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City of Marina Seeks Resident Input on Priorities for Potential \$3 Million Coastal Payment

Community Engagement Effort Launched to Ensure Authentic Resident Feedback is Heard

Marina, CA – The City of Marina is launching [a community outreach effort](#) to gather viewpoints and ideas from its residents on how to best invest certain funds that may become available to the City for coastal improvements as a result of the California American Water (Cal-AM) desalination project, if it is ever built.

The California Coastal Commission's conditional approval of a coastal development permit for the desalination project in 2022 is currently in litigation filed by four public agencies, including the City. However, while this litigation is ongoing, Cal-Am is moving forward on satisfying certain conditions that may become applicable if and when its project is fully approved and built.

Although the City continues to strongly oppose the project for many reasons, it believes it is important to conduct community outreach regarding this condition which would involve payment of \$3 million at a later time if the project is fully approved and developed. These potential funds may be spent on improving public access, public facilities, recreational opportunities and restoration within the coastal zone of the City.

The feedback from this effort will be captured and shared in a report that the Marina City Council will submit to the Coastal Commission in mid-April.

"Since the City's government and residents are the most knowledgeable about what the City's long-term needs are, it is critical that we ensure that these funds are used in

ways that truly reflect the priorities and needs of our residents,” said Marina Mayor Bruce Delgado. “This is why we are inviting our community members to share their input with the City on how they’d like to see these potential funds invested.”

Marina residents are encouraged to share their priorities and ideas through this community outreach campaign:

- **Virtual Workshop:** Tuesday, March 25, 6-8 p.m. ([Zoom link](#))
- **In-Person Workshop:** Saturday, March 29, 10 a.m.-noon, Marina City Council Chambers (211 Hillcrest Ave)
- **Community Feedback Form:** Residents will be invited to complete an online feedback form to share their priorities and ideas.

Both workshops will be recorded and made available to ensure transparency and accessibility for all stakeholders. The City of Marina values resident input and looks forward to shaping the future of the use of these potential funds together.

For more information and updates on this initiative, visit CityofMarina.org/ForMarinaByMarina.

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