



TOWN OF FAIRFAX

STAFF REPORT

August 5, 2020

TO: Mayor and Town Council

FROM: Michele Gardner, Town Clerk

SUBJECT: Receive written report on Councilmembers' assignments, committees, and activities in July

RECOMMENDATION

Receive written report.

DISCUSSION

Each month, Councilmember provide a list of the meetings each 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. The following list includes activities since July 1, 2020.

Mayor Goddard

- Meeting with Kate Colin, VM San Rafael and SURJ representatives (Showing Up For Racial Justice) to plan a Racial Justice workshop series for Marin County Elected Officials. 50% of Marin County elected officials will participate. 4 from Fairfax
- 2 meetings with Council Member Hellman, the Chamber of Commerce & Maya Butterfield to continue work on "Fairfax Open For Business" and the temporary use of space downtown.
- 2 Covid Task Force meetings
- Cascade Canyon Firewise Steering Committee meeting
- Fairfax Firewise Neighborhood Leads meeting
- Fairfax Neighborhood Response Groups (NRG) meeting
- 2 Marin County Council of Mayors and Council Members (MCCMC) ad hoc committee meetings to address small business economic recovery
- Meeting of the committee appointed to consider the renaming of Sir Francis Drake Blvd.
- Interview with R3 consulting to provide input regarding the organizational assessment and Zero Waste Plan update for Zero Waste Marin
- Meeting of the Finance Committee
- Attended (Zoom) the early session of the climate Emergency Summit on Climate Justice
- Safe Routes to Schools Ross Valley Task Force meeting
- Joint Exercise Powers Authority (JEPA) regarding the upcoming school year Yellow Bus Program
- Ross Valley Fire Board meeting
- July 15th Listening Session and discussion about the Formation of the Racial Equity Social Justice Committee (RESJ) and policy review sub committee

Vice Mayor Ackerman

- 6/1 Town Council regular meeting
- 6/2 MCE Technical Committee
- 6/2 CAC Subcommittee to draft CAP
- 6/2 Firewise Manor Hill steering committee
- 6/6 Marin Healthy Youth Partnership meeting (formerly Coalition Connection)
- 6/7 TRC call (contractor to MCE) about Pavilion
- 6/9 Manor Hill Firewise evacuation drill subcommittee
- 6/10 CAC Subcommittee to draft CAP
- 6/11 Microgrid Subcommittee
- 6/14 Microgrid Subcommittee
- 6/14 Finance Committee
- 6/15 Three Revolutions (U C Davis) Webinar
- 6/15 TC Listening Session, race/police
- 6/16 CAC Subcommittee to draft CAP
- 6/17 RESJ Application wording meeting
- 6/17 SFD Learning Session planning meeting
- 6/19 Microgrid Subcommittee
- 6/22 Microgrid Subcommittee
- 6/23 CAC Subcommittee to draft CAP
- 6/27 Manor Hill Firewise evacuation drill subcommittee
- 6/27 Climate Mobilization webinar on militarization
- 6/28 FireSafe Marin webinar
- 6/28 Climate Action Committee (CAC) special meeting

Councilmember Reed

- 7/2 Manor Hill Firewise meeting
- 7/8 Ross Valley Fire Board meeting
- 7/9 Manor Hill Firewise Evacuation subcommittee meeting
- 7/15 Fairfax Council special meeting regarding BLM and creation of a subcommittee (to develop recommendations for the Council to consider)
- 7/23 Transportation Authority of Marin -
- 7/24 Climate Emergency Task Force Plenary
- 7/25 Chipper Day
- 7/27 Firewise Evacuation subcommittee meeting

Councilmember Coler

- Distributed >200 cloth masks to Fairfax businesses with Mayor Goddard (July 3& July 22) – made/donated by Norma McFaddan North Bay artist, longtime friend Councilmember Coler (5/business) – Norma is continuing to make more masks for Fairfax to help businesses reopen safely!
- Participated on Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority (MWPA) Subcommittee meeting for Executive Officer search (July 7)
- Attended Town Council listening session on Racial Equity and Social Justice (July 15)

- Attended Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority (MWWPA) Board meeting (July 16)– approved budget for FY 20/21; approved hire of Southern Marin Fire for administration and finance functions; selected Legal Counsel for the Authority; discussed Ecological Partnerships; etc.
- Attended Marin Clean Energy Board meeting (July 16) – MCE now serves 34 communities in 4 Bay Area Counties (over 450,000 customers served (and is adding 2 more cities) – MARIN COUNTY, NAPA COUNTY, UNINCORPORATED CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, UNINCORPORATED SOLANO COUNTY, BENICIA, CONCORD , DANVILLE, EL CERRITO, LAFAYETTE, MARTINEZ I, MORAGA, OAKLEY PINOLE, PITTSBURG, RICHMOND, SAN PABLO, SAN RAMON, WALNUT CREEK - Approved new Climate Leadership award – 1st to Senator McGuire; Approved transfer of revenue to Operating Reserve Fund (\$15M to be used in leaner years); received Customer Programs update.
- Attended Marin Mayors and Councilmembers (MCCMC) Legislative Committee (July 20) – Legislature was to reconvene July 13 but due to Covid-19 positive cases will do so July 27, all committee hearings are limited to one-week period or less. Legislators have until August 31 to send bills to the Governor. As property taxes can be submitted by August 15, the Governor and the Legislature are expected to amend the budget in August.
- Attended Community Media Center of Marin (CMCM) Board meeting – center is still largely closed; Congressman Huffman is the sole person doing live broadcasts usually weekly at CMCM. Members can check out equipment at the curb. CMCM is assisting Susan Pascal Beran for filing two art discussion projects, one with Dennis Patton. Budget is stable at the time due to PPP funding; may be uncertain due to unknown length of Covid shutdown.
- Attended Fairfax Age Friendly Task Force meeting (July 24)
- Attended Fairfax Open Space Committee meeting (July 28)
- Participated in Conference Call with Rethink Police advocate (July 28)

Councilmember Hellman

- 7/24 Hosted and led Coronavirus Task Force
- 7/23 Ross Valley School District Town Hall
- 7/22 Rise Up Leadership Council
- 7/21 BOS/Marin Housing Commission meeting
- 7/21 Drake Parent Racial Equity Team
- 7/20 Ross Valley School District Board meeting
- 7/20 Prince George’s County Memorial Library: Ibram X. Kendi’s virtual event on How to Be an Antiracist
- 7/16 MWWPA (Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority) Board meeting
- 7/16 Fairfax Planning Commission
- 7/14 Tam Union High School District Board meeting
- 7/15 Town of Fairfax BIPOC/LGBTQA Listening Sessions to inform Racial Equity Social Justice committee
- 7/10 Hosted and led Coronavirus Task Force
- 7/9 Manor Hill Firewise Block Captain planning session
- 7/6 Park and Rec Meeting
- 7/2 Manor Hill Firewise meeting