

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

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2025**  
(note change in date from January 22, 2025)  
**6:00pm**

VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE ONLY

*Note: A meeting of the Marin County City Selection Committee will be convened via the same Zoom link noted below, at 6:45pm or upon conclusion of the MCCMC Business meeting, whichever is later. The City Selection Committee agenda and packet can be viewed [here](#)*

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**6:00 PM Welcome and Introductions**

- 1. Call to Order:** MCCMC President Eli Hill
- 2. Public Comment** (Limit 3 minutes per person)
- 3. Welcome, Introduction of Guests, and Introduction of Recently Elected Council Members:** President Eli Hill

**4. Presentations:**

MCCMC will receive a presentation from:

Steven Torrence - Director of Emergency Management for Marin County

Jason Weber - Marin County Fire Chief

Mark Brown - Executive Officer, Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority

The featured speakers will provide updates from their respective areas of oversight as they pertain to countywide emergency preparedness and ongoing wildfire adaptation efforts.

- 5. Committee Reports (written reports only – to be published in agenda packet and posted on website, <http://www.mccmc.org/>)**

- 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

\* = Indicates report not available at time of agenda publication.

*The packet will be updated online and redistributed once these items are available.*

## **6. Business Meeting**

- 6.a. Marin Transit Board of Directors, Alternate City Representative to the Marin Transit Board of Directors  
Incumbents: The Alternate seat is currently vacant

At the October 23, 2024 MCCMC meeting, Alternate Seat Incumbent Fred Casissa, Corte Madera, was appointed to serve as a Primary City Representative to the Marin Transit Board of Directors. There is one year remaining on his current two-year term as Alternate Representative to the Marin Transit Board of Directors.

A call for letters of interest was announced at the October 23, 2024, MCCMC meeting. A letter of interest was received from Maika Llorens Gulati, San Rafael, dated January 22, 2025. Additional nominations will be accepted from the floor, and a vote on appointment will take place, at the January 29, 2025 meeting.

*Attachment 6.a.: Letter of Interest: Maika Llorens Gulati, San Rafael, dated January 22, 2025*

- 6.b. Review of Draft Agenda for the February 26, 2025 MCCMC Meeting Via Zoom  
*Attachment 6b: Draft agenda for February 26, 2025 meeting*
  
- 6.c. Consideration and Possible Action to Approve the Draft Minutes of the October 23, 2024 MCCMC Meeting  
*Attachment 6c: Draft minutes for October 23, 2024 meeting*

## **7. ADJOURN: to the February 26, 2025 meeting, via Zoom**

*Deadline for Agenda Items – February 19, 2025 Please send to: [MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com](mailto:MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com)*

# ABAG Report to MCCMC<sup>1</sup>

January 2025

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:** This report includes a synopsis of status of the **SF Bay Trail; Plan Bay Area 2050+ Final Blueprint Progress Update; update on Misc. Housing Issues; and, Save the Date for the ABAG Assembly scheduled for June 20, 2025.**

**SAN FRANCISCO BAY TRAIL:** On January 16, 2025, the ABAG Executive Board adopted a resolution that authorizes ABAG/MTC to reclaim and carry out the current statutory mandates of SB 100 (Lockyer, 1987) under the ABAG/MTC Bay Trail work program and dissolve the September 5, 1990 agreement between ABAG and the San Francisco Bay Trail Project Nonprofit effective January 2025. The resolution envisions that the SF Bay Trail Nonprofit would work under another nonprofit (yet to be identified) that would be able to be competitive for grant funds to continue the acquisition of trails and maintain the existing trails established through the SF Bay Trail program.

Since 1989, cities and counties have invested in the Bay Trail to provide equitable access to the San Francisco Bay, stimulate local economies, and protect precious natural resources supporting the region's climate resilience efforts. What has been accomplished to date is extraordinary—but vital sections remain to connect and complete the Bay Trail. ABAG and MTC staff consolidated in 2017 and now are working as one integrated team to promote better collaboration and integration on common goals, and to achieve operating efficiencies. MTC and ABAG have partnered with the Bay Area Trails Collaborative (BATC), a regional trails collaborative under Rails to Trails Conservancy to establish the Friends of the Bay Trail working group for informational updates.

The SF Bay Trail Project Board passed several resolutions in late 2024 to pursue a new organizational partner and fiscal agent and eventually transition their nonprofit functions to a new nonprofit organizational partner. Three members of the SF Bay Trail Project Board addressed ABAG Executive Board and asked for seed funding which was denied by the ABAG Executive Board. Certain Bay Trail policy responsibilities will now be carried out under the joint MTC Planning and ABAG Administrative Committee. I was the only Executive Board member to vote NO on the resolution since it is unclear whether another nonprofit would take over for the SF Bay Trail Board of Directors and it is uncertain as to what ABAG/MTC would continue to provide to the Bay Trail Network.

**PLAN BAY AREA 2050+ FINAL BLUEPRINT ADOPTION:** In July 2023, MTC/ABAG kicked off Plan Bay Area 2050+, a limited and focused update to the regional vision for transportation, housing, economic development, and environmental resilience. In parallel, staff have been advancing the Transit 2050+ effort in close coordination with transit operators to develop a comprehensive update to the plan's transit strategies to support system connectivity, ridership recovery, reliability, and more.

Following approval of the Plan Bay Area 2050+ Draft Blueprint strategies and growth geographies for further study in January 2024, staff released outcomes from the Draft Blueprint Analysis in June 2024, as well as the Draft Network from the parallel Transit 2050+ process in July 2024.

staff have completed two extensive rounds of public and stakeholder engagement, most recently summarizing findings from the second round of engagement for MTC/ABAG committees in November 2024. Finally, in December 2024, staff provided a more detailed overview of proposed Final Blueprint Transportation Element

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strategies and projects, as well as a further refined transportation revenue forecast, weaving in Final Network recommendations that emerged from the Transit 2050+ process.

On January 16, 2025, the ABAG Executive Board approved Plan Bay Area 2050+ Final Blueprint Growth Geographies and the Final Blueprint Strategies, including Final Transportation Project List and Final Resilience Project List. As this update is a limited and focused update to Plan Bay Area 2050, this updated focused on:

(1) updating baseline data and planning assumptions to align with the most recent and best available information during this time of significant uncertainty; and

(2) revising plan strategies to respond to current conditions and needs, given the many challenges and hurdles the Bay Area is facing.

However, staff acknowledges that the Final Blueprint has not explored every possible scenario or trajectory for the region – whether for funding, growth, or investment paradigms. This type of scenario planning will be prioritized for Plan Bay Area 2060, a major plan update that will kick off in early 2026 and which will also align with the next Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) cycle.

Staff will return to the ABAG Executive Board in spring 2025 to present further analysis on this Final Blueprint package and on forecasted outcomes.

#### **MISC HOUSING ITEMS:**

On December 11, 2024, I participated in a webinar hosted by ABAG staff on new housing laws in California. More than 300 housing staff from jurisdictions around the region participated in the webinar where attorneys from Goldfarb and Lipman LLP presented a summary of the new state housing laws that could impact jurisdictions' housing processes, and included action items and summary information to help jurisdictions comply with the new laws. I highly encourage all elected officials to preview the new housing legislation. Attached is the table of contents for the document which can also be obtained by clicking here: [2024-new-housing-laws summary-Dec-2024.pdf](#). Lastly, if you are interested in viewing the webinar, please click here: [2024 New Housing Laws Webinar | Association of Bay Area Governments](#)

On January 16, 2025, HCD staff from the housing policy unit conducted a webinar on the 2025 changes on recent changes to the Annual Progress Report (APR) which is the annual report filed by all jurisdictions in the state to chart progress in implementing their Housing Elements. The HCD team explained the new requirements for 2025 and highlighted tools to help cities and counties complete the report.

The first round of grant funding for the Regional Housing Technical Assistance (RHTA) Program ended in 2024. This work will continue until 2026 with Regional Early Action Planning 2.0 funds. Some highlights from the first three years of the RHTA Program include helping 95 jurisdictions bring their Housing Elements into substantial compliance with state law as of Dec. 2024 and granting about \$11 million directly to the region's 109 jurisdictions to support local priorities, including support for seven subregional Planning Collaboratives serving eight counties. For more information, go to: [RHTA Program Highlights First Three Years of Technical Assistance | Association of Bay Area Governments](#)

#### **SAVE THE DATE: ABAG GENERAL ASSEMBLY – JUNE 20, 2025**

The annual ABAG General Assembly will be held at the Bay Area Metro Center in San Francisco on Friday, June 20, 2025. All ABAG delegates and/or alternates, please save the date. More information will be distributed in the next few months.

**ATTACHMENT: Table of Contents for the 2024 New Housing Legislation Summary**

Following is the **Table of Contents** for a document prepared for the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) Regional Housing Technical Assistance (RHTA) program, that summarizes significant housing legislation passed in the 2024 legislative session and signed into law by Governor Newsom. All bills become effective on January 1, 2025, unless otherwise noted.

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# Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC) Report to MCCMC<sup>1</sup>

January 2025

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:** This report includes an update on the recent sea level rise legislation signed by President Biden on January 4, 2025; summary on BCDC efforts on the San Rafael Richmond Bridge; and, a synopsis of adopted actions on the Regional Shoreline Adaptation Plan and guidelines for the preparation of sea level rise plans.

**1. SEA LEVEL RISE:** President Biden signed the Water Resources Development Act of 2025 on January 4<sup>th</sup> which includes a section instructing the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to study the impacts of sea level rise on the entire Bay Area region. Anticipated to begin in 2026, the study will consider the needs of economically disadvantaged communities and the existing vulnerable infrastructure of these areas, and the use of natural features and beneficial use of dredged sediment in the solutions. The study has the potential to bring federal funds to the region for climate adaptation, in alignment with PBA 2050 implementation and the SF Estuary Partnership's Estuary Blueprint and other issues related to sea level rise.

**2. RICHMOND- SAN RAFAEL BRIDGE MODIFICATIONS ON PUBLIC PATHWAY:** On January 16, 2025, the BCDC Commission held a workshop on the proposed modifications to the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Public Pathway Pilot Project.

Caltrans has submitted an application to amend BCDC Permit No. 1997.001 to modify the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Public Pathway Pilot Project (Pilot). While Caltrans is the permittee, the Pilot is being implemented in coordination with the Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA), which is a subsidiary agency under the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) created to administer tolls on the Bay Area's state-owned bridges. The Pilot currently consists of a separated Class I public pathway on the shoulder of the westbound upper deck of the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge that is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Caltrans has proposed modifications to the Pilot that would reduce the days and hours of operations of the public pathway for a two-year period in order to collect additional information about whether modifying the current public pathway to an emergency vehicular shoulder during weekdays may affect response times and delays related to incidents on the bridge.

The workshop allowed us an opportunity to receive information related to the Pilot and proposed modifications, and to provide direction on important considerations related to the proposal. The workshop was NOT a public hearing nor was a vote conducted on Caltrans' permit amendment application

In 2016, BCDC issued an amended permit to Caltrans authorizing a four-year pilot project to evaluate the use of a separated Class I public pathway on the shoulder of the westbound upper deck of the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge and use of the shoulder of the eastbound lower deck as a part-time vehicular travel lane during PM peak hours only. **The purposes in piloting these uses of the bridge shoulders were to seek a means of reducing congestion and travel time in the eastbound direction and to provide pedestrian and bicycle facilities across the bridge, the latter of which is related to the provision of public access contemplated in the findings of the original permit.** The BCDC permit required that Caltrans provide a written and verbal report to the Commission at or around the end of the third year of the Pilot regarding the status of the public pathway. The status report was required to include, but was not limited to, an analysis of public usage and benefits, an assessment of any operational and safety issues, and the need for any future changes to the

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facilities, including removal or making them permanent. Caltrans and BATA provided a report to the Commission at a briefing on May 2, 2024.

The authorization provided in BCDC's permit expired at the end of the four-year pilot period. As the lower deck pilot improvements opened on April 20, 2018, and the upper deck pilot improvements opened on November 18, 2019, the original authorization for the pilot project components expired on April 20, 2022, and November 18, 2023, respectively. However, the amended permit also stated that the Pilot facilities could not be removed, substantially altered, or made permanent without authorization through a permit amendment. Thus, to allow time to conclude the Pilot evaluation, determine appropriate next steps, and complete the amendment process with BCDC, Caltrans requested and was granted an extension of the Pilot through December 31, 2025.

Caltrans and BATA have proposed the following modifications to the Pilot Project:

1. On the eastbound (lower) bridge deck, continue, on a permanent basis, the use of the shoulder as a vehicle travel lane during the peak commute hours of 2:00pm to 7:00pm each day.
2. On the westbound (upper) bridge deck, for a two-year Modified Pilot period, reduce the availability of the public pathway to only the period from 2:00pm on Thursdays through 9:00pm on Sundays, with some additional availability around holidays. At all other times, the movable barrier separating the pathway would be removed and the path would revert to a shoulder and emergency breakdown lane. A shuttle would operate between 6:00am and 7:00pm on days where the path is closed to transport cyclists across the bridge (on Thursdays, the shuttle would run until the path reopens). The shuttle would run between the Tewksbury Avenue bus stop in Richmond and the Vista Point parking lot in San Rafael and involve the placement of informational signage. Caltrans would begin implementing the modifications in spring 2025.

BCDC will be considering these proposed modifications to the pilot project in subsequent public hearings in 2025.

### **3. ADOPTION OF A REGIONAL SHORELINE ADAPTATION PLAN (RSAP) AND GUIDELINES FOR THE**

**PREPARATION OF SEA LEVEL RISE PLANS:** On December 5, 2024, the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC) adopted the Regional Shoreline Adaptation Plan (RSAP) and guidelines for the preparation of sea level rise plans by cities and counties throughout the SF Bay Area. These guidelines include requirements for local governments to use in preparing the rising sea level plans by January 1, 2034 pursuant to Senate Bill 272 (Laird, 2023).

As mentioned in my last BCDC report, SB 272 was signed into law on October 7, 2023 which requires all cities and counties along the San Francisco Bay shoreline to address how they will tackle the ramifications of sea level rise through preparation and adoption of Shoreline Resiliency Subregional Plans. BCDC developed the draft guidelines that will be used by the local governments to prepare these plans in San Francisco Bay and is required to approve or deny plans based on consistency with the guidelines. While SB 272 provides the mandate for these plans, BCDC has been setting the stage for local governments to create coordinated adaptation plans for well over a decade. The San Francisco Bay Plan (Bay Plan) is BCDC's guiding policy document for implementing the laws as outlined in the McAteer Petris Act of 1965.

The Commission adopted the guidelines after reviewing over 225 written comments along with hours of verbal testimony from environmental organizations, business and industry, local governments, individuals and many others.

For questions on this report, please contact Pat Eklund, City of Novato Councilmember at: 415-336-9913 (c).



City of San Rafael, District 1  
Councilmember, Maika Llorens Gulati  
1400 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
San Rafael, CA 94901

January 22, 2025

Eli Hill, Chair  
Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers

**RE: Interest in Marin Transit Alternate Appointment**

Dear Chair Hill,

I am writing to express my strong interest in serving as an Alternate Member of the Marin Transit Board of Directors. Since being elected as a City Council Member representing District 1 in 2020, I have been committed to advocating for equitable access to public transit and ensuring that all residents in our diverse community benefit from sustainable, efficient transportation services. Having lived in San Rafael for 26 years and serving as a School Board Member for almost 6 years, I have a deep understanding of the needs and priorities of our community.

Growing up, I relied on public transit as a primary form of transportation. These personal experiences not only gave me a firsthand appreciation for the vital role transit plays in connecting communities but also inspired a lifelong commitment to improving transportation systems. I have long recognized that public transit is a key component of sustainable urban planning and environmental stewardship, helping to reduce emissions, alleviate congestion, and protect natural resources. My enthusiasm for public transit continues to guide my professional work and civic engagement, driving my commitment to fostering transit systems that support both community connectivity and environmental sustainability.

In addition to my role as a City Council Member, I have spent over seven years working in West Marin, where I developed a deep understanding of the unique challenges faced by rural communities. From limited-service availability to the need for better connections between towns and transit hubs, I have seen how transportation barriers affect residents' access to jobs, healthcare, and other essential services. This experience has informed my commitment to advancing solutions that balance the needs of both rural and urban communities across Marin County.

In San Rafael, District 1 is home to the Canal community, one of the most densely populated neighborhoods in California. Many residents depend on Marin Transit as a lifeline for daily commuting and essential trips. My engagement with Canal residents has strengthened my resolve to advocate for equitable transit policies and investments that address the diverse needs of our county.

As a public servant with a background in community engagement, policy advocacy, and sustainable development, I bring both professional expertise and lived experience to this role. I have worked extensively in both urban and rural communities, focusing on improving access to services and enhancing quality of life through effective, inclusive policies.

If selected, I would prioritize the following:

1. Advocating for improved transit accessibility and affordability for underserved communities, including Canal residents.
2. Supporting sustainable transit initiatives that align with Marin County's environmental and equity goals.
3. Addressing the unique transportation challenges faced by rural communities like those in West Marin to ensure equitable access to transit for all.
4. Collaborating with stakeholders to ensure Marin Transit serves seniors, youth, and individuals with limited mobility effectively.

My passion for equitable public service, my extensive work in West Marin, and my personal connection to public transit position me as an advocate who can effectively represent community needs on the Marin Transit Board. I would be honored to contribute to Marin Transit's mission and work alongside fellow board members to ensure a more connected and accessible future for all Marin County residents.

Thank you for considering my application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Maika Llorens Gulati', written in a cursive style.

Councilmember Maika Llorens Gulati

**MARIN COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBERS  
DRAFT AGENDA**

Wednesday, February 26, 2025  
Virtual Meeting Via Zoom

**Guest Speakers:**

Assemblymember Damon Connolly will provide a legislative update to MCCMC

**Tentative Committee Reports**

Association of Bay Area Governments  
Homeless Committee  
Marin County Disaster Council Citizen Corps  
Marin Transit  
Sonoma/Marin Area Rail Transit Commission  
Golden Gate Bridge & Highway Transportation District  
Transportation Authority of Marin  
MCCMC Legislative Committee  
Local Agency Formation Commission

**Business Meeting**

Review Of Draft Agenda For The March 26, 2025 MCCMC Meeting Via Zoom

Consideration and Possible Action to Approve the Draft Minutes of the January 29, 2025  
MCCMC Meeting

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1 **MARIN COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBERS**  
2 **DRAFT MINUTES**

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4 **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2024**

5 Co-Hosted by the City of Belvedere and Town of Tiburon Corinthian Yacht Club

6 **6:15pm – Business Meeting**

7 **6:30-8:00pm – Program and Networking**  
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10 **Members Present**

11 Belvedere: Mayor Peter Mark, Councilmembers Jane Cooper and Nancy Kemnitzer  
12 Corte Madera: Vice Mayor Pat Ravasio, Councilmembers Fred Cassisa, Charles Lee, Rosa Thomas  
13 Fairfax: Mayor Barbara Coler, Councilmembers Bruce Ackerman, Lisel Blash, Stephanie Hellman  
14 Larkspur: Mayor Scot Candell, Councilmembers Stephanie Andre, Catherine Way  
15 Mill Valley: Mayor Urban Carmel, Councilmembers Caroline Joachim, Jim Wickham  
16 Novato: Mayor Mark Milberg, Councilmembers Pat Eklund, Susan Wernick  
17 Ross: Mayor Bill Kircher, Councilmembers Teri Dowling, Elizabeth Robbins, Mat Salter  
18 San Anselmo: Mayor Eileen Burke, Councilmembers Steve Burdo, Brian Colbert, Alexis Fineman, Tarrell  
19 Kullaway  
20 San Rafael: Mayor Kate Colin, Councilmembers Maribeth Bushey, Eli Hill, Maika Llorens Gulati,  
21 Rachel Kertz  
22 Sausalito: Councilmember Jill Hoffman  
23 Tiburon: Mayor Alice Fredericks, Councilmembers Holli Their, Jack Ryan, Isaac Nikfar, Jon Welner  
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25 **Ex Officio:** MCCMC Secretary Rebecca Vaughn; City Managers: Heather Abrams (Fairfax); John  
26 Stefanski (Asst. CM San Rafael), Robert Zadnik (Belvedere); Assistant Marin County Executive Dan  
27 Eilerman; Marin County Board of Supervisors: Eric Lucan, Stephanie Moulton Peters, Katie Rice  
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29 **1. Call to Order / Roll Call**

30 President Eli Hill called the business meeting to order at 6:10p.m., and welcomed everyone to the meeting  
31 of the Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers, for October 23, 2024.  
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33 A roll call of the Marin towns/cities was taken. There was a quorum of the 11 Marin cities/towns, with  
34 representatives from 11 Marin cities/towns in attendance.  
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36 **2. Public Comment - None**  
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38 **3. Committee Reports**

39 All Committee reports were submitted in writing and are available in the [agenda packet on the MCCMC](#)  
40 [website](#). President Hill thanked those who submitted written reports and encouraged the membership to  
41 review the reports.  
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43 Comments: Regarding the ABAG report, Pat Eklund encouraged the group to review the portion of her  
44 report that discusses the Bay Area Regional Collaborative (BARC). For the Legislative Committee  
45 Report, Barbara Coler provided a brief update related to the MCCMC Legislative Committee report,  
46 stating that there are still bills on the Governor's desk awaiting signature and there are 32 housing bills,  
47 one of which increases penalties for cities not complying with RHNA housing requirements.  
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49 3.a. Association of Bay Area Governments

50 3.a. Written report provided by Pat Eklund, Novato

51 ~~3.b. Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District \*~~

52 ~~3b. Written report provided by Holli Thier, Tiburon~~

53 3.c. Transportation Authority of Marin

**6.c.**

1 3c. Written report provided by Alice Fredericks, Tiburon  
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3 **4. Business Items:**  
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- 5 4.a. Announcement of Appointment of MCCMC Representative and Alternate Representative to the  
6 Marin County Local Agency Formation Commission (Marin LAFCo).  
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8 Incumbents: Steve Burdo, San Anselmo (Primary), Stephen Burke, Mill Valley (Alternate)  
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10 One Primary Representative seat with expired term: MCCMC Representative to Marin LAFCo,  
11 with a four-year term which expired May 1, 2024. Current incumbent, Steve Burdo, San  
12 Anselmo, has indicated interest in re-appointment and will provide a letter of interest.  
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14 One Alternate Representative seat with expired term: MCCMC Alternate Representative to  
15 Marin LAFCo, with a four-year term which expired May 1, 2024. Current incumbent, Stephen  
16 Burke, Mill Valley, is not seeking reappointment to the Alternate seat.  
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18 Expiration of current terms was announced and letters of interest solicited at the October 25,  
19 2024 meeting. Consideration and Action to Make Appointments to Represent MCCMC on Marin  
20 LAFCo for new four-year terms for one Primary Representative and one Alternate  
21 Representative, commencing upon appointment and expiring May 1, 2028, will be made by the  
22 City Selection Committee at its next meeting to be scheduled for January 22, 2025, or  
23 potentially scheduled to take place in November or December if necessary.  
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26 4.b. Consideration and Possible Action to Make Appointments to Boards and Committees  
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28 4.b.1. MCCMC Representatives to League of California Cities, North Bay Division  
29 Executive Board for Calendar Year 2025.  
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31 Three seats have expiring terms:

32 1<sup>st</sup> Representative, 2<sup>nd</sup> Representative and Alternate Representative.

33 MCCMC Representatives are appointed annually for upcoming calendar year.

34 Incumbents are:

- 35 • 1st: Eli Beckman, Corte Madera  
36 • 2nd: Jill Hoffman, Sausalito;  
37 • Alternate: Mark Milberg, Novato  
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39 It was noted that a call for letters of interest was announced at the September 25<sup>th</sup>  
40 MCCMC meeting, and any additional nominations would be received from the floor, at  
41 the October 23, 2024 meeting prior to a vote on appointments. Incumbents Eli Beckman  
42 (Primary), Jill Hoffman (Primary) and Mark Milberg (Alternate) submitted letters of  
43 interest for reappointment.  
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45 No public comment was received in person or via email. President Hill called for a vote  
46 on appointments. There was a motion and second (Colin/Eklund) to approve the  
47 appointments of Eli Beckman, Corte Madera and Jill Hoffman, Sausalito as the Primary  
48 MCCMC Representatives and Mark Milberg, Novato as the Alternate Representative to  
49 the League of California Cities North Bay Division Executive Board for 2025.  
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**6.c.**

1 The motion was approved by approved by a roll call vote of the cities/towns present, 11-  
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5 4.b.2. Marin Transit Board of Directors: Representatives to the Marin Transit Board:

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7 President Hill announced that the term of Primary Representative Maribeth Bushey, San  
8 Rafael, expires on January 1, 2025. Additionally, the second Primary Representative  
9 seat held by outgoing San Anselmo Councilmember Brian Colbert, was vacated with  
10 one year remaining on the two-year term.

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12 Primary Representative Maribeth Bushey expressed interest in reappointment to a new  
13 two year term and submitted a letter of interest. Alternate Seat Incumbent Fred Casissa,  
14 Corte Madera, indicated interest in appointment to the remaining year of the second  
15 Primary Representative seat and submitted a letter of interest.

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17 No letters of interest were received for the Alternate Representative seat.

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19 No public comment was received in person or via email. President Hill called for a vote  
20 on the appointments. There was a motion and second (Kertz/Carment) to appoint  
21 Maribeth Bushey, San Rafael, to a new two-year term as Primary MCCMC  
22 Representative to the Marin Transit Board of Directors commencing January 1, 2025  
23 and expiring December 31, 2026; and appoint Fred Casissa, Corte Madera, to fill the  
24 remaining year of the unexpired term for the second Primary MCCMC Representative to  
25 the Marin Transit Board of Directors expiring December 31, 2025.

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27 The motion was approved by approved by a roll call vote of the cities/towns present, 11-  
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30 Secretary Vaughn stated that the now vacant Alternate seat, with a two-year term  
31 expiring January 1, 2026, will be advertised a vote on appointment will take place at the  
32 January MCCMC meeting should any letters of interest be received.

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37 4.c. Review of Draft Agenda for January 22, 2025 MCCMC Meeting To Be Held Virtually Via  
38 Zoom  
39 Attachment 4c: Draft agenda for January 22, 2025 MCCMC Meeting

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41 There were no comments on the draft agenda. No public comment was received in  
42 person or via email. President Hill then proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

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46 4.d. Consideration and Possible Approval of Draft Minutes of the September 25, 2024  
47 MCCMC Meeting  
48 Attachment 4.d: Draft minutes of the September 25, 2024 MCCMC meeting

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No public comment was received in person or via email. President Hill called for a vote to approve the draft minutes of the September 25, 2024 meeting. There was a motion and second (Coler/Eklund) to approve the minutes for September 25, 2024.

The motion was approved by approved by a roll call vote of the cities/towns present, 11-0.

**5. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15pm to the next regular meeting scheduled for January 22, 2025 to be held virtually via Zoom Videoconference.

# MARIN COUNTY CITY SELECTION COMMITTEE

## MEETING AGENDA

**Wednesday, January 29, 2025**  
(note change in date from January 22, 2025)  
**6:45 p.m.**

**Or upon conclusion of the MCCMC Business Meeting, whichever is later**  
**VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE ONLY**

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### **1. Roll Call, Welcome and Purpose of Meeting**

### **2. Public Comment**

Opportunity for the public to address the Marin County City Selection Committee on matters not on the agenda. Please submit any written public comment to [MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com](mailto:MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com) and indicate "Public Comment" in the subject line.

### **3. Acceptance of the Minutes of the June 26, 2024 City Selection Committee**

Attachment 3a: Draft minutes of June 26, 2024 meeting

### **4. Consideration and Possible Action to Make Appointments**

#### **4.a. Consideration and Possible Appointment of One MCCMC Representative and One Alternate MCCMC Representative to the Marin County Local Agency Formation Commission (Marin LAFCo).**

**Incumbents: Steve Burdo, San Anselmo (Primary), Vacant (Alternate)**

One Primary Representative seat with expired term: MCCMC Representative to Marin LAFCo, with a four-year term which expired May 1, 2024. Current incumbent, Steve Burdo, San Anselmo, has indicated interest in re-appointment and has provided a letter of interest, dated January 15, 2025.

One Alternate Representative seat with expired term: MCCMC Alternate Representative to



Marin LAFCo, with a four-year term which expired May 1, 2024. The Alternate Seat is currently vacant. Rachel Farac, Novato, has indicated interest and submitted a letter of interest, dated January 13, 2025.

Expiration of current terms was announced and letters of interest solicited at the October 23, 2024 meeting. Consideration and Action to Make Appointments to Represent MCCMC on Marin LAFCo for new four-year terms for one Primary Representative and one Alternate Representative, commencing upon appointment and expiring May 1, 2028, will be made by the City Selection Committee at its January 29, 2025 meeting.

*Attachment 4.a.1: Letters of Interest received (Primary: Steve Burdo, San Anselmo, dated January 15, 2025; Alternate: Rachel Farac, Novato, dated January 13, 2025)*

*Attachment 4.a.2: Notice and Request for Letters of Interest, revised notice dated January 13, 2025, originally published October 25, 2024.*

#### Appointment Process

1. Introduction
2. Statements from candidates (optional)
3. Comments from MCCMC members and other members of the public
4. Mayors/Proxies discussion and vote will take place

#### **4.b. Consideration and Possible Action to provide the names of one or more Supervisors and one or more mayors or city council members to the Senate Rules Committee for Consideration of Appointment to a 4-year term on the California Coastal Commission Representing the Counties of Marin, San Francisco and Sonoma.**

Pursuant to Section 30301.2 of the Public Resources Code, the Senate Rules Committee has asked the City Selection Committees of Marin, San Francisco and Sonoma Counties to provide the names of one or more Supervisors and one or more mayors or city council members within 45 days of receipt of the request.

The City Selection Committee will review letters of interest received and recommend nominees for submission to the Senate Rules Committee for consideration and possible appointment. One appointment will be made by the Senate Rules Committee to represent the Counties of Marin, San Francisco and Sonoma. The outgoing incumbent is Supervisor Katie Rice, who recently retired from the Marin County Board of Supervisors.

A letter of interest was received from Sonoma County Supervisor Lynda Hopkins and Marin County Supervisor Dennis Rodoni, dated October 30, 2024, requesting Marin County City Selection Committee support for their interest in being jointly considered by the Senate Rules Committee to serve as the Sonoma/Marin/San Francisco Primary and Alternate Representatives, respectively.

A letter of interest was received from Frank Egger, Fairfax Councilmember, and Holli Their, Tiburon Mayor, dated January 24, 2025, requesting Marin County City Selection Committee support for their interest in being jointly considered by the Senate Rules Committee to serve as the Sonoma/Marin/San Francisco Primary and Alternate Representatives, respectively.

*Attachment 4.b.1:* Letters of Interest Received: (1) Marin County Supervisor Dennis Rodoni and Sonoma County Supervisor Lynda Hopkins, dated October 30, 2024; and (2) Frank Egger, Fairfax Councilmember and Holli Their, Tiburon Mayor, dated January 24, 2025

*Attachment 4.b.2:* Correspondence from Senate Rules Committee, dated December 20, 2024

*Attachment 4.b.3:* Notice and Request for Letters of Interest dated January 13, 2025

## Nominations Process

1. Introduction
2. Statements from candidates (optional)
3. Comments from MCCMC members and other members of the public
4. Mayors/Proxies discussion and vote to determine nominations will take place

## 5. Announcements

Any subject not on the agenda may be presented at this time by members of the City Selection Committee. These topics cannot be acted upon or discussed but may be agendized for a later meeting date.

## 6. Adjournment

Please contact Rebecca Vaughn at 415-927-5085 or [MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com](mailto:MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com) with any questions or require additional information.

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*Excerpt from MCCMC By-Laws related to City Selection Committee, as amended March 2018:*

### ARTICLE V

#### Committees/Authority Assignments

##### Section 1. Standing Committees:

- a. Legislative Committee: The Legislative Committee shall consist of a Councilmember from each of the member cities, chosen by their respective City Councils, one city manager and one alternate city manager. Its duties shall be to review pending Federal and State legislation affecting cities and to take a position on the legislation consistent with a vote of the majority of the committee and the authority given the committee by MCCMC policies.
- b. Executive Committee: The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, Vice-President and the most immediate Past-President who is a member. It shall serve in an advisory capacity to the President to help plan and organize the activities of the COUNCIL.
- c. Mayors Select Committee: The Mayors Select Committee shall consist of the Mayor, or his/her designated representative from among each member's council, from each of the member cities and the Executive Committee of MCCMC. Its duties will be to form a consensus on and a recommended advocacy action for citywide and/or regional issues that directly and immediately affect all member cities and for which there is no other appropriate forum. The Mayors Select Committee shall also perform the functions of the **City Selection Committee** (relating to certain appointments and nominations) and under the powers vested by and pursuant to Cal. Gov't Code §50270 et seq. The Mayors Select Committee shall meet annually in April or at the first reasonably convenient time thereafter, and its Chair will be the President of MCCMC. Executive Committee members may be present but may not cast votes on City Selection Committee matters except when designated as described above. The President of MCCMC will report on the actions or recommendations of the Mayors Select Committee at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the COUNCIL, and shall call for a full vote of any recommended advocacy actions.

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In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the MCCMC Secretary at (415) 927-5085. Notification at least 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the Authority to make reasonable accommodations to help ensure accessibility to this meeting.

Any writings or documents provided to a majority of the City Selection Committee regarding any item on this Agenda are available during normal business hours, for public inspection at Corte Madera Town Hall, 300 Tamalpais Drive, Corte Madera, CA. Any reports that are provided after the posting of this Agenda and prior to the meeting will be made available at this same location simultaneously as it is provided to the Committee.

I certify that this agenda was posted on or before January 24, 2025, in full public view and access at least 72 hours prior to the City Selection Committee meeting time in accordance with the Brown Act.



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Rebecca Vaughn  
MCCMC / City Selection Committee Secretary

MARIN COUNTY COUNCIL OF MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBERS  
MEETING OF THE MARIN COUNTY CITY SELECTION COMMITTEE

**DRAFT**

**MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26, 2024**

**5:50 p.m.**

**or upon conclusion of the MCCMC Regular Business Meeting, whichever is later  
Deer Park Villa ~ 367 Bolinas Road, Fairfax, CA 94930**

**Mayors (or Proxies) Present**

Belvedere: Vice Mayor Jane Cooper (Proxy for Mayor Peter Mark)  
Corte Madera: Mayor Eli Beckman  
Fairfax: Mayor Barbara Coler  
Larkspur: Vice Mayor Catherine Way (Proxy for Mayor Scot Candell)  
Mill Valley: Mayor Urban Carmel  
Novato: Mayor Mark Milberg  
Ross: Mayor Bill Kircher  
San Anselmo: Mayor Eileen Burke  
San Rafael: Vice Mayor Eli Hill (Proxy for Mayor Kate Colin)  
Sausalito: Councilmember Melissa Blaustein (Proxy for Mayor Ian Sobieski)  
Tiburon: Mayor Alice Fredericks

**MCCMC Executive Committee Present:** President Melissa Blaustein, Sausalito; Eli Hill, San Rafael;  
Secretary Rebecca Vaughn

**1. Call to Order, Welcome and Purpose of Meeting**

MCCMC President Melissa Blaustein called the meeting of the Marin County City Selection Committee for June 26, 2024 to order at 5:55pm.

**2. Open Time for Public Comment**

President Blaustein called for public comment. There were no attendees wishing to provide public comment and no emailed public comment.

**3. Acceptance of the Minutes of the October 25, 2023 City Selection Committee**

President Blaustein introduced the item. There was no public comment and no questions from Mayors/Proxies. There was a motion and a second (Burke/Cooper) to approve the draft minutes. The minutes were approved by a roll call vote of the Mayors/Proxies of the cities/towns present, 11-0.

**4. Consideration and Possible Action to Make Appointments**

**4.a. Consideration and Possible Appointment of One Primary MCCMC Representative and One Alternate MCCMC Representative to the Association of Bay Area Governments Executive Board**

Introduction

Melissa Blaustein summarized that the requested action was to consider appointments of the Primary and Alternate MCCMC Representatives to the ABAG Executive Board to serve new two year terms.

There are two seats with terms expiring June 30, 2024:

- 1           • The Primary Representative seat (incumbent is Pat Eklund, Novato)  
2           • The Alternate Representative seat (incumbent is Nancy Kemnitzer, Belvedere).  
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4 Both incumbents indicated interest in new two year terms and submitted letters of interest. A call for  
5 letters of interest from elected officials interested in the appointment as ABAG Alternate  
6 Representative took place at the May 22nd MCCMC meeting. No additional nominations were  
7 received from the floor at the June 26th MCCMC meeting.  
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9 Comments from MCCMC members and other members of the public  
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11 President Blaustein asked if there were any questions or comments from MCCMC members. There  
12 were no questions or discussion from MCCMC members.  
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14 There no questions or comments from MCCMC members or members of the public, and no public  
15 comments received via email. MCCMC President Blaustein then called for a vote.  
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17 Mayors/Proxies discussion and vote  
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19 Ballots were distributed to the Mayors and/or the designated proxies. The motion was approved by  
20 written ballot vote of the Mayors (or designated proxies, if applicable), of the cities/towns present.  
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22 The votes were as follows:

- 23           • 11-0 to appoint Pat Eklund to a new two year term as MCCMC Representative to the  
24 Association of Bay Area Governments Executive Board, beginning July 1, 2024 and expiring  
25 June 30, 2026; and  
26           • 11-0 to appoint Nancy Kemnitzer to a new two year term as MCCMC Alternate  
27 Representative to the Association of Bay Area Governments Executive Board, beginning  
28 July 1, 2024 and expiring June 30, 2026  
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32 **5. Announcements - None**  
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34 **6. Adjournment**  
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36 MCCMC President Blaustein adjourned the meeting of the City Selection Committee at 6:25p.m.

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**Letter of Interest fro LAFCO re-appointment**

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**Steve Burdo** <SBurdo@sananselmo.gov>  
To: Rebecca Vaughn <mccmcsecretary@gmail.com>

Tue, Jan 14, 2025 at 7:47 PM

Dear MCCMC Colleagues,

It has been my honor to serve Marin County on the Marin LAFCO board over the last two years. During my time on the board, we have accomplished much. We have executed several Municipal Service Reviews (MSRs), strengthened the structure of the agency, and increased access and transparency. Serving on the Marin LAFCO budget subcommittee, I am extremely proud of the actions we've taken to strengthen our finances and make our agency more transparent.

Serving alongside so many stellar public servants on the LAFCO board, and working with our amazingly talented staff, I am energized in approaching the work ahead. For those reasons, I would respectfully ask for your support in being re-appointed to the Marin County LAFCO board of directors.

Sincerely,

Steve Burdo

Dear Mayors,

I am writing to express my interest in serving as an alternate member of the Marin Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO). With my extensive experience in local government and public administration, I am eager to contribute to the vital work of LAFCO in guiding the growth and development of Marin County.

As a current member of the Novato City Council and serving as the Mayor Pro Tem, I have gained valuable insights into the intricacies of municipal governance and the importance of strategic planning. My tenure on the City Council has equipped me with a deep understanding of the challenges and opportunities facing our communities, and I have been actively involved in initiatives aimed at promoting sustainable development and enhancing the quality of life for our residents. Being a member of the TAM Commission and SMART Board has provided me with a holistic perspective on regional development. Both SMART and TAM emphasize sustainable transportation solutions, which align with LAFCO's objectives of promoting environmentally responsible growth.

In addition, I bring a wealth of experience from my position as a Senior Associate at Michael Baker International, where I have been working on FEMA contracts. This role has provided me with a strong foundation in fire and flood risk, infrastructure planning, and interagency coordination. My work with FEMA has honed my skills in project management, stakeholder engagement, and policy analysis, all of which are critical to the mission of LAFCO.

As a mother to young children, I am particularly drawn to LAFCO's commitment to balancing development and conservation, ensuring that growth is both sustainable and beneficial for all residents. I believe my background in local government and my professional experience in emergency management and infrastructure planning make me well-suited to support LAFCO's objectives.

Throughout my career, I have demonstrated a dedication to public service and a collaborative approach to problem-solving. I am confident that my skills and experiences will enable me to contribute effectively as an alternate member of Marin LAFCO. I am excited about the opportunity to work with LAFCO to promote orderly growth and development in Marin County.

Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to the possibility of contributing to the continued success of Marin LAFCO.

Sincerely,

Rachel Farac

Novato- Mayor Pro Tem

# CITY SELECTION COMMITTEE OF THE COUNTY OF MARIN

## NOTICE OF ANNOUNCEMENT OF REQUEST FOR NOMINATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE MARIN COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION (LAFCo) AND REQUEST FOR LETTERS OF INTEREST

The Marin County City Selection Committee is seeking letters of interest from elected officials from Marin's 11 cities and towns interested in being considered for appointment to serve as:

- (1) One of the two Primary City Members on the Marin County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo). One seat with term that expired May, 2024. Appointment would be for a new four-year term expiring in May, 2028, and
- (2) The Alternate City Member on the Marin County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo). One seat with term that expired May, 2024. Appointment would be for a new four-year term expiring in May, 2028.

Pursuant to the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, the composition of the Local Agency Formation Commissions (LAFCos) shall generally include seven regular members that includes county (two), city (two), special district (two), and public (one) representation. Each represented category also has an alternate.

The next City Selection Committee will convene via Zoom webinar on Wednesday, January 29, 2025, via Zoom Videoconference, at 6:45pm or upon conclusion of the MCCMC Business meeting, whichever is later. The Committee will review letters of interest received and consider appointments to four-year terms as City Representative, and Alternate City Representative, to Marin LAFCo. This vacancy was previously announced at the October 23, 2024 MCCMC meeting and posted to MCCMC website on October 25, 2024.

Please forward letters of interest to [MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com](mailto:MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com).  
Letters of interest must be received by 12:00pm on Friday, January 24, 2025.

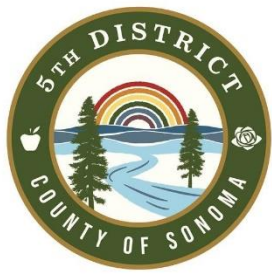
Please contact the MCCMC / City Selection Committee Secretary at 415-927-5085 or via email to [MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com](mailto:MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com) with any questions.

Revised: January 13, 2025  
Originally published October 25, 2024.

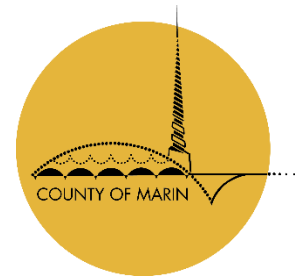


Rebecca Vaughn  
MCCMC Secretary





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Marin County, District 4  
Supervisor, Dennis Rodoni  
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San Rafael, CA 94903

October 30, 2024

Eli Hill, Chair

Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers

San Rafael, Ca. 94903

**RE: Supervisor Hopkins and Rodoni Interest in Coastal Commission Appointment**

Dear Chair Hill,

We hope that this letter finds you very well. We are writing today to formally express interest in the California Coastal Commissions by Sonoma County, District 5 Supervisor Lynda Hopkins as North Central Coast Region Representative and Marin County, District 4 Supervisor Dennis Rodoni as her alternate.

Supervisors Hopkins and Rodoni are uniquely positioned as the elected representatives of the coastal districts of Sonoma and Marin Counties. They have the background and relevant experience to fulfill the Coastal Commission's mission to protect and enhance California's coast and ocean for present and future generations.

Supervisor Hopkins graduated from Stanford University, where she immersed herself in interdisciplinary environmental problem-solving. She studied coastal land use and environmental sciences, earning a Bachelor of Science Degree through the Oceans Track of the Earth Systems Program. As an undergraduate, she conducted research on coral bleaching and the impacts of industry on the Great Barrier Reef and a remote atoll in the Central Pacific. She served as a teaching assistant for the Earth Systems program and earned her Master of Science Degree, focused on mass transit, land use policy, and the communication of these topics to the public. She also has a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Creative Writing. She was elected to the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors in 2016. In addition to serving as the District 5 Representative, Supervisor Hopkins serves as the Chair of Sonoma Clean Power, Chair of the Regional Climate Protection Authority and Sonoma County Transportation Authority, Chair of the Northern Sonoma County Air Pollution Control District, and Vice Chair of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District. She is a proud soccer mom of three children ranging in age from 5 to 11. In her mostly non-existent free time, she enjoys tending a herd of Nubian goats and heritage apple orchard, and exploring the coast and redwoods as often as she can.

Supervisor Rodoni is a fourth-generation resident of coastal Marin County. He has deep roots and connections to the coastal villages and agricultural communities of western Marin County. He attended Inverness School, West Marin School, and Tomales High School. He graduated from Chico State University with an honors degree in

economics. After graduation, he taught at a high school in Australia for several years. He later returned to Marin County as a high school teacher before starting a small business as a licensed contractor specializing in infill home building and custom home remodeling. In 2016, he was elected to the Marin County Board of Supervisors. Before his election, he served on the boards of many community and governmental organizations, including a 21-year tenure as a Director of the North Marin Water District and as a nonprofit board member of the Point Reyes National Park Association during the restoration of the Giacomini Wetlands in Tomales Bay. He is an advocate for coastal protection and has spearheaded efforts to support local beach and roadside pollution reduction, including the Cleaner California Coast campaign partnership across three counties to reduce pollution and litter for coastal communities.

During the elected tenures of both Supervisors Hopkins and Rodoni, they have been actively involved in key policy decisions that have successfully obtained Coastal Commission due to leadership to ensure Coastal Act consistency.

In Sonoma County, Supervisor Hopkins led the charge to finally bring the County's long-awaited and overdue Local Coastal Plan Update forward to the Coastal Commission. She worked tirelessly to convene stakeholders to build consensus regarding key elements of the LCP. Through the process, she furthered public access, affordable housing, climate resilience, marine ecosystem restoration, sea otter reintroduction, and managed retreat, ultimately securing unanimous approval at the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors. (Sonoma County's LCP will be heard by the Coastal Commission in November.)

Supervisor Hopkins also formed the Sonoma Coast's first-ever Municipal Advisory Council comprised of nine self-selected representatives of the Sonoma Coast's varied unincorporated communities, including Tribal representation. She led the charge on multiple coastal land acquisitions for parks and partnered successfully with Caltrans and the Coastal Commission on the Gleason Beach Highway 1 realignment project, a first-of-its-kind example of managed retreat, resilient infrastructure, creek restoration and enhanced public access.

In Marin County, Supervisor Rodoni has recently championed the search for pathways to meet the need for affordable housing in the coastal zone. He has spearheaded short-term regulations in the coastal zone, supported the conversion of a former Coast Guard Housing campus into affordable housing in Point Reyes Station in partnership with a local community land trust, and championed affordable housing emergency measures to protect the health and safety of agricultural worker housing in West Marin.

Supervisors Hopkins and Rodoni present a unique opportunity to provide layers of professional and personal experience to the protection and enhancement of coastal resources while also striking a balance on pressing and emerging community needs, including affordable housing and economic opportunities for residential communities in the coastal zone. Both Supervisors understand these are not mutually exclusive, and through balanced and thoughtful leadership and engagement, these goals can be realized.

The Supervisors are confident that they can be dedicated and effective members of the Coastal Commission and would be honored to offer their knowledge, skills, and enthusiasm to support the Commission's efforts.

Thank you for the consideration of their interest and welcome the opportunity to discuss how they can contribute to the Commission.

Sincerely,



Supervisor Lynda Hopkins



Supervisor Dennis Rodoni

Eli Hill, Chair

Marin County Council of Mayors & Councilmembers

San Rafael, CA 94903

RE: Fairfax Councilmember Frank Egger and Tiburon Mayor Holli Thier request for Nominations for appointment to the California Coastal Commission, the North Central Coast Region position vacated with the retirement of Marin Supervisor Katie Rice. Frank as the Appointee and Holli as the Alternate.

Dear Chair Hill,

We are writing to formally request our names be included as candidates for the California Coastal Commission. President Trump's Inauguration and his immediate attacks on California's Coast is what prompts our application. His "Drill, Baby Drill" in Federal waters off the CA Coast mantra means we are in for a huge battle. In addition, California's commercial & sport salmon seasons have been shut down two years in a row with a 3rd year shutdown pending. President Trump's position on the fate of Chinook salmon, Delta Smelt, Green Sturgeon is "water from the Sacramento-San Joaquin Bay Delta flows waterfully into the Pacific Ocean". There's no doubt that President Trump will try to undo the Ban on Drilling in Federal Waters off the California Coast that President Biden recently put into effect.

As long time Sierra Club leaders and Democratic Party activists, our leadership and experience will serve California residents well. Councilmember Egger is a member of the Sierra Club Marin Group and Co-Chair of the Sierra Club San Francisco Bay Chapter Water Committee. He is also a long time member of the Democratic Central Committee of Marin. Mayor Thier is on the Executive Board of the Sierra Club Marin Group and was a long time member of the San Francisco Democratic Central Committee. We know all three counties really well.

Frank Egger was born, raised and educated in San Francisco. He swam in the surf at Ocean Beach growing up. The Egger family had summered at their cabins in Cazadero above the Russian River since 1918. Frank Rock-fished off the Sonoma Coast and fished Austin Creek and the Russian River all of his life. Frank and Ronita married in Santa Rosa in 1959 and moved to Marin. Frank was elected to the Fairfax Town Council in 1966, served 10 four year terms and was just elected to an 11th term in 2024. Frank and Ronita own Cazadero Winery based in Healdsburg, one of Sonoma County's most awarded micro-wineries.

On December 7, 1972, then Fairfax Mayor Frank Egger was appointed by the Marin Mayor's Select Committee to the North Central Coast Regional Coastal Commission, taking the oath to "preserve, protect and restore" the CA Coast representing San Francisco, Marin and Sonoma counties. In 1976, Mayor Egger was reappointed to the Commission under the Coastal Act of 1976 where he served through Summer of 1981. Egger was instrumental in having the San Francisco based Environmental Unit of the Attorney General's Office take over legal representation of the State and six Regional

Commissions. The Sonoma County Board of Supervisors had approved a number of subdivisions along the Sonoma Coast including Castle & Cook's 5,000 units at Sea Ranch and TransCentury's 2,500 units at Bodega Harbor. The Coastal Commission prevailed in litigation that cut those approved numbers in half and added coastal public access as a condition of approval. Also defeated was a major gravel mining operation, marina and subdivision proposed by Utah Construction at the mouth of the Russian River between Jenner and Duncans Mills.

Frank was involved in a number of coastal battles, one was when the CA State Park's Commission proposed to demolish the Steep Ravine Cabins on the Marin Coast. Coastal staff had recommended approval of the Demo permit. His position was that one of the Commission's charges was to provide affordable overnight stays on the Coast. He recommended that State Parks restore the cabins and make them available on the State Parks campsite reservation program. The Commissioners agreed, the Demo permit was denied. After the vote, the head of State Parks took the mic and said, do you know who I am and Commissioner Egger responded, Sir, there's a new Sheriff in Town. Today Steep Ravine Cabins are one of the most sought after campsites on the State's online registration.

The 84 Coastal Commissioners met at Asilomar in 1981 for a recap of their work to Save the Coast. The CA AG's lawyers had won 94% of the Coastal Commission's legal battles, the highest won-lost ratio of any public or private law firm in the United States. Unbeknownst to the Commissioners, the Sierra Club and Coastal Alliance had tallied all major votes of all 84 Commissioners and they announced the #1 Vote the Coast Commissioner at the Asilomar event, it was Commissioner Egger.

Frank Egger has been in the forefront of the fight to save CA salmon for over 50 years. As Fairfax Mayor in 1970, he joined with the Committee of 1 Million and Covelo's Richard Wilson to stop the Dam on the Eel River at Dos Rios that would have flooded Round Valley and the Covelo Tribes' Reservation. Frank was also instrumental in having then Governor Ronald Reagan sign Marin Senator Peter Behr's Wild & Scenic Rivers Bill that included the Eel River. Frank Egger was co-founder of Friends of the Eel River and today is President of the North Coast Rivers Alliance. Frank regularly works with Native Americans including the Winnemem Wintu Tribe, Assiniboine & Sioux Tribal leaders and the Indigenous Environmental Network on fishery and pipeline issues.

In 2017, when then President Trump reversed President Obama's rejection of TransCanada's Keystone XL pipeline and approved it to come into and through the US in Phillips County, Montana, Frank and Dallas Goldtooth from the Indigenous Environmental Network filed suit in Federal Court in Great Falls, MT to stop it. They prevailed and President Trump appealed to the 9th Circuit in San Francisco. The 9th Circuit upheld the Federal District Court Decision. It took until January of 2024 to have TransCanada remove about 2 miles of KXL pipeline they had constructed in Montana.

Frank's North Coast Rivers Alliance was also an Intervenor in the FERC Application in 2023 to stop the Fort Ross Coastal Pump Plant proposed by an Alabama Corporation.

Mayor Thier is serving her second term as Mayor of Tiburon, a San Francisco Bay front community. She previously served four terms and the San Francisco Democratic Central Committee and also as the President of the San Francisco League of Women's Voters.

Holli was instrumental in having the first electric ferry (EV Ferry) put into service on San Francisco Bay from Tiburon to Angel Island. As a Councilmember and Mayor Holli led the effort to ban the use of pesticides like Round-Up on Tiburon Parks and Open Space.

As Mayor of Tiburon and as a Town Councilmember, I have worked very closely with members of the Marin Executive Committee, and with the Sierra Club in all of my environmental work. My passion for the planet that Sierra Club has sworn to protect since 1892 is my passion for ensuring good environmental policy locally, statewide, nationally and globally makes me want to serve with such a great group of environmental champions. None of the work I have done could have happened without Sierra Club Marin Group's help. Whether it was banning the use of Round-Up in Tiburon, my five year effort to ban Lifeline, and other harmful pesticides from Tiburon's parks and open spaces, getting Tiburon to go Deep Green with Marin Clean Energy, passing the Single Use Foodware ordinance, passing a Climate Emergency Ordinance, creating a Sustainability Element for our General Plan and successful in getting support to purchase new open space.

In 2023 a proposal was approved to drop pesticides on the Farallones: This project included a proposed plan to disperse approximately 3,500 lbs (1.45 tons) of Brodifacoum-infused bait with two aerial (by helicopter) applications within a globally significant, extraordinarily diverse, and productive marine ecosystem designated as both a Marine

Protected Area and National Marine Sanctuary. The Farallones are included within the boundary of the City & County of San Francisco. Brodifacoum is a banned pesticide in California under most circumstances. The Coastal Commission, on a split vote, approved the application but it has not yet been implemented. Both Holli and Frank opposed the Application when it was before the Coastal Commission in 2023.

Holli and Frank are battle tested and know that California has President Trump's target on her. We are in for the long haul, and will not stand by and allow Chinook Salmon and other endangered species to go extinct and oil drilling off of the California Coast. Yes, the environment needs a good lawyer too.

Thank you, Frank Egger, [fegger@gmail.com](mailto:fegger@gmail.com) and Holli Thier, [vote4holli@gmail.com](mailto:vote4holli@gmail.com)

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December 20, 2024

Eli Hill, President  
Marin County City Selection Committee  
c/o Town of Corte Madera  
300 Tamalpais Drive  
Corte Madera, CA 94925

**Sent via Email**

Dear President Hill:

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Please submit the Marin County City Selection Committee's list of nominees within 45 days of receipt of this request via email to Senate Rules Committee Appointments Deputy Director Amy Wilson ([amy.wilson@sen.ca.gov](mailto:amy.wilson@sen.ca.gov)). She is also your primary point of contact should you have any questions concerning the nomination or selection process.

Warmest Regards,

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**Mike McGuire**  
**Senate President pro Tempore**

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cc: Rebecca Vaughn, Town Clerk/Assistant Town Manager

# CITY SELECTION COMMITTEE OF THE COUNTY OF MARIN

## NOTICE OF ANNOUNCEMENT OF REQUEST FOR NOMINATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION AND REQUEST FOR LETTERS OF INTEREST

The Marin County City Selection Committee is announcing that it is seeking letters of interest from those interested in being considered for appointment to represent the Counties of Marin, San Francisco and Sonoma on the California Coastal Commission to serve a 4-year term. Pursuant to Section 30301.2 of the Public Resources Code, the Senate Rules Committee has asked the City Selection Committees of Marin, San Francisco and Sonoma Counties to provide the names of one or more Supervisors and one or more mayors or city council members within 45 days of receipt of the request.

The next City Selection Committee will convene via Zoom videoconference on Wednesday, January 29, 2025, at 6:45pm, or upon conclusion of the MCCMC Business Meeting, whichever is later, to review letters of interest received and recommend nominees for submission to the Senate Rules Committee for consideration and possible appointment. One appointment will be made by the Senate Rules Committee to represent the Counties of Marin, San Francisco and Sonoma. The outgoing incumbent is Supervisor Katie Rice, who has recently retired from the Marin County Board of Supervisors.

Please forward letters of interest to MCCMC and City Selection Committee Secretary, Rebecca Vaughn at [MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com](mailto:MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com).

Letters of interest must be received by 12:00pm on Friday, January 24, 2025.

Information about the Board of Commissioners of the California Coastal Commission can be found at: <https://www.coastal.ca.gov/>

Please contact the MCCMC Secretary at 415-927-5085 or via email to [MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com](mailto:MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com) with any questions.

Dated: January 13, 2025



Rebecca Vaughn  
MCCMC and City Selection Committee Secretary

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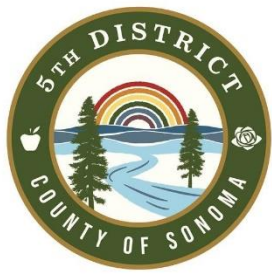
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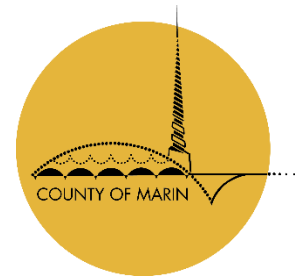
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October 30, 2024

Eli Hill, Chair

Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers

San Rafael, Ca. 94903

**RE: Supervisor Hopkins and Rodoni Interest in Coastal Commission Appointment**

Dear Chair Hill,

We hope that this letter finds you very well. We are writing today to formally express interest in the California Coastal Commissions by Sonoma County, District 5 Supervisor Lynda Hopkins as North Central Coast Region Representative and Marin County, District 4 Supervisor Dennis Rodoni as her alternate.

Supervisors Hopkins and Rodoni are uniquely positioned as the elected representatives of the coastal districts of Sonoma and Marin Counties. They have the background and relevant experience to fulfill the Coastal Commission's mission to protect and enhance California's coast and ocean for present and future generations.

Supervisor Hopkins graduated from Stanford University, where she immersed herself in interdisciplinary environmental problem-solving. She studied coastal land use and environmental sciences, earning a Bachelor of Science Degree through the Oceans Track of the Earth Systems Program. As an undergraduate, she conducted research on coral bleaching and the impacts of industry on the Great Barrier Reef and a remote atoll in the Central Pacific. She served as a teaching assistant for the Earth Systems program and earned her Master of Science Degree, focused on mass transit, land use policy, and the communication of these topics to the public. She also has a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Creative Writing. She was elected to the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors in 2016. In addition to serving as the District 5 Representative, Supervisor Hopkins serves as the Chair of Sonoma Clean Power, Chair of the Regional Climate Protection Authority and Sonoma County Transportation Authority, Chair of the Northern Sonoma County Air Pollution Control District, and Vice Chair of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District. She is a proud soccer mom of three children ranging in age from 5 to 11. In her mostly non-existent free time, she enjoys tending a herd of Nubian goats and heritage apple orchard, and exploring the coast and redwoods as often as she can.

Supervisor Rodoni is a fourth-generation resident of coastal Marin County. He has deep roots and connections to the coastal villages and agricultural communities of western Marin County. He attended Inverness School, West Marin School, and Tomales High School. He graduated from Chico State University with an honors degree in

economics. After graduation, he taught at a high school in Australia for several years. He later returned to Marin County as a high school teacher before starting a small business as a licensed contractor specializing in infill home building and custom home remodeling. In 2016, he was elected to the Marin County Board of Supervisors. Before his election, he served on the boards of many community and governmental organizations, including a 21-year tenure as a Director of the North Marin Water District and as a nonprofit board member of the Point Reyes National Park Association during the restoration of the Giacomini Wetlands in Tomales Bay. He is an advocate for coastal protection and has spearheaded efforts to support local beach and roadside pollution reduction, including the Cleaner California Coast campaign partnership across three counties to reduce pollution and litter for coastal communities.

During the elected tenures of both Supervisors Hopkins and Rodoni, they have been actively involved in key policy decisions that have successfully obtained Coastal Commission due to leadership to ensure Coastal Act consistency.

In Sonoma County, Supervisor Hopkins led the charge to finally bring the County's long-awaited and overdue Local Coastal Plan Update forward to the Coastal Commission. She worked tirelessly to convene stakeholders to build consensus regarding key elements of the LCP. Through the process, she furthered public access, affordable housing, climate resilience, marine ecosystem restoration, sea otter reintroduction, and managed retreat, ultimately securing unanimous approval at the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors. (Sonoma County's LCP will be heard by the Coastal Commission in November.)

Supervisor Hopkins also formed the Sonoma Coast's first-ever Municipal Advisory Council comprised of nine self-selected representatives of the Sonoma Coast's varied unincorporated communities, including Tribal representation. She led the charge on multiple coastal land acquisitions for parks and partnered successfully with Caltrans and the Coastal Commission on the Gleason Beach Highway 1 realignment project, a first-of-its-kind example of managed retreat, resilient infrastructure, creek restoration and enhanced public access.

In Marin County, Supervisor Rodoni has recently championed the search for pathways to meet the need for affordable housing in the coastal zone. He has spearheaded short-term regulations in the coastal zone, supported the conversion of a former Coast Guard Housing campus into affordable housing in Point Reyes Station in partnership with a local community land trust, and championed affordable housing emergency measures to protect the health and safety of agricultural worker housing in West Marin.

Supervisors Hopkins and Rodoni present a unique opportunity to provide layers of professional and personal experience to the protection and enhancement of coastal resources while also striking a balance on pressing and emerging community needs, including affordable housing and economic opportunities for residential communities in the coastal zone. Both Supervisors understand these are not mutually exclusive, and through balanced and thoughtful leadership and engagement, these goals can be realized.

The Supervisors are confident that they can be dedicated and effective members of the Coastal Commission and would be honored to offer their knowledge, skills, and enthusiasm to support the Commission's efforts.

Thank you for the consideration of their interest and welcome the opportunity to discuss how they can contribute to the Commission.

Sincerely,



Supervisor Lynda Hopkins



Supervisor Dennis Rodoni