

Minutes  
Joint City/District Committee Meeting

January 26, 2022

1. Call to Order:

The Joint City/District Committee was called to order at 5:34 p.m. In attendance were:

- Committee members: MCWD Director Gail Morton, MCWD Director Matt Zefferman, Marina Mayor Bruce Delgado, and Councilmember Kathy Biala.
- Staff: Remleh Scherzinger attended for Marina Coast Water District, and Layne Long attended for the City of Marina
- Public: Paula Pelot and Margaret Ann Coppernoll

2. Public Comments on Any Item Not on the Agenda:

Ms. Coppernoll expressed great gratitude for the fabulous invaluable blessing Marina Coast Water District is to the whole community. She said they are true hero's in the long standing struggle to protect the aquifers and water rights. Ms. Coppernoll said she has profound appreciation for them and trust in them. She added that City Manager, Layne Long, merits the same accolades for his devotion to the City of Marina and thanked everyone for their work.

Ms. Pelot commented that she was asking the Marina Coast Water District and the City to look into putting in infrastructure for recycled water for landscaping in Preston Park.

3. Election of Chair and Vice Chair for 2022:

Ms. Riso stated that the Chair and Vice Chair were normally appointed in January, but due to the lack of meetings last year, they weren't appointed until June. She noted the Committee can make a motion to continue the seats of Chair and Vice Chair for 2022 and then reappoint next January. Director Morton made a motion to continue with Director Zefferman as the Chair and Councilmember Biala as the Vice Chair. Mayor Delgado seconded the nomination. Councilmember Biala joined the meeting at 5:41 p.m. The motion was approved by a vote of 4-Ayes (Zefferman, Morton, Delgado, Biala), 0-Noes, and 0-Absent.

4. Approval of September 22, 2021 Minutes:

Director Morton made a motion to approve the minutes of September 22, 2021. Chair Zefferman seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by a vote of 4-Ayes (Zefferman, Morton, Delgado, Biala), 0-Noes, and 0-Absent.

5. Continuing the Presentation on Elinor Ostrom:

Chair Zefferman noted that he would like to postpone this item until next meeting. Mr. Scherzinger asked if everyone had a copy of the Future of the Commons book by Ms. Ostrom. Upon hearing that no one had the book, Mr. Scherzinger stated that he would get everyone a copy.

6. Discuss Partnering Together on Blight Removal:

Mr. Scherzinger commented that there are two places of blight for the District: 1 The Ord Wastewater Treatment Plant; and, 2) the MCWD Corporation yard. He stated that the District is looking for financial assistance from the State Parks with the Ord Wastewater Treatment Plant and is considering some type of low-income or employee housing for the corporation yard site. Discussion on zoning followed.

7. Identification of Agenda Items for the Future Committee Meeting:

In addition to the items listed on the agenda (Joint Public Outreach Opportunities), Vice Chair Biala requested to discuss a model for a JPA, Director Morton requested to discuss the MEC Property and recycled water infrastructure for Preston Park and Abrams Park. Vice Chair Biala also requested to continue the Elinor Ostrom discussion.

8. Committee Member Comments:

Mayor Delgado commented that the City has begun discussion on the November 2022 ballot measures and asked if the District had any ballot measures. Director Morton stated she would like to discuss utility taxes if the City is planning on adding one on the November ballot. Chair Zefferman thanked staff for their work.

9. Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.