



MINUTES

Wednesday, February 23, 2022

6:00 P.M. Open Session

**SPECIAL 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**

Council Chambers
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Marina, California

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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: Cristina Medina Dirksen, Lisa Berkley, Mayor Pro-Tem/Vice Chair Kathy Biala, Mayor/Chair Bruce C. Delgado

MEMBERS ABSENT: David Burnett (excused)
3. INTRODUCE ORDINANCE (READ BY TITLE ONLY AND WAIVE FURTHER READING):
 - a. An Ordinance of the City of Marina Adopting New Council District Boundaries for Four Council Districts Pursuant to CA Elections Code §§21621-21629 and CA Govt. Code §34871(c) & §34886. (Introduction to follow Item 4.a. Public Hearing.)

BIALA/BERKLEY: THAT THE CITY COUNCIL INTRODUCED AND READ BY TITLE ONLY AND WAVE FURTHER READING ORDINANCE NO. 2022-, ADOPTING NEW COUNCIL DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR FOUR COUNCIL DISTRICTS PURSUANT TO CA ELECTIONS CODE §§21621-21629 AND CA GOVT. CODE §34871(C) & §34886. 4-0-1(Burnett)-0 Motion Passes by Roll Call Vote

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- a. City Council open public hearing at 6:00 P.M. and consider draft revised City Council district maps and the City Council's introduction of an Ordinance adopting a map establishing new City Council district boundaries and the sequence of district elections pursuant to the California Elections Code.

Council Questions: Do we have to be in agreeance with what our community interests are? Dr. Tilton said that on one of the charts that there's no racial gerrymandering, in formulating these maps on the back of each map, you start off with racial breakup of each of the districts, how should we look at this issue of race across the districts? When you say majority minority, you're really talking about majority, white versus the other percentages of of any of the minority that adding those up? Is it true that the consultants team put together all the Map 500's?

Mayor Delgado opened the public hearing for public comments:

- Peter Le – Commented on council decision at the last public hearing on moving Preston and Abrams away from the million-dollar homes. Concerned that council did not discuss concerns with other property such as the VTC and the 2nd Avenue apartments. Stated council violated the California Redistricting Guidelines when separated Sea Haven into two districts. Noted a lot of the maps dilute the population of Hispanics. Asked council to look at and consider Maps 202 and 208.
- Audra Walton – Who imposed the time frame to have this transition complete? Is there any way possible to move the date of completion to a later date? Can we have a different demographer, not satisfied with this one? Commented on communities of interest for fair and accurate representation.
- Brian McCarthy – Lot of good maps. Concerns about Preston and Abrams being lumped in with the Dunes and Sea Haven. Council needs to make sure that we don't disenfranchise too many folks that couldn't vote in the last election, and again will not be able to vote in this election.
- Paula Pelot – Commented that a couple of maps weren't scored correctly. Stated that Preston and Abrams shouldn't be split up as they share resources and should not be combined with Central Marina. Asked to eliminate several maps, they do not adequately represent the renter versus owner occupied houses in the city.

Mayor Closed the public hearing for comments.

BERKLEY/DELGADO: APPROVING RESOLUTION NO. 2022-23, ADOPTING THE INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING MAP 109, ESTABLISHING NEW CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT BOUNDARIES AND THE SEQUENCE OF DISTRICT ELECTIONS PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA ELECTIONS CODE; AND THAT MAP, 109 WOULD BE REVISED TO DENOMINATE DISTRICT, 2 AS DISTRICT, 4, AND TO DENOMINATE DISTRICT 4 AS DISTRICT, 2 DISTRICT AND ONE WOULD STAY THE SAME, AND DISTRICT 3 DENOMINATED WOULD STAY THE SAME; AND DISTRICTS 1 AND DISTRICT 4. WE'LL BE ON THE BALLOT IN 2022, AND DISTRICT 2 AND DISTRICT 3 WOULD BE ON THE BALLOT IN 2024. 4-0-0-0 Motion Passes by Roll Call Vote

Public Comments:

- Les Martin – Likes and supports Map 109
- Brian McCarthy – Likes Maps 105, 109 and 508 but supports Map 109
- Karen Andersen – Favors Map 109 but mentioned that that district lines could be fine-tuned to balance populations, can this be done for Map109 to keep Kathy Baila in her current District?
- Paula Pelot – Supports Map 109
- Liesbeth Visscher – Likes Maps 105 and 109
- Audra Walton – Does not support Map 109, prefers Map 105 or amending City Charter and going back to at-large elections
- Connie Murray, League of Woman Voters – Congratulated Council on how prepared they were and how council made their points without borrowing one another. Can't wait to write her report to her committee.

Substitute Motion

Biala/Delgado: approving Resolution No. 2022-, adopting the introduction of an ordinance adopting map 105, establishing new city council district boundaries and the sequence of district elections pursuant to the California Elections Code. *Withdrawn by motion maker*

Robert Rathie, Assistant City Attorney - We did take a vote on introducing Map 109, as it was presented in the agenda packet this evening. We have now determined through Jeff's good offices that we need to change the denomination of the districts as per presented on map 109. So, a motion now would be in order by someone who voted in favor of that the introduction of the ordinance, which would be any one of you to rescind that action, there would be a second and a vote, and that action would therefore be rescinded, and we would reintroduce the ordinance making the change of the district swap call.

BIALA/BERKLEY: TO RESCIND THE ACTION OF 3a, INTRODUCING AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARINA ADOPTING NEW COUNCIL DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR FOUR COUNCIL DISTRICTS PURSUANT TO CA ELECTIONS CODE §§21621-21629 AND CA GOVT. CODE §34871(C) & §34886. 4-0-0-0 Motion to rescind approved by Roll Call Vote

BIALA/BERKLEY: THAT THE CITY COUNCIL INTRODUCED AND READ BY TITLE ONLY AND WAVE FURTHER READING ORDINANCE NO. 2022-, ADOPTING NEW COUNCIL DISTRICT BOUNDARIES FOR FOUR COUNCIL DISTRICTS PURSUANT TO CA ELECTIONS CODE §§21621-21629 AND CA GOVT. CODE §34871(C) & §34886; AND MAKE THE FOLLOWING CHANGES TO THE DISTRICT DENOMINATIONS AS PRESENTED ON MAP 109 IN THE AGENDA PACKET, WHICH WOULD BE CHANGING THE DENOMINATED DISTRICT 2 TO BECOME DISTRICT 4 AND CHANGING THE DENOMINATED DISTRICT 4 TO BECOME DISTRICT 2. THE EFFECT OF THAT OF THAT WOULD BE DISTRICT 4 WOULD HAVE AN ELECTION COMING UP IN 2022, DISTRICT 2 WOULD HAVE AN ELECTION COMING UP IN 2024. DISTRICT 1 WOULD STAY AS DISTRICT 1 WITH AN ELECTION IN 2022 AND DISTRICT 3 WOULD STAY AS DISTRICT 3 WITH AN ELECTION 2024. 4-0-0-0 Motion Passes by Roll Call Vote

Layne Long, City Manager announced that the American Public Works Association held their annual banquet and Marina was highly recognized for many things. Brian McMinn, Public Works Director was recognized as the President during the last 2-years of Covid and Enda Gomez, Administrative Assistant were also recognized as the Administrative Assistant of the Year. We were also recognized for the Environmental Project of the year for under \$5,000,000, which was the a Stockade Project that

got that huge blight asbestos lead field project, and came in in under half a \$1,000,000 under budget; we got recognized for the project of the year, under 5,000,000 for our reservation road project that used recycled materials from the road put right back into the assault which saved a ton on greenhouse gas and debris to the landfills.

5. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:40 P.M.

Anita Sharp, Deputy City Clerk

ATTEST:

Bruce C. Delgado, Mayor