

# MARIN GENERAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

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## **BOARD MEETING NOTES**

Meeting of September 12, 2013

The meeting came to order in the Corte Madera Town Council Chambers at 10:00 a.m.

Present: Chair Michael Frank called the meeting to order with Sean Condry, Dan Eilerman, Nancy Mackle, Nick Nguyen, and Adam Politzer (Alternate for Dan Schwarz and David Bracken who were not present). Staff present: Executive Officer Paul Berlant, General Counsel David Byers, MarinMap Administrator Wayne Bush, and Taxicab Regulations Program Manager Jeff Rawles.

- A. Minutes the July 11, 2013 Regular Meeting. Motion by Nguyen seconded by Mackle to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2013 meeting. Motion carried 6 - 0.

The Board moved agenda item F to this point in the meeting. See below for item description and action.

- B. Report from Executive Officer. There was no report.
- C. MarinMap Program Update. Bush provided an update on MarinMap activities: the independent fire districts continue to make progress in joining MarinMap; Bush made a presentation to the Ross Valley Sanitary District staff, which expressed an interest in joining MarinMap; the street excavation moratorium layer has been completed; and Bush is working with MGSA members and the USGS to coordinate the purchase of a new aerial orthophoto.
- D. Taxicab Regulation Program Update. Berlant and Rawles provided an update on the taxicab regulation program, including the statistics of companies, vehicles and drivers. Berlant also presented a response to the petition submitted at the July MGSA Board meeting by Jim Hite. Staff found that the MGSA joint powers authority members have not delegated the authority to MGSA to set a limit on the number of taxicab companies which may operate in Marin County. Thus, MGSA may not set such a limit.

Mr. Hite explained his reasoning behind the petition, noting that the issue is not to limit competition, but to ensure that the larger taxicab companies that operate 24/7 which are "self-policing," can better ensure public safety and can remain competitive.

The Board had a number of questions for Mr. Hite and staff.

The Board took no action.

- E. Amendment to the Professional Services Contract with Marin County regarding the MCEP. County staff has identified an additional \$12,000 from the Marin Energy Watch Partnership program which can be used by MCEP to create a "scorecard" which will review progress of MCEP members in the implementation of their Climate Action Plans. Motion by Eilerman, seconded by Politzer to approve Resolution 2013 – 10 authorizing the Executive Officer to execute the contract amendment with the County regarding climate inventory tracking. Motion carried 6 - 0.
- F. Closed Session - Conference with Legal Counsel (Note: this item was heard prior to Item B)
1. Pending Litigation - Government Code Section 54956.9(a): Marin General Services Authority and City of Novato v. Novato Taxi, et. al.
  2. Anticipated Litigation – Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (2). Significant exposure to litigation.

There were no announcements.

- G. Public Comment. There were no public comments.
- H. Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: November 14, 2013, 10:00 a.m.**



Paul Berlant, Executive Officer

Approved November 14, 2013