



TOWN OF FAIRFAX

STAFF REPORT

May 5, 2021

TO: Mayor and Town Council

FROM: Michele Gardner, Town Clerk

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

RECOMMENDATION

Receive Councilmember activities report.

DISCUSSION

Each 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. The following list includes activities since April 7, 2021.

Mayor Ackerman

- 4/7 Town Council meeting
- 4/8 CAP Update subcommittee of CAC
- 4/8 PPPSA subcommittee of RESJ
- 4/15 CAP Update subcommittee of CAC
- 4/20 Climate Action Committee regular meeting
- 4/21 Town Council - Planning Commission Joint Meeting
- 4/21 Town Council meeting
- 4/22 PPPSA subcommittee of RESJ
- 4/23 CAP Update subcommittee of CAC
- 4/28 MCCMC Mayor's Select Committee
- 4/28 MCCMC Regular Meeting
- 4/29 CAP Update subcommittee of CAC
- 5/3 Firewise Manor Hill

Vice Mayor Hellman

- 4/8: Resilient Neighborhoods: Meeting #2
- 4/10: Opening and Ribbon cutting of Fairfax Community Skatepark
- 4/13: Ross Valley School District meeting
- 4/14: Ross Valley Fire Dept board meeting
- 4/15: Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority (MWPA / Measure C) board meeting
- 4/16: Revenue and Taxation Committee (Cal League of Cities)
- 4/18: Revive the Redwoods volunteer effort
- 4/19: Climate Action Committee meeting
- 4/19: Fairfax Community Skatepark community team meeting
- 4/20: Project Homekey (state program for Homeless solutions) information session

- 4/21: Fairfax Special Town Council and Planning Commission joint meeting on Housing Element update
- 4/22: Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority (MWPA / Measure C) board meeting
- 4/22: Ross Valley School district board meeting
- 4/22: Resilient Neighborhoods: Meeting 3
- 4/22: Fairfax PPPSA (Police Practice Public Safety Alternative) meeting, a subcommittee of FFX Racial Equity and Social Justice (“RESJ”) committee
- 4/23: MCCMC Economic Recovery committee
- 4/24: Peri Park ribbon cutting
- 4/26: Fairfax Community Skatepark community team mtg
- 4/27: Town Policy/Economic Program subcommittee, a subcommittee of FFX Racial Equity and Social Justice (RESJ) committee
- 4/28: Monthly MCCMC meeting: Sen Mike McGuire, MMWD presenters
- 4/29: 2021 Fair Housing Conference
- 4/29: Listening session hosted by Ross Valley School District Equity taskforce
- 5/2: Revive the Redwoods volunteer effort
- 5/3: Manor Hill Firewise steering committee
- 5/3: Fairfax Community Skatepark community team mtg
- 5/4: Chamber of Commerce: Parklets and the future of Outdoor Dining
- 5/5: Fairfax Community Farmers market – season opening

Councilmember Coler

- Attended Marin Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) Meeting (April 8)
- Attended MCE Committee meeting (April 15) – approved an initiative to save \$\$ - prepayment of energy purchases & creation of JPA; the bill that CACCA and MCE are sponsoring to limit these PCIA charges for CCA customers from the utilities appears to lack support by legislators (Fairfax sent letter supporting). MCE and CACCA are still working on this PCIA reform through regulatory proceedings at the Public Utilities Commission.
- Attended two Special Town Council meetings (April 21) – Joint Planning Commission/Council Housing Element & Council meeting
- Attended Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority (MWPA) Board meeting (April 22) –EO introduced new MWPA project manager Anne Crealock (comes from Sonoma Water & has extensive CEQA and environmental experience- starts May 18); received presentation on various grant opportunities MWPA is pursuing; MWPA grants for low income for vegetation removal will be available July 1; approved accepting the award of two Grizzly Corp AmeriCorps fellows for vegetation management work primarily; received draft Communications Strategy for MWPA; follow-up Retreat discussion – continued Goals/Values until the next meeting as several revisions requested.
- Attended SURJ Workshop meeting with other SURJ Cohort #5 Councilmembers (April 25)
- Attended Marin County Mayors & Councilmembers Legislative Committee (April 26) –Took oppose positions on: AB 215 (Chui) – creates requirements for mid-cycle consultations with HCD for time consuming process & allows HCD to dictate a city’s/county’s housing policies; AB 989 – creates a new Board within HCD to hear appeals on local projects & allows them to issue orders to cities/counties (at prior meeting send oppose for SB 9 (Atkins). Took support position on AB 14

(Aguilar-Curry) for broadband in underserved communities and removes sunset for CASF funding. Several other bills are being “watched” as they will change over time or be dropped.

- Attended Marin County Mayors & Councilmembers (MCCMC) meeting (April 28) – Speakers: Senator Mike McGuire (discussed housing bills) and MMWD General Manager (discussed water conservation).

Councilmember Cutrano

- 4/07—Fairfax Town Council Closed Session
- 4/07—Fairfax Town Council Regular Meeting
- 4/09—AB 1234 (Ethics) Training
- 4/12—Presentation on Bringing California Home (AB 71) by the Bay Area Regional Health Inequities Initiative
- 4/12—Coast Miwok Tribal Council of Marin presentation sponsored by the San Geronimo Valley Planning Group
- 4/14—Skatepark Enforcement meeting with Vice Mayor Hellman and staff
- 4/14—Skatepark 4 Fairfax meeting w/ skatepark advocates
- 4/17—Parklet/Public Space Conversation with Councilmember Goddard and the Chamber of Commerce
- 4/19—Skatepark 4 Fairfax meeting w/ skatepark advocates
- 4/21—Town Council and Planning Commission Joint Study Session re the Town of Fairfax Housing Element Update
- 4/21—Fairfax Town Council Special Meeting
- 4/22—Transportation Authority of Marin Board Meeting
- 4/24—Peri Park Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
- 4/26—Community Conversations with the Community Land Trust of West Marin
- 4/26—Fairfax Volunteer Board Meeting
- 4/27—FIRESafe Marin’s Fire Smart Landscaping webinar
- 4.27—Fairfax Open Space Committee Meeting
- 4/28—Marin Emergency Radio Authority Governing Board Meeting
- 4/28—Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers (MCCMC) meeting
- 4/29—Marin Coalition: Challenges and Opportunities for Public Transit Post-Covid webinar
- 4/29—Marin LAFCo Shared Services Workshop
- 5/04—Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers (MCCMC) Economic Recovery Committee roundtable discussion about post-Covid economic development in Marin County.
- 5/04—Fairfax Chamber of Commerce meeting entitled “Are Parklets the future of Outdoor Dining in Fairfax?”

Councilmember Goddard

- Ross Valley Fire Board Meeting
- Standing Up for Racial Justice (SURJ) / Elected Officials workshop #3
- Peri Park Redwoods Restoration Project
- Worked with Ray Moritz and volunteer crew to trim and clear dead underbrush in preparation for implementing the Redwoods maintenance plan 4/11 & 4/25

- Met with John Bela and (Parklet Designer) and David Smadbeck (Chamber of Commerce) to plan the Chamber Zoom presentation for businesses and community members
- Attended the Chamber of Commerce Zoom presentation
- Attended the Countywide MCCMC Small Business Recovery hosted symposium (The future of restaurants in Marin County)
- Special Town Council Meeting
- Cascade Canyon Firewise neighborhood outreach event
- Met in Doc Edgar Park to distribute information regarding Firesafe Marin and Cascade Canyon Firewise
- Meet and Greet with Ross Valley Fire
- Attended the LAFCO (Local Agency Formation Commission) workshop
- Safe Routes To Schools Task Force meeting
- Marin County Council Members and Mayors (MCCMC) Small Business Recovery Subcommittee
- Met with Nancy Vernon (Aide to Supervisor Rice) and Marin Transit-
plan for a Car//Pedestrian/Bicycle count at Whitehill Middle School to assess traffic and how students are transporting themselves to school
This is to ascertain the differential between #s of cars driving students to school when the yellow school bus is and is not operational
This will take place this May and in the Fall of the '21/'22 school year
- JPA for solid and hazardous waste budget meeting and Zero Waste Marin draft plan
- MCCMC monthly business meeting