

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

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 2026

Business Meeting: 6:00pm

Corte Madera Town Council Chambers
300 Tamalpais Drive, Corte Madera, CA 94925

Members Present

Belvedere: Councilmembers Pat Carapiet and Peter Mark
Corte Madera: Mayor Rosa Thomas, Councilmember Pat Ravasio
Fairfax: Mayor Stephanie Hellman, Councilmembers Lisel Blash, Frank Egger
Larkspur: Mayor Stephanie Andre, Councilmember Gabe Paulson
Mill Valley: Councilmembers Katherine Jones, Stephen Burke
Novato: Councilmembers Pat Eklund, Kevin Jacobs
Ross: Mayor Juile McMillan; Councilmembers Teri Dowling, Elizabeth Robbins, Mat Salter
San Anselmo: Vice Mayor Chantel Walker, Councilmember Tarrell Kullaway
San Rafael: Mayor Kate Colin, Councilmember Eli Hill
Sausalito: Mayor Steven Woodside
Tiburon: Councilmembers Alice Fredericks, Holli Thier

Ex Officio: MCCMC Secretary Rebecca Vaughn; Fairfax Town Manager Heather Abrams; Larkspur City Manager Dan Schwarz; Marin County Board of Supervisors Brian Colbert, Eric Lucan, Stephanie Moulton Peters, Dennis Rodoni, Mary Sackett; Derek Johnson, Marin County Executive; Veronica Hurd, Asst. to Marin County Executive; Nancy Hall Bennett, CalCities North Bay Division.

1. Call to Order / Roll Call

President Stephanie Hellman called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m., and welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers, for March 25, 2026.

A roll call of the Marin towns/cities was taken. There was a quorum of the 11 Marin cities/towns, with representatives from each of the 11 Marin cities/towns in attendance.

2. Public Comment:

Public Comment was received from:

- Allegría Andreoli – provided comments regarding request for end of sale of tobacco and nicotine products in Marin County
- Jeremiah Mock (provided the attachment linked [here](#)) - provided comments regarding request for end of sale of tobacco and nicotine products in Marin County

Public comment can be viewed here: <https://youtu.be/-FXSB7QYjBq?si=uKwINwRymgF7hIEW&t=131>

3. Welcome and Introduction of Guests

President Hellman welcomed guests in attendance.

4. Business Meeting:

- 4.a. Discussion of MCCMC's Future Organizational Structure and Staffing (President Hellman will share information and solicit feedback)**

Discussion on this item can be viewed here: https://youtu.be/-FXSB7QYjBq?si=SS_d9Y8EeDyE8rkc&t=689 The slide deck for this presentation can be viewed here: https://www.mccmc.org/wp-content/uploads/mccmc_workshop_presentation-.pdf

President Hellman introduced a workshop discussion regarding MCCMC's future organizational structure, staffing needs, and value to member agencies. The presentation reviewed MCCMC's historical purpose, current functions, and operational needs, including administrative support, legislative coordination, fiscal management, and Brown Act compliance. Discussion included the pending resignation of the Secretary/Treasurer, San Rafael's decision to step down as fiscal agent for legislative services, and the need to identify an ongoing legal resource. Staffing options reviewed included maintaining the current structure with added legal support, combining administrative and legislative support functions into a single part-time role, and establishing a part-time executive director model. Members discussed the value of MCCMC as a forum for intergovernmental coordination, collaboration, information-sharing, and relationship-building, and also discussed the current and future role of legislative support services.

Public comment and member comments generally supported continuing MCCMC and maintaining its role as a countywide forum, while noting varying perspectives on the relative importance of its social and business functions. It was noted that a survey would be distributed to gather additional input from the full membership to help inform a proposed future structure and budget.

4.b. Discussion and Possible Approval to Establish an Ad Hoc Subcommittee to Recruit and Recommend a New MCCMC Secretary/Treasurer and Accept Volunteers to Serve on the Subcommittee

President Hellman introduced the item and spoke about the need for the formation of the Ad Hoc Committee to interview applicants to fill the MCCMC Secretary / Treasurer role and provide recommendations on the appointment/hiring of the new Secretary/Treasurer. She asked any interested council members to join her in volunteering to serve on the Ad Hoc Subcommittee. Offers to volunteer were received from: Stephen Burke, Pat Eklund and Gabe Paulson.

Public Comment: No in-person or emailed public comment was received.

There was a motion and second (Pat Eklund, Novato / Chantel Walker, San Anselmo) to approve formation of an Ad Hoc Subcommittee to recruit and recommend a new MCCMC Secretary /Treasurer, and to appoint the volunteers (Stephanie Hellman, Gabe Paulson, Stephen Burke and Pat Eklund) to serve on the committee. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion was approved 11-0.

4.c. Announcement of Upcoming Expiration of Term of One MCCMC Representative to the Marin County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo)

President Hellman announced that one MCCMC Representative seat on the Marin Local Agency Formation Commission has an upcoming expiring four-year term which expires May 1, 2026. Current incumbent, Barbara Coler, Fairfax, has indicated interest in re-appointment and has provided a letter of interest.

The expiration of the current term was announced, and letters of interest solicited. It was explained that consideration and vote on appointment to represent MCCMC on Marin LAFCo for a new four-year term will be made by the City Selection Committee at its next meeting scheduled for April 22, 2026.

- 4.d.** Review Of Draft Agenda For April 22, 2026 MCCMC Regular Meeting.
The hybrid meeting will be held at the Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority Board Room, 1600 Los Gamos Dr., Suite 335, San Rafael, CA

There were no public comments received from in-person or online attendees regarding the draft agenda for April 22, 2026. It was noted that the meeting will be hybrid, held in person in the Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority Board Room, with remote participation available.

4.e. Consideration and Possible Approval of the Draft Minutes of the February 25, 2026, MCCMC Regular Meeting

There were no public comments received from in-person or online attendees regarding the draft minutes for the February 25, 2026 MCCMC Regular meeting.

There was a motion and second (Pat Eklund / Alice Fredericks) to approve the minutes of the February 25, 2026 regular meeting. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion was approved 11-0

5. Committee Reports

President Hellman noted that written committee reports were included in the agenda packet and available on [the MCCMC website](#). President Hellman thanked those who submitted written reports and encouraged the membership to review the reports. She also reported that the Ad Hoc Governance / By-laws Subcommittee had met once, would be meeting again, and expects to return at the next meeting with proposed By-laws revisions.

Barbara Coler, Fairfax, provided the following update from the February 12, 2026 Marin Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo): The Commission approved an Annexation of 673 Atherton Avenue, Novato into the Novato Sanitary District; discussed the new Board Structure for CALAFCO and Consideration of Marin LAFCO continued membership in CALAFCO. Other business: the Commission approved update of contract for bookkeeping services and approval of Policy and Personnel Handbook changes.

The following Committee Reports were included in the agenda packet:

- 5.a. Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG)
5a. Written report provided by Pat Eklund, Novato

- 5.b. Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC)
5b. Written report provided by Pat Eklund, Novato

- 5.c. Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District
5c. Written report provided by Holli Thier, Tiburon

- ~~5.d. Transportation Authority of Marin (No report)
5d. Written report provided by Alice Fredericks, Tiburon~~

- 6. Presentations:** MCCMC received the following presentations:
A. (1) Bay Area Growth, Housing, and Planning: Regional Strategy and Local Implementation:
A joint presentation from MTC-ABAG and the County of Marin

Representatives from MTC-ABAG will provide a Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) Subregions Overview: ABAG staff provided an informational presentation, introducing the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) process and the option for jurisdictions to form a RHNA subregion by 2028, if they so choose. A subregional RHNA process allows counties and groups of contiguous cities/towns to collaboratively determine how state-mandated housing targets under the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) are distributed with robust HCD oversight. This informational presentation explained how the subregional process works, its requirements, and the role local jurisdictions play. ABAG staff also reviewed how other counties have approached subregional allocations and lessons learned, emphasizing both pros and cons of this optional path forward.

Presenters:

Matt Maloney, Deputy Executive Director of Metro Planning & Policy, MTC-ABAG
Dave Vautin, Planning Director, MTC-ABAG

(2) Marin County Community Development Agency staff presented the history of collaboration on housing policy in the County, how jurisdictions collaborated on previous Housing Elements, specifically the most recent 6th Housing Element cycle, and provided an exploration of opportunities for collaboration in the future.

Presenters:

Sarah Jones, Director, and Jillian Zeiger, Principal Planner

The slide decks for this presentation can be viewed here:

- ABAG-MTC RHNA Subregions: https://www.mccmc.org/wp-content/uploads/RHNA-Subregions_2026.pdf
- County Planning Collaboration in Marin: <https://www.mccmc.org/wp-content/uploads/MCCMC-Shared-Housing-Work-.pdf>

Video of the presentations can be viewed here: <https://youtu.be/-FXSB7QYjBq>

(The ABAG presentation begins at approximately the [00:51:00 mark](#), and the County Planning presentation begins at approximately the [01:41:24 mark](#).)

B. Derek Johnson – County Executive, County of Marin
County Executive Johnson will provide updates to MCCMC regarding several Countywide programs and initiatives.

(Note: this presentation was postponed to the April 22, 2026 MCCMC meeting)

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08pm to the next regular meeting scheduled for April 22, 2026 to be held as a hybrid meeting in person at the Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority Board Room.