



MINUTES

Thursday, February 20, 2025

6:30 P.M.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION NOTICE OF MEETING

Council Chambers
211 Hillcrest Avenue
Marina, California

VISION STATEMENT

Marina will grow and mature from a small-town bedroom community to a small city which is diversified, vibrant and through positive relationships with regional agencies, self-sufficient. The City will develop in a way that insulates it from the negative impacts of urban sprawl to become a desirable residential and business community in a natural setting. **(Resolution No. 2006-112 - May 2, 2006)**

MISSION STATEMENT

The City Council will provide the leadership in protecting Marina's natural setting while developing the City in a way that provides a balance of housing, jobs and business opportunities that will result in a community characterized by a desirable quality of life, including recreation and cultural opportunities, a safe environment and an economic viability that supports a high level of municipal services and infrastructure. **(Resolution No. 2006-112 - May 2, 2006)**

1. CALL TO ORDER call to order  6:30pm
2. ROLL CALL & ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM:
James Felton, Stephen Rouland, Steven Hunt, Jaime Schraback (absent), Joosik Choi
3. MOMENT OF SILENCE & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (Please stand)
4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:
5. SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR:
Announcements of special events or meeting of interest as information to Public Works Commission and Public. At this time any person may comment on any item, which is not on the agenda. Please state your name and address for the record. Action will not be taken on an item that is not on the agenda. If it requires action, it will be referred to staff

and/or placed on the next agenda. Public Works Commission members or City staff may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed as permitted by Government Code Section 54954.2. In order that all interested parties have an opportunity to speak, please limit comments to a maximum of Four (4) minutes. Any member of the public may comment on any matter listed on this agenda at the time the matter is being considered by the Public Works Commission.

Public comment: Would like to express appreciation about missing streetlights that are being addressed and the matrix that is being taken care of.

6. **CONSENT AGENDA:** *Background information has been provided to the Public Works Commission on all matters listed under the Consent Agenda, and these items are considered to be routine. All items under the Consent Agenda are normally approved by one motion. If discussion is requested by anyone on any item, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed at the end of Action Items if separate action is requested.*
 - a. Approval of Minutes 01/16/25
Action Items: Rouland motions, Felton 2nds. All in favor and minutes are approved.
7. **ACTION ITEMS:** *Action listed for each Agenda item is that which is brought forth for Public Works Commission consideration and possible action. The Public Works Commission may, at its discretion, take action on any items. The public is invited to approach the podium to provide up to four (4) minutes of public comment.*
 - a. Marina Speed Study – Roadway Segments
Action Items:
 - b. Change PW Commission Meeting Date
Action Items: Request from council members to accommodate Joosik Choi and Mayor Pro Tem Visscher, moving to the first Thursday of the month and will send an update to all the council members.
 - c. My Marina Monday PP
Action Items: Shared power point and spoke about future projects
 - d. Discuss California Avenue Concerns
Action Items: Tom (corner of 9th/California) Concerned about traffic and CSUMB and Las Animas and traffic and Min present. Tom states he is worried about children and the equestrian center, the Dunes and the promenade and the CSUMB and traffic behavior and maybe lower the speed limit. Doesn't feel this should be a collector street, thinks this should be a residential and we should be concerned about houses and traffic concerns. Min Chan lives on the other side of California and sees traffic from Imjin Parkway and the street is very narrow. Anything below 30 is ok, but the speed survey is too fast, and people are driving too fast over 35, MST and trucks are going over 35. Work trucks are going too fast, this is residential street so people should be driving slowly, but people who are speeding through here are just passing through. Half of California there is no sidewalk and its dangerous and you have to walk on the road, it's not safe and

this is how people get to CSUMB and to other parts of the City and to Promenade and back and forth on the road with all this traffic and it's not safe. People are speeding when there is no enforcement. We need more of something to tell people that this is a residential Road. Ismael states California is a collector road not a residential road not a residential road, they can't be reduced to 25 MPH, as we continue this speed survey. Speeds have always been set by the 85th percentile because there is always an assumption that 85% of people will obey the speed limit at 15% of people will not. If this is true then engineering is good, then there is no need for more signs or speed bumps or any more law enforcement. The speeding on California Ave is there and there are issues, several residents have witnessed it, but not more severe than anywhere else than other places in Marina. Law enforcement is aware of this, and they are dealing with it, and they have issued some citations. Engineering and law enforcement, the 3rd E is empowerment, and community members are aware and coming to meetings is a good start. The 4th E is education and studies are a good start. CSUMB are directed to use California Ave through their packets when they accept students. The City can speak with CSUMB and maybe direct them down 2nd Ave for Education and we can work with them to help with traffic counts of students. Council is working with Las Animas about large trucks and traffic. Ismael is putting together a cumulative memo about factual data and suggestions and how we can move forward. Our homes are our sanctuaries. We have talked with Las Animas on multiple occasions, rolling stops is probably something that everyone does and its hard to stop driving behavior. We are waiting for a written report from our police chief as well. We want to do what we can to help the residents. Chair Hunt asked if this is always happening, we assume this is mainly CSUMB students, different problems are happening at different times of the day, Las Animas are receiving shipments on Saturdays. Traffic volumes are happening between 7am-10am, commuters, not residents. When Imjin Rd closed, traffic also increased, but mostly speeding is all day every day. In other neighborhoods they have the signs that show your speeds, they could be effective, per Ismael they could be effective for those who want to obey the speed limit. We will provide the documentation for everyone. They city takes the concerns seriously, and we are working on the new signage, but we must make sure that the speed study is complete and the curb and gutters, sidewalks, bulb outs are complete. California still meets the definition of a collector street and if it were to be changed you would have to build another road and call it a collector, they would still use California which would be residential. Rouland asked if it should be reclassified, Ismael said that would be hard to do and the best thing to do would be to change driver behavior and work on updating and give knowledge to residents and the community. Commissioner Felton said he is glad that we are narrowing roads to slow traffic, and we are doing that on Del Monte as well.

Note: No additional major projects or programs should be undertaken without review of the impacts on existing priorities (Resolution No. 2006-79 – April 4, 2006).

8. COMMISSIONERS & STAFF INFORMATIONAL REPORTS: None

9. CORRESPONDENCE

a. None

10. ADJOURNMENT at 7:24 pm

CERTIFICATION

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MICHAELLE M. MOWERY, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II