

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

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 2023

Hosted by Town of Corte Madera

RH Rooftop Restaurant Marin ~ 1750 Redwood Hwy., Corte Madera, CA 94925

5:45pm – Business Meeting

6:00-7:30pm – Program and Networking

Members Present

Belvedere: Mayor James Lynch, Councilmembers Cooper, Kemnitzer, Wilkinson
Corte Madera: Mayor Charles Lee, Councilmembers Beckman, Casissa, Ravasio, Thomas
Fairfax: Mayor Chance Cutrano, Councilmembers Blash, Coler
Larkspur: Mayor Gabe Paulson, Councilmembers Candell, Carroll, Way
Mill Valley: Mayor Jim Wickham, Councilmembers: Carmel, Joachim, Perrey
Novato: Mayor Susan Wernick, Councilmember Eklund
Ross: Mayor Beach Kuhl, Councilmember McMillan
San Anselmo: Mayor Steve Burdo, Councilmembers Burke, Colbert, Fineman, Kullaway
San Rafael: Mayor Kate Colin, Councilmembers Bushey, Hill, Kertz
Sausalito: Mayor Melissa Blaustein, Councilmember Hoffman
Tiburon: Councilmember Thier

Ex Officio: MCCMC Secretary Rebecca Vaughn; City/Town Managers: Heather Abrams (Fairfax), Cristine Alilovich (San Rafael), Christa Johnson (Ross), Adam Wolff (Corte Madera), Chris Zapata (Sausalito)

Guests in attendance: Supervisors Eric Lucan, Stephanie Moulton-Peters, Katie Rice, Mary Sackett; Nancy Hall-Bennett, CalCities North Bay Division

1. Call to Order

President Brian Colbert called the business meeting to order at 5:45p.m., and welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers, for May 24, 2023.

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

President Colbert then called for Public Comment.

2. Public Comment:

Public Comment was received from:

1. Kate Colin, San Rafael - Thanked the municipalities who provided Proclamations for Gun Violence Awareness Month. She reminded the group that Wear Orange weekend is June 2-4 and National Gun Violence Awareness Day is Friday, June 2nd. She also spoke about the End Family Fire campaign to promote safe storage of guns in homes. More information on the End Family Fire Campaign can be found here: <https://www.endfamilyfire.org/>

And a video on the End Family Fire program can be viewed her: <https://youtu.be/UwZXj0rymOU> (and can also be found at the top of this website that also has additional information and educational resources: <https://www.bradyunited.org/program/end-family-fire>)

2. Chance Cutrano, Fairfax - Provided additional information about gun safety awareness and current legislation. Moms Demand Action advocates for gun safety legislation at the state and national level. This year one of their top priority bills is AB28, a bill that if passed into law will

provide sustained funding for gun violence prevention groups in California. It imposes a small excise tax on the firearm industry and therefore will require a 2/3 majority to pass. Moms Demand Action is asking our Marin County mayors to please read and sign the attached letter: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdLwA60MO1w9TdkspIWDtYvk2j4OiSvSup3-XkNKQs3diHQQa/viewform?emci=30a18fc9-6ef4-ed11-907c-00224832eb73&emdi=ea000000-0000-0000-0000-000000000001&ceid=>

He also announced that on Sunday, June 4th, Join Moms Demand Action, Students Demand Action, political leaders, gun violence survivors, and community partners from around the Bay Area at their annual Wear Orange march across the Golden Gate Bridge! We'll first gather for a rally at the Marin Vista point and then we'll march across the bridge to San Francisco. Parking near the Vista Point is limited so consider carpooling or taking a taxi/ride share to the rally.

3. Pat Eklund, Novato - Encouraged everyone to review the ABAG report that she provided for the agenda packet, <http://www.mccmc.org/wp-content/uploads/Final-ABAG-Report-to-MCCMC-for-April-and-May-2023.pdf> and particularly encouraged review of the section summarizing "California's Housing Future 2040: The Next Regional Housing Needs Allocation" (which begins at the bottom of page 3 of the linked pdf)

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

3.a. ~~Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)* (no report)~~
3a. ~~Report from Supervisor Stephanie Moulton Peters~~

3.b. Association of Bay Area Governments
3b. Written report from Pat Eklund, Novato

3.c. ~~Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District* (no report)~~
3c. ~~Written report from Holli Thier, Tiburon~~

3.d. Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit (SMART)
3d. Written report provided by Gabe Paulson, Larkspur

3.e. MCCMC Homeless Committee* (no report)
3e. ~~Written report by Rachel Kertz, San Rafael.~~

4. BUSINESS MEETING

- 4.a. Announcement of Upcoming Expiration of Terms of the MCCMC Representatives to the Marin County Homeless Policy Setting Committee (HPSC)

President Colbert announced that there are two seats with expiring two-year terms, and that the incumbents, Rachel Kertz, San Rafael, and Susan Wernick, Novato, have expressed interest in seeking re-appointment and have submitted letters of interest. There were no other nominations from the floor at this time.

President Colbert noted that nominations will be accepted from the floor consideration and possible appointments to represent MCCMC on the Marin County HPSC for new two-year terms will be made by the MCCMC membership at its next meeting scheduled for June 28, 2023.

- 4.b. Nominations for Executive Committee – MCCMC President and Vice President for 2023-24 Term:
1. Nominations for MCCMC President for 2023-24
 2. Nominations for MCCMC Vice President for 2023-24

President Colbert announced that Melissa Blaustein, Sausalito, has indicated interest in appointment as President for 2023-24 and has submitted a letter of interest, and that Eli Hill, San Rafael, has indicated interest in appointment as Vice President for 2023-24 and has submitted a letter of interest. There were no other nominations from the floor at this time.

President Colbert noted that nominations will be accepted from the floor and a vote to elect the Executive Committee for 2023-24 will be held at the June 28, 2023 regular meeting.

- 4.c. Review of Draft Agenda for the June 28, 2023 MCCMC Meeting, in person, to be hosted by the City of Sausalito

There were no comments on the draft agenda, which will be held in person and hosted by the City of Sausalito.

- 4.d. Consideration and Possible Approval of the Draft Minutes of the March 22, 2023 MCCMC Meeting

President Colbert called for a vote to approve the draft minutes for March 22, 2023. There was a motion and second (Coler / Lee) to approve the draft minutes for March 22, 2023. The motion was approved by roll call vote of the cities/towns present, 10-0-1 (Tiburon absent)

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:56pm to the next regular meeting scheduled for June 28, 2023 to be held in person and hosted by the City of Sausalito.