1 MARIN COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBERS DRAFT 2 3 **MINUTES** 4 5 Wednesday, September 28, 2016 Hosted by the City of Belvedere 7 The San Francisco Yacht Club 8 98 Beach Road, Belvedere, CA 9 10 11 Members Present 12 Belvedere: James Campbell, Nancy Kemnnitzer, Bob McCaskill 13 Corte Madera: Sloan Bailey, Carla Condon 14 Fairfax: Barbara Coler, Renee Godard, Peter Lacques, John Reed, David Weinsoff 15 Larry Chu, Kevin Haroff, Catherine Way Larkspur: 16 John McCauley, Sashi McEntee, Stephanie Moulton-Peters, Jessica Sloan, Jim Mill Valley: 17 Wickham 18 Novato: Denise Athas, Pam Drew, Pat Eklund, Josh Fryday, Eric Lucan 19 Ross: Elizabeth Brekhus, P. Beach Kuhl, Elizabeth Robbins, R. Rupert Russell 20 San Anselmo: Matt Brown, Kay Coleman, Ford Greene 21 San Rafael: Kate Colin, Maribeth Bushey. Andrew McCullough, Gary Phillips $\overline{22}$ Sausalito: 23 Tiburon: Jim Fraser, Alice Fredericks, Emmett O'Donnell, Erin Tollini 24 25 Ex Officio: Belvedere City Manager Mary Neilan; Belvedere Police Chief Tricia Seyler, Belvedere 26 City Clerk Alison Foulis, Corte Madera Town Manager Todd Cusimano, Novato Interim City 27 Manager Cathy Capriola, Ross Town Manager Joe Chinn, San Anselmo Assistant Town Manager 28 Dave Donery, San Rafael City Manager Jim Schutz, Tiburon Town Manager Greg Channis 29 Interim CMPA Police Chief Mike Norton, League of California Cities North Bay Representative 30 Nancy Hall Bennett, Supervisor Damon Connolly, Aide to Supervisor Sears Leslie Alden, 31 Larkspur City Manager Dan Schwarz; Ross City Manager Joe Chinn; San Anselmo Town 32 Manager Debra Stutsman; San Rafael City Manager Jim Stutz; Sausalito City Manager Adam 33 Politzer; and Corte Madera Town Clerk/ MCCMC Secretary, Rebecca Vaughn. 34 35 Guests were: 36 Julie Leftwich, Michael Coffino, Sheila Lichtblau, Sheri Hartz 37 38 39 1. Call to Order 40 41 President Bailey called the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m. He welcomed everyone to the Marin 42 County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers for September 28, 2016. He stated that, as 43 Mayors and Council members, there is a shared mission to try to improve each other's knowledge 44 of the world around us, our cooperation amongst each other, our inter-city cooperation and to try 45 to do something good in the world once in a while. 46 47 President Bailey stated that there was a request to re-order the agenda to move the Guest 48 Speaker Presentation before Committee Reports. 49 There was a motion and a second (Eklund/Weinsoff) to re-order the agenda. Motion was 50 approved by acclimation. 51

2. Welcome and Introduction of Guests

Mayor Campbell welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the members of the Belvedere City Council.

The Mayor also introduced members of the Belvedere City Staff: Mary Neilan, City Manager, Tricia Seyler, Police Chief, Alison Foulis, City Clerk, and welcomed Julie Leftwich, guest speaker.

3. Presentation of Awards of Appreciation

President Bailey acknowledged outgoing Secretary/Treasurer Sheri Hartz, thanked her for her dedicated service to MCCMC and presented her with a plaque and a bouquet of flowers.

President Bailey acknowledged outgoing President Denise Athas and expressed gratitude for her service as President and for keeping the group on course and on time. She was presented with a plaque honoring her for her service and a bouquet of flowers.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Speaker: Julie Leftwich, Legal Director of the Law Center to Prevent Gun Violence **Program:** "Presentation on the provisions of Lt. Governor Gavin Newsom's Safety for All ballot initiative (Prop 63)"

Mayor Campbell introduced Guest Speaker Julie Leftwich and provided the following statistic: Between 2004 and 2014, 34,000 people have been shot dead by guns in California alone. Ms. Leftwich is the Legal Director of the Law Center to Prevent Gun Violence, located in San Francisco. (See 21:50) Organization was founded by lawyers in wake of 101 California massacre.

Mr. Leftwich stated that she first became involved in gun laws after the July 1 1993, 101 California assault weapon massacre in San Francisco. She was working in the building when shooting happened. A gunman, who was a disgruntled client, had entered the firm of Petit and Martin with assault weapons, killing eight and wounding six. Lawyers at Petit and Martin formed organization to fight epidemic gun violence. Their services are aimed at legislators around the country. They monitor all 2nd amendment cases around the country, filing Amicus or Friend of the Court briefs in those cases.

Ms. Leftwich shared the following statistics:

- More than 80 people die every day; more than 33,000 every year, and another 70,000 are injured.
- The epidemic of gun violence is due to weak gun laws.
- The United States has the weakest gun laws of any industrialized nation in the world, combined with the highest rate of gun violence.
- An American Journal of Medicine study found that the rate of gun homicide rate is 25 times higher than other countries
- Our laws let dangerous people have easy access to guns
- Federal laws are filled with loopholes.
- Some examples of loopholes include: the private sale loophole, no licensing required under federal laws, federal law prohibits creation of national registry
- The Assault Weapons Ban passed in 1994 was allowed to lapse in 2004
- Guns are exempt from Consumer Product Safety Act The Federal Government cannot regulate guns from a consumer safety perspective.

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Federal Immunity Law grants manufacturers and dealers immunity from lawsuits.

States are free to adopt stronger laws, but the trend over the past 30 years has been to make laws weaker because of the power of the gun lobby nationwide. After Newtown, there has been increased demand for change, but Congress has refused to do anything. States are starting to step up. Public opinion polls show Americans support strong gun laws: over 90% of all Americans favor legislation requiring universal background checks, 80% of gun owners support that legislation as do 70% of NRA members, but the NRA still opposes it and Congress still refuses to pass such modest legislation. Evidence is clear that strong gun laws work. Under the Brady Bill, more than 2.5 million prohibited people have been prevented from buying guns.

Over last 20 years, California has enacted over 50 strong gun laws, and our death rate has dropped 56%. The laws have had a huge impact, but we can do more, and that is where Proposition 63 comes in.

About a year ago, the Law Center was approached by Lt. Governor who told them he was preparing to introduce a gun safety initiative and asked what ideas they had. The Law Center provided input to draft the Proposition.

What Proposition 63 proposes:

- Closes loopholes in existing laws, enforces existing laws
- Relinquishment of guns by newly convicted felons and other people
- Clear process to get guns out of these peoples' hands
- Requires purchasers of ammunition to undergo background checks and ammunition sellers to get a license
- Bans possession of large capacity ammunition magazines
- Requires people to report lost or stolen firearms (helps law enforcement with gun cases)
- Firearms dealers must conduct employee background checks
- Requires dealers to report lost or stolen ammunition
- Requires Department of Justice to report to FBI the names of people who are prohibited from possessing guns
- Clarifies that under Proposition 47, theft of a gun can be charged as a felony and if convicted, that person can no longer possess a gun

How you can help

- Local governments can enact Resolutions in support of Proposition 63
- Would love to have more Police Chief and Sherriff endorsements
- Tell friends and family about Proposition 63 (there are 17 initiatives on ballot, which can be overwhelming)

Questions:

- 1. How is it doing in polls? Response: Polling is looking good, approximate 60% in favor and 30% opposed
- 2. Are there sample resolutions available?
 Response: Ms. Leftwich said that sample resolutions are available and she will send them to Mayor Campbell for distribution to interested parties.
- 3. Does law enforcement support Proposition 63?
 Response: The Sheriff's Office came out in opposition, but Sheriffs are elected and often in rural areas. They are hoping to get Sheriff Doyle's support. Cal Chiefs Association came out in opposition. A conversation took place with their chief lobbyist yesterday to discuss factual inaccuracies. But the Proposition does have support of individual chiefs and District Attorney's support.
- 4. One of the oppositions was that it wouldn't protect personal identities of police officers when they went to buy ammunition. Has that been corrected?

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Response: Has not heard that concern yet. Police officers are exempt from that online requirement but if they go through a vender than they would need a letter. Regarding privacy, has not heard any issues about privacy being violated.

4. MCCMC Committee Reports

- 4.a. Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) Report from Pat Eklund Announced that Ezra Rapport is retiring as of September 30th and Brad Paul will be Acting Executive Director effective October 1. Highlights from written report:
 - Please pass a Resolution declaring October 1 as Bay Day. Will send model resolution to anyone who needs a copy. Please let her or ABAG know when your Resolution is approved.
 - Spoke about the Proposed Preferred Scenario for Plan Bay Area 2040 that will be acted on next year. Comments from cities on are due on October 14, 2016.
 Her report has identified three different areas of concern:
 - There are assumptions that are not realistic regarding measurement of performance, such as the assumption that all cities that have Priority Development Areas (PDA)have inclusionary zoning
 - 2. Assumption that cost of building in a PDA and/or Transit Priority Areas is assumed to be reduced by the ease of residential parking minimums and streamlining environmental clearance
 - 3. Assumption that will be subsidies to stimulate development in PDAs.
 - In the Preferred Scenario, they are making changes to the household percentage within the PDAs, changing it from 80% down to 75%. This is of concern to Marin because as they reduce the number of households in PDAs, the numbers are increases elsewhere.
 - They have changed percentage of jobs in PDAs from 70% down to 50%, important because jobs drive housing.
 - Please review the information, pass this along to your staff and put this on your upcoming agendas in order to be able to get comments to MTC by October 14, 2016.
 - Discussed how Urban SIM is being used to determine the household and jobs projections model She will have a presentation on Urban SIM ready for ABAG delegate in either October or November.

Questions:

- How many Priority Development Areas are there in the county?
 Response: There are three: San Rafael, Marin City and California Park (last two are in County unincorporated area)
- Which cities are considered Transit Priority Areas?
 Response: She has asked a list, and hopes to get information, but there is no list of those areas yet. TPAs are not nominated by cities; they are designated based on transit centers, frequency of transportation and housing density.
- **4.b. Marin County Disaster Council Citizen Corps Report from Catherine Way**Welcomed new Central Marin Police Authority Chief, Mike Norton. The retired Police Chief is now Town of Corte Madera Town Manager.
 - Three highlights from her written report
 - 1. Marin County Wildland Fire Protection Plan update is coming out soon. It will be going to the Board of Supervisors hopefully in October to be approved.
 - 2. Will provide an update in December regarding opportunities for cities to elaborate on that plan and create things that are better for their own jurisdictions for fire resiliency.

- 3. Thanked Garry Lion, Mill Valley, who has been instrumental in creating Marin Business Emergency Readiness (M'BER) plan which is now online. You can go to the Get Ready Marin site and businesses can create emergency plan templates.
- 4. Discussed opportunities for cities to create proclamations for the Great California Shake Out, which is scheduled for October 20, 2016. This event recognizes that California has an earthquake disaster preparedness need.

4.c. Homeless Committee - Report from Kate Colin

- She is one of two representatives from MCCMC to the Homeless Policy Steering Committee, the second representative is Ann Morrison, Larkspur.
- Provided update on Community Homeless Fund. An additional four weeks of Rotating Emergency Shelter Team (REST) was funded this year. Over 300 unduplicated individuals were served from May to November.
- A residency requirement was instituted this year; people had to show that they were in case management or had Marin identification. This change was well received by community that was being helped.
- Resolutions of support were passed by Marin Cities/Towns for three years, and this was year one. Now we have a forum to have ongoing conversations.
- The committee, which she co-chairs with Eric Lucan, Novato, will be reinvigorated and will be continuing meetings. Please review the list of current representatives to the MCCMC Homeless Committee, the hope is to meet in October and again in December.

4.d. Marin Transit - Report from Maribeth Bushey

- With the permission of the Chair, introduced the candidates for Judge who were in attendance: Sheila Lichtblau and Michael Coffino and stated that Marin is blessed to have two highly qualified candidates for this office.
- Marin Transit Update:
 - o In the future, we will have a consolidated bus operations and maintenance facility. This will reduce operations costs by having our own maintenance and bus storage facility. A \$4.4 million grant was received from the federal government to purchase the real estate for this facility. Another grant will be needed to construct the facility. Once built, it will lower cost and increase efficiency.
 - School buses: Marin Transit has two components for this service; (1) Yellow buses, service has been increasing in Southern Marin: Reed District has sold 2,600 bus passes have been sold and some routes have wait lists. White Hill Middle School in Mill Valley, has 72% of students on buses. Between yellow buses and bus passes, a total of approximately 4,500 students in Marin county get to school on buses thanks to Marin Transit.

4.e. MCCMC Legislative Committee / Transportation Authority of Marin / Golden Gate Bridge Highway and Transportation District – Report from Alice Fredericks

- <u>Legislative Committee Report</u>: Legislature has been driven by need for afford housing, trying to address this by creating legislation to reduce constraints. Governor has signed two bills, SB 1069 limits ability to impose certain standards on secondary dwelling units prohibits ability to set parking standards on units that meet conditions such as located within a half mile of public transit. Other conditions constraining what a city could do by discretion include restrictions on water and sewer connections and capacity fees. May require cities to do recalculations of all of their current fees.
 - AB 2299 requires local agencies to provide for creation of secondary units by Ordinance in single family and multifamily residential zones.
 - Incentives for affordable housing developers New law requires that a density bonus be offered to a commercial developer who has agreement with an

 affordable housing developer. The committee withdrew the letter of opposition based on representations made by the bill's author that the bill was being amended in ways that the committee would agree with. The bill was presented as an opportunity to bring resources to affordable housing development. The committee was not satisfied that the amended language of the bill made the proposed bonuses discretionary and a matter of negotiation and thought that it looked mandatory, and so restated its opposition to the bill.

- Received a report from their lobbyist. Gave her feedback on the committee's priorities based upon the approved platform, including finding funding for school buses.
- Transportation Authority of Marin (TAM) In this round of funding, projects included pedestrian bike projects such as Corte Madera's Redwood Path repaving, Larkspur's Magnolia pedestrian path improvements, updates to the Ross bike plan, completion of a segment of walkway in San Rafael on Francisco East that will connect to previously approved pedestrian facilities providing access to transit in the Canal areas. One of the Transit Access Projects that was funded provided planning money for Bettini transit center to accommodate SMART construction.
- Golden Gate Bridge and Highway Transportation District (GGBHTD)Report Two new ferry shuttles will run between the Bettini Transit Center and the Larkspur Ferry Terminal. These are demonstration projects to judge need over a long period of time. One will run during commuter service hours when SMART becomes operational, and the other will run on weekends and will match SMART train and Larkspur Ferry schedule. On weekends, SMART will be running 6 trains in each direction. GGBHTD will fund the commuter shuttle and SMART will fund the weekend shuttle.

Also discussed northbound and southbound travel over Golden Gate Bridge in the afternoons. Capacity of bridge is 9,000 vehicles per hour. During peak hours in the afternoon, an average of 11,000 cars travel over the bridge. At last meeting, they focused on the management of the bridge lanes to meet the demand. Northbound afternoon demand is increasing and afternoon crossings are marginally more than morning crossings. Southbound afternoon traffic is increasing as well. Current goal is to identify times of peak demand in each direction, allocate lanes to share the pain and make lane availability as predictable as possible.

There was a motion and second (Eklund/Brown) to re-open Public Open Time. Motion passed by acclamation.

Public Open Time, Continued:

Pam Drew, Novato – Interested in exploring Laura's Law and exploring the possibility of forming an ad hoc committee and would like to know if anyone else is interested as well. She asked that anyone interested in being active in the implementation of Laura's Law and its potential impacts in Marin County contact her for more information. Laura's Law is the intersection of many things such as public safety, law enforcement, mental health and criminal justice. Nine counties have implemented it, and a tenth is in the process. There are eighteen counties that have adopted it. We will be surrounded by counties who have approved it. An ad hoc committee may eventually become a subcommittee that could eventually propose a resolution.

5. Approval of Minutes

There was a motion and second (Weinsoff/McCaskill) to approve the minutes of the June 22, 2016 meeting. Motion passed by acclamation.

2 3 4	There was a motion and second (Athas/Coler) to approve the Operating Year 2016-17 Budget. Motion passed by acclamation.
4 5 6 7 8	7. Approval of 2016-17 Meeting Calendar There was a motion and second (Coler/Lucan) to approve the 2016-17 Meeting Calendar as revised. Motion passed by acclamation.
9 10 11 12 13	8. Announcement of Current Vacancy and Call for Letters of Interest President Bailey announced the expired term of Alternate Representative to the Association of Bay Area Governments and request letters of interest. An appointment will be made at the October 26, 2016 meeting.
14 15 16 17 18 19	9. Appointment of Representative to the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) There was a motion and second (Condon/Wickham) to appoint Sashi McEntee, Mill Valley, as Representative to LAFCO. Motion passed by acclamation.
20 21 22 23	Adjournment
23 24 25 26 27	President Bailey thanked everyone for attending and encouraged the group to email him with any questions they may have. The meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m. to the next regular meeting on October 26, 2016.
28 29 30	Respectfully Submitted,
31	Rebecca Vaughn
32	MCCMC Secretary

6. Approval of Budget