



MINUTES

Tuesday, July 23, 2024

4:00 P.M.- 6:00 P.M. OPEN HOUSE
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SPECIAL STUDY SESSION MARINA CITY COUNCIL

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: Jennifer McAdams, Kathy Biala, Mayor Pro-Tem/Vice Chair Liesbeth Visscher, Mayor/Chair Bruce C. Delgado

MEMBERS ABSENT: Brian McCarthy (Excused)
3. MOMENT OF SILENCE & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (Please stand)

4. STUDY SESSION:

- a. The City Council to hold discussion and provide direction regarding consideration of potential General Obligation Bond Measure options for constructing new city facilities and potential rehabilitation of existing city facilities.

Police Department Presentation by Police Chief Hopkins

Public Comments:

- Peter Le – wished that the Department did the deployment and analysis similar to the fire department. How are you going to convince the property owner to pay for the new police station near Imjin and California Avenue with longer response times? Noted residents already paid for the first police station.
- Robert Dawson – Marina is a beautiful place to live and having a better facility to host community meetings would be attractive for possible applicants.
- Mia Nguyen – Thanked the police officers for the important work they do. Asked how many officers are on the road versus in the office? Has city consider renting space when needed for addition desk space? Does city offer our officers discounted or free gym memberships?

City Manager Long provided a presentation on Facility Needs and Assessments.

Public Comments:

- Peter Le - Asked will the owners at Sea Haven and the Dunes pay the same tax rate and when do we expect to see the master plan for public building? When do we expect to see the maintenance plan for new buildings?
- John Sanders - Marina's relatively modest Community with new growth potential. Commented on the general plan and does not see interaction between the various elements talked about in the general plan. Concerns about moving civic facilities out of central Marina to a distant area. Commented on the PRA he submitted related to RNT.
- Jeff Markham – Commented on City Manager's projection about alternatives to the bond, about the increases in utilities and other financial matters. Does not hear council questioning city expenditures and what costs can be cut and what can be sold to make it cost effective. Questioned if Preston and Abrams Park were to be long-term holds for Marina. Bond is fundamentally unfair to the people who bought homes in this area thinking they had city services that have been undervalued under invested in. Asked what is plan B?
- Mia Mguyen – Commented on average home value used to determine tax rate. Noted most home being sold are over 1 million. Asked why the numbers were higher 2022 versus 2024? Asked how the tax rates were calculated; what are the projections, are using current Homeowners, current homes that are existing as of now. Noted the economy is uncertain.

RNT Presentation on Community Facility Needs Assessment

Public Comments:

- Peter Le – Submitted 7 written questions to Council and staff and requested review of question and a response by the end of the week I will vote no on whatever option you propose. Stated the council did not listen to the public and did things your own way. The council should go with Option 5 where the people tell you what they can pay.

- John Sanders – Commented on his Public Records Request. Commented on General Plan and not seeing City Hall referenced in the document.
- Jeff Markham – Asked if an assessment was done on refurbishing existing structures, such as the former fire station on the former Fort Ord?
- Brian McCarthy – Speaking as a resident of Marina. Supports putting a larger bond on the ballot for people to decide. Suggests the city be strategic. There is a lot to be done whether a bond passes or not.

9:57 PM Motion by Mayor Delgado to extend the meeting to completion of this item, Seconded by McAdams. 4-0-0-0 Motion Passes

Fire Department presentation by Fire Chief McCoun

Public Comments:

- John Sanders – Did note that the current facility on Palm Ave has a decontamination unit and asked the Fire Chief to comment on that.
- Jeff Markham – Does the current plans take into account for the Marina Station development? How does Phase 4 of the Marina Station factor into this?

BIALA/MCADAMS: MOVE TO SPECIFY THE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND OF OPTION. 3, TO BE PLACED ON THE BALLOT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW FIRE AND POLICE STATION AND A COMMUNITY CENTER, COMMUNITY ROOMS, RECREATION WITH APPROXIMATE TOTAL COST OF A 55 MILLION DOLLARS TO BE FUNDED FROM THE 50 MILLION DOLLARS, GENERAL OBLIGATION, BOND. 3-1(Delgado)-0-0 Motion Passes

5. ADJOURNMENT: The Council meeting adjourned at 10:27 PM

Anita Sharp, Deputy City Clerk

ATTEST:

Bruce C. Delgado, Mayor