23, 2022 MCCMC Meeting (In Person or Zoom,
23 TBD)
24 Attachment 6a: Draft agenda for March 23, 2022 MCCMC Meeting
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26 There were no comments on the draft agenda.
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- 28 6.b. Consideration and Possible Approval of Draft Minutes of the January 26, 2022 MCCMC
29 Meeting
30 Attachment 6c: Draft minutes of the January 26, 2022 MCCMC virtual meeting
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32 There was a motion and second (Lucan / Fredericks) to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2022.
33 The motion was approved by roll call vote of the cities/towns present, 10-0-1 (San Rafael absent).
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35 **Adjournment**

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37 The meeting was adjourned at 7:03pm to the next regular meeting scheduled for February 23, 2022 at
38 6:00pm to be held via Zoom videoconference.