

# MARIN GENERAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

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## **BOARD MEETING NOTES**

### Meeting of September 11, 2014

The meeting came to order in the San Rafael City Council Chambers at 10:05 a.m.

Present: Chair Michael Frank called the meeting to order with Sean Condry, Clarissa Daniel (Alternate for Dan Eilerman), Nancy Mackle, Adam Politzer, and Dan Schwarz present; absent, Jill Barnes. Staff present: Executive Officer Paul Berlant, General Counsel David Byers, and MarinMap Program Manager Wayne Bush.

- A. Minutes the May 15, 2014 Regular Meeting. Motion by Mackle, seconded by Politzer to approve the minutes of the May 15, 2014 meeting. Motion carried 6 – 0, 1 absent.
- B. Report from Executive Officer. Berlant had no added report.
- C. MarinMap Program Update. Bush provided an update on the MarinMap program as outlined in the written report. No action was taken.
- D. Taxicab Regulation Program Update. Berlant provided an update on the taxicab regulation program, including the statistics of companies, vehicles and drivers. He also discussed efforts to respond to inquiries regarding accessible taxicabs.

Rocky Birdsey of the Marin Center for Independent Living spoke requesting that MGSA take action to make some taxicabs accessible to people with disabilities.

Berlant requested direction regarding incentivizing taxicab companies to operate accessible taxi vehicles.

Board members supported the concept of an incentive and asked that staff work with Marin Transit and the taxicab companies to seek an acceptable arrangement. The Board also indicated that it did not seek to have staff engage in further efforts regarding monitoring or inspecting vehicles for accessibility.

- E. Streetlight Maintenance Contract. Berlant outlined plans to issue a Request for Proposals for the master contract for streetlight maintenance. The contract with Siemens will run out on June 30, 2015. No action was taken, however the Board expressed the concern that any contractor have the staff, equipment, and capital resources to serve a client as large as Marin County.
- F. Professional Services Contracts. Berlant presented four professional services contracts: two with Regional Government Services for the services of the Executive Officer and the Taxicab Regulation Program Director; a contract with Candice Bozzard for Operational

Support; and one with Christine O'Rourke, MCEP Sustainability Coordinator. Motion by Daniel, seconded by Schwarz to adopt Resolutions 2014 - 9, 2014 - 10, 2014 - 11, and 2014 - 12 approving the contracts. Motion carried 6 - 0, 1 absent.

- G. County Animal Control. Berlant outlined a proposal to have MGSA assume some of the administrative duties currently carried out by the County of Marin under its Joint Powers Agreements with the towns and cities regarding animal control. Under review for transfer of duties are some of the management responsibilities as relates to the Marin Humane Society contract to operate the animal shelter and control program.

The Board directed staff to work with the County administration to pursue the transfer of some of the administrative duties of the Animal Control Program to MGSA.

- H. 2015 Board Meeting Schedule. Motion by Condry, seconded by Schwarz to adopt the following schedule for 2015. Motion carried 6 - 0, 1 absent.

- January 8, 2015
- March 12, 2015
- May 14, 2015
- July 9, 2015
- September 10, 2015
- November 12, 2015

- I. Closed Session - Conference with Legal Counsel - Pending Litigation - Government Code Section 54956.9(a): Marin General Services Authority and City of Novato v. Novato Taxi, et. al.

Upon returning to Open Session, Mr. Byers announced that MGSA was successful in the California Court of Appeals with regard to the Marin General Services Authority and City of Novato v. Novato Taxi, et. al. matter.

- J. Public Comment. None

- K. Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: January 8, 2015 10:00 a.m.**

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Paul Berlant, Executive Officer