

1 Smith, City Librarian Anji Brenner, Fire Chief Tom Welch, Director of Public Works Andrew Poster,
2 Director of Recreation Jenny Rogers, Assistant to the City Manager Mary Lansing, Communications
3 Supervisor Sean Mooney, Deputy City Clerk Seth Allingham and City Clerk Kelsey Rogers. She
4 introduced the guest speaker, Hon. Loni Hancock, and her husband, former Berkeley Mayor Tom
5 Bates, who was in attendance. Members of the Marin County Board of Supervisors, Damon
6 Connolly and Kate Sears, and Leslie Alden, Aide to Kate Sears, League of California Cities North
7 Bay Representative Nancy Hall Bennett and Marin County DPW Watershed Planner Chris Choo.

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9 **The meeting resumed after dinner service.**

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12 **Presentation: Marin County Sea Level Rise / Update on BayWAVE**

13 Stephanie Moulton Peters introduced the presentation and gave a brief history on the formation of
14 the Sea Level Rise Committee, which was initiated in 2014. Chris Choo, Principal Watershed
15 Planner with County of Marin, will discuss the Vulnerability Assessment, what it covers and what will
16 come next. She stated that the group does not have all the answers yet, but can begin to plan for the
17 future and start looking at infrastructure improvements and planning across jurisdictions to look at
18 flooding and sea level rise.

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20 Ms. Choo stated that the Vulnerability Assessment will soon be released to the public. The
21 Assessment catalogs all of the impacts from sea by asset and geography. Six scenarios were
22 modeled: 10, 20 and 60 inch sea level rise, each with a 100-year storm, and used GIS modeling plus
23 interviews with over 100 stakeholders.

24 Near term

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26 One of the key takeaways, going beyond specific flooding impacts, are the long term impacts on our
27 collective infrastructure. By the end of the century, \$16 billion in assessed values could be lost to sea
28 level rise.

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30 In addition to the introduction of the Vulnerability Assessment at the April 11th Board of Supervisors
31 meeting, there are several public meetings scheduled to present the Vulnerability Assessment and
32 Ms. Choo asked for assistance in getting the word out to the public:
33 April 19 in San Rafael, April 25 in Mill Valley, and April 29 in Novato.

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35 A number of tools are available on <http://www.Marinslr.org> including, project talking points,
36 presentation template, and an adaptation fact sheet.

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39 **Committee Reports:**

40 **5.a. Metropolitan Transportation Commission – Verbal report from Supervisor Damon
41 Connolly**

42 Supervisor Connolly stated that nearly half of the commission members are new. This is a
43 great opportunity for new ideas and fresh perspectives. New President of MTC is Jake
44 McKinsey, a Rohnert Park Councilmember. This presents a great opportunity for Marin's
45 transportation issues to be heard. He requested several committee assignments and received
46 them. In particular, the Planning, Legislation and Operations committees. Planning
47 will be dealing with Plan Bay Area. The Legislation committee will be dealing with Regional
48 Measure 3 (project recommendations for RM 3 are now being considered). Ultimately RM 3 will
49 be approved by the legislature.

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51 There is a very uncertain picture at the Federal level. There is talk of a \$1 trillion infrastructure
52 package, but that will not likely be taken up until health care and tax reform.

1 On the State level, SB1 is currently being discussed. He is hearing that RM 3 will not be taken
2 up until SB 1 is dealt with.
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4 **5.b. Marin Major Crimes Task Force Oversight Committee – Written and verbal report from**
5 **Pat Eklund, Novato. Please see packet for written report.**
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7 Chief Angel Bernal joined Pat onstage. He is Police Chief in Mill Valley, and Chair of the Major
8 Crimes Task Force and she also recognized Catherine Way, Larkspur, as Alternate on the
9 Task Force.
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11 She highlighted that there were 199 cases in Marin County that were picked up by the Task
12 Force. San Rafael had the most cases, followed by Novato then Mill Valley. The Task Force
13 has been getting a lot of drugs, including cocaine (16000 grams), marijuana and oxycontin.
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15 There was a case that they got involved with that involved organized crime, the Task Force
16 received \$13,000 to help with budget and this case is reaching the point of closure. There are
17 8 places of interest where they will be issuing warrants.
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19 Chief Bernal discussed the case further: There are approximately 6 residences that will be
20 issued search warrants. The case started in 2014, when Task Force tried to buy drugs off a
21 known seller. In 2015, the Detectives on the Task Force were able to get some undercover
22 buys into this person. In October of 2015, task force shared this with DEA and it became a
23 multi-agency case. Currently, Task Force has tracking device on suspect's vehicle so that more
24 can be learned and lead to the conclusion of this case.
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26 The Major Crimes Task force is very involved locally and beyond, handling both drug cases
27 and other major crimes. Todd Cusimano is co-chair of the Task Force.
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29 **5.c. Association of Bay Area Governments - Written and verbal report from Pat Eklund,**
30 **Novato. Please see packet for written report.**
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32 Pat thanked all delegates and alternates for giving up their Saturday morning to go over the
33 contract. The revised version did not incorporate any of the group's changes and has actually
34 gone in the wrong direction.
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36 At ABAG executive Board meeting, staff came to address the Board. They expressed concern
37 about lack of parity going into merger with MTC. Disrespect of their entire ABAG career, lack of
38 acknowledgement of inclusive and collaborative process that ABAG has developed is not in the
39 contract for services. ABAG staff is being put in one step below MTC staff, retirees are
40 concerned about security of their pension and benefits. There will be a joint meeting on Friday.
41 These issues need to be dealt with, these are real people with real jobs.
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44 **5.d. Transportation Authority of Marin (TAM) – Verbal report from Alice Fredericks, Tiburon**
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46 Gave special recognition to TAM for the innovation workshop. It gave an idea of what the
47 future might hold. Within two decades, it is predicted that autonomous vehicles (AV) will be the
48 predominant vehicle on the road. And on-demand AV's will mean less vehicle ownership.
49 They discussed the possibility of automated trucks for the trucking industry. Contra Costa
50 Transportation Authority runs a 2100 acre test site for AV's and the infrastructure needed to
51 optimize their use.
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1 Projects which TAM will consider for inclusion in the Regional Measure 3 (RM3) expenditure
2 plan: topics for the next meeting will include determining which projects to include and how to
3 prioritize the projects.
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5 **5.e. MCCMC Legislative Committee – Verbal report from Alice Fredericks, Tiburon**

6 The Committee has been dealing with bills that deal with crisis of available affordable housing
7 in the state. Two of the bills deal with creating pools of money to replace revenue lost when
8 Redevelopment Agencies went away. One involves a \$75 recordation fee on certain real estate
9 transactions, the other proposes a state general obligation bond to create the fund. The
10 Committee took the position of supporting the generation of the funding with the reservation
11 that these pools of money might have the potential to usurp local land authority and public
12 comment on projects.
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14 For example, SB35 will require that cities that do not implement Regional Housing Needs
15 Allocations (RHNA) by actually building housing will be required to consider and approve
16 affordable housing projects at the staff level with no public hearing. The Committee opposed
17 this bill.
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19 The Committee supported SB 49, 50 and 51, which protect local communities from impact of
20 anticipated federal action to nullify or diminish federal environmental protections.
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22 The Committee expects to see more housing bills and utility company bills at next meeting.
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24 **5.f. Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District – Verbal report from Alice
25 Fredericks, Tiburon**

26 Annual fare increases are part of addressing a \$51 million deficit predicted over next 5 years
27 resulting from loss of local bus contracts, increased payout of pensions due to retirees, and
28 seismic retrofit project.

29 Please visit the Golden Gate Bridge District's finance committee report online.
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31 Finally, the Golden Gate Bridge District will hear a presentation from the Metropolitan
32 Transportation Commission regarding rolling the start of carpool lane hours back to 3:00pm.
33 We will need to know what the impacts will be, particularly through Southern Marin, so will be
34 encouraging MTC to do traffic impact studies.
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37 **6. Program / Guest Speaker (*Note Change in Speaker*)**

38 **Speaker: The Honorable Loni Hancock will speak about criminal justice in California,
39 with an emphasis on juvenile justice reform.**
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41 Mayor Sloan introduced the guest speaker, the Honorable Loni Hancock. She served two
42 Presidential administrations, served as a Council member in Berkeley, including two terms as Mayor,
43 and balanced seven straight budgets. She continued on to serve in the State Assembly and State
44 Senate. Her husband, a former member of the Assembly and Berkeley City Council, Tom Bates, is
45 in attendance here this evening, as well.
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47 Ms. Hancock stated she would speak about how she has spent the last six years of her life. She
48 went to the legislature expecting to work on education, environment and economy and instead was
49 assigned the criminal justice system in California. Since then, she has been working to reform the
50 system. A number of important changes have been made, but there is a long way to go. She
51 showed a chart from National Research Institute on rates of incarceration in developed world, which

1 starts at the bottom with Finland at 58 per 100,000 and goes all the way up to the USA with 707 per
2 100,000 of our population.

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4 The chart shows this rate of incarceration is not normal for the developed world. How did we end up
5 incarnating such a large percentage of our population, spending \$55,000 per year to incarcerate a
6 person.

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8 California is a high relief example of what is going on with the rest of the country. California had six
9 state prisons at the end of the 1980's, and it now has 33, with most built toward end of 1990's in rural
10 areas with few employment opportunities. This isolation means that people that need the most
11 careful work done with them are being overseen by people with the least training and least ability to
12 rehabilitate them.

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14 In California, we ended up in mid-2000 with overcrowding so bad, that the US Supreme Court said
15 that incarceration in California was cruel and unusual punishment. The Court told the State that they
16 had to build more prisons or release prisoners. Governor Brown implemented 'realignment', which
17 began around 2010. It took a number of nonviolent, less severe felonies and made them
18 misdemeanors. Counties then had to keep those prisoners in county jails rather than send them to
19 state prisons.

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21 Some counties sent much higher populations to state prisons than others. Others tried to rehabilitate
22 their prisoners. The idea behind the realignment is that counties should take responsibility for their
23 failures. The hope was that counties would focus on prevention, cutting down on number of people
24 needing to be incarcerated.

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26 Since then, other things have happened to help meet the Supreme Court decree to reduce prison
27 population to 137% of its built capacity. In addition to realignment, we also realized that according to
28 prison system, 1/3 have mental illness, substance abuse issues and read at about a sixth grade
29 level. Mental health treatment, substance abuse treatment and education needed to be improved,
30 and that has been done, as much as possible given budget constraints. In addition, we allow our
31 community colleges to go into prisons with degree programs and transferable credits.

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33 There has also been a great deal of sentence reform, including juvenile sentence reform, which
34 gives prisoners hope and makes prisons safer. Hope is a great motivator.

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36 Most reform has come about through the initiative process. The state legislature is very cautious,
37 and most legislators do not want to be seen as soft on crime. There have been three initiatives in
38 recent years:

- 39 • 3rd strike must be a serious or violent felony
- 40 • Proposition 42 made some nonviolent felonies and made them misdemeanors
- 41 • Governor's initiative that enables prisoners to be able to "earn your way out"

42 All passed, which means people of California are behind reform and looking for new ways.

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44 Ms. Hancock then discusses her framework for looking at criminal justice, which is primarily working
45 toward safer communities:

- 46 • Prevent
- 47 • Divert
- 48 • Rehabilitate when people are incarcerated
- 49 • Help to reenter

1 We are doing better on diversion all the time, especially with all of the specialty courts. Rehabilitation
2 can be improved. Substance abuse and mental health needs work. The culture of prison system
3 needs to be changed, and prison guards need to be prepared and supported better.
4 Through prison guard union, they are saying they need mental health treatment benefits. They work
5 with a lot of problems in our society, and are doing a very tough job with a training consisting of a 12-
6 week curriculum mostly focused on containment and punishment.

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8 We need to rehabilitate better. When someone is released from San Quentin with \$200 minus the
9 cost of a bus ticket back to their county of origin, they are going to need some help and support.
10 Right now, California has a little more than 60% recidivism rate. Norway has a 20% rate.

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12 Ms. Hancock reiterated that this has been compelling and exciting work for her. This is beginning to
13 be, more and more, a bipartisan effort. There is an organization called "Right on Crime," many
14 conservative members are on this board, and the group is pushing the closing of prisons as a way to
15 save money.

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17 Ms. Hancock asked the group to think about how we can help support her goals of prevention,
18 diversion, rehabilitation and re-entry, particularly with respect to prevention.

19 She stated that two things need to happen:

- 20 1) Early identification of young children with mental health and learning disabilities
- 21 2) Programs in high schools for restorative justice, instead of expulsion.
- 22 3) After school programs should be better funded. Kids get into the most trouble between 3pm
23 and 6pm.

24 25 26 **BUSINESS MEETING**

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28 President Bailey thanked Ms. Hancock and continued to the Business Meeting portion of the
29 meeting.

30 **7.a. Review of Draft Agenda of April 26, 2017 MCCMC Meeting Hosted by the City of Novato**

31 President Bailey spoke about need to call for a Mayors Select Committee, at the MCCMC rules
32 require that an annual meeting of the Mayors Select Committee take place in April of each
33 year. He requested to call the meeting to take place at 5:30p.m. before the start of the April
34 meeting in Novato, the committee will convene to discuss county-wide issues.

35 36 **7.b. Approval of Minutes of January 25, 2017 MCCMC Special Meeting of the Mayors Select 37 Committee**

38 *(This set of minutes was inadvertently left off of the agenda for approval at the previous
39 meeting)*

40 There was a motion and a second (Eklund/Coleman) to approve the minutes of the January 25,
41 2017 Mayors Select Committee meeting. The motion was approved by acclamation.

42 43 **7.c. Approval of Minutes of February 22, 2017 MCCMC Meeting hosted by the City of 44 Larkspur**

45 There was a motion and a second (McCauley/Coleman) to approve the minutes of the
46 February 22, 2017 meeting. The motion was approved by acclamation.

47 48 **Adjournment**

49 President Bailey thanked everyone for attending and adjourned the meeting at 8:35p.m. to
50 the next regular meeting scheduled for April 26, 2017 hosted by the City of Novato.