

MARIN COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBERS

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Wednesday, March 27, 2019

Hosted by the City of Belvedere

The San Francisco Yacht Club ~ 98 Beach Road, Belvedere, CA 94920

Members Present

- Belvedere: Campbell, Kemnitzer, McAuliffe, McCaskill
- Corte Madera: Andrews, Kunhardt
- Fairfax: Coler, Lacques, Reed
- Larkspur: Chu, Haroff, Hillmer, Morrison, Way
- Mill Valley: McEntee, Moulton-Peters, Wickham
- Novato: Drew, Eklund
- Ross: Brekhus, Kuhl, Robbins, Russell
- San Anselmo: Brown, Colbert, Wright
- San Rafael: Bushey, McCullough, Phillips
- Sausalito: Burns, Cleveland-Knowles, Cox, Hoffman, Withy
- Tiburon: Fredericks, Thier

Ex Officio: Belvedere City Manager Craig Middleton; Mill Valley City Manager Jim McCann; Ross Town Manager Joe Chinn; San Rafael City Manager Jim Schutz; MCCMC Secretary Rebecca Vaughn

Guests were: Supervisor Damon Connolly; Supervisor Katie Rice, Leslie Alden, Aide to Supervisor Sears

Call to Order

President Ray Withy called the meeting to order at 7:01p.m., welcomed everyone to the Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers for March 27, 2019 and then called for public comment.

Public Comment

1. Richard Owens, Mill Valley - Mr. Owens spoke about the water district, which they announced that they wanted to raise the rates, and he was told the reason for the raise in rates was because water conservation measures resulted in less water being consumed, and the district not selling as much water. He expressed concerns about the head of the district being paid over \$300,000 a year, the same amount paid to the head of the water district for the entire county of Los Angeles. He asked an employee he encountered out doing water repair, and asked how much he is paid and he responded, "Generally it's \$50 an hour. But not on overtime".

He then expressed concern about how he is billed for his sewage. What they bill is whatever goes into your property, is supposed to come out as your sewer bill, even though they may wind up in an irrigation leak, etc. He had concerns that being billed for it on the tax bill means you can't counter it.

Mr. Owens expressed concern that the electrical pole in front of his home has a red tag on it, and was told that the pole has butt rot and may be unstable. He is concerned about why the pole is still there since his area of Mill Valley can experience strong winds. He has been told that the pole will be replaced, but he would like to know why the utilities can't be placed underground. He believes that homeowners would be willing to pitch in and would like to see civic representatives advocate for undergrounding utilities.

1 He concluded by mentioned Blythedale Avenue in Mill Valley, which was repaired recently, but
2 is already in disrepair. He thinks that it should have been fully repaired instead of just a thin
3 coating that only made it look better for a short period of time.
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- 5 2. Ann Morrison, Larkspur Council – She stated that she sits on the Marin Women's Commission
6 and wanted to announce that she will be chairing the Marin Teen Girl's conference that will be
7 taking place on March 31, 2019. She encouraged everyone to send young ladies from 8th grade
8 to high school seniors to the conference, which will be held at the Embassy Suites. People can
9 sign up at marinteengirls.org. There will be two keynote speakers, 18 different workshops to
10 choose from, 22 different exhibit tables, as well as breakfast and lunch. It will be an incredible
11 day where empowered women empower women.
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13 Seeing no more public comment, President Withy stated that there was a request to re-order the
14 agenda to move the keynote presentation before Committee Reports and asked for a motion to
15 accommodate the request.
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17 There was a motion and a second (Cox/Moulton-Peters) to re-order the agenda and move the keynote
18 presentation up in the order of the agenda, before Committee Reports. The motion was approved by
19 acclamation.
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22 President Withy then introduced Belvedere Mayor Bob McCaskill.
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24 **Welcome and Introduction of Guests**

25 Mayor McCaskill welcomed everyone to the City of Belvedere and provided a brief presentation to
26 introduce some of the history of the City of Belvedere to the membership.

- 27 • Belvedere is the third oldest city in Marin, incorporated in 1896 and is the smallest city in Marin,
28 with a population of slightly over 2,000 and approximately 1,000 homes
- 29 • Belvedere had a golf course until 1933
- 30 • Belvedere has its own flag
- 31 • Belvedere's Sister City is Portofino, Italy
- 32 • Belvedere is actually two islands: Belvedere and Corinthian
- 33 • Belvedere Island is connected to the mainland by two roads, that were both built in the 1950s
- 34 • Those two roads may be underwater within the next 30 years or so, at least at high tide, due to
35 sea level rise
- 36 • Many Marin cities and towns face similar or much larger flooding issues, which was the impetus
37 for the evening's keynote presenter, Chris Choo, who will be talking to us about the sea level
38 rise problems facing all of our cities.
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41 He introduced the following special guests: Supervisor Katie Rice, Supervisor Damon Connolly, and
42 Leslie Alden, Aide to Supervisor Sears. members of the Belvedere City Council: Vice Mayor Nancy
43 Kemnitzer, and Councilmembers Jim Campbell, Claire McAuliffe and Marty Winter, who was not
44 present. He also introduced the Belvedere City Staff present: City Manager Craig Middleton; City
45 Attorney Emily Longfellow; Administrative Services Manager Amber Johnson; Public Works Manager
46 Robert Zadnik; Director of Planning and Building Irene Borba and City Clerk Alison Foulis.
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49 Once dinner service was underway, President Withy called on Pat Eklund to introduce the Marin
50 Major Crimes Task Force for their Annual Report to MCCMC
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3 **4. Presentation**
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5 **4.a. Major Crimes Task Force Annual Report**
6 **(Presentation provided by DEA Special Agent Geoff Kolanowski, Detective**
7 **Scotto and Detective Priest of the Marin County Major Crimes Task Force)**
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9 Pat Eklund introduced the following members of the Marin Major Crimes Task Force: DEA
10 Special Agent Geoff Kolanowski, Detective Nick Scotto and Detective Corin Priest to provide
11 a presentation on the Marin Major Crimes Task Force Annual Report

12 Detective Scotto: He has been working the sheriff's office since August of 2012. He has
13 worked in custody, patrol, and the patrol division, and is currently assigned as a Detective
14 with Marin County Major Crimes Task Force. He holds other collateral duties as a member of
15 the sheriffs SRT team and a defensive tactics instructor as well as an officer, survival and
16 active shooter instructor.

17 Detective Corin Priest, with Max, a canine officer. She has worked in the sheriff's office for
18 six and a half years in the custody and control division. With the Major Crimes Task Force
19 she serves as a detective with the coordination of prevention and enforcement team. She is
20 also a narcotics canine handler. Her collateral duties include human trafficking enforcement
21 and the special enforcement unit.

22 Special DEA Agent Kolanowski, has been a special agent with the United States drug
23 enforcement administration since January 1999. He has spent a majority of his career
24 investigating narcotics crimes in northern California. Except he did do a two year tour in
25 Kabul, Afghanistan county office in 2009, 2011, and an extended tour in Baghdad, Iraq,
26 assisting the criminal prosecution of the Saddam Hussein regime. He has been working with
27 the major crimes task force for almost eight years as a DEA representative to the task force
28 out of the Santa Rosa office.

29 Detective Scotto's Presentation: He prepared presentation about opiates, which have been in
30 the main stream and media recently. There have been news stories about different opiates
31 such as Fentanyl, Heroin, and prescription pills.

32 So most opiate addicts get prescribed pain medications such as Oxycontin or Hydrocodone.
33 They build a tolerance and become dependent on these opiates and that's when they start to
34 go into illegal narcotics such as Heroin or street Fentanyl. The cycle of addiction is powerful.
35 The opiates release endorphins inside the brain and people want to feel that as much as they
36 can so they use more and more opiates to get that same pleasure and that same feeling. As
37 their tolerance goes up, they want something stronger and more of it.

38 He discussed the strengths of different opiates, such as morphine and oxycodone, which are
39 strong, but Fentanyl is by far one of the more potent opiates out there and is a very
40 dangerous opiate. Marin County, by population, has one of the highest opiate overdose
41 death rates. That includes all opiates, including pain prescriptions and illegal narcotics. By
42 populous in the Bay Area county the only county that is higher would be San Francisco.

1 The Task Force has been working with the coroner's office and the district attorney's office to
2 start coming down on the dealers of these opiates, and pursue charges for manslaughter or
3 murder, because they should know that these illegal narcotics that they're selling are
4 dangerous and could cause death. He closed by discussing recent and ongoing cases
5 involving fentanyl dealers.

6 DEA Special Agent Kolanowski: Continued the discussion about Fentanyl, and that is being
7 taken very seriously by the Task Force. His goal is to bring a lot of these dealers to federal
8 prosecution. The reason for that is with greater exposure, prison time, harsher sentences,
9 hopefully some of these folks will stop doing what they do, versus maybe state and local
10 prosecution where they might not find themselves in jail. Within the past year, they have had
11 five federal indictments, and most recently, have worked on a joint case with Sonoma
12 County.

13 Detective Priest: She introduced Canine Agent Max, a three year old springer spaniel. He is
14 a 'detection dog' a rather than a 'protection dog'. He is all about the drugs, smokeless
15 powder (firearms) detection, ammunition detection, spent live ammo. Max came to the Task
16 Force through a "High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area grant. The springer spaniel is known as
17 the Maserati of detection dogs for their gentle nature but their fierce nose. She and Max are
18 certified on detection of the odors of Cocaine, Methamphetamine, Heroin, Marijuana, and
19 smokeless powder. Max can search four times faster than a human can, and with much
20 higher accuracy. Detective Priest and Max have been working together just under a year,
21 and have detected approximately 88.7 grams of Heroin, 1.6 pounds of Methamphetamine,
22 approximately 1 pound of Cocaine, 163 pounds of Marijuana, and have seized approximately
23 \$150,000 of narcotics trafficking money as well as located six firearms that have been used
24 in the commission of a crime.

25 Following the presentation, President Withy called on Claire McAuliffe to introduce Chris
26 Choo, Principal Watershed Planner for the County of Marin, to provide the evening's keynote
27 presentation.

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29 **6. Keynote Presentation: "Preparing for Sea Level Rise in Marin" Presentation**
30 **provided by Chris Choo, Principal Watershed Planner for the County of Marin**
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32 Councilmember McAuliffe stated that Chris has been with the County of Marin since 2008.
33 She is the Principle Watershed Planner for the Marin County Department of Public Works,
34 supporting Marin communities with sea level rise, flood protection, watershed restoration, etc.
35 Bay Wave is the main project for Chris right now and it is the project that is dealing with what
36 she is going to share with us tonight, which is sea level rise for us, in Marin.

37 Ms. Choo thanked MCMC for having her this evening. She has been working to lead the
38 bay shoreline sea level rise adaptation and planning work since about 2015. She noted that
39 there are many issues to deal with, many priorities, many of which might feel far more
40 pressing than sea level rise, but hopes to communicate some of the urgency and need, and
41 some of the benefits we get from thinking about this today.

1 She briefly covered some of the history of flooding in Marin, due to many creeks and low-
2 lying areas. In 2017, the County finished the vulnerability assessment. We know we are at
3 risk, we know what we need to do. What's really not clear is how we move forward with the
4 county. Hopefully our flood experience has given us some experience to deal with Sea Level
5 Rise, which will require some advance planning. There may be uncertainty around sea level
6 rise, when it happens, how much happens, you know, where exactly all this happens. So far
7 in San Francisco Bay we have seen about 8 1/2 inches of sea level rise, over the last 150
8 years or so. She stated that, unlike flooding, sea level rise, from all projections, will get worse
9 in time, not better.

10 Ms. Choo explained that she works in the Department of Public Works in flood control,
11 Currently, flood solutions consist of high tide gates, deployment of sand bags, gates for doors
12 so people can keep water out of buildings for a period of time. But not solutions for
13 permanent flooding. She showed photos of flood gates in Rotterdam, but countered that they
14 are not very good solutions, since sea level rise can overtop the gates. And especially in
15 areas that are very vulnerable, like much of Marin, we are talking about preparing for
16 catastrophic failure of our infrastructure.

17 Ms. Choo asked elected officials to please help with figuring out what the solutions might be.
18 The slide shows might feel like doom and gloom, and it's hard to keep talking about this but
19 she hopes that cities will pay attention and join her in figuring out solutions.

20 She then spoke about opportunities here in Marin. She stated that state and federal
21 emergency funding cannot be relied on, due to other ongoing emergencies being dealt with
22 in the aftermath of fires. She displayed a map that detailed the fire map for Marin county, the
23 wildland-urban interface in red alongside a flood map showing what three feet of sea level
24 rise would look like in the county. She noted that everything that wasn't red, was now blue.
25 Marin County will need to deal with planning for future fire and flood emergencies, and begin
26 planning for solutions now while we have time on our side to think about how we can solve
27 this together.

28 Ms. Choo pointed out that, as the planner for sea level rise in the county, this is an issue
29 about feeling and planning for our infrastructure collectively and that our roads, our utility,
30 emergency access, access to our fire departments, all those things are the things we are
31 looking at, trying to find a way to protect and prioritize as we move forward with the sea level
32 rise planning. Our collective access points of Highways 1, 101, 580 and 37 will all need to be
33 improved, repaired, replaced or protected from sea level rise and flooding.

34 She explained that promoting a joint response is part of our collective future as residents, as
35 community members, as employees here in the county. We need to think about how we can
36 collectively make good decisions in the future to finance what we need in order for our
37 communities to survive. Her department is looking for city/town support, staff, interest and
38 involvement in participating and thinking about highway repairs, road repairs, utilities, and
39 thinking about the long term.

40 She closed by asking if she has the County's support. And stated that Marin County has
41 been the lead on so many things, and has shown that it can do what it needs to do. This is
42 another opportunity to show that to the rest of the word, to the Bay Area and others. Thank
43 you.

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2 **5. Committee Reports (Committee Reports were moved to the end of the meeting to**
3 **allow more time for the two presentations)**
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5 5.a. Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) – Supervisor Damon Connolly
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7 Supervisor Connolly stated that the new director of MTC, Therese McMillan, started today.
8 He had an opportunity to have a one on one session with her, and we extensively went over
9 a lot of the issues at the top of our agenda.
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11 Project updates:

12 Richmond-San Rafael bridge, and the notion of a third lane on the upper deck to match the
13 very successful third lane that allows vehicular traffic during PM commute hours, and would
14 like to see a shared situation on the upper deck west bound AM peak. There will be a bike
15 lane going in around July or August. The plan would be to open it up to vehicles, buses, car
16 pools during certain hours of the day as well. MTC is commissioning two studies that are
17 essential to move that forward. One is a structural load analysis, and also they are going to
18 look at traffic impacts on the Marin side.
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20 Marin-Sonoma Narrows: substantial progress has been made on that stretch again, and will
21 be adding a car pool lane. Right now there is a tremendous log every night. The Sonoma
22 side is fully funded. The work is underway, completed through Petaluma. The Marin work has
23 been environmentally cleared, there is about a \$32 million funding gap that may be closed
24 through Senate Bill 1 funding, and federal funds.
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26 Highway 37: A lot of work needs to be done. On the Marin side the immediate issue is the
27 flooding that's occurring all too often. As your delegation, we're fighting to make sure that
28 funding occurs early for what's called Segment A, the Marin section, where the flooding is
29 occurring. They are looking at raising the road as well as improving the levies through that
30 stretch
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32 CASA: It is now called the Housing Legislation Committee. They are rebranding but it's the
33 same issues, and we have a lot of concerns with that. Specifically, there is a committee
34 forming from counties and cities and towns around the Bay Area, and it's great that Joan and
35 Alice are going to be stepping up and serving for us, along with Judy Arnold. There is an
36 onslaught of bills to sort through. There's some good things and bad, and we're going to
37 need all eyes on those.
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39 He closed by announcing that he was appointed as the Vice Chair of the MTC Operations Committee
40 today. It deals with issues of traffic coordination, Bay Area wide, fare policy, Clipper Cards, etc. MTC
41 is going through Clipper 2.0 right now, which will cover fare integration and equity.
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43 5.b. Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) - Pat Eklund, Novato
44 (Provided written report)
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46 Pat Eklund encouraged the membership to review the report in the packet. She noted that on
47 the first page of the report the State Legislative Office has made a ruling that three revenue
48 proposals out of the CASA report are illegal, so the state cannot put this in their bill. First, is
49 the 20% revenue sharing contribution from future property growth. That is compact nine, and

1 was found to be illegal. The regional vacant homes tax levied on property owners, that is illegal
2 for them to do. Only cities can do that. The fifteen year property tax increment abatement,
3 where they wanted to put aside our property tax for a few years, that is illegal. That is really a
4 good opinion that we got from the State Legislative Office.

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6 5.c. Golden Gate Bridge Highway Transportation District – Alice Fredericks, Tiburon
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8 Alice Fredericks reported regarding \$0.35 a year for five year toll increases. Part of this
9 money will make it possible for the district to create a \$10 million matching fund that would
10 probably have a good probability of qualifying the district for enough other funding to
11 purchase a new \$30 million ferry sometime in the next five years.

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13 Councilmember Fredericks also discussed the Golden Gate Bridge District's new internship
14 program. The Board approved the District's participation in a pre-apprenticeship program to
15 train candidates to become successful apprentice skilled craft workers, basically in auto
16 mechanics. Program is an 18 week course of training with mentoring. There are collaborative
17 sponsors which includes high schools and city college in San Francisco, and they'll reach out
18 to typically underrepresented groups like foster home youth, women and high school seniors.
19 Following the training, the candidates will be supported to apply for a full apprenticeship
20 training program. It creates both opportunities for jobs and skilled worker pool when it's
21 sorely needed.

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23 5.d. MCCMC Legislative Committee – Alice Fredericks, Tiburon
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25 Councilmember Fredericks reported that most of the bills the Legislative Committee
26 considered are on schedule for legislative committee hearings and they are on the watch list
27 of the League of California Cities.

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29 AB 1568: The committee voted to oppose this. It withholds transportation funding if housing
30 community development cannot certify that a city has met its share of regional housing goals.
31 We opposed that.

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33 SB 50: the Weiner bill. We also opposed that. It demands housing production with little or no
34 opportunity to work with market economic topographic or any constraints. That's very important
35 to us in our smaller communities facing reality.

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37 SB 4: Senator McGuire's bill. It modulates the requirements, makes them a little more
38 palatable. It does allow ministerial review of projects, within a half mile of fixed rail or ferry
39 terminals. The projects would be duplexes in non-urban, and fourplexes in urban communities
40 that could qualify. Urban and non-urban is defined by population cut off that currently exempts
41 most of Marin cities. However that population figure could change in one round of committee
42 hearings. Senator McGuire's bill exempts historic coastal areas, high fire, flood, hazard areas.
43 Projects in these areas will not qualify for this ministerial review. It also allows local agency to
44 disqualify a project from streamline of approval if the agency or the jurisdiction finds public
45 health and safety impacts can't be mitigated. However, I'm not sure it's in this bill, but in other
46 bills, rejection of a project will only stand the test in court, if it's supported by the preponderance
47 of the evidence, which is a heavier evidentiary burden.

1 Senator McGuire's bill also let city authority require parking, hook fees for water, any special
2 district fees. It keeps a permit alive, if the permit addresses housing affordability, otherwise it
3 expires in three years with one year extension as long as vertical construction has started. The
4 legislative committee really supported this bill as a reasonable alternative to SB 50. It's fair, it's
5 a more realistic approach to housing production. Again, it's very respectful in the current
6 climate, where housing production requirements are coming at us, and we just have to do our
7 best to make them reasonable for our communities. Basically, the committees positions are
8 meant to reflect that Marin is not an obstruction to the production of housing, and is ready to
9 contribute a feasible share to meet housing needs. And the emphasis here is on feasible.

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11 5.e. Transportation Authority of Marin - Alice Fredericks, Tiburon

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13 ABAG and MTC (Association of Bay Area Governments and Metropolitan Transportation
14 Commission) are launching an initiative called New Horizon. The idea is to shape planning in
15 a way that it accounts for housing for resilience, for economic development, for emerging
16 technology like autonomous vehicles, for climate change, earthquakes and other external
17 forces that could fundamentally alter the Bay Area.

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19 This planning is for Plan Bay Area 2050, which extends to 2022 to 2050, and will shape how
20 we qualify for transportation and other funding. TAM's role in it so far is to supply the tools that
21 the public, and the electeds in the cities and the counties can access in order to give them
22 feedback on the plan as it develops and is made public.

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24 5.f. Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit (SMART) – Dan Hillmer, Larkspur

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26 Councilmember Hillmer announced that there are copies of the General Manager's report
27 available on each of the tables and stated that anyone interested in additional information
28 could visit sonomamarintrain.org. SMART just hit 100,000 bicycles, and 1 million passengers.
29 The point of those two numbers is that a high percentage of people that live within a 10
30 minute walk or bike ride from the train, take the train. This is a very high percentage. We just
31 received another \$13 million grant to connect bike ways in Petaluma, Rohnert Park and
32 Santa Rosa. SMART is leading the nation in performance statistics with respect to what's
33 called Positive Train Control. The feds and many rail operators are now coming to Marin
34 County and Sonoma to visit SMART to see how it's performing. The Larkspur extension is
35 expected to be completed at the end of this year.

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38 5.g. Marin County Disaster and Citizen Corps Council (DC3) – Catherine Way, Larkspur

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40 Provided written report

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43 5.h. Marin LAFCO – Sashi McEntee, Mill Valley

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45 Councilmember McEntee announced that LAFCO has a new policy analyst starting on
46 Monday, so LAFCO will be finally fully staffed, which they haven't been in a couple of years.
47 LAFCO will have a review of the annual budget coming up at the April meeting, during
48 which Staff will be suggesting that jurisdictions will be paying basically what they did last

1 year. Also, at the April meeting, we will be hopefully electing our public member. Last time
 2 the election was in a stalemate, so hopefully somebody will break that stalemate next time.
 3 She complimented the City for Sausalito for reaching for proactively reaching to LAFCO
 4 during their general plan effort.

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 7 5.i. Disaster Preparedness Ad Hoc Committee – Sashi McEntee, Mill Valley and
 8 Catherine Way, Larkspur

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 10 Councilmember McEntee reported that the Ad Hoc Committee is continuing to work on their
 11 white paper, but are somewhat transitioning to the Marin Ready Together subcommittee
 12 that Katie Rice is chairing. The county wide lessons learned committee has three sub
 13 committees: The fire professionals, the city managers and County manager. And then the
 14 Marin Ready Together committee is all of us basically, and then also we're going to be
 15 extending that to other elected officials like fire protection districts, other special districts
 16 that might be involved in coming together around code updates and other things that we
 17 might want to do to be in sync with each other so that we are Marin Ready Together.

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 19 One of the first things that the committee is going to be doing is hosting a community
 20 meeting on wildfire on May 4th. 10:00 to Noon, at the Embassy Suites.

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 23 **7. BUSINESS MEETING**

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 25 7.a. Report out of City Selection Committee Regarding (1) Results of CASA Legislative
 26 Task Force Deliberation; and (2) Possible Action to Re-Announce the Metropolitan
 27 Transportation Commission (MTC) Appointment Process and Process for Submitting
 28 Letters of Interest

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 30 President Withy reported that the meeting of the City Selection Committee met earlier before
 31 the regular MCCMC meeting started. He provided a brief background on the purpose of the
 32 City Selection Committee, which is a committee that each county in the State has and is made
 33 up of the Mayors (or their designated Proxies) of each city in the county. The City Selection
 34 Committee is governed by Government Code Section 50270, and its purpose is to make
 35 recommendations for appointments to certain County and regional bodies, such as the
 36 appointments requested for the ABAG Housing Legislative Task Force. Counties operate their
 37 City Selection Committees in different ways. In Marin, the MCCMC Mayors Select Committee
 38 acts as Marin's City Selection Committee pursuant to MCCMC's Bylaws.

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 40 One of the items on this evening's City Selection Committee agenda was to consider a request
 41 that was received on March 14, 2019 from the Marin County Counsel's office. The letter
 42 explained that their office received a complaint challenging the validity of the previous
 43 appointment that has been made to MTC. The County Counsel approached MCCMC and
 44 suggested that in the case of this appointment, although he did not think that there was any
 45 material problem, the City Selection Committee should, in abundance of caution, potentially
 46 redo that nomination process.

1 One of the decisions made by the City Selection Committee this evening, was a vote to re-
 2 announce the fact that we will be seeking letters of interest from individuals who may wish to
 3 serve MTC for the county of Marin. We will publicize that we will be soliciting letters of interest,
 4 and we will bring forth that decision at next month's meeting, where we will hold a separate
 5 City Selection Committee in order to make that nomination again. This is an important process,
 6 and the executive committee will work to make sure that the City Selection Committee process
 7 operates distinctly, with separate agendas and properly recorded minutes going forward.

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 9 The second report out of the City Selection Committee meeting was that the Committee
 10 interviewed applicants for appointment to represent Marin County to the ABAG/MTC Housing
 11 Legislative Task Force, which will begin meeting in April. Three applications were received:
 12 Joan Cox from Sausalito, Alice Fredericks from Tiburon and David Kunhardt from Corte
 13 Madera. At the meeting, the Committee met with the applicants and voted to put forward the
 14 names of Joan Cox and Alice Fredericks to ABAG/MTC for appointment.

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 18 7.b. Presentation of Initial Results of the 2019 Survey of Members
 19 (Attachment 7.b.: Summary Report of Data and Written Responses)
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21 President Withy provided a brief power point presentation summarizing the initial results of the
 22 2019 Survey of Members. For background, the last time a survey was done, was in 2013. The
 23 results were collected, nothing much with it other than basically communicating the data.
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25 A new survey of members was prepared, as you know, by the executive committee, with the
 26 aid of a group of past presidents, in a small temporary advisory group. The survey was
 27 conducted by Rebecca, using survey monkey, during February. We received 40 responses out
 28 of 55 members. In 2013 there were 29 responses. The general topics that were posed were
 29 meeting frequency, duration, committee reporting and speaker topics selections.
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- 31 • 80% of respondents preferred to continue meeting 9 times per year, with fewer
 32 respondents thinking we should move to bi-monthly or quarterly meetings.
- 33 • Regarding extending the meeting to 9pm, only 30% thought that might be a good idea
- 34 • For frequency of committee reports, just like last time, the responses were mixed. 40%
 35 think it's just fine the way it is. Some want to say there's too many, it's too long, and that
 36 perhaps we should incorporate written reports, which we've started doing. The
 37 executive committee, moving forward, will be looking at this and coming back in future
 38 months to put forward suggestions regarding how to schedule reporting for all the
 39 different types of committees.
- 40 • Ad hoc committees: Each of these groups are building up to presenting their findings
 41 and final comprehensive reports. What should we do with that? Should we just squeeze
 42 them in three minutes? Should we give them a longer presentation? How would you
 43 want to receive something that you and your colleagues have been spending a year, a
 44 year and a half doing? We need to work through that and think that through
- 45 • Should we apply term limits to liaison positions? The response was split on this as well.
 46 Not all committees are created equal. Perhaps we should be looking at each particular
 47 committee's function again. Is continuity good or do we need turnover for experience?
 48 This is something that the executive committee needs to work through.

- 1 • The third general area was speaker topics. In 2013, 80% of you said yes to this question.
- 2 Nothing has changed in the last six years. Basically, should each host city continue to
- 3 select speakers they see fit? Over 80% of respondents said yes.
- 4 • For those who said no, should we create a committee to guide each host with speaker
- 5 selection? In general, there were some majority who would say no.
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7 The information provided in the agenda packet is the raw data that is yet to be fully analyzed.

8 We received 136 suggestions on speaking topics. That means there are a lot of topics that we

9 can filter, circulate, and at least provide each city with a list topics that you want to hear about,

10 and that hopefully will help moving forward.

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12 Should the meeting topics be restricted to those of direct relevance? Again, this is the sort of

13 thing that future mayors and colleagues in each host city need to ask the question based on

14 the data that we're provided.

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16 What we need to do next is analyze all of the topics and filter them and rank order them. Next

17 month, the executive committee will ask the Mayors Select Committee, at its April meeting, to

18 recommend the establishment of an Ad Hoc Committee to prepare a protocols and procedures

19 document and to prepare any amendments to the bylaws if needed by these decisions. This

20 will need to come back to the MCCMC several times, and will likely be completed in the fall.

21 With the goal that we're going to have a redo of our rules, a redo of our procedures, make

22 sure that we've modified things so that we take into account the survey results, and hopefully

23 the current executive committee can leave you with a refreshed set of procedures.

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- 25 7.c. Review of Draft Agenda for the April 24, 2019 MCCMC Meeting Hosted by the Town
- 26 of Corte Madera
- 27 (Attachment 7.c.: Draft Agenda for April 24, 2019 MCCMC meeting)
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29 President Withy noted that there will be both a meeting of the City Selection Committee and

30 the Mayors Select Committee scheduled to take place on April 24th before the start of the

31 regular MCCMC meeting.

- 32 7.d. Consideration and Possible Action to Approve the Draft Minutes of the February 27,
- 33 2019 MCCMC Meeting Hosted by the Town of Tiburon
- 34 (Attachment 7d: Draft Minutes of February 27, 2019 MCCMC meeting)
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36 Matt Brown, San Anselmo, asked that the minutes be amended to reflect that he was in

37 attendance at the meeting.

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39 There was a motion and a second (Morrison/Cox) to approve the minutes of the February 27,

40 2019 MCCMC meeting as amended. The motion was approved by acclamation.

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43 **Adjournment**

44 President Withy thanked everyone for attending and adjourned the meeting at 8:45p.m. to the

45 next regular meeting scheduled for April 24, 2019 hosted by the Town of Corte Madera.

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