

FAIRFAX TOWN COUNCIL MEETING STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE	September 4, 2024
PREPARED FOR	Mayor and Town Council
PREPARED BY	Christine Foster, Deputy Town Clerk
SUBJECT	Receive report on Councilmembers' assignments, committees, and activities in August.

RECOMMENDATION

Receive Councilmember activities report.

DISCUSSION

Every month, each Councilmember provides a list of the meetings they attended in the preceding month on behalf of the Town, for inclusion in this report. Under the agenda section entitled "Council Reports and Comments" Councilmembers may choose to highlight one of those meetings.

Mayor Coler

1. **August 6, 13, 20 –** met with Town Manager on Council matters.

2. **August 8 – Marin Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) meeting** - The Commission accepted the Marin LAFCO FY 22/23 Audit (it was a clean audit) and authorized audit for FY 23/24 with Davis Farr. The Commission approved: Resolution for annexation of 2 Hansen Rd., Novato into the Novato Sanitary District; the Multi-Agency Municipal Service Review (MSR), approved its Workplan & adopted several accompanying Resolutions including 4 which established the Sphere(s) of Influence; approved a new contract with Davis Farr for audits for FYE '25 – FYE '29; several changes to the Policy Handbook recommended by the Personnel & Policy committee (Chu, Lucan & Coler). Discussed the annual CALAFCO conference in mid-October in Yosemite – EO and Commissioner Murray will attend.

3. August 14 – Mayor & Town Manager at the Farmers Market 4:30-6pm – Vice Mayor and planning staff also participated.

4. **August 15 – Wall Property mtg** to discuss final requirements for escrow, grants from the Coastal Conservancy and Measure A Marin County Open Space, other requirements needed for property closing – with Heather Abrams, Councilmember Cutrano, Attorney Coleson and MOST, Coastal Conservancy and Marin County Planning & Public Works reps.

5. August 15 – Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority Board meeting – no meeting held in August.

6. August 15– MCE Community Choice Energy Board meeting – no meeting held in August.

7. **August 20– Agenda setting mtg** with Vice Mayor Blash, TM Abrams, C. Foster & Town Attorney Coleson for September 4 meeting.

8. **August 20** – **Marin County BOS meeting** – testified in support of the Measure A \$1M grant and the MCOSD trails management agreement with the Town for the Wall Property – both were unanimously approved.

9. **August 22- Community Media Center of Marin Board meeting –** A subcommittee of the Board will explore the possibility of purchasing the building.

10. August 23 – Age Friendly Fairfax – planning for 10th Anniversary & 90+ Celebration.

11. August 26 – Marin County Mayors & Councilmembers (MCCMC) Legislative Committee – No meeting held in August. *MCCMC LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE SCOPE OF ADVOCACY:* Fiscal Protection: protect city revenues from state Local Control: support legislation that enhances local control of resources

to provide services while supporting regional co-operation. Oppose unfunded mandates and preemption of local authority and control of land use. Transportation Investment: promote stable transportation finance structure for state and local government. Multimodal, enhancing livable communities Housing/Land use: protect local government land use authority. Oppose punitive housing legislation, and legislation that restricts or reduces local discretion on land use decisions. Other legislation can be recommended to MCCMC at a regular meeting.

12. **August 26 – Chamber of Commerce meeting** with Town Staff (Abrams & Foster) and Minna Kim, Chamber ED.

13. **August 26 – Marin LAFCO Personnel & Policy Committee mtg –** Chu, Lucan & Coler met with staff & LAFCO Personnel attorney to revise the Personnel Handbook, once revisions are completed will be brought to the full Commission at its October meeting.

14. There was no meeting held for MCCMC in August.

Vice Mayor Blash

07/28 - Met with Fairfax community member about School Street Plaza

07/30 – Met with Town Manager Abrams about various

08/06 – Met with Town Manager Abrams about various

08/06 - Regular Town Council meeting

08/13 – Met with Town Manager Abrams about various

08/13 - Outreach at the Farmers Market with Mayor Coler, TM Abrams, and Housing Specialist McKillop

08/20 - Agenda setting meeting with Mayor Coler, TM Abrams, Town Attorney Coleson, Town Clerk Foster

08/20 – Met with Town Manager Abrams about various

Councilmember Ackerman

8/2 MCE Technology Committee meeting

8/6 Tour of a home in Richmond that is part of MCE's Virtual Power Plant. I wish everyone could see this progress being made!

8/7 Marin/Sonoma Mosquito & Vector Control District closed session board meeting

8/7 Participated in interviews of candidates for Climate Coordinator, a staff position shared with San Anselmo

8/7 Town Council regular meeting, preceded by a closed session

8/14 Marin/Sonoma Mosquito & Vector Control District regular board meeting

8/20 Met with a representative of bidirectional energy about equipment possibilities for the Pavilion **8/20** Fairfax Climate Action Committee regular monthly meeting

8/21 Presentation by Sara Aminzadeh to Marin Conservation League's Climate Working Group, on federal funding opportunities

8/22 Marin Building Electrification Squad meeting, by zoom

Councilmember Hellman

Not received in time for publication.

Councilmember Cutrano

Not received in time for publication.