

# **MARIN GENERAL SERVICES AUTHORITY**

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## **MEETING NOTES**

### Special Meeting of March 5, 2009

The meeting came to order in the Novato Fire Protection District Administrative Office, 95 Rowland Way at 10:05 a.m.

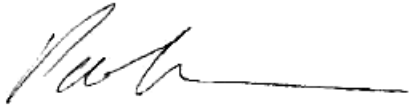
PRESENT: Ken Nordhoff, Chair, called the meeting to order with Gary Broad, Clarissa Daniel, George Rodericks, Hamid Shamsapour, and Pat Thompson present. Wayne Bush was absent. Staff present: Executive Officer Paul Berlant, General Counsel David Byers, Taxicab Regulations Program Manager Jeff Rawles, CBG Consultant Tom Robinson, MTA Executive Officer Barbara Thornton, and Liz Lewis and Terri Fashing of MCSTOPPP.

- A. The minutes of the February 12 2008 meeting were approved as written.
- B. Berlant reported that MCEP Climate Action Director Richard Schorske is preparing an application to Marin Community Foundation (it appears approximately \$100,000 may be available), the smaller cities are collaborating to do Climate Action Plans, San Rafael has completed a draft Climate Action Plan, which is in public review; Berlant may have jury duty week of March 9<sup>th</sup> and will take time off at the end of March through April 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- C. Berlant and Rawles reviewed their update on the Taxicab Regulation Program. Emphasis will shift to enforcement now that most drivers, vehicles and companies have been permitted. The Board received the update and no action was recommended or taken.
- D. Tom Robinson reported on the Wireless Marin Pilot Project, including providing a Power Point presentation. Ms. Thornton indicated that the MTA could be a coordinating body for telecommunications in Marin County and is interested in taking on the Wireless Marin program, subject to available funding. In that regard, the MTA will be pursuing the new Federal stimulus funds. The Board received the report and thanked Mr. Robinson for his work. The Board decided to not proceed with Tasks 3 and 4, but to refer the project to the Wireless Oversight Committee for direction. The representatives of the Board to the committee will be Ken Nordhoff and George Rodericks.
- E. Liz Lewis and Terri Fashing gave a presentation on MCSTOPPP, providing an update on 2008-2009 projects and accomplishments, the 2008-2009 Budget, and a preliminary 2009-2010 budget. They presented another memorandum dated March 5, 2009, which included a replacement for Table 2 in their February 25, 2009 memorandum and additional budget detail. Ms. Lewis and Ms. Fashing suggested that they attend an upcoming Marin Managers' Association meeting at which time they would make a similar presentation to all the county managers and CAO. The Board thanked Ms. Lewis and Ms. Fashing for their presentation and agreed that a presentation to MMA would be a good idea.

- F. Berlant reviewed the terms of the lease, including its “joint and several liability” clause, for 555 Northgate, San Rafael where MGSA will relocate its office. The space is to be shared by MGSA, MTA and MERA, with the understanding that MERA could opt out of the shared space at the end of June 2009. MTA and MGSA are seeking to have LAFCo replace MERA, should that occur. The Board authorized Berlant to execute the revised lease agreement.
- G. Public Comment. John Posadas addressed the Board regarding a number of taxicab related issues.

The meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: May 14, 2009 (10:00 AM)**



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Paul Berlant, Executive Officer

APPROVED AS WRITTEN May 14, 2009