

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

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2024
Via Zoom Videoconference
6:00pm**

Members Present

Belvedere: Mayor Peter Mark
Corte Madera: No attendees
Fairfax: No attendees
Larkspur: Councilmember Kevin Carroll
Mill Valley: Mayor Urban Carmel
Novato: Mayor Mark Millberg, Councilmembers Eklund, O'Connor
Ross: Mayor Elizabeth Brekhus, Councilmembers Kircher, McMillan, Robbins
San Anselmo: Councilmembers Brian Colbert
San Rafael: Mayor Kate Colin, Councilmember Hill
Sausalito: Mayor Ian Sobieski, Councilmembers Blaustein, Hoffman
Tiburon: Mayor Alice Fredericks

Ex Officio: MCCMC Secretary Rebecca Vaughn; City/Town Managers: John Stefanski (San Rafael),
Guests in attendance: Marin County Supervisor Eric Lucan; District Attorney Lori Frugoli, Denis
Mulligan (General Manager, Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District), Anne
Richman (Executive Director, Transportation Authority of Marin)

1. Call to Order

President Melissa Blaustein called the business meeting to order at 6:00p.m., and welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers, for January 24, 2024.

A roll call of the Marin towns/cities was taken. There was a quorum of the 11 Marin cities/towns present, with representatives from the 11 Marin cities/towns in attendance. President Blaustein then called for Public Comment.

2. Public Comment:

- a. Pat Eklund, Novato: She spoke about her ABAG report and asked that elected officials review it (it can be viewed here) particularly the portions about Horizontal Levees, under the Nature-Based Shoreline Strategies), which are gently sloping, vegetated slopes that can provide multiple benefits including: protection against storms and rising sea levels; habitat for native species; and recreational and educational opportunities; Regional Housing Technical Assistance Program, Marin received \$490,000 in funding support for planning collaboratives; and Plan Bay Area 2050, where she noted that the draft Regional Growth Forecast anticipates lower population and household growth between 2020 and 2050 than in Plan Bay Area 2050: the estimated population growth is 1.8 million while household growth is 1.0 million, 23% and 22% lower than the previous forecast, respectively. Meanwhile, estimated jobs growth is 1.4 million, similar to the previous forecast.
- b. Kate Colin, San Rafael: Announced that elected officials should have received an email announcing an opportunity to participate in Marin LEO, the Marin Leadership for Equity and Opportunity for Elected Officials. It's a free leadership program. The program is about getting tools and formats for really looking at all the sticky problems that we work on day in and day out and collaborating with other folks who are also in public service. She is happy to answer any questions of anyone who may be interested in applying, just reach out to her at

kate.colin@cityofsanrafael.org. The program is in early May and early June and registration is open now: https://www.impactlaunch.org/marinleoelected?utm_campaign=afc6af17-b64c-4e68-919b-0395c0fb1a39&utm_source=so&utm_medium=mail

- c. Annie Sherman, Larkspur Corte Madera School District School Board Trustee: She is a Co-Chair of the Campaign for Measure A and addressed some of the concerns that people may have heard from critics of the measure.
- d. Lori Frugoli, District Attorney: Spoke about three important meetings and initiatives. Thursday, 1/25 at the Jonas Center Dr. Michael Pritchard and Mark Dale will speak about opioid abuse and Fentanyl in particular. On Friday, 1/26 at 10:30, the Coalition to End Human Trafficking is presenting a training with a very experienced investigator from Pittsburgh via zoom. They will be discussing human trafficking in the Bay Area and also how it touches Marin as well because it is happening under our noses and he's going to give some things you can look at to educate yourselves. You can learn about upcoming meetings here <https://www.mcceht.org/events>; and finally, the Gun Safety Collaborative will be having its first meeting of the year on Monday, 1/29 at 1:30pm and will include a presentation from Kara Connors of the Suicide Prevention Collaborative who will be speaking about coordination between the two collaboratives to prevent firearm suicides as well as sharing information about suicidality and local resources.

3. Welcome and Introduction of Guests

4. Presentations:

- 4.a. Denis Mulligan, General Manager, Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District. During his presentation, Mr. Mulligan provided an overview of the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District, its programs, services, and current/upcoming projects. For the presentation slides, please visit <https://www.mccmc.org/wp-content/uploads/DMulligan-GGBHTD-presentation-to-MCCMC-1.24.24.pdf>.
- 4.b. Anne Richman, Executive Director, Transportation Authority of Marin
During her presentation, Ms. Richman gave an overview of the Transportation Authority of Marin. She discussed the programs and services provided by the organization and highlighted current and upcoming projects. Her presentation slides can be accessed at <https://www.mccmc.org/wp-content/uploads/ARichman-TAM-presentation-to-MCCMC-1.24.24.pdf>.

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

- ~~5.a. Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)
5a. Report from Supervisor Stephanie Moulton Peters *~~
- 5.b. Association of Bay Area Governments
5b. [Written report provided by Pat Eklund, Novato](#)
- ~~5.c. Disaster and Citizen Corps Council (DC3) *~~
5c. ~~Written report provided by Catherine Way, Larkspur~~
- ~~5.d. Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District *~~
5d. ~~Written report provided by Holli Thier, Tiburon~~
- 5.e. MCCMC Homeless Committee *
5e. ~~Written report provided by Rachel Kertz, San Rafael~~

~~5.f. MCCMC Legislative Committee *~~

~~5f. Written report provided by Alice Fredericks, Tiburon~~

~~5.g. Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit (SMART) *~~

~~5g. Written report provided by Gabe Paulson, Larkspur~~

~~5.h. Transportation Authority of Marin *~~

~~5h. Written report provided by Alice Fredericks, Tiburon~~

6. BUSINESS MEETING

6.a. Review of Draft Agenda for the February 28, 2024 MCCMC Meeting Via Zoom

There were no comments on the draft agenda

6.b. Consideration and Possible Action to Approve the Draft Minutes of the October 25, 2023 MCCMC Meeting

President Blaustein called for a vote to approve the draft minutes of the October 25, 2023 meeting. There was a motion and second (Eklund / Colin) to approve the draft minutes for October 25, 2023. The motion was approved by roll call vote of the cities/towns present, 9-0-2 (Corte Madera, Fairfax absent)

6.c. Review of Draft Minutes of the City Selection Committee Meeting Held on October 25, 2023 (Informational item only. The draft minutes will be reviewed and approved by the City Selection Committee at its next available meeting)

This item was included for information only, no action taken at this time. The minutes will be approved by the City Selection Committee at its next scheduled meeting, date to be determined.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:06pm to the next regular meeting scheduled for February 28, 2024 to be held virtually via Zoom.