



ACTION MINUTES

Tuesday, May 6, 2025

**5:00 P.M. Closed Session
6:30 P.M. Open Session**

**REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL, AIRPORT COMMISSION,
MARINA ABRAMS B NON-PROFIT CORPORATION, PRESTON PARK
SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY NON-PROFIT CORPORATION, SUCCESSOR
AGENCY OF THE FORMER MARINA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND MARINA
GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY**

THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD IN PERSON AND VIRTUALLY (HYBRID).

Council Chambers
211 Hillcrest Avenue
Marina, California

AND

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1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL & ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM: (City Council, Airport Commissioners, Marina Abrams B Non-Profit Corporation, Preston Park Sustainable Communities Nonprofit Corporation, Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency Members and Marina Groundwater Sustainability Agency)

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jenny McAdams, Brian McCarthy, Kathy Biala, Mayor Pro-Tem/Vice Chair Liesbeth Visscher, Mayor/Chair Bruce C. Delgado
3. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS: None
4. CLOSED SESSION:
 - a. Conference with Legal Counsel: Anticipated Litigation (Govt. Code § 54956.9(d)(2)), 2 potential case(s). Based on existing facts and circumstances, there is significant exposure to litigation. Such facts and circumstances creating significant exposure to litigation are not known to potential plaintiff(s).
 - b. Real Property Negotiation (Govt. Code Section 54956.8)
 - i. Property: 3306 Del Monte Blvd. Scenic Easement Vacation
Negotiating Party:
Negotiator(s): City Manager
Terms: Price and Terms
 - ii. Property: Los Arboles Lease with MPUSD
Negotiating Party: Monterey Peninsula Unified School District
Negotiator(s): City Manager
Terms: Price and Terms

6:43 PM - RECONVENE OPEN SESSION AND REPORT ON ANY ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

5. **MOMENT OF SILENCE & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** (Please stand)
6. **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**
 - a. Poppy Month Proclamation
 - b. Presentation on Izunokuni Friendship City Delegation Visit
7. **COUNCIL AND STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS:**
 - Councilmember McAdams commented on attending Marina High School's mock interview project. Congratulated Marina High School student Victor Torrez for placing first in the nation at the Moose Scholarship Program and was awarded a \$12,000 scholarship.
8. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** *Any member of the public may comment on any matter within the City Council's jurisdiction that is not on the agenda. This is the appropriate place to comment on items on the Consent Agenda. Action will not be taken on items not on the agenda. Comments are limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes. General public comment may be limited to thirty (30) minutes and/or continued to the end of the agenda. Any member of the public may comment on any matter listed on this agenda at the time the matter is being considered by the City Council. Whenever possible, written correspondence should be submitted to the Council in advance of the meeting, to provide adequate time for its consideration.*
 - Fred Nelson made comments regarding the last council meeting and the Las Animas Concrete subject. Spoke about Marina being a diverse community and concerns about the government coming in and abducting people regardless of the immigration status. Asked if Marina has a plan to protect the community.
 - Nancy Amadeo hopes council read the arborists report on Cypress Cove II. The report points out in great detail how that lack of maintenance is now going to cost us a great deal of money. Citizens of Cypress Cove II are saying yes to put it out there for a 218 election.
 - Dan Amadeo the arborist report and the staff report tend to speak for themselves, and the consensus is a majority of people support the idea of doing the 218 election. Noted Cypress Cove II has wanted the 218 election for almost a decade.
 - Denise Turley Thanked the City for the installation of the new sidewalks in the front of her unit.
9. **CONSENT AGENDA FOR THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE FORMER MARINA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY:** *Background information has been provided to the Successor Agency of the former Redevelopment Agency on all matters listed under the Consent Agenda, and these items are considered to be routine and non-controversial. All items under the Consent Agenda are normally approved by one motion. Prior to such a motion being made, any member of the public or City Council may ask a question or make a comment about an agenda item and staff may provide a response. If discussion or a lengthy explanation is required, the Council may remove an item from the Consent Agenda for individual consideration. If an item is pulled for discussion, it will be placed at the end of Other Action Items Successor Agency to the former Marina Redevelopment Agency.*

10. CONSENT AGENDA: *These items are considered to be routine and non-controversial. All items under the Consent Agenda may be approved by one motion. Prior to such a motion being made, any member of City Council may ask a question or make a comment about an agenda item and staff may provide a response. If discussion or a lengthy explanation is required, Council may remove the item from the Consent Agenda and it will be placed at the end of Other Action Items.*
 - a. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: *(Not a Project under CEQA per Article 20, Section 15378)*
 - (1) Accounts Payable Check Numbers 106739-106851, totaling \$3,467,353.20.
 - b. MINUTES: *(Not a Project under CEQA per Article 20, Section 15378)*
 - (1) April 15, 2025, Regular City Council Meeting
 - (2) April 22, 2025, Special City Council Meeting
 - c. CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY:
 - (1) Staff recommends that the City Council reject the following claim and direct sending appropriate notice of rejection to claimant: Emily Torres for a claim received on April 26, 2025.
 - d. AWARD OF BID: None
 - e. CALL FOR BIDS:
 - (1) Adopting **Resolution No. 2025-29**, authorizing staff to proceed with the public bidding process for the Marina Municipal Airport Taxilane Rehabilitation Project.
 - f. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS: *(Not a Project under CEQA per Article 20, Section 15378)*
 - (1) Adopting **Resolution No. 2025-30**, receiving the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Engineer's Report for the Cypress Cove II Landscape Maintenance Assessment District; declaring its intention to form the overlay assessment district and to levy an assessment in Fiscal Year 2025-26 in each district (existing and Overlay); and calling a public hearing and assessment ballot proceeding.
 - (2) Adopting **Resolution No. 2025-31**, receiving the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Engineer's Report for the Seabreeze Landscape Maintenance Assessment District; declaring its intention to levy an assessment in fiscal year 2025-26 in that district; and calling a public hearing for May 20, 2025.
 - (3) Adopting **Resolution No. 2025-32**, receiving the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Engineer's Report for the Monterey Bay Estates Lighting & Landscape Maintenance Assessment District; declaring its intention to levy an assessment in fiscal year 2025-26 in that district; and calling a public hearing for May 20, 2025.
 - g. APPROVAL OF AGREEMENTS: *(Not a Project under CEQA per Article 20, Section 15378)*
 - (1) Adopting **Resolution No. 2025-33**, authorizing a professional services agreement with Wallace Group of San Luis Obispo, CA for engineering and land surveying services beginning May 6, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$573,078.00 for the design of a City Park at the Dunes.

- (2) Adopting **Resolution No. 2025-34**, approving an agreement with HdL ECONSolutions to provide economic development services in an amount not to exceed \$60,750.
 - (3) Adopting **Resolution No. 2025-35**, approving Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. A-15987 with the County of Monterey for Animal Services, authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreement, and appropriating funds not to exceed \$50,000 for FY 2025–2026.
 - (4) Adopting **Resolution No. 2025-36**, authorizing a professional services agreement with Wallace Group of San Luis Obispo, CA for program management services beginning July 1, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$855,169.00 for various projects in the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and the Airport Capital Improvement Program (ACIP).
- h. ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS: None
- i. MAPS: None
- j. REPORTS: (RECEIVE AND FILE):
- (1) Receive Monterey-Salinas Transit April 14, 2025, Board Meeting Highlights.
 - (2) Receive Community Human Services April 17, 2025, Board Meeting Highlights.
- k. FUNDING & BUDGET MATTERS: None
- l. APPROVE ORDINANCES (WAIVE SECOND READING): None
- m. APPROVE APPOINTMENTS: None

Mayor Delgado pulled 10f(1) and 10g(2) for questions/brief discussion

Council Member McCarthy, 10g(3) asked if Spay and Neuter ordinance was being looked into

Councilmember Biala commented on 10g(2) regarding Joby Aviation not being mentioned.

Mayor Pro Tem Visscher requested to abstain from voting on agenda items 10b(1) and 10b(2)

DELGADO/BIALA: TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA MINUS 10b(1), 10b(2), 10f(1) AND 10g(2). 5-0-0-0 Motion Passes

DELGADO/MCADAMS: TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEMS 10b(1) AND 10b(2). 4-0-0-1(Visscher). Motion Passes

10f(1)

Mayor Delgado asked when was the last time a 218-election happened? Why wasn't another 218-election done after 2014 to cover costs of tree maintenance?

DELGADO/VISSCHER: TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 10f(1). 5-0-0-0 Motion Passes

10g(2)

Mayor Delgado asked why Joby was not mentioned.

DELGADO/BIALA: TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 10g(2). 5-0-0-0 Motion Passes

11. PUBLIC HEARINGS: *In the Council's discretion, the applicant/proponent of an item may be given up to ten (10) minutes to speak. All other persons may be given up to three (3) minutes to speak on the matter.*
 - a. Open a public hearing, take public testimony and consider introducing **Ordinance No. 2025-04**, amending Title 15 of the Marina Municipal Code by adding Chapter 15.07, the State Fire Hazard Severity Zone map.

Mayor Delgado opened the public hearing

- Denise Turley asked what is the requirements for limbing trees around residential structures?

Mayor Delgado closed the public hearing.

The council discussed natural fires and spreading due to embers and asked if this ordinance pertains to Cypress Knolls and new construction areas.

DELGADO/MCADAMS: TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 2025-04, AMENDING TITLE 15 OF THE MARINA MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING CHAPTER 15.07, THE STATE FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONE MAP. 5-0-0-0 Motion Passes by Roll Call Vote

- b. Open a public hearing, take public testimony and consider introducing **Ordinance No. 2025-05**, amending Title 15, Chapter 15. 32 entitled "Adoption of the California Fire Code (CFC), Section 15.32.890, Subsection 5609.1.4-r of the Marina Municipal Code.

Mayor Delgado opened the public hearing

- Grace Silva-Santella likes and is excited about the change. Approves the amendment.
- Denise Turley expressed concerns about in-the-sky fireworks and police/fire not responding to calls from residents in a timely manner.

Mayor Delgado closed the public hearing.

The council discussed the airport manager's knowledge of the events at the airport and air traffic. Concerns about fireworks at the airport after just approving the State Fire Hazard Severity Zone Map. Safety precautions measures at the airport to prevent fires. Safe-N-Sane fireworks versus illegal. Collection of and disposal of unused fireworks.

MCCARTHY/VISSCHER: TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 2025-05, AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 15. 32 ENTITLED "ADOPTION OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE (CFC), SECTION 15.32.890, SUBSECTION 5609.1.4-R OF THE MARINA MUNICIPAL CODE. 4-1(McCarthy)-0-0 Motion Passes by Roll Call Vote

12. OTHER ACTIONS ITEMS OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE FORMER MARINA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY: *Action listed for each Agenda item is that which is requested by staff. The Successor Agency may, at its discretion, take action on any items. Members of the public may be given up to three (3) minutes to speak.*
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Note: No additional major projects or programs should be undertaken without review of the impacts on existing priorities (Resolution No. 2006-79 – April 4, 2006).

- a. Adopting **Resolution No. 2025-37**, receiving Marina Police Department's 2024-2025 Annual Military Equipment Report.

Public Comments:

- Jeff Markham asked if the acquisition of the new newer drones would provide any cost savings for helicopter flights. Asked is for the NPR, that was at SRU group, do you train with them? Do you train on that equipment?
- Denise Turley asked if there's a policy for engaging with or dealing with disabled persons.

The council discussed drones vs. fixed winged or helicopter needs. Training with external groups. Drones in personal spaces and needs of a warrant or not to fly. Equipment replacement and replacement timelines. Storage of drones.

MCADAMS/MCCARTHY: ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2025-37, RECEIVING MARINA POLICE DEPARTMENT'S 2024-2025 ANNUAL MILITARY EQUIPMENT REPORT; AND APPROVE THE PROPOSED ADDITION OF FOUR (4) NEW DRONES TO THE DEPARTMENT'S INVENTORY. 5-0-0-0 Motion Passes.

- b. Adopting **Resolution No. 2025-38**, approving the 2025 Engineering and Traffic Survey with recommended speed limits; and authorize staff to review comments from the City Council and return the Survey recommendations for final acceptance on May 20, 2025.

Public Comments:

- Jeff Markham expressed concerns about the proposed increase on Carmel Ave at California Ave. due to this area being in a school zone.

Discussion: data on wildlife hits along lower area of Reservation Rd. Enforcement of speeds, costs associated with raising speed limits only to put in traffic calming measure later.

BIALA/VISSCHER: TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2025-38, APPROVING THE 2025 ENGINEERING AND TRAFFIC SURVEY WITH RECOMMENDED SPEED LIMITS; AND AUTHORIZE STAFF TO REVIEW COMMENTS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL AND RETURN THE SURVEY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FINAL ACCEPTANCE ON MAY 20, 2025; TO INCLUDE 4, 10 TO THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION AND 25, 44 AND 45 ON THAT SHORT LIST OF COME BACK TO US AFTER SOME FURTHER ANALYSIS. 5-0-0-0 Motion Passes

- c. Receiving presentation from Kimley-Horn Engineering on the results of the Reservation Road Corridor Study. The study evaluates the feasibility of replacing traffic signalized intersections with roundabouts along Reservation Road, supporting the City's downtown revitalization efforts.

Public Comments:

- Grace Silva-Santella likes the roundabouts in her neighborhood, there's less traffic and it's easier to cross. Spoke about the examples of roundabouts mentioned in the staff report but doesn't think those three can be compared to how these roundabouts will be utilized by pedestrians. Commented about a pedestrian refuse lane being wider. Asked if the businesses had opportunities to comment on this plan to narrow Del Monte and Reservation Rd.
- Jeff Markham asked if MST was still going to contribute funds to do signal light improvements as part of the #20 Surf Line project.
- Denise Turley spoke about safety issues when trying to cross Reservation Road while either pushing a wheelchair or riding in one.
- Nancy Amadeo is excited about the idea of having roundabouts along Reservation Road. Likes the idea of reducing the lanes down to one lane in each direction, much better for an area we want to call downtown.
- Greg Simmons in support of the planned roundabouts and planned bike lanes.
- Liz Billingsley worried about cars getting out at California Ave. Noted bicyclist don't always stop/yield at the roundabouts and would like the police to start giving them tickets.
- Nancy Forman supports the roundabouts and concerned about reducing the roads down to 2 lanes.

- d. City Council to provide direction to staff on several items discussed at the April 29, 2025, joint meeting with the Monterey Peninsula Regional Parks District (MPRPD) board. This presentation is exempt from environmental review per Sec. 15378 of the CEQA guidelines.

Public Comments:

- Jeff Markham spoke about the Citizens Report on Locke Paddon Park. Spoke about the pond conditions, safety concerns and general upkeep of the park. Showed recent pictures of the conditions surrounding the park.
- Grace Silva-Santella commented on the 1994 Vernal Pond Management Plan, which speaks about observation platforms, monthly water checks, filtration pond, clearance of vegetation in the lagoon when it exceeds 20%. Cypress tree maintenance, conversion of non-native grassland to native perennial grassland and dune scrub vegetation. Spoke about the restrictions on parcel 43.
- Mike Moeller would like to see the pond cleaned up. Asked why the city and parks district hasn't followed the plans set in place. Noted it's an on-going issue with people using this area as a dumping ground.
- Greg Simmons is concerned about a significant part of our urban forest. There are at least 80 significant trees on that site, both oaks and large-scale Monterey cypress, the squirrels are undermining the root system. Commented on the April 29th joint meeting.

DELGADO/VISSCHER: TO MOVE FORWARD WITH STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS AS LISTED:

1. **DIRECT STAFF AND THE CITY ATTORNEY TO INITIATE A DISCUSSION WITH MPRPD STAFF AND COUNSEL TO DETERMINE THE APPROPRIATE INSTRUMENT (LEASE, MOU, OR OTHER) NEEDED TO PURSUE THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN APPROXIMATELY ONE (1) ACRE ASIAN COMMUNITY GARDEN AT THE SOUTH END OF LOT 43 AND BEGIN THE WORK OF CREATING A COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT (CDP) APPLICATION AND EIR;**
2. **DIRECT STAFF TO BEGIN DISCUSSIONS WITH MPRPD STAFF ON THE PROCESS TO TRIM THE EXISTING CYPRESS TREES ON LOTS 42 AND 43 (ISAKSON PROPERTY) AND ALONG THE SOUTH SIDE OF SEASIDE CIRCLE (APN 033-121-010), AS NEEDED;**
3. **DIRECT CITY STAFF TO BEGIN WORKING WITH MPRPD STAFF ON A NEW MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT THAT DEFINES ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES BETWEEN THE PARTIES; AND**
4. **DIRECT STAFF TO REQUEST THAT MPRPD REMOVE THE RESIDUAL RADIO TOWER INFRASTRUCTURE REMAINING ON APN -006 AT ITS EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY**
5. **COORDINATING WITH MPRPD TO ENSURE ANY EXISTING OR FUTURE IMPROVEMENTS TO CITY DEVELOPMENT ON MPRPD-OWNED PROPERTY HAS APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTATION FOR APPROVALS INCLUDED BUT NOT LIMITED TO:**
 - a. **MARTIN LUTHER KING JR SCULPTURE GARDEN**
 - b. **OAK WOODLAND COMMUNITY GARDEN INCLUDING PLANTED FRIUT TREES (A.K.A FOOD FOREST)**
 - c. **GARDEN SHED**
 - d. **DECOMPOSED GRANITE PATHWAYS**
 - e. **BILINGUAL INTERPRETIVE PANELS**
 - f. **ASIAN AMERICAN GARDEN**
 - g. **CHILDREN'S SENSORY GARDEN**

STAFF FURTHER REQUESTS THAT THE COUNCIL AUTHORIZE THE FOLLOWING LONG-TERM ACTIONS AND ACTIVITIES:

1. **STAFF PREPARATION OF A COMPREHENSIVE POND MANAGEMENT/MAINTENANCE/RESTORATION PLAN BASED ON THE FOLLOWING TWO (2) STRATEGIES:**
 - a. **A CEQA-EXEMPT "CUTTING THE GREEN TAPE" RESTORATION-BASED MANAGEMENT PLAN, OR**
 - b. **A LARGER-SCALE PLAN THAT WOULD REQUIRE AN EIR AND PERMITTING BY MULTIPLE AGENCIES**
2. **POTENTIAL LAND SWAP TO FACILITATE THE MANAGEMENT OF LANDS BASED ON EACH AGENCIES' MISSION AND COMMUNITY GOALS.**

14. COUNCIL & STAFF INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:

- a. Monterey County Mayor's Association [Mayor Bruce Delgado]
- b. Council reports on meetings and conferences attended (Gov't Code Section 53232).

15. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 12:15 A.M.

Anita Sharp, Deputy City Clerk

ATTEST:

Bruce C. Delgado, Mayor