

MARIN COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBERS AGENDA

Wednesday, September 29, 2021
6:00pm

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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
 - 3.a. Presentation of Gifts to Outgoing MCCMC President Eric Lucan
4. **Presentations:**
 - 4.a. Update on the County of Marin's Restrictive Covenants Project
Presentation provided by Supervisor Katie Rice and Liz Darby, Social Equity Programs and Policy Coordinator
 - 4.b. Updates on the Aging Action Initiative, Age-friendly and other plans, and ageism.
and the primary speakers will be Linda Jackson, Aging Action Initiative, and Lee Pullen, Marin County Aging and Adult Services
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. Golden Gate Bridge, Highway & Transportation District
5c. Written report from Alice Fredericks, Tiburon
- 5.d. Transportation Authority of Marin
5d. Written report from Alice Fredericks, Tiburon
- 5.e. Legislative Committee Report
5e. Written report from Alice Fredericks, Tiburon
- 5.f. Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit (SMART)
5f. Written report provided by Dan Hillmer, Larkspur
- 5.g. Disaster and Citizen Corps Council (DC3) Report
5g. Written report provided by Catherine Way, Larkspur
- 5.h. MCCMC Climate Action Committee
5h. Written report from Urban Carmel, Mill Valley and Alexis Fineman, San Anselmo – Not available at time of agenda publication.

6. Business Meeting

- 6.a. Consideration and Possible Adoption of MCCMC Operating Budget for FY 2021-2022, With Annual Dues Set at \$850 for 2021-22 Only
Attachment 6a. Staff Report and attachment
- 6.b. Announcement of Upcoming Vacancies and Call for Letters of Interest for the Following Committee Appointments:
Expiration of current terms will be announced and Letters of Interest will be solicited. Appointments will be made at the October 27, 2021 MCCMC Meeting.
 - 6.b.1 MCCMC Representatives to League of California Cities, North Bay Division Executive Board for Calendar Year 2021
(Three seats have expiring terms: Representative, 2nd Representative and Alternate Representative)
MCCMC Representatives are appointed annually for the upcoming calendar year.
Incumbents are:
 - 1st: Vacant;
 - 2nd: Gabe Paulson, Larkspur;
 - Alternate: Charles Lee, Corte Madera
Incumbent Charles Lee, Corte Madera, has indicated interest in seeking appointment to a one-year term as one of the two primary representatives and has submitted a letter of interest.
Attachment 6.b.1.: Letter of Interest from Charles Lee, Corte Madera

6.b.2 Marin County Disaster Council Citizen Corps (“DC3”)

(Incumbent: Catherine Way, Larkspur, 2-year terms will expire 01/2022)

Incumbent Catherine Way, Larkspur, has indicated interest in seeking reappointment to a new two-year term and will submit a letter of interest.

Attachment 6.b.2.: Not available at time of agenda publication

6.b.3 Golden Gate Bridge and Highway Transportation District

(Incumbent: Alice Fredericks, Tiburon, 2-year term will expire 01/2022)

Incumbent Alice Fredericks, Tiburon, has indicated interest in seeking reappointment to a new two-year term and has submitted a letter of interest.

Attachment 6.b.3.: Letter of Interest from Alice Fredericks, Tiburon

6.b.4 Marin County Transit Board of Directors

(Incumbent: Eric Lucan, Novato, 2-year term will expire 01/2022)

Incumbent Eric Lucan, Novato, has indicated interest in seeking reappointment to a new two-year term and ~~will~~ submit a letter of interest.

Attachment 6.b.4.: ~~Letter of Interest from Eric Lucan, Novato~~

6.c. Report Out of Mayors Select Committee Meeting and Consideration of Request for Formation of Ad Hoc Water Policy Subcommittee

The Mayors Select Committee will review and discuss the proposal and scope of work for a potential Ad Hoc Water Policy Committee. Should the Committee support the formation of the new Ad Hoc Committee, it will be considered by the full MCCMC membership for possible formation

*Attachment 6c: Proposal for formation of Ad Hoc Water Policy Committee
Provided by Kate Colin, Mayor, San Rafael*

6.d. Review of Draft Agenda for October 27, 2021 MCCMC Meeting To Be Held Via Zoom

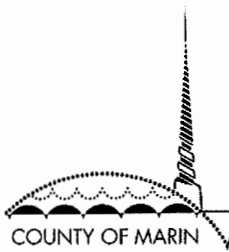
Attachment 6d: Draft agenda for October 27, 2021 MCCMC Meeting

6.e. Consideration and Possible Approve of Draft Minutes of the June 23, 2021 MCCMC Meeting

Attachment 6e: Draft minutes of the June 23, 2021 MCCMC virtual meeting

7:00 PM ADJOURN: to the October 27, 2021 meeting, to be held virtually via Zoom unless otherwise specified

Deadline for Agenda Items – October 20, 2021 Please send to: MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com



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Sashi McEntee, President

Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers

Dear President McEntee:

Following is an update on topics of note from the last Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) agenda on September 22, 2021. Please share this update with your membership.

American Rescue Plan

As I reported in May, the State received \$26 billion in new American Rescue Plan (ARP) funding, approximately \$1.7 billion of which is slated to be distributed to the Bay Area region for transit. In July, I raised concerns at the MTC committee level on behalf of smaller operators in Marin and Sonoma Counties regarding the distribution formula for those funds. We requested monies for Marin Transit and Sonoma County transit agencies (SMART is included in this category) as part of the set-aside for "hardships and focused recovery strategies" established by MTC using a portion of the ARP funds. Marin Transit requested an additional \$2.4 million to maintain the current adjusted service levels for two years, accounting for revenue loss and expected service cost increases. Sonoma County operators requested an additional \$4.6 million to restore to 100% pre-pandemic service for three years, accounting for revenue loss and service cost escalation.

As a result of this advocacy, Marin Transit received \$2 million in ARP focused recovery funding to bridge the gap between current and future contract rates with service providers for fixed route service. The funding is contingent on Marin Transit and Golden Gate executing a new contract. Marin Transit will receive \$4.8 million "initial calculated amount" plus this additional \$2 million for a total of \$6.8 million.

Sonoma County operators received \$4.6 million, focused on past and on-going fire concerns and recovery strategies to smooth service provision until its sales tax reauthorization in 2025. Sonoma County operators will receive \$15.5 million "initial calculated amount" plus this additional \$4.6 million for a total of \$20.1 million.

Blue Ribbon Task Force

Commissioners voted to support the Transit Transformation Action Plan from the Blue Ribbon Task Force. The Task Force was formed by MTC in 2020 to

help allocate pandemic relief funds regionally and to map out the path forward. Embedded in the plan are elements that advance transit recovery, network manager roles, and actions related to utilizing transportation infrastructure around the region to prioritize bus transit. Elements of the plan include fare integration, wayfinding, legislation related to Caltrans facilities, and funding priorities, and will be the subject of upcoming workshops through MTC.

Mobility Hubs

MTC awarded Mobility Hub grants under its Climate Initiatives Program. Mobility hubs are community anchors that enable travelers of all backgrounds and abilities to access multiple transportation options- including shared scooters, bicycles and cars, and transit- as well as supportive amenities in a cohesive space. These grants are to support micro-mobility integration into transit centers amongst other transit center-related integration efforts. MTC prioritized a set number of locations including the San Rafael Bettini Transit Center; however, the funding cycle was premature for any effort at Bettini and no Marin jurisdictions or transit agencies applied. Seven projects are recommended for funding around the Bay Area as initial pilots.

Assembly Bill 361

AB 361 (Rivas) allows local agencies to conduct meetings via teleconference during a period of proclaimed state of emergency, similar to what has occurred during COVID-19. The bill amends provisions of the Brown Act to provide greater flexibility with respect to teleconferencing. The bill will take effect immediately upon enactment and will sunset on January 1, 2024. AB 361 was signed by the Governor on September 16th.

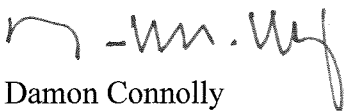
Without passage of AB 361, local agencies would have been required to return to in-person meetings effective October 1, 2021. The bill authorizes teleconference participation for board members and members of the public if specified conditions are met and local agencies adopt findings every 30 days justifying the continuation of teleconferencing.

Plan Bay Area 2050

MTC is updating its draft implementation plan based on public input during the Plan's EIR comment period, as well as on workshops held to solicit input and feedback. The major revision areas are Sea Level Rise, to reflect MTC's partnership role, and Transit recovery to focus on details defined in the Blue Ribbon's Transit Transformation Action Plan. Other areas include workforce development updates and anti-displacement updates supported by state funding for the Bay Area Housing Finance Authority. Staff anticipates releasing the final PBA2050 the week of October 4th, for adoption by MTC and ABAG in October. Then the Plan is submitted to the state for approval.

As always, I welcome your input and questions.

Sincerely,



Damon Connolly

cc: Rebecca Vaughn mccmcsecretary@gmail.com

ABAG Report to MCCMC¹

September 2021

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

- 1) **State of the San Francisco Estuary Summit:** The Estuary Partnership will be holding a **FREE** and fully **VIRTUAL**, one-day State of the Estuary “Summit” that spotlights environmental justice, community engagement, and climate resilience, amongst other critical and timely topics. We hope that you join us for this exciting event. **TO REGISTER Click: [Registration – San Francisco Estuary Partnership \(sfestuary.org\)](https://sfestuary.org)**
- 2) **Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) Appeals:** ABAG received 28 appeals from 23 cities and 4 counties in the SFBA. In addition, a number of jurisdictions sent ABAG comment letters about RHNA, in lieu of submitting an appeal. Details about the appeals submitted and comment letters are on the Appeals Process page on the ABAG website: [2023-2031 RHNA Appeals Process | Association of Bay Area Governments \(ca.gov\)](https://www.abag.ca.gov/2023-2031-RHNA-Appeals-Process)
- 3) **Adoption of Plan Bay Area 2050, Implementation Plan and Final EIR:** On October 21, 2021, ABAG Executive Board and the MTC will conduct a joint meeting to take action on the PBA 2050, Implementation Plan and certification of the FEIR.
- 4) **San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC):** On September 16, 2021, the ABAG Executive Board ratified President Arreguin’s appointment of Mayor Pat Eklund, City of Novato, as the North Bay Cities representative on the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission.

State of the San Francisco Estuary Summit: On October 1, 2021, the San Francisco Bay Estuary Partnership will convene the State of the San Francisco Estuary Summit virtually from 9:30 am to 5:00 pm. This Summit is **FREE** and all are encouraged to register by September 30, 2021. To register click: [Registration – San Francisco Estuary Partnership \(sfestuary.org\)](https://sfestuary.org).

Every two years, the Estuary Partnership brings a focus to the management and ecological health of the San Francisco Bay-Delta Estuary. The State of the San Francisco Estuary Conference showcases the latest information about the region’s work to sustain and improve the estuary’s habitats, living resources, water quality, climate resilience, and environmental stewardship.

To view the Program, click: [Program – San Francisco Estuary Partnership \(sfestuary.org\)](https://sfestuary.org). Congresswoman Jackie Speier, Congresswoman and California Natural Resources Agency Secretary, Wade Crowfoot will discuss the future of climate adaptation in the San Francisco Estuary. Also, following are some of the topics that will be discussed which are needed for a healthy San Francisco Bay and Estuary:

Habitats and Living Resources (possible rooms under this general topic could include: Fish Biology/Ecology, Bird Biology/Ecology, Food Webs, Invasive Species, Tidal Marsh Restoration, Monitoring with New or Emerging Technologies, etc.)

Water Quality and Quantity (possible rooms under this general topic could include: Contaminants of Emerging Concern, Nutrients in the Estuary, Trash, Green Stormwater Infrastructure, Fresh Water Flows, Water Reuse, etc.)

Resilience (possible rooms under this general topic could include: Climate Adaptation Planning Efforts and Strategies, Developing Intersectional Partnerships for Equitable Climate Resilience, Sediment Management, etc.)

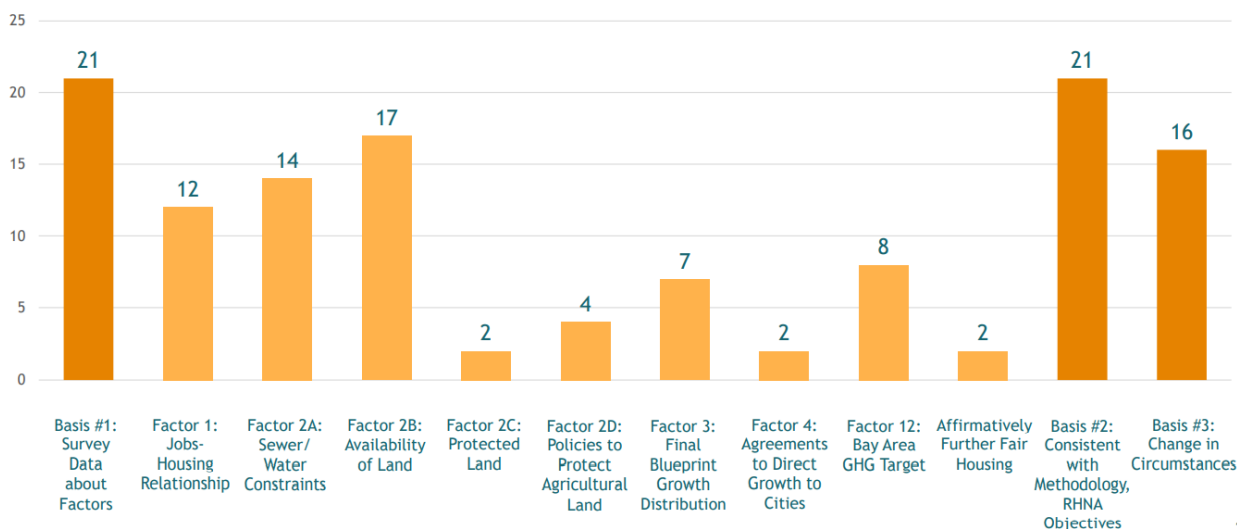
Stewardship/Human Dimensions (possible rooms under this general topic could include: Community-based Design Approaches, Humanizing Homelessness for Healthier Creeks and Communities, Remediation & Revitalization of Native American Infrastructure, Public Access, Urban Biodiversity and Human Health, Community-based Participatory Research, etc.)

¹ Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers (MCCMC)

RHNA Appeals: ABAG received 28 appeals from 23 cities and 4 counties (NOTE: One jurisdiction submitted 2 appeals.) Eleven jurisdictions in Marin (9 cities and the County of Marin), submitted appeals to the Regional Housing Needs Allocation for 2023 through 2031 which was the most appeals of any county. In addition, a number of jurisdictions sent ABAG comment letters about RHNA (including San Rafael), in lieu of submitting an appeal. Details about the appeals submitted and comment letters are on the Appeals Process page on the ABAG website: [2023-2031 RHNA Appeals Process | Association of Bay Area Governments \(ca.gov\)](#).

The bases cited by the jurisdictions filing an appeal include:

Statutory Requirements for an Appeal: Appeal Bases Cited by Jurisdictions



The RHNA Appeal hearing process will provide applicants and jurisdictions that did not file appeals but are the subject of an appeal with the opportunity to make their case regarding a change in their Draft RHNA Allocation or another jurisdiction's Draft RHNA Allocation. The burden is on the applicants to prove that adjustment of the Allocation is appropriate under the statutory standards set forth in the Government Code.

The procedure includes:

Initial Arguments: Applicants will have an opportunity to present their request and reasons to grant the appeal. The information and arguments presented by the applicant shall be limited to what was presented in the written appeal filed by the applicant. Applicants will be allotted five (5) minutes each. If the subject jurisdiction did not file an appeal on its own Draft RHNA Allocation, it will be given an opportunity to present after all applicants have provided initial arguments on their filed appeals.

Staff Response: After initial arguments are presented, ABAG-MTC staff will present their recommendation to approve or deny the appeal(s) filed for the subject jurisdiction. The staff response is limited to five (5) minutes.

Rebuttal: Applicants and the jurisdiction that did not file an appeal but is the subject of the appeal may elect to provide a 3 minute rebuttal

Public Comment: Members of the public will have an opportunity to comment (2 minutes) on the arguments presented related to the appeal(s) for the subject jurisdiction under consideration.

Questions: After arguments and rebuttals are presented, the Administrative Committee members may ask questions of applicants, the subject jurisdiction (if present), and ABAG-MTC staff.

Vote: Any voting Committee member may make a motion regarding the appeal(s) for the subject jurisdiction. The Committee will take a preliminary vote on the appeal(s) for a subject jurisdiction.

These RHNA appeals generated almost 450 comments from the public and other stakeholders. The Housing and Community Development Department (HCD), Building Industry Association, Public Advocates and Non-profit Associations, local jurisdictions and many members of the public have submitted comments in opposition and support of the RHNA appeals. To review ALL comment letters submitted, click: [RHNA appeals comments summary.xlsx \(live.com\)](#)

Hearing dates for Marin jurisdictions are:

September 29, 2021 – Belvedere and Corte Madera
October 8, 2021 – Fairfax, Larkspur and Mill Valley
October 15, 2021 – Ross, San Anselmo, Sausalito and Tiburon
October 22, 2021 – Unincorporated Marin County

Adoption of Plan Bay Area 2050, Implementation Plan and Final EIR: On October 21, 2021, ABAG Executive Board and the MTC will conduct a joint meeting to take action on the PBA 2050, Implementation Plan and certification of the FEIR.

This Plan takes a comprehensive look at the region's challenges and identifies actions to be advanced by all levels of government in the coming years. It focuses on four key issues: the economy, the environment, housing and transportation; outlines 70 specific implementation actions for ABAG/MTC to tackle over the next five years to advance each of the 35 bold strategies for growth and investment through 2050; and identifies a path to make the Bay Area more equitable for all residents and more resilient in the face of unexpected challenges. The Draft Plan Bay Area 2050 and supporting documents (DEIR, Implementation Plan, etc..) are available for review at planbayarea.org.

San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC): On September 16, 2021, the ABAG Executive Board ratified President Arreguin's appointment of Mayor Pat Eklund, City of Novato, as the North Bay Cities representative on the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission. In President Arreguin's memorandum to the Executive Board ([Item 7g Handout Summary BCDC North Bay Process \(2\).pdf](#)), he states: "Mayor Eklund's decades of professional and public service experience around bay restoration and environmental protection made her exceptionally qualified and gave her the edge. Her over 40 years of professional experience in environmental and water policy issues, and 25 years as a local elected official serving in regional and statewide positions makes her uniquely qualified." This position represents the Counties of Marin, Sonoma, Napa and Solano.

UPCOMING MEETINGS²

- **September 22 , 2021 -- 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
- **September 24, 2021 -- ABAG Administrative Committee – RHNA Appeals Hearing, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm**
- **September 29, 2021 -- ABAG Administrative Committee – RHNA Appeals Hearing, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm**
- **October 1, 2021 – State of the Estuary, 9:30 to 5:00 pm**
- **October 4, 2021 -- MTC Policy Advisory Council Fare Coordination & Integration Subcommittee, 10:00 am**
ABAG SF Bay Trail Steering Committee, 12:00 pm (noon)
MTC Policy Advisory Council Equity and Access Subcommittee, 2:00 pm
- **October 5, 2021 -- MTC Regional Advisory Working Group, 9:35 am**
- **October 8, 2021 -- ABAG Administrative Committee, 9:30 am**
MTC Operations Committee, 9:35 am
Joint ABAG and MTC Legislative Committee, 9:40 am
Joint MTC Planning Committee and ABAG Administrative Committee, 9:45 am
ABAG Administrative Committee – RHNA Appeals Hearing, 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm

² All meetings are conducted via Zoom, webcast, teleconference, unless noted otherwise.

- **October 13, 2021 --** MTC Bay Area Toll Oversight Committee, 9:35 am
MTC Administration Committee, 9:40 am
MTC Programming and Allocation Committee, 9:45 am
Bay Area Infrastructure Financing Authority, 9:50 am
MTC Policy Advisory Council, 1:30 pm
- **October 14, 2021 --** ABAG Regional Planning Committee, 10:00 am
ABAG Housing Committee, 1:00 pm
- **October 15, 2021 --** ABAG Administrative Committee – RHNA Appeals Hearing, 1:00 pm
- **October 18, 2021 --** MTC Fare Integration Task Force, 12:30 pm
MTC Clipper Executive Board, 1:30 pm
- **October 19, 2021 --** Bay Area Partnership Board, 11:00 am
- **October 21, 2021 --** ABAG Power Board of Directors, 11:00 am
Special Joint ABAG Executive Board and MTC Meeting, 5:00 pm
- **October 22, 2021 --** ABAG Administrative Committee – RHNA Appeals Hearing, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm
- **October 27, 2021 --** MTC Audit Committee, 9:05 am
Metropolitan Transportation Commission, 9:35 am
MTC Bay Area Toll Authority, 9:40 am
MTC Bay Area Headquarters Authority, 9:45 am
MTC Workshop, 1:30 pm
- **October 29, 2021 --** ABAG Administrative Committee – RHNA Appeals Hearing, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm
- **November 1, 2021 --** MTC Policy Advisory Council Fare Coordination and Integration Subcommittee, 10:00 am
- **November 9, 2021 --** Board of Directors of 375 Beale Condominium Corporation, 3:00 pm
- **November 10, 2021 --** MTC Bay Area Toll Authority Oversight Committee, 9:35 am
MTC Administration Committee, 9:40 am
MTC Programming and Allocations Committee, 9:45 am
- **November 12, 2021 --** Joint MTC ABAG Legislation Committee, 9:45 am
Joint MTC Planning Committee and ABAG Administrative Committee, 9:50 am

If you have questions, contact Pat Eklund, Mayor, City of Novato at 415-883-9116; pateklund@comcast.net

**Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transit District
Report to MCCMC -Alice Fredericks, GGBHTD Board Member
September 2021**

District Transit Update: Bridge crossing remains 20% below pre-covid levels for the same time of year. While the good news is GHG emission reduction from autos, the reduction in tolls affects availability of subsidies for public transit travel. For now, buses ridership remains 70% below comparable pre-covid levels, and ferry ridership continues to be over 85% below similar periods. The Bridge District continually updates the opening policies for downtown offices to track changes in demand.

Finances: Although a substantial deficit was predicted for fiscal year 20/21, the Bridge District budget was balanced based on cost reductions and federal stimulus funding. Contingent on receipt of current allocations of state and federal funding expected through MTC, the District budget is predicted to be balanced for fiscal year 21/22.

Engineering:

Suicide Barrier: 72% of the steel suicide net has been fabricated. Work continues to remove the travelers for maintenance and to install the net supports and the vertical railing on the north end of the bridge.

The Singing Bridge: District engineers continue to address the issue of humming caused by the new bridge railings under specific wind conditions. Engineers completed their onsite wind speed, direction, and ambient noise tests. The data will be compared to the wind tunnel tests to validate efficacy of proposed solutions. A complete report to the Bridge Board is expected next month.

Transit Fare Consolidation:

The District General Manager Denis Mulligan, has served as the chair of a Blue Ribbon Fare Consolidation Task Force addressing the potential of integrated transit service fares across the transit agencies of the 9 bay area counties. Golden Gate Transit, partnering with Marin Transit and North Bay Transit Services, has already implemented many of the taskforce recommendations. The recommendations of the Task Force, soon to be considered by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, will be found here when published:

<https://mtc.ca.gov/planning/transportation/regional-transportation-studies/transit-fare-coordination-integration-study>

San Rafael Transit Center Project: Preferred Alternative:

The preferred alternative project, Move WhistleStop Wheels, chosen with engineering and public input, was approved by the Golden Gate Bridge District Board in May. The preferred alternative labeled was chosen because, with the least impact, it provides for: bus bays and the existing SMART rail station, curb space for shuttles, pick-up/drop-offs, and taxis, the customer service building, including restrooms and operations and security facilities, transit-supportive retail space and public plazas, improved sidewalks and crosswalks and new high quality bicycle connection along Tamalpais Avenue, between 2nd Street and 4th Street.

The Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the San Rafael Transit Center Relocation project is available on the [District's project page](#). The public review period lasted 60-days and allowed members of the public to provide comments on many aspects of the project. Comments will be reviewed and responded to before the adoption of the final EIR in late 2021 or early 2022.

Study of Bicycle Safety on the Bridge:

At the meeting of the District Directors later this month, the Board will approve opening of the public comment period for the actions recommended by the Bridge District's Bicycle Safety Study. The proposed open comment period will include a web based virtual open house scheduled to be live from Monday Sept 27 through Fri Oct 8, Study findings will be presented in a workshop scheduled for Wednesday Oct 6, 2021. Formal public hearing comment during the recommended public hearing with the Board of Directors (Board) proposed for Monday, October 18, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. On approval by the Board, further information and links will be available on the District website.

The Bicycle Safety Study recommendations include consideration of speed limits on the sidewalk, signage and pavement marking plans, electric bike usage, restriction of other user groups and devices. The study can be found here:

https://www.goldengate.org/assets/1/25/2021-0225-bocomm-no7-attachment_bicyclesafetystudy.pdf?6592

Need More Updates?

Signup for the Cable. The bridge district monthly updates on transit and other operations of the bridge district. Email the District Public Information Officer (PIO) pcosulich@goldengate.org

TAM Report to MCCMC September 2021
Alice Fredericks Councilmember, Town of Tiburon

1. Marin Sonoma Narrows (MSN)

MSN B7 segment is fully funded. Construction is scheduled for 2022-2024. The B7 segment of the project will widen US 101 to create a a southbound HOV lane from 0.3 miles south of the Marin/Sonoma County line to just south of the Franklin Avenue Overhead (6.0 miles), and a northbound HOV lane from 1.7 miles north of Atherton Avenue Overcrossing to 0.3 miles south of the Marin/Sonoma County line (3.5 miles).

The US Department of Transportation awarded the project a grant to backfill the RM3 funds tied up in legal action against the RM3 measure. MTC approved additional funding for the B7 segment of the project, with the California Transportation Commission approving funding from the Local Partnership Program for acquisition of rights of way needed.

When the MSN project is completed, there will be a 50 mile high-occupancy vehicle lane (HOV) from the Golden Gate Bridge to Santa Rosa.

2. Alternative Fuel Program

Tam funding for programs electrifying transportation comes from Measure B the voter approved Vehicle Registration Fee (VRF fee) for transportation congestion and pollution relief programs. Alternate Fuels programs provide funding for public property electric vehicle (EV) Charging Infrastructure, public agency EV Fleet Conversion, public outreach, and technical assistance.

At the September meeting, Tam Commission will consider recommendations of the executive committee to approve a contract with consultant Reach Strategies for the Alternative Fuel Outreach Programs and an agreement with 12 Marin jurisdictions for outreach on alternative fuel/electric vehicle programs. Reach Strategies is expected to develop a broad equity-based outreach program and conduct outreach on the TAM Alternate Fuel program. Local jurisdiction activities to be funded include National Drive Electric Week events (**National Drive Electric Week Sept 25 to Oct 3**). The agreement also includes Tam sponsorship of Cool the Earth activity for this event. Tam encourages jurisdictions to continue to use local funds to leverage funding from BAAQMD, MCE and other funding opportunities.

3. Richmond San Rafael (RBR) Bridge – 3rd Lane East Bound

A pilot study of the proposed east bound 3rd traffic lane on the RBR bridge was begun. The project proposed removes the moveable barrier on weekdays only. The moveable barrier that is currently in place creates multi use path on upper deck of the RBR Bridge. The study found that the added traffic lane reduced congestion back to the Marin side multi-use path but congestion on Sir Francis Drake would be created by the need to eliminate the connectivity between Francisco Blvd East and Sir Francis Drake westbound. Most travelers on the multi-use path on the bridge were recreational riders, especially on weekends. Other variables to be studied include location of the proposed water pipe and the engineering concerns about structural impacts on the bridge of added vehicle traffic. Some of the needed data will come from the ongoing 580/101 direct connector studies (Details of the ongoing planning for the 101/580 direct connector can be found here: <https://www.tam.ca.gov/featured-projects/northbound-101-and-eastbound-580-direct-connector/>

MCCMC Legislative Committee Report
Alice Fredericks, Chair

September 15, 2021

Major Chaptered Bills considered:

HOUSING:

SB9 – SB 9 (Atkins) Housing Development: Approvals

Status: Chaptered (Signed by Governor)

Summary: This bill requires a local government to ministerially approval a housing development containing two residential units or an urban lot split in a single-family zone. 4 possible units, Local government requirements for parking is restricted to 1 parking space per unit or none if the project parcel is ½ mile from transit stop or corridor with a minimum 15 minute service during peak travel hour. **MCCMC Opposed**

SB 10 (Wiener) Planning and Zoning: Housing Development: Density

Status: Chaptered (Signed by Governor)

Summary: This bill authorizes a city or county to pass an ordinance that is not subject to CEQA to upzone any parcel for up to ten units of residential density if the parcel is located in a transit-rich area or an urban infill site.

Comment: *There is an ongoing issue of whether open space and parks parcels created and funded by voter initiative or donated to a local jurisdiction is exempted from upzoning or upzoning is available to these parcels only by two thirds vote. Request an opinion from your city attorney if the issue is crucial to your jurisdiction.*

MCCMC: No Position

SB 478 (Weiner) Planning and Zoning Law: Housing Development Projects

Status: Enrolled (On the Governor's Desk)

Summary: This bill establishes a minimum floor-to-area ratio (FAR) standards on housing development projects of 3 to ten units. The bill would only apply to housing development projects that meet specified requirements, including, among other things, that the project be located in a multifamily residential zone or a mixed-use zone, as specified. The bill would additionally require HCD to identify violations by a local government of these provisions,

MCCMC No Position

AB 215 [Chiu] Planning and Zoning Law: housing element: violations. (

Status: Enrolled (on Governor's desk)

Summary: The bill was recently amended to allow HCD to hire outside counsel for cases that the Attorney General's Office declines to pursue. The bill provides a three-year statute of limitations for the Attorney Generals Office or HCD to pursue action on housing element violations. Additionally, the bill requires that a city (or county) make any draft revision to a housing element available for public comment for at least 30 days, and if comments are received, the city (or county) must take at least 10 days beyond the 30-day comment period to consider and incorporate public comment. Because the bill would go into effect on January 1, 2022 the new comment period would likely apply to cities that have their housing element due in 2022. **MCCMC OPPOSED**

BROADBAND:

AB 14 [Aguilar-Curry] Communications: California Advanced Services Fund: deaf and disabled telecommunications program: surcharges. (E-9/9/2021)

Status: Enrolled (on the Governors Desk)

Summary: Under current law, the Public Utilities Commission has regulatory authority over public utilities, including telephone corporations. Current law requires the commission to develop, implement, and administer the California Advanced Services Fund (CASF) to encourage deployment of high-quality advanced communications services to all Californians that will promote economic growth, job creation, and the substantial social benefits of advanced information and communications technologies. This bill would authorize the commission to impose the surcharge to fund the CASF until December 31, 2032, as specified.

Position: MCCMC SUPPORT

BILLS of INTEREST:

AB 43 (Friedman) Speed Limits

Status: Enrolled (On the Governor's Desk)

This bill provides CalTrans and local authorities greater flexibility in setting and reducing speed limits. **MCCMC: No Position**

SB 278 (Leyva) Public Employees' Retirement System. Disallowed Compensation. Benefit Adjustments

Status: Chaptered (Signed by Governor)

Summary: This bill requires a public employer to cover the cost difference between a retiree's pension as originally calculated and as reduced by CalPERS in situations where CalPERS reduces a retiree's pension post-retirement due to CalPERS determining that inclusion of compensation agreed to under a collective bargaining agreement is nonpensionable.

MCCMC: No Position

ZOMBIE BILLS : (bills that may be resurrected next session)

AB 989 (Gabriel) Housing Accountability Act: Appeals: Office of Housing Appeals

Status: 2-year bill (Senate Inactive File)

Summary: This bill would establish a new Office of Housing Appeals within HCD to review allegations of violations of the Housing Accountability Act (HAA) for specified housing developments projects. With opposition from a number of groups including local governments and affordable housing advocates the bill was shelved on the Senate Floor.

MCCMC opposed

AB 1401 (Friedman) Residential and Commercial Development: Remodeling, Renovations, and Additions: Parking Requirements.

Status: Senate Suspense File. HOLD IN COMMITTEE

Summary: This bill would prohibit a public agency in a county with a population of 600,000 or more from imposing a minimum automobile parking requirement, or enforcing a minimum automobile parking requirement, on residential, commercial, or other development if the development is located on a parcel that is within 1/2 mile of public transit (as defined in the bill).

MCCMC Opposed before amended to exclude smaller jurisdictions

Probably Dead:

AB 897 (Mullin) Office of Planning and Research Regional Climate Networks. Climate Adaptation Action

Status: Hold in Committee: This bill authorizes eligible entities, including local governments, to establish and participate in a regional climate network and require the networks to develop and submit a climate action plan to the Office of Planning and Research (OPR). The bill also requires OPR to develop guidelines and assistance to the establishment of such networks.

Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District



General Manager's Report – August 2021

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After carrying 2,045,000 riders, 218,000 bicycles, and 7,890 wheelchair users – SMART celebrated its 4th year of passenger service on Wednesday, August 25, 2021.

Two years later beginning service in December 2019, SMART opened two new stations in downtown Novato and at Larkspur which resulted in weekday ridership increasing 40% from the prior year's ridership numbers and weekend ridership soared an impressive 70%.

Since opening service in 2017 – SMART has responded to 4 major fires, 2 major floods, and a global pandemic, yet through all these challenges, SMART and its employees have demonstrated strength and resolve in their commitment to providing the best public transportation service in America.

**Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit**

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Today, SMART turns four years old! 🎉 That's four years of SMART trains connecting communities across Sonoma and Marin. To keep the celebration going, weekday passes are reduced to \$1.50 per zone travelled and \$12 Sail & Rail promotions with [Golden Gate Ferry](#) are available now! <https://www.sonomamarintrain.org/fares> #WelcomeBackToSMARTride



4,880
People Reached

457
Engagements

↑ +2.4x Higher
Distribution Score

Boost Post

 99

29 Comments 24 Shares

COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND MARKETING

Community Outreach | Novato Festival of Art, Wine and Music

The SMART Community Outreach Team consisting of staff members from several departments participated in SMART's first public outreach event in more than 17 months. SMART staff connected with nearly 1,100 people during the 2-day Novato Festival of Art, Wine and Music. Many festival goers were particularly happy that they could travel to this year's event by train and walk from the Novato Downtown Station.







Marketing | Digital Media

Civic Edge Consulting has been supporting SMART's Welcome Back marketing campaign launched in June. The following is web and digital ad analytics update through August 8.

SMART website analytics:

- Since the May 19 Welcome Back Campaign launch, there have been 74,234 visitors to the SMART website, 79 percent or 58,644 of which are new visitors.
- The average session duration is a little over two minutes, which is a good average and tells us the visit is intentional.
- As expected, schedules and fares are the top pages visited.
- Mobile devices are used most frequently to access site.

Paid digital ads update:

- All ads have been performing well, including Spanish language ads.
- Digital ads served up nearly 4 million impressions.
- LinkedIn, NextDoor and Instagram ads, as well as High Impact banners ads are performing well.
- Spotify audio ads were underperforming, so media buy dollars were shifted higher performance spaces.

Media | News Coverage

- August 21, Dick Spotswood: To reduce costs, SMART should contract with Golden Gate Transit (Marin Independent Journal)
- August 16, \$12 'Sail and Rail' fare to S.F offered through September (San Francisco Examiner)
- August 14, 'Sail and Rail' fare combines ferry, SMART train (KRON TV Channel 4)
- August 14, 'Sail and Rail' fare combines ferry, SMART train services (San Rafael Patch)
- August 13, San Rafael Transit Center relocation project up for public review (Mass Transit Magazine)
- August 12, San Rafael Transit Center relocation project up for public review (Marin Independent Journal)
- August 6, It's a former office park and ghost town. Now, a Marin property could turn into 1,100 homes (San Francisco Chronicle)
- August 4, Editorial: More questions than answers with SMART's new freight endeavor (Marin Independent Journal)

OPERATIONS

VEHICLE MAINTENANCE:

- Performed field modification upgrade to the Selective Catalytic Reduction brackets on Diesel Multiple Units 104 and 115. This upgrade is performed by lifting the Diesel Multiple Unit and removing the engine and diesel power module. Once the brackets are replaced, the engine and diesel power module are reinstalled
- Performed annual maintenance on 1 Diesel Multiple Unit
- Performed mid-year maintenance on 2 Diesel Multiple Units
- Performed 500-hour oil change on 8 Diesel Multiple Units
- Automatic Train Control maintenance performed on 3 Diesel Multiple Units. This maintenance keeps us compliant with Federal Regulatory Association regulations with regards to positive train control
- Performed data downloads on the fleet. The Diesel Multiple Units have many subsystems that are integrated. Downloading the systems data provides SMART an opportunity to investigate different occurrences that may not show during our normal inspections

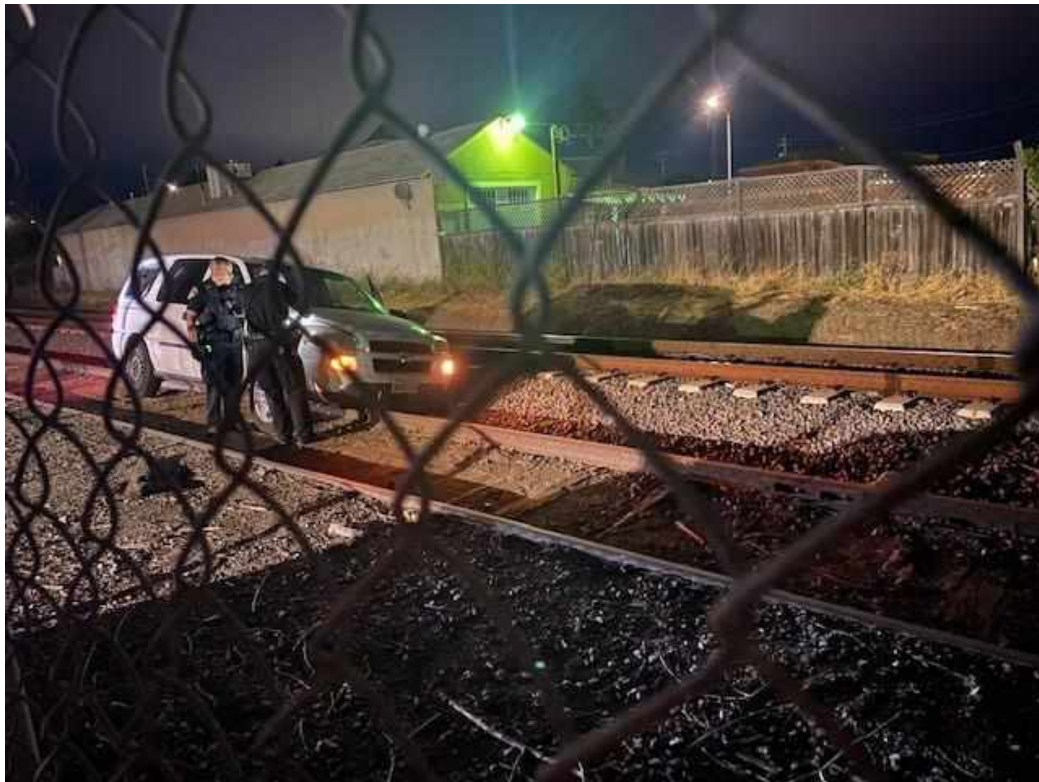
TRANSPORTATION:

- Training new Dispatcher and Conductor
- On the job training continues for two employees

MAINTENANCE OF WAY:

- Five employees from Track, Signals, and Facilities completed their Employee in charge training and testing
- Signal Trainee program is going well. Supervisors anticipate the trainees to be ready for full duty by early 2022 pending competency testing
- Signal team and Train Control manager worked with the city of Rohnert Park on Traffic preemption upgrades at Gulf Course Drive.
- Track department has promoted a Track II employee to a track supervisor for the South territory
- Track team will be removing the crossing panels at river bend private crossing
- Facilities team completed 10 fence repairs in various locations
- Facilities team along with the engineering department, completed Emergency navigation light repair at Black point bridge due to maritime damage

The car on the track occurred at 5:10am on August 21, 2021. The track was cleared and inspected by 6:10am. There was a 7 minute delay for Train 1.

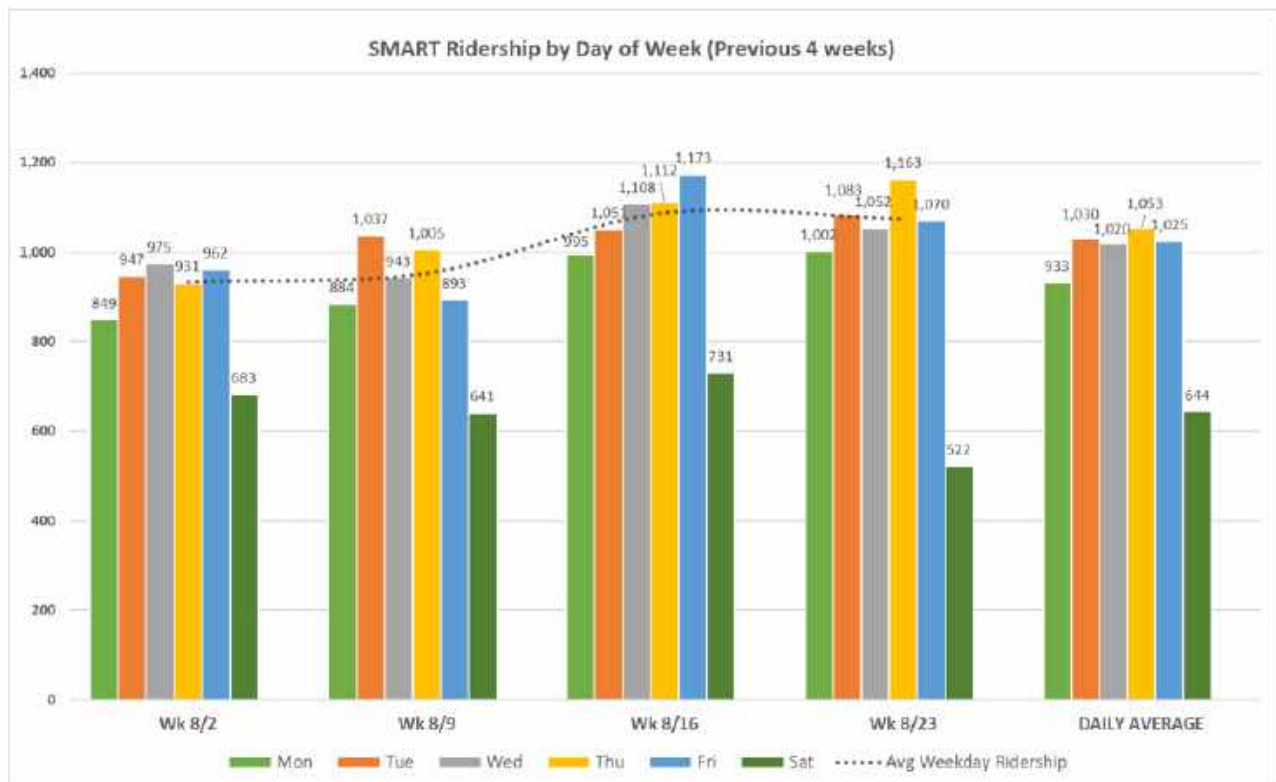


Car on track along Hopper Street, Petaluma

RIDERSHIP INFORMATION

FY22 SMART Ridership Weekly Report (DRAFT; COVID-19)

Week of	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Weekly Total (Onboard Counts)	Avg Weekday Ridership	Bikes	Wheelchairs
6/7/2021	698	812	813	774	814	544		4,455	782	832	44
6/14/2021	742	856	851	856	885	465		4,655	838	760	30
6/21/2021	802	931	1,026	958	1,052	569		5,338	954	928	45
6/28/2021	668	837	910	957	967	718	265	5,057	868	810	39
7/5/2021	599	868	1,037	905	923	596		4,928	933	769	39
7/12/2021	922	913	978	967	996	831		5,607	955	930	12
7/19/2021	871	994	1,028	1,010	1,013	631		5,542	982	879	41
7/26/2021	837	982	970	1,152	996	706		5,643	987	937	23
8/2/2021	849	947	975	931	962	683		5,347	933	842	36
8/9/2021	884	1,037	943	1,005	893	641		5,403	952	1,026	39
8/16/2021	995	1,051	1,108	1,112	1,173	731		6,170	1,088	1,016	31
8/23/2021	1,002	1,083	1,052	1,163	1,070	522		5,892	1,074	1,021	18
Average (4 week)	933	1,030	1,020	1,053	1,025	644					
Fiscal Year (FY22) began on Thursday, July 1st (line indicates new fiscal year)											
Blue indicates holiday service											



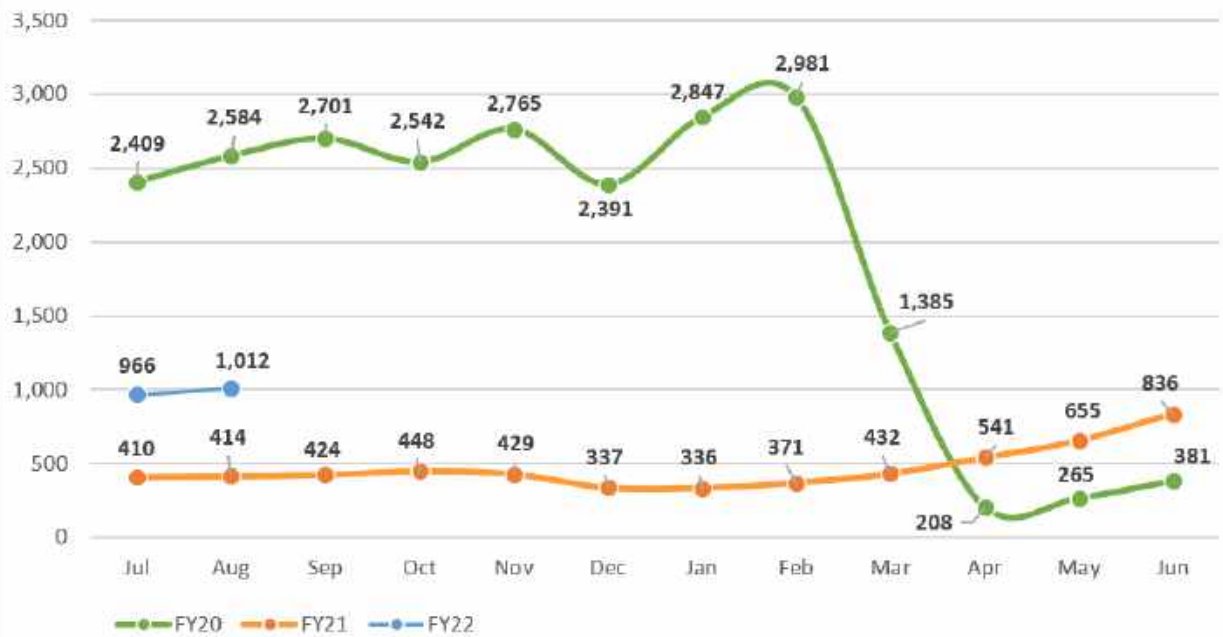
SMART FY20 - FY22 Monthly Ridership



SMART FY20 - FY22 Monthly Ridership



SMART FY20 - FY22 Average Weekday Ridership



SMART FY20 - FY22 Average Weekday Ridership



MULTI-USE PATHWAY PROJECT CONNECTING STATIONS

Sonoma County Pathway Gap Closure Project- \$13.5M

- South Point Boulevard in Petaluma to Main Street in Penngrove (2.9 mi)
- Golf Course Drive in Rohnert Park to Bellevue Avenue in Santa Rosa (2.8 mi)

The design team is focusing on:

- Finalizing at-grade crossing applications for submittal to the local jurisdictions and the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC).
- SMART is in the process of submitting the environmental applications permit package to the regulatory agencies.
- The consultant design team is preparing the final construction documents.
- SMART and the City of Petaluma are coordinating elements of the North McDowell Boulevard to reconstruct the street and the SMART Pathway Projects.



The Environmental Consultant team is evaluating a potential riparian mitigation site

Marin - Sonoma County Pathway Design and Permitting: \$5.5M

- McInnis Parkway to Smith Ranch Road in San Rafael: 0.7 Miles
- Smith Ranch Road. to Main Gate Road in San Rafael: 2.65 Miles
- State Access Road. to Bay Trail Road in Novato: 1.4 Miles
- Hannah Ranch Road to South Side Novato Court in Novato: 1.09 Miles
- Grant Avenue. to Olive Avenue in Novato: 0.26 Miles
- Olive Avenue to Rush Creek Place in Novato.: 0.38 Miles
- Main Street. to E. Railroad Avenue in Santa Rosa: 1.48 Miles
- Joe Rodota Trail to 3rd Street: 0.05 Miles
- Guerneville Road. to Airport Boulevard in Santa Rosa: 4.6 Miles

The pathway segments are currently in the preliminary design phase and the SMART team is focusing on:

- Finalizing alignment and grade crossing concepts.
- Completing a draft request for proposal to hire a designer.



Future Pathway Location South of Main Gate Road in Novato

BLACKPOINT BRIDGE FENDER REPAIR

SMART and Lind Marine working to replace Blackpoint Bridge fender lights damaged during recent barge collision incident with fendering system.



Blackpoint Bridge Fender Light Repair

SAN RAFAEL CREEK RIPERIAN ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

The project fulfills permit mitigation requirements to restore riparian habitat along the San Rafael Creek in the City of San Rafael. This mitigation was required as part of the environmental permits for the Larkspur Extension Project.

The SMART team is focusing on:

- SMART issued a Request for Proposal to hire contractor
- A pre-Bid site visit was conducted with prospective contractors in the last week of August.
- SMART anticipates planting in the fourth quarter of the year.



Pre-Bid site visit at San Rafael Creek

HUMAN RESOURCE

CURRENT OPEN RECRUITMENTS:

- Engineer Conductor
- Vehicle Maintenance Technician
- Track Maintainer
- Track Maintainer II
- Accounts Payable Technician
- Purchasing Assistant

NEW PROMOTIONS/HIRES

- Hired one Controller Supervisor and Vehicle Maintenance Technician

INTERVIEWS

Interviews were held for the following positions:

- Storeroom Parts Clerk
- Laborer
- Engineer Conductor
- Track Maintainer
- Controller Supervisor
- Bridge Tender

REAL ESTATE

PRIVATE CROSSINGS

Staff is working on private crossings as asked.

PROPERTY ACQUISITIONS

Windsor Extension Project - Staff is working to close out the transfer of property to the County for the redesigned and rebuilt bus pullout on Airport Boulevard in Santa Rosa. Staff is finalizing work with utility companies on a variety of tasks on the new extension property.

North Coast Rail Authority (NCRA) - Staff is working on reviewing documents from NCRA on the properties that have been transferred to SMART as they come in. Staff retrieved copies of all leases NCRA says they have from NCRA on 8/24/2021. Staff has been made aware by NCRA that some leases are unexecuted. Staff has been alerted by tenants that they are still being invoiced even after the transfer in May and no communication has gone out to tenants to alert them of the change in ownership.

Track work – Research continues on property rights for both SMART and property owners regarding the location of track. Staff is looking at ownership on Beattie Lane in Novato and a parcel next to CVS on or Lakeville in Petaluma.

Pathway - Coordinating with the adjacent property owners, tenants, and local municipalities regarding relocation of facilities and/or utilities and securing any necessary land rights to accommodate the construction of the pathways and interim access and laydown area needs.

PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

Staff is continuing to research SMART's ownership, property rights of ingress and egress easements and current and necessary agreements along the Brazos Branch and newly acquired NCRA segments up north to MP 89.

Staff is continuing the title work for the proposed Non-Motorized Pathway Project and continuing to address a variety of requests from adjacent property owners. Staff is also managing leases, licensing agreements, easements, and/or current Master agreements for utility and telecommunications companies that are crossing SMART property.

LEASES

Staff has begun the process of looking at existing leases to determine what needs to be brought current. We have started with the ones which we were asked to review by accounting for billing amounts.

TITLE WORK

Miscellaneous as asked by Legal and Engineering for the Pathway.

SPECIAL EVENT REQUESTS:

Multiple Sclerosis Society- Waves to Wine Bike Ride, Rohnert Park/Santa Rosa- September 18/19, 2021- *POSTPONED UNTIL MAY 2022*

RIGHT OF ENTRY PERMITS ISSUED:

Dryco- City of Petaluma Repaving Project in multiple locations
PG&E- Yearly Vegetation Management for Gas Transmission Division
Danco Group of Companies- Sage Commons Project- 80 College Avenue- Santa Rosa
Ghilotti Construction- Storm Drain work – 80 College Avenue- Santa Rosa
AT&T – Scenic Avenue- Aerial crossing maintenance- Santa Rosa

STAFF IS CONTINUING WORKING ON ISSUING RIGHT OF ENTRY PERMITS/LICENSE WITH:

PG&E- Traffic Control for Gas Transmission- River Rd/Second St./ Fulton Rd.- Santa Rosa
PG&E- Tree removal for electrical- Rohnert Park
Comcast- Aerial crossing at Hopper St., Petaluma
Comcast- Fiber Optics maintenance at Smith Ranch Rd./North Avenue, San Rafael
PG&E- Gas Pipeline Maintenance- Manuel Drive- Novato
PG&E- Gas Regulator/Pipeline Installation/Easement- Fulton Yard- Santa Rosa/Fulton
PG&E- Yearly Vegetation Management for Electrical Division
PG&E- Gas Regulator Installation- Hart Lane- Santa Rosa/Fulton
County of Marin- Simmons Slough Water Management System
Fredric C. Divine Associates- 826 State Access Road/ 1385 N. Hamilton Pkwy- Novato
Marin County Flood Control – Installation of 3 pumps – Hwy 37
West Coast Solar Company – Solar Project – Lagunitas Brewing – Petaluma
Sonic – Numerous Access Permits issued for work on fiber optics lines.
Metro-MCI – request to connect to Sonic fiber line
COMCAST – Staff is still working to finalize outstanding license agreement fees. Fiber Optic installation verifications in 7 locations. Legal working on Master Agreement.
AT&T- Staff is working to finalize an update Master Agreement for maintenance of existing license agreements.

ON-GOING PROPERTY MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

License agreements for discovered local municipalities facilities on SMART Right of Way.
Annexation of Sewer Lines for 105 Roblar Drive, Novato has been executed.
Quitclaim deed research and request with Caltrans was approved by the CTC at August Meeting.
Records research for all Private and Public crossings – continued data base development.
Records research on Brazos Branch (Napa County – real estate records)
Records research for Healdsburg.
Work on Lease comparisons for updating all SMART leases.
Work on Appraisal values for various Healdsburg properties and PG&E easements.
Work with Accounting to get any past due Lessee's accounts up to date.
Research of records for old Petaluma, Santa Rosa Rail line spur in Petaluma – downtown trestle
Research of records for Healdsburg Station – environmental records researched
Staff is continuing to work with Pacific Gas & Electric Company to refine access issues and update Master Agreement with after discovered facilities.
Consulting with Engineering on costs.
Continue to handle property management issues from adjacent landowners.
Continue to support construction by doing property research for discovered property issues.
Research property ownership for homeless encampments on Right of Way.
Research on title issues to clarify property ownerships and survey as necessary to continue working with property owners to remove encroachments.
Field work visiting SMART owned properties.

GRANTS, LEGISLATION, PLANNING AND REGIONAL ACTIVITIES

REGIONAL AND LOCAL PLANNING ACTIVITIES

Local Planning Department Notification and Coordination Tracking: SMART Planning Staff also tracks and reviews all notices sent by local jurisdictions for projects occurring adjacent to or nearby the railroad tracks. In 2021 to date SMART has received and reviewed **28** different notices while in 2020 through August SMART received **84** notices.

State Route 37 – Planning Processes Underway:

- SR37 Policy Committee (Resilient SR37);
- SR37 Caltrans Planning and Environmental Linkages Study (SR37 PEL Study);
- US 101-SR 121 Environmental & Design Alternative Analysis (DAA), now merged with PEL;
- SR37 Caltrans Comprehensive Multi-Modal Corridor Plan (SR37 CMCP);
- Sears Point to Mare Island (Congestion Relief) – Environmental Impact Report Scoping.

A quarterly **State Route 37 Policy Committee (Resilient 37)** meeting took place in January 2021, with the next meetings of the group scheduled for Fall 2021. The Joint Baylands Core Team and Resilient 37 Project Leadership Team have been meeting to provide technical support of the Resilient 37 Policy Committee, most recently on July 16, 2021, with SMART staff invited and a discussion of SMART's future on the corridor scheduled as an agenda item.

The **SR37 Planning and Environmental Linkages (SR37 PEL) Study** meetings are taking place approximately quarterly the most recent meeting included a discussion of The US101 to SR121 Design Alternative Analysis (DAA), which has been merged with the SR37 PEL Study, on July 30, 2021. At the meeting, input was received on a draft purpose statement and on the DAA alternatives for State Route 37 future alignment alternatives. Staff met with MTC and PEL consultant staff on August 12, 2021, to give input on the alignment alternatives, and submitted written comments on August 16, 2021. Comments were also submitted to Caltrans on the draft SR37 State Route Congestion Management Plan (CMCP) on August 12, 2021.

SMART staff has been asked to present to the Quarterly PEL meeting September 24, 2021, on SMART's activities along the corridor.

TRANSIT COORDINATION MEETINGS

- **August 1, 8, 22 & 29 - 2021** – Bay Area Transit Operator ongoing coordination meetings. SMART staff met with the Bay Area’s smaller transit operators, defined as any except the seven largest transit operators, weekly. This month’s focus was on selection of small transit operator representatives to the Regional Network Manager Advisory Committee. SMART’s Executive management volunteered to represent smaller transit operators at that committee. Discussions are ongoing on final committee composition and representation. Additional topics included MTC presentation on their strategy for endorsement on upcoming State funding cycles (Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program to be addressed first in September 2021) and approach to updating MTC endorsement of any “mega-regional” proposed capital and rail projects.
- **August 4, 2021** - Staff participated in the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) monthly **Transit Finance Working Group** meeting. Discussions included several standing item updates including legislative, funding notices, State Transit Assistance fund estimate and Transportation Improvement Program updates.
- **August 19, 2021** – SMART staff attended a coordination meeting for the Marin-Sonoma Bikeshare Program, centered around SMART stations. Discussed were space allocations, processes, concerns, and technical specifications.

GRANT ACTIVITIES

American Rescue Plan (ARP): The Federal American Rescue Plan (ARP) was passed on March 11, 2021. The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) posted the apportionment table on March 29, 2021, for the Section 5307 funds for distribution to Urbanized Areas across the nation for transit use. The Bay Area will receive \$1.7 billion, directed to the multiple urbanized areas that comprise the Bay Area, of which \$1.3 billion will be directed to transit operators reporting to the San Francisco-Oakland urbanized area. \$2 million was apportioned to the Petaluma urbanized area and \$27 million was apportioned to transit operators reporting to the Santa Rosa urbanized area, including SMART.

MTC has commenced its process to re-distribute the FTA apportionments. A partial first tranche allocation of these funds is expected at their July 28th Commission meeting and MTC staff recommended apportioning a first tranche of \$9.3 million to be divided between SMART, Santa Rosa CityBus, Sonoma County Transit, and Petaluma Transit. Subsequent allocations will be completed at a time and scale to be determined later, with likely allocations in September and/or December 2021.

Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities (AHSC): SMART, the City of Petaluma and Danco Communities have partnered on the submittal of a joint application for construction of the second Petaluma infill SMART station, SMART Pathway improvements across McDowell Boulevard, bicycle and pedestrian improvements on McDowell Boulevard and construction of 131 affordable housing units (Meridian at Corona Station). SMART would receive \$8.5 million from the grant, if awarded, with SMART providing \$2 million in matching funds, as recommended in SMART’s Capital Plan, and Petaluma providing \$2 million in matching impact fees for the station construction.

On June 23, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission endorsed all applications that were submitted for Bay Area projects, including this SMART/Petaluma/Danco proposal. Awards will be announced in October.

Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE): The U.S. Department of Transportation has released a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) to apply for \$1 billion in Fiscal Year 2021 discretionary grant funding through the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grants. RAISE, formerly known as BUILD and TIGER, will provide maximum awards of \$25 million, with no State being awarded more than \$100 million in total. This program is highly competitive with approximately 7% of requests being funded.

The State of California (Caltrans) has selected three projects to be official State submittals for the RAISE competition and the SMART Windsor Extension Project is one of those three submittals. Caltrans submitted the application by July 12, 2021. There is no public date issued for an expected announcement on grant awards.

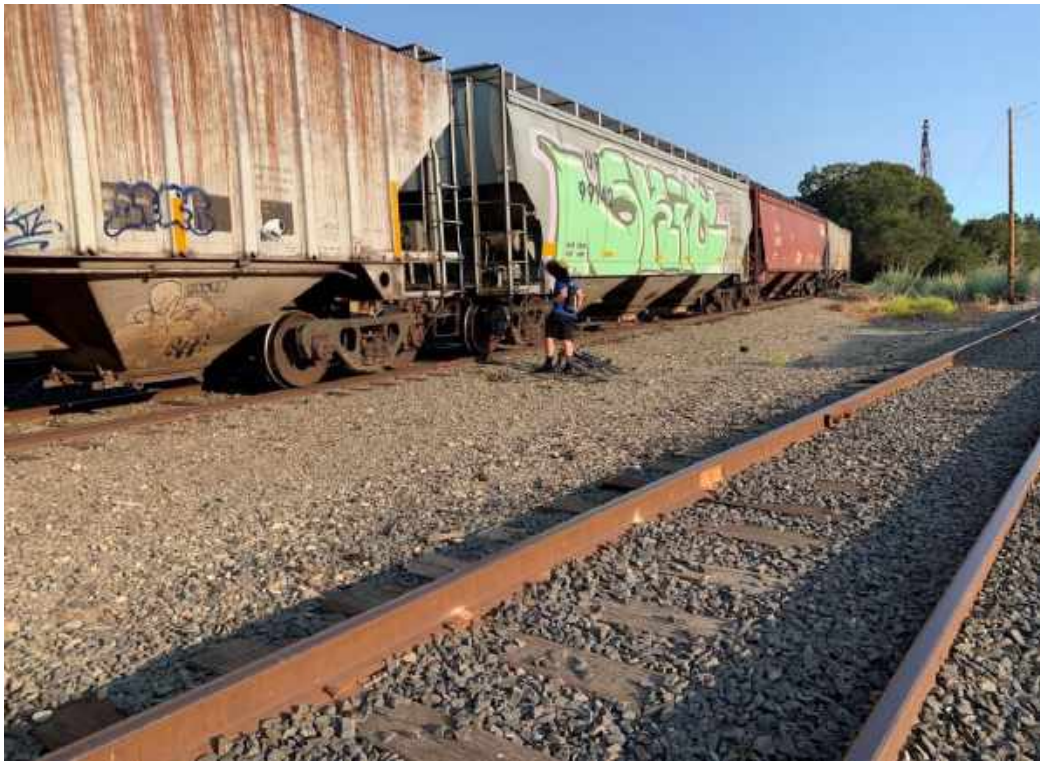
SAFETY AND SECURITY



Trespasser between Haystack Bridge and Downtown Petaluma



Trespasser on tracks - Petaluma



Trespasser on tracks - Petaluma



Trespasser along track near Caulfield Lane



Trespasser along tracks - West Payran, Petaluma



Trespasser along track between Steele lane and Jennings, Santa Rosa

Highlight Report on Disaster & Citizen Corps Council Meeting – September 10, 2021
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.

Purpose/Duties:

“To review, evaluate, and communicate to decision makers and the public on all matters pertaining to disaster preparedness”

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 opening and back in class
- There has been a rapid reduction in positive cases.
- Marin is the first county in the state to enter into the “yellow or moderate zone”
- Significant decrease in cases in the unvaccinated population.
- Making plans for vaccinating children when the vaccine is approved for that age group.
- Working closely with the school Superintendent office to coordinate vaccines.

<https://coronavirus.marinhhs.org/>

2. Introduction to new Care and Shelter Program: Jennifer Ancona

Presentation of new 2-year program for creating a care and shelter program within the county. Shelters would be for temporary use during emergencies. Also working on a Home Resources Program, Motel Resources Program, and Project Homekey across the county.

<https://www.marincounty.org/main/county-press-releases/press-releases/2021/hhs-covid-roomkey-051121>

3. Wildland Fires across the state: Chief Jason Weber

Update on the current wildfire situation in the state and how many Marin firefighters are working out of the county and assisting. All county fire stations remain staffed and able to respond locally.

4. Update on Countywide Community Preparedness Coordinator: Chief Jason Weber

New position of Countywide Preparedness Coordinator will be posted soon.

5. Report from the Public Disaster Education & Preparedness Subcommittee

PDEP Committee continuing to look at the 3 Focus Areas: vulnerable populations; Neighborhood Groups; and Preparedness Communications. PDEP plans to present findings and recommendations at the December 2021 DC3 meeting.

Important Websites: www.firesafemarin.org : www.alertmarin.orgwww.readymarin.org : emergency.marincounty.org

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

**MARIN COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBERS
STAFF REPORT**

REPORT DATE: September 17, 2021
MEETING DATE: September 29, 2021

TO: Honorable Members Of The Marin County Council Of Mayors And Councilmembers
FROM: Rebecca Vaughn, MCCMC Clerk/Treasurer
THROUGH: Sashi McEntee, MCCMC President
SUBJECT: Consider Adoption of MCCMC Operating Budget for FY 2021-2022, With Annual Dues Set at \$850 for 2021-22 Only

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PURPOSE:

To discuss and consider adoption of MCCMC Operating Budget for FY 2021-2022, with annual dues lowered from \$950 to \$850 for 2021-22 only.

BACKGROUND:

In September 2020, the membership, on the recommendation of the MCCMC Executive Committee, voted to temporarily decrease dues, from \$950 per year to \$750 per year for 2020-21. The reduction was recommended due to the shift to virtual meetings due to the COVID-19 pandemic and savings realized in the budget for Business Meetings/Dinners, which allows MCCMC to pay a host city up to \$220 for dinner cost of \$55 each for the President, Secretary and up to two of the city's guest speakers.

Staff is recommending an increase in dues, given the potential to return to in-person meetings, for at least some of the 2022 business year. The number has yet to be determined, so the budget was estimated at the potential expense of 6 meetings, with a maximum payment to a host city of \$220 per meeting.

In September 2015, the membership, on the recommendation of the Mayors Select Committee, voted to increase annual dues to \$950 per city/town per year, due to reaching the end of a period where a surplus in funds was being spent down.

Until 2009, membership dues were \$750.00 per year. In 2010, they were reduced to \$500 per year to spend down a surplus and to provide the membership with some relief during the recession. They were increased each year thereafter according to the table below, and eventually returned to \$750.00 per year:

2010	= \$500
2011	= \$600
2012	= \$650
2013	= \$750 (per adopted budget for fiscal year)
2014	= \$750 (per adopted budget for fiscal year)
2015	= \$950 per recommendation of Mayors Select Committee and approved by membership in adopted budget for fiscal year 2015-16, through the 2019-20 year.
2020	= \$750, reduced from \$950 due to move to virtual meetings during pandemic

The **actual** 2020-21 Budget showed the following revenues and expenditures:
Revenues:

- Carryover \$ 5,381.00

Business Item 6.a

• Annual Membership Dues	<u>\$ 8,250.00</u>	
	<u>\$13,631.00</u>	
Expenditures:		
• Stipend - Secretary/Treasurer	\$ 7,650	(lower than expected due to meeting cancellations and payment after the July statement cycle had closed)
• Business Meetings/Dinners (President, Secretary + 2 speakers)	\$ 0	(meetings were virtual during the 2020-21 business year)
• Operating Expenses	<u>\$ 818.00</u>	
	<u>\$ 8,468.00</u>	
Net Income/Carryover to 2021-22:	<u>\$ 5,163.00</u>	

Expenditures for the upcoming 2021-22 business year are difficult to predict given the uncertainty of when MCCMC will be able to resume in-person meetings, however most expenses can be budgeted for with some degree of certainty. At present, cash on hand, after accounting for payments that weren't processed before the July 31 bank statement cycle, will leave a surplus sufficient to absorb another one year reduction in annual membership dues.

The Executive Committee feels it is prudent to recommend a reduction in annual membership fees for 2021-22 in order to continue to provide some economic relief in light of the economic downturn cities/towns are experiencing as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, there are some known expenditure decreases associated with having to carry out virtual meetings for at least a portion of 2021-22. It is unknown, however, if any of the January-June meetings will be held in person, and staff proposes budgeting for the possibility of at least some in person meetings. Another anticipated expense in 2022 is the three year renewal of the website hosting fee, which was last renewed in February, 2019, in the amount of \$359.64.

Staff believes that even with budgeting for a partial return to in person meetings, along with retaining virtual meeting capability, that there is still some savings that can contribute to a reduction in the fee per city from \$950 to \$850 (a \$100 increase over the \$750 that was charged in 2020). The annual membership dues would then likely revert back to the prior \$950 level for 2022-23, assuming a full return to in-person meetings, or the Mayors Select Committee can discuss setting an appropriate dues amount at its annual meeting schedule to coincide with the April 2022 MCCMC meeting.

The table below shows a comparison of proposed budget with dues in the current amount of \$950 versus a reduction in dues to \$750 per year:

It should be noted that the MCCMC account is charged a monthly maintenance fee of \$16 per month for each month that the balance falls below \$3,000. A reduction in the annual dues amount would likely result in an increase in the number of months that the MCCMC account is charged the \$16 maintenance fee.

OPTIONS TO CONSIDER:

1. Consider approving draft MCCMC Operating budget with annual membership dues for 2021-22 set at \$850 (a \$100 increase over 2020-21, but less than the \$950 annual dues amount established in 2015)
2. Provide other direction to staff, including consideration of a dues reduction or increase in an amount other than what was presented.

Attachment:

1. Draft MCCMC Operating Budget for 2021-22

Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers

Proposed Budget for 2021-22

	2018-2019 Actual	2019-2020 Actual	2020-2021 Actual	2021-2022 <i>Proposed</i> <i>a/o August 2021</i> <i>with possible</i> <i>dues reduction</i>	Notes
REVENUES	<i>a/o August 2018</i>	<i>a/o August 2019</i>	<i>a/o August 2020</i>		
Carryover (Cash on Hand)	2,968	3,149	5,381	5,163	
Annual Membership Dues	10,450	10,450	8,250	9,350	Consider 2nd yr of lower dues (\$850 instead of \$950) for 2021-22
TOTAL	13,418	13,599	13,631	14,513	(2010=\$500; 2011=\$600; 2012=\$650, 2013-15=\$750 2014-15, surplus spent down. Dues recommended to increase for 2015-16 to \$950 by Mayors Select Committee 2020-21 temp reduced to \$750
EXPENSES					
01 Stipend - Secretary/Treasurer	7,800	6,600	7,650	8,200	\$800/mo for 8 months, \$450/mo for 4 months (Nov/Dec due to cancelled meetings)
02 Business Meetings/Dinners	1,540	990	0	1,320	Sept/Oct virtual mtgs. Possible zoom hybrid meetings Jan-June, to be determined
03 Operating Expenses	930	628	818	1,910	Zoom subscription (\$759.92) , Bank fees for new checks (\$58.99) For 2021/22: possible zoom for 8 months, new 3 yr website hosting subscription due Feb 2022 (\$359.64 assuming same cost as 2019)
04 Capital Expenses	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL	10,270	8,218	8,468	11,430	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	3,148	5,381	5,163	3,083	Paid out stipend for June 2020 (\$800) after July 2020 statement cycle had closed
EXPENDITURE DETAIL					
01 Stipend - Secretary/Treasurer	7,800	6,600	7,650	8,200	Reduced stipend due to extra meeting cancellation (8mos\$800, 4mos@\$450)
\$800/month x 10 months, \$450/month x 2 months)					

02	Dinners for MCCMC President, Secty and up to 2 speakers (\$55 x 4 x 9 meetings, unless Nov is cancelled)	1,540	990	0	1,320	MCCMC pays for up to 2 speakers; often there is only 1 speaker; ceiling for dinner that can be charged by cities is \$55/pp (Sept/Oct virtual mtgs. Possible zoom hybrid meetings Jan-June, to be determined) \$220x6=\$1,320
03	Operating Expenses					
	Badges	33	160	0	250	New members and replacement badges
	Postage/Printing	0	0	0	0	Packet and Agenda copying
	Gifts	304	135	0	500	Plaques/gifts for outgoing Presidents - will need to buy multiple plaques for past president, for those who still have not received theirs. Still trying to source someone who can make a pin plaque
	Web site and monthly fees	545	285	759	1,112	Note: 3 yr renewal paid Feb 2019, \$359.64 will need to be paid in Feb 2022. 8 months of Zoom webinar @ \$94/mo = \$759.92 (8 months of zoom in fy2020-2021; up to 8 months of zoom in 2021-22)
	Bank Service Charges	48	48	59	48	\$16/month for months when balance falls below \$3,000. No fees charged in 2020/21, paid \$58.99 to order new checks
04	Capital Expenses					
	Replace Sound System	0	0	0	0	Most venues now provide sound system
	Hand-Held Recorder & Software	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL EXPENSES		10,270	8,218	8,468	11,430	



Rebecca Vaughn <mccmcsecretary@gmail.com>

Interest in continuing to serve as one of the MCCMC representatives to League of CA Cities North Bay Division?

Charles Lee <cle@tcmmail.org>

Thu, Sep 23, 2021 at 8:47 AM

To: Rebecca Vaughn <mccmcsecretary@gmail.com>

Rebecca,

Please accept this email as my letter of interest in serving as an MCCMC representative to the League of Cities, North Bay Division Executive Board. I am interested in stepping up to the 2nd Representative position from my present role as Alternate. I have skill sets that can enhance the role of the position as I have experience in community development, planning, real estate, infrastructure and project management. I would like to support our Town and our County in a productive and positive manner where applicable and also enjoy the opportunity to work with the greater norcal regions esteemed leaders.

Thank you for your kind consideration,

Charles Lee

Council Member We/Us

415-999-2799

[Quoted text hidden]

To: Marin County Council of Mayors and Council Members
Re: Nomination to Golden Gate Highway Transportation District Board
Sept 23, 2021

Dear Elected Colleagues

I would appreciate the opportunity to continue to serve on the Golden Gate Bridge Highway Transit District (GGBHTD) Board as the representative from Marin County and its cities and ask MCCMC to forward my nomination to the County Board of Supervisors. It has been my privilege to represent our jurisdictions as the Bridge District works with the intra- country and regional public transportation agencies - Marin Transit District, SMART, and the North Bay regional transit systems - supporting all efforts to provide the best service for travelers throughout Marin

In service of the Bridge District and all Marin jurisdictions, I currently work as Chair of the Transportation Committee, vice-chair of the GGBHTD Finance Committee and the OPEB Pension Trust, Chair of the Labor Relations Committee, and Secretary of the GGBTD/ATU Pension Plan Trust Board.

GGBHTD has a legislatively mandated mission to maintain the bridge and transit services that reduce congestion all along the Highway 101 corridor. To fulfill its mission, the district upgrades the bridge and its operations for the safety of the traveling public, provides regional buses along Highway 101, and runs the largest ferry system in the state of California. The pandemic induced decline in travel presents challenges to all transit systems. For the GGBHTD, the concomitant decrease in transit and toll revenues has been backfilled by federal subsidies, balancing the budget for this fiscal year. However, when workplaces re-open, a new balance between the need for public transit to reduce greenhouse gases and congestion and the need for the auto toll revenue to subsidize public transit must be achieved.

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission initiative to create a consolidated transit system across the region with equitable access to transit is a crucial part of the GGBHTD work. With the increased pressure to produce housing and limit parking near transit areas, the leadership of the Bridge District staff, Board and its Transportation Committee on transportation fare and schedule integration will be crucial to the economy and continued livability of Marin. .

Three important characteristics of effective representation on the GGBHTD board are broad experience in transportation issues, productive relationships with colleagues, and seniority. In addition to achieving the first two requirements, I have again moved a few places up toward the president's position and seniority at the very long table of the Board of Directors. I ask that you continue to support my appointment to GGBHTD Board so that I may continue to serve our constituents well. Wherever I sit, I serve.

Respectfully submitted



Alice Fredericks
Council Member, Town of Tiburon
askalicenow@usa.net
415 789 5166

Attached for consideration of members of MCCMC is an abbreviated resume with a focus on service related to policy, legislation and implementation committees and boards dealing with transportation issues.

September 28, 2021

Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers
300 Tamalpais Drive
Corte Madera, CA 94925

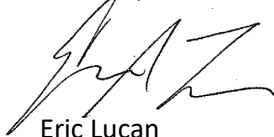
Dear Mayors and Councilmembers,

Thank you for the opportunity to represent MCCMC at the Marin Transit District. I started serving as an alternate in 2015 and then in 2019 was selected to be a regular voting member by MCCMC. I would be honored to continue serving for another term.

Many residents rely and depend on the services provided by Marin Transit. Given my experience on both the TAM and SMART boards, along with my regular use of transit and as an occasional bike commuter, I believe I am well suited to continue as a representative of MCCMC and the entire Marin community.

Thank you for your consideration. Please reach out to me directly if you have any questions or simply just to catch up. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eric Lucan', with a stylized, cursive script.

Eric Lucan
Mayor Pro Tem
City of Novato

ALICE FREDERICKS

September 15, 2021

RESUME -TRANSPORTATION RELATED PUBLIC SERVICE

Golden Gate Bridge Highway and Transit District

Member, Board of Directors, 2012 - present

District Committees:

- Chair, Transportation Committee
- Vice Chair, Finance Committee
- Vice Chair, OPEB Trust Board
- Chair, Labor Relations Committee
- Secretary, Golden Gate Bridge Amalgamated Transit Union Retirement Trust Board
- Member, Building and Operating Committee
- Member, Equity Ad Hoc Committee

Transportation Authority of Marin

- Commissioner, 2001 - present
- Former Vice Chair 2018-2019
- Former Chair, Administration Projects Planning Exec Committee 2019
- Former Chair, Transportation Authority of Marin, 2011-2015

Council Member, Town of Tiburon, 2001 - present

- Council representative to Tiburon Safe Routes to School
- Member, Sustainability Ad Hoc Committee
- Member, Housing Ad Hoc Committee
- Member, Legislation Ad Hoc Committee

League of California Cities, North Bay Division Representative:

Transportation Communication Public Works Policy Committee

Member, 2004- present

MCCMC Legislative Committee

Chair. 2006 - present

MCCMC Climate Action Committee

Member, 2021

Occupation/Professional Experience

- Member, California State Bar (currently inactive)
- Former Research Psychologist, Departments of Medicine and Psychiatry, University of California, San Francisco, 1974 - 1981

Education

- J.D. Honors. University of San Francisco School of Law, 1984
- Post Doctoral Fellow: Cardiovascular Research Institute, Department of Medicine, University of California, San Francisco, 1972 - 1974
- Ph.D. Behavioral Medicine, University of Miami, 1972

MCCMC Ad Hoc Water Policy Committee
September 2021

Background

Marin County is experiencing extreme drought conditions and is in danger of running out of water by June 2022. The end of August 2021, sees Marin Municipal Water District's (MMWD) reservoirs at approximately 38% versus an average of 77% at this time. In addition, local conservation mandates are over 10% short of the target of 40%. As city elected officials, we understand the important intersection of city policy and water policy and the critical role city's could play to mitigate the drought's impact on all of our respective communities. We know that the local water agencies (MMWD and North Marin Water) are the primary drivers of the conservation and infrastructure programs and right now there is an intersection of opportunity for cities to amplify those efforts and respond with appropriate efforts of our own.

Looking ahead, we anticipate ongoing water shortages and drought as a consequence of the climate crisis. Now is the time for local jurisdictions to consider potential city policies and strategies that will plan for water shortages in the future. This is a broad category that can include everything from increasing the build-out of 'purple pipes' to drought-tolerant landscaping ordinances.

Creation of this ad-hoc committee was ideated and discussed by Alexis Fineman (San Anselmo), Urban Carmel (Mill Valley), Stephanie Hellman (Fairfax) and Kate Colin (San Rafael). Alexis and Urban currently serve as co-chairs of the Climate Action Committee. We recommend a separate Ad Hoc Committee focused on water, with each city designating up to two Councilmembers to participate. Participation by each city is optional, although we are hopeful that all 11 cities participate due to the severity of the situation.

Objectives – short and long-term (to be finalized by the Committee)

SHORT-TERM

- Consider utilizing [Fairfax Water conservation program](#) as a template for other cities to build on.
- Explore grant possibilities to fund any city/county program (ABAG as potential source).
- Support MMWD's effort to communicate their strategy on water conservation
- Identify key data that MMWD could provide to local jurisdictions to support/explain water conservation to our residents
- Get input from 'adjacent' agencies like Sanitation Districts, Fire Districts on both short- and long-term objectives
- Provide recommendations on what local jurisdictions could consider prioritizing related to their use/consumption, such as sprinkler heads, reclaimed water, harvesting rainwater capture off town buildings, outreach to high volume institutional users (i.e. school districts).
- Understand and troubleshoot obstacles to enforcement throughout the District.

LONG-TERM

- Identify city policies/ordinances that can promote water conservation, water recycling, landscaping, ground water regulation etc. with the goals of reducing water consumption as well as consistency across the County.
- Consider partnership with local water agencies to develop a heuristic toolkit or stewardship framework for water-related decision-making.
- Learn about existing solutions for treating wastewater beyond recycled water quality to meet or exceed drinking water standards through "Advanced Purification" techniques (microfiltration, reverse osmosis, and UV treatment).

Timing

As an Ad Hoc Committee, duration would be for one year after which the Committee would disband or fold into the Climate Action Committee. Committee would meet every 2-3 weeks through the end of the year.

Co-Chairs

Co-chairs would be selected at the first meeting.

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

Wednesday, October 27, 2021*
Start time: 6:00pm via Zoom webinar (Start time tentative)

- 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. Marin Major Crimes Task Force Oversight Committee
- 5.d. Marin County School Board Association
- 5.e. Homeless Committee
- 5.f. Marin County Disaster Council Citizen Corps
- 5.g. Marin Transit
- 5.h. Sonoma/Marin Area Rail Transit Commission
- 5.i. Golden Gate Bridge & Highway Transportation District
- 5.j. Transportation Authority of Marin
- 5.k. MCCMC Legislative Committee
- 5.l. Local Agency Formation Commission
- 5.m. Climate Change/Sea Level Rise Ad Hoc Committee

6. Business Meeting

6.a. Consideration and Possible Action to Make the Following Committee Appointments:

- 6.a.1 MCCMC Representatives to League of California Cities, North Bay Division Executive Board (Three seats available: Representative, 2nd Representative and Alternate Representative)

MCCMC Representatives are appointed annually each calendar year.

Incumbents are: 1st: Vacant; 2nd: Gabe Paulson, Larkspur; Charles Lee, Corte Madera, Alternate

- 6.b.2 Marin County Disaster Council Citizen Corps (“DC3”)
(Incumbent: Catherine Way, Larkspur, 2-year terms will expire 01/2022)

- 6.b.3 Golden Gate Bridge and Highway Transportation District
(Incumbent: Alice Fredericks, Tiburon, 2-year term will expire 01/2022)

- 6.b.4 Marin County Transit Board of Directors
(Incumbent: Eric Lucan, Novato, 2-year term will expire 01/2022)

6.d.

- 6.a. Review of Draft Agenda for the January 26, 2021 MCCMC Meeting
- 6.b. Consideration and Possible Action to Approve the Draft Minutes of the September 29, 2021 MCCMC Meeting Held Via Zoom Webinar

8:30 PM ADJOURN: to the January 26, 2021 meeting

Deadline for Agenda Items – January 19, 2021 Please send to:
MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com

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

**Wednesday, June 23, 2021
VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
6:00pm**

Members Present

Belvedere: Campbell,
Corte Madera: Beckman, Casissa
Fairfax: Hellman, Coler, Cutrano
Larkspur:
Mill Valley: Carmel, McCauley, McEntee, Ossa
Novato: Athas, Eklund, Lucan, Peele, Wernick
Ross: Brekhus, Kircher, Kuhl, McMillan, Robbins
San Anselmo: Colbert, Fineman
San Rafael: Bushey, Colin, Hill, Kertz, Llorens-Gulati
Sausalito: Kellman
Tiburon: Fredericks, Ryan

Ex Officio: Ross City Manager Joe Chinn; San Rafael City Manager Jim Schutz; MCCMC Secretary Rebecca Vaughn

Guests were: Melissa Apuya, District Director for Assemblymember Levine; Supervisor Damon Connolly; Supervisor Stephanie Moulton-Peters; District Attorney Lori Frugoli; Mark Van Gorder, PG&E; Mark Brown, MWPA

Call to Order

President Eric Lucan called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m., and welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers via webinar, for June 23, 2021.

A roll call of the Marin towns/cities was taken. There were no councilmembers from Larkspur present.

He then called for Public Comment.

Public Comment –

1. Susan Kirsch: I'm a 40 plus year resident of Mill Valley and I'm the founder of a group called catalysts for local control which is the context that I come here tonight. And I want to start out thanking all of you for the work that you do at the local level and knowing how many issues there are that you all handle at the local level. So some of the rest of us are out there with a great interest in looking both locally and regionally and statewide to see what that kind of interplay is that's happening, especially at those three levels, sometimes even at the federal level.

And I was really pleased to know I could send you [the handout that I understand has been distributed to all of you](#), because three minutes would not be enough to cover everything. So maybe I can just highlight the two things that are at the top of this list encouraging people to take a look at this. The basic premise that I come from is that our local control is really seriously under attack and that we look to you as our elected officials to be keeping in mind that representing your constituents is really important. So the first item on the agenda I sent is, there's an organization that was started by one of your colleagues down in Torrance, a man named Mike Griffiths, who started this group called California Cities for Local Control.

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2 And just wanting to encourage you, if you've not responded to invitations from the volunteer
3 team that works with him or taking his calls, what he's trying to do is to build that momentum
4 to say that there are cities who really value local control and are worried about the kind of
5 erosion that's happening, you can tailor make the resolutions that you bring to your city
6 console. You can sign up individually, but that momentum of more than just a few cities
7 working against these issues means that we're all getting clobbered in ways that are same
8 really dangerous. And the second point on that list is that there's also now a statewide agency
9 called California Alliance of Local Electeds. People like you they're meeting every Sunday at
10 four o'clock, they're bringing in State legislators, the assembly members and the senators to
11 meet with them, to hear what the concerns are of the cities.

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13 So it's a fabulous group. There's usually 40 to 60 people on the calls but you get a chance to
14 have your own contact and interaction with these elected officials. The final thing I'll bring
15 forward is that they are working on a response to the fact that the YIMBY group has brought a
16 lawsuit against HCD, the Housing and Community Development agency claiming that the
17 RHNA numbers are too low.

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19 I know many of our cities have already decided to appeal the RHNA numbers but the YIMBYs
20 are coming on strong saying the numbers are too low. And CALE is a group that is looking to
21 offset that inviting any of the cities to be friends of the court so that the YIMBYs don't
22 persuade HCD to go, we don't want a lawsuit, and would settle in a lawsuit and agree that the
23 numbers should be even higher than what you all are already dealing with.

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25 So we've got other items on my handout. Just encourage you to take a look at those. I've got a
26 great statewide network that I'm building and I'm happy to be a liaison for any of you that that
27 might be helpful. Thank you.

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29 2. Pat Eklund, Novato City Council - I wanted to call to the attention of those that are interested,
30 ABAG is having a Plan Bay Area workshop on June 30th. It's going to be virtual starting at noon.
31 In my report is a link that goes directly to that public workshop. I encourage you to participate.
32 It talks about what the Plan Bay Area 2050 is and my report summarizes it but I wanted you to
33 attend workshop if you're interested. It's also on the draft EIR and you should know, and I put
34 this in my report that the draft EIR's environmental superior alternative is not the preferred
35 alternative for Plan Bay Area. So just look at that. Secondly, is all the delegates for ABAG, we
36 have our meeting on Friday so please participate and we need to vote on the work plan. Thank
37 you.

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39 Following public comment, President Lucan proceeded to of introduction guests and a continuation of
40 the Icebreaker activity, Fun Facts About Councilmembers.

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42 President Lucan introduced the following guests in attendance: District Attorney Lori Frugoli, Supervisor
43 Damon Connolly, Supervisor Stephanie Moulton-Peters, and Melissa Apuya, District Director for
44 Assemblymember Marc Levine. He then introduced several current Mayors and invited them to
45 participate in "Two Truths and a Lie" to introduce themselves. The following Council members shared
46 fun facts about themselves: Maribeth Bushey, San Rafael, and Bill Kircher, Ross.

49 **4. Presentations:**

51 **4.a. Update from Mark Van Gorder, Senior Government Relations and Public Affairs** 52 **for PG&E**

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President Lucan introduced Mark Van Gorder and thanked him for providing this update to MCCMC. Mr. Van Gorder provided an update on PG&E's Community Wildfire Safety Program, the wildfire risks across PG&E's service area, and new changes for 2021, which include efforts to reduce wildfire risks through system hardening and sectionalizing, enhanced support for customers and communities, and reduced impacts from Public Safety Power Shutoffs (PSPS).

Mr. Van Gorder's presentation can be viewed here: http://www.mccmc.org/wp-content/uploads/CWSP-Presentation_Marin-County_20210623.pdf

Upon conclusion of his presentation, Mr. Van Gorder took questions from the audience. After Q&A concluded, President Lucan introduced the next presentation.

4.b. Update from Mark Brown, Executive Officer, Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority

President Lucan introduced Mark Brown and thanked him for providing this update to MCCMC. Chief Brown provided an update on the current activities and workplan of the Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority, including programs and investments and preparation for the 2021 Fire Season

Chief Brown's presentation can be viewed here: <http://www.mccmc.org/wp-content/uploads/Marin-Wildfire-Prevention-Authority-6-23-2021-1.pdf>

Following the presentation, Chief Brown took questions from the audience. After Q&A concluded, President Lucan continued with the remainder of the meeting agenda.

5. **Committee Reports:** All Committee reports were submitted in writing and are available in the [agenda packet on the MCCMC website](#). President Lucan 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. Golden Gate Bridge, Highway & Transportation District (No report this month)~~
~~*5c. Written report from Alice Fredericks, Tiburon*~~

- ~~5.d. Transportation Authority of Marin (No report this month)~~
~~*5d. Written report from Alice Fredericks, Tiburon*~~

- ~~5.e. Legislative Committee Report (No report this month)~~
~~*5e. Written report from Alice Fredericks, Tiburon*~~

- 5.f. Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit (SMART)
5f. Written report provided by Dan Hillmer, Larkspur

- 5.g. MCCMC Climate Action Committee
5g. Written report from Urban Carmel, Mill Valley and Alexis Fineman, San Anselmo

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3 **6. BUSINESS MEETING**
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5 6.a. Consideration and Possible Approval of the 2021-2022 Meeting Schedule

6 Attachment 6a: Staff Report and attachment
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8 Staff noted that the meeting includes dates only. No host cities were listed as it has not been
9 determined when MCCMC will resume in person meetings. The proposed meeting schedule also
10 includes a change for September, 2021. The meeting is proposed to be moved from the 4th
11 Wednesday, September 22, to the 5th Wednesday, September 29th, as the 22nd conflicts with the
12 League of California Cities Annual Conference which many elected officials will be attending.
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14 There was a motion and second (Eklund / Fredericks) to approve the 2021-2022 MCCMC Meeting
15 Schedule. The motion was approved unanimously by roll call vote of the cities/towns present, 10-
16 0-1 (Larkspur absent)
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19 6.b. Informational Item Only: Draft Minutes of the May 26, 2021 MCCMC City Selection Committee
20 Meeting

21 Attachment 6b: Draft City Selection Committee Meeting Minutes – to be approved by the City
22 Selection committee at its next meeting, date to be determined
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24 There were no comments from the membership and no public comments received, in person or
25 via email, on the draft minutes of the May 26, 2021 City Selection Committee meeting, which
26 were provided for informational purposes and will be approved by the City Selection Committee
27 upon their next meeting, date to be determined.
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30 6.c. Review of Draft Agenda for September 29, 2021 MCCMC Meeting To Be Held Via Zoom (Note
31 change of meeting date, as recommended in item 6.a., 2021-22 Meeting Schedule)

32 Attachment 6c: Draft agenda for September 29, 2021 MCCMC Meeting
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34 Again, it was noted that the meeting has been moved from the 4th Wednesday, September 22, to
35 the 5th Wednesday, September 29th, as the 22nd conflicts with the League of California Cities
36 Annual Conference which many elected officials will be attending.
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38 There were no comments from the membership and no public comments received, in person or
39 via email, on the draft agenda for the September 29, 2021 meeting.
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42 6.d. Consideration and Possible Approve of Draft Minutes of the May 26, 2021 MCCMC Meeting

43 Attachment 6d: Draft minutes of the May 26, 2021 MCCMC virtual meeting
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45 President Lucan called for any edits or corrections to the May 26, 2021 draft minutes. Hearing
46 none, he called for public comment. No public comments were received, in person or via email,
47 regarding the draft minutes, and President Lucan called for a motion.
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49 There was a motion and second (Eklund / Colin) to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2021
50 MCCMC meeting. The motion was approved unanimously by roll call vote of the cities/towns
51 present, 10-0-1 (Larkspur absent)

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6.e. Consideration and Possible Appoint of Executive Committee: President and Vice President for 2021-22 Term

6.e-1: MCCMC Vice President for 2021-22 Term

Brian Colbert, San Anselmo, was nominated from the floor at the May 26, 2021 meeting and has submitted a letter of interest. Additional nominations will be accepted from the floor and a vote of the membership will be held.

Attachment 6.e-1: Letter of Interest from Brian Colbert

6.e-2: MCCMC President for 2021-22 Term

Sashi McEntee, Mill Valley, was nominated from the floor at the May 26, 2021 meeting and has submitted a letter of interest. Additional nominations will be accepted from the floor and a vote of the membership will be held

Attachment 6.e-2: Letter of Interest from Sashi McEntee

President Lucan introduced the item and stated that it has been a tremendous honor to serve as President for this past year. It has been 100% virtual but we've had great attendance. It's great for us to catch up with one another. We've had some fun with some icebreakers from playing Pictionary to two truths and a lie, learning a little bit about each other. We had some great speakers throughout the course of this year, and most times we did it all in an hour or just a little over an hour. So it's been a lot of fun. Thank you for the opportunity to serve as president this past year.

There was a combined motion and second (Eklund / Campbell) to appoint Brian Colbert, San Anselmo, to serve as MCCMC Vice President for 2021-22 and Sashi McEntee, Mill Valley, to serve as MCCMC President for 2021-22. The motion was approved unanimously by roll call vote of the cities/towns present, 10-0-1 (Larkspur absent)

Vice President Colbert stated that he was humbled and is looking forward to partnering with President McEntee to continue to work with all of you.

President McEntee stated that she is delighted to be able to follow in Eric's shoes. It was no small feat to keep this going during COVID and make the meetings productive, and that they were extremely well attended. They were tight and that's all credit to Eric. So I definitely want to make sure that we give him his due respect for the work that he did this year.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:18pm to the next regular meeting scheduled for September 29, 2021 at 6:00pm to be held via Zoom videoconference.