November 17, 2016

Marin County Board of Supervisors
3501 Civic Center Drive, Suite 329
San Rafael, CA 94903

Attn: Steve Kinsey, Chair
     Diane Patterson, Assistant Clerk to the Board

Dear Board:

The Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers nominated three candidates during its meeting on November 16, 2016 to represent our county on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission.

Those nominees are:
Damon Connolly 3501 Civic Center Drive, Suite 329 San Rafael, CA 94903 415-473-7331
Pat Eklund 36 White Oak Way, Novato, CA 94949 415-883-9116
Kevin Haroff City of Larkspur, 400 Magnolia Street, Larkspur, CA 94939

On behalf of the Council, I respectfully ask that you consider the matter and select a commissioner as soon as reasonably possible from these three worthy candidates. Thank you.

Respectfully,
Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers

Sloan C. Bailey
President

/Enclosures
November 10, 2016

The Honorable Sloan Bailey
Chair, Marin County Council of Mayors
and Councilmembers
Corte Madera City Hall
300 Tamalpais Drive
Corte Madera, CA 94925

Dear Chair Bailey:

Pursuant to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's (MTC) enabling legislation, all Commissioners are appointed to concurrent four-year terms. The current term of your representative on MTC, Steve Kinsey, expires on February 9, 2019. We understand that Mr. Kinsey will be leaving his current elective office prior to February 9, 2019, namely January 3, 2017.

I have been asked by the Commission to request that the Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers (Council) begin consideration of the nomination of a new representative to complete Mr. Kinsey's current MTC term, or, alternatively, the reappointment of Mr. Kinsey for completion of the current term. An additional alternative the Council could consider would be to consent to Mr. Kinsey continuing his current term until February 9, 2019 and nomination of a new representative, for a four-year term that commences February 10, 2019.

Enclosed for your information is a copy of MTC's enabling legislation. MTC Commission members may be elected or appointed officials, or members of the general public. Pursuant to Government Code Section 66504: "Commissioners shall be selected for their special familiarity with the problems and issues in the field of transportation." According to MTC's enabling legislation, the City Selection Committee for Marin County shall appoint a member to the Commission.

MTC Commissioners should expect to serve on one or more of the Commission's standing, special or advisory committees. Usually, the Commission and each committee meet once a month in San Francisco. From time to time, the Commission may conduct public hearings in the MTC region, which MTC Commissioners may be requested to attend. A $100 per diem (up to a maximum of $500 per month), plus Commission-authorized travel expenses, are paid to members for attendance at meetings of their committees, the Commission, and public hearings held by the Commission.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Chair, Marin County Council of Mayors

[Name]
Chair, Marin County Council of Mayors
Should you wish additional information concerning the Commission or the responsibilities of its members, please feel free to contact me. The Commission would appreciate being notified of the appointment or reappointment of a representative as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Rosy Lee
Secretary to the Commission

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Enclosure (1)

cc: The Honorable Steve Kinsey, President, Marin County Board of Supervisors
Diane Patterson, Assistant Clerk of the Board, Marin County Board of Supervisors
Rebecca Vaughn, MCCMC Secretary-Treasurer

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November 10, 2016

Hon. Sloan Bailey
President, MCCMC
Town of Corte Madera
300 Tamalpais Drive
Corte Madera, CA 94925
Email: sloanbailey@yahoo.com

RE: Nomination to Metropolitan Transportation Commission

Dear President Bailey:

Please accept this letter as my request for nomination to be appointed as Marin’s representative to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC). I believe I would be the best fit to serve the people of Marin as their regional representative on MTC thanks to a few special qualifications, and particularly due to the important balance between serving the interests of Marin’s residents and communities on issues of regional planning and maintaining a mutually beneficial relationship towards infrastructure and transportation funding with MTC.

My background as a City Councilmember for seven years and my current role as a County Supervisor have given me the perspective necessary to represent our local interests effectively at the regional level. For the past two years, I have been our County’s representative to the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), and in that role have worked closely with local Marin County Councilmembers to ensure that the interests of our cities and towns are well represented as ABAG and MTC move to integrate their operations and ultimately to merge. Going forward, issues of governance and ensuring that local communities maintain control over their planning decisions will be crucial, and I look forward to working with all the members of the MCCMC to ensure that Marin’s perspectives are effectively represented as regional discussions about planning and transportation move forward.

My focus will be to bring leadership to MTC in advocating for key regional transportation initiatives affecting our communities. As far as transit planning for Marin as a region, there will not be a larger scale, more impactful planning effort in the years ahead than reworking the Bettini Transit Center (located in my Supervisorial District):

- This is the hub for our local public transportation systems, now including SMART.
o These systems and their effective integration affect traffic locally and countywide.

o As a member of the Transportation Authority of Marin and the Marin Transit Board, I have been well-positioned to seek out and advocate for the highest possible level of overall functionality for the center.

o I see my proposed role as our MTC rep as a crucial one for obtaining necessary funding for the project as well as overall coordination with the multiple agencies involved.

Additional regional priorities (based on my conversations with MCCMC members and other stakeholders) will include: completion of improvements to Interstate 580 and the third lane on the Richmond Bridge; working to relieve congestion around the Larkspur Landing area and Central Marin (including coordination with ferry service and work on the North-South Greenway); completion of the Novato Narrows; and helping to develop strategies and funding for traffic relief in the Southern Marin corridor.

As a transit user myself, I have worked in the past to raise awareness and encourage our communities to take advantage of our systems and participate in their improvement. This is an important first-hand perspective that will serve me well in making the case for Marin’s needs.

Most importantly, I believe that representing Marin on a regional planning agency board means achieving an important balance between advocating for the unique interests of Marin in regional planning issues, while remaining strongly engaged towards the interests of both shaping these policies and maintaining a strong working relationship that benefits the people of Marin in matters of regional transportation funding. Over recent years, the people of Marin have benefitted greatly from a strong funding relationship with MTC, which was maintained with the help of county-level representation for Marin County on MTC.

As our MTC representative, I pledge to be engaged in the issues of our whole region, and to continue to develop the relationships needed to advocate effectively for Marin’s transportation needs.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Damon Connolly
November 16, 2016

Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers
ATTN: Sloan Bailey, President
300 Tamalpais Drive
Corte Madera, CA 94925

SUBJECT: Interest in MCCMC Nomination to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission

Dear President Sloan and Colleagues:

This letter expresses my interest in serving as the Marin County designee to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) representing the Marin cities and County of Marin.

Since 2012, I have served as MCCMC's representative to the ABAG Executive Board. In that capacity, I pro-actively worked to ensure that the interests of the cities and towns in Marin are represented in a constructive, strong and effective manner. Over these past four years, I initiated and led a MCCMC ad hoc committee of the ABAG delegates/alternates to ensure that the 11 cities/towns were knowledgeable and engaged with ABAG especially with the ABAG/MTC merger and Plan Bay Area (PBA).

For PBA, we organized two very successful open house/public workshops in 2015 and 2016. We were the only county in the Bay Area to have public workshops where ABAG and MTC staff made presentations on the household/job projections, land use and transportation scenarios, performance targets, and other topics. The public workshops were well attended by the public and elected officials; and, both ABAG and MTC staff have commented that Marin has led the way for constructive public engagement on Plan Bay Area. The County ABAG Executive Board representative and/or their alternate participates in our MCCMC ad hoc committees; and, in our PBA public workshops along with our MTC representative.

The MCCMC ad hoc committee has been actively engaged in the ABAG and MTC merger. We organized meetings to provide input and were instrumental in getting the ABAG General Assembly to vote on the proposed merger and on the Options.

The working relationships with the ABAG Executive Board members and the MTC Commissioners that serve on their Planning Committee has helped Marin and has been essential during the development of Plan Bay Area; along with the ABAG/MTC merger study. Specifically, for PBA adopted in 2013 and more recently, modifying the Final Preferred Scenario for PBA 2017, I worked collaboratively with the MTC and ABAG representatives for San Jose, Napa County, San Francisco; along with other ABAG Executive Board members.
representing their cities and county on changing the household/job projections and performance targets. With the ABAG/MTC merger, I have taken a similar approach so that my colleagues on ABAG and MTC have an understanding of the concerns to gain their support for specific changes.

As many of you know, I was elected to and served as President of the League of CA Cities in 2004-2005 when our first state-wide ballot measure - Proposition 1A that prevents the State from taking our property tax. It took tremendous effort and leadership skills to work with the League of California Cities Board of Directors, Governor, Legislature, 482 cities in and 58 counties in California to garner their support for our ballot measure. It paid off since our measure garnered over 70% voter approval and passed in every county in the State, the first time ever in California.

While working for the US Environmental Protection Agency for 35 years (1977 - 2013) and with the US Army Corps of Engineers for 8 years (1969 - 1977), I worked with other federal agencies (DOT, HUD, GSA, Navy, Air Force, etc..), the States of CA, NV, AZ, HI and outer Islands of Guam, American Samoa, CNMI along with over 48 tribal governments. I have a thorough knowledge and understanding of federal, state, local and regional governments.

I want to bring that same level of energy and desire to ensure that all Marin cities/towns and the County are engaged in MTC activities. Having served on the Transportation Authority of Marin, SMART, ABAG Executive Board and having been on the Novato City Council since 1995, I recognize the importance of transportation funding and maintaining local control for land use to maintain our quality of life. I have attended many MTC meetings over the past 3 years; and, have worked with Commissioners and Board Members on PBA, the ABAG/MTC merger and other issues. I believe that I can effectively represent the 11 cities/towns and the County on the MTC.

As you know, Marin County has only one position on the MTC. The MCCMC recommends up to three candidates interested in serving on MTC to the Marin County Board of Supervisors who makes the selection. I hope that you will support my nomination for the MTC position.

I am interested and would be honored to represent the Marin cities and the County on the MTC. If you have any questions, please call me at home 883-9116. Thanks!!

Sincerely,

Pat Eklund, Mayor
City of Novato
415-883-9116
November 10, 2016

By Electronic Mail (MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com)

Rebecca Vaughn, Secretary-Treasurer
Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers
300 Tamalpais Drive
Corte Madera, CA 94925

Re: Nomination for Marin County Representative to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission

Dear Ms. Vaughn:

I am writing to request that my name be considered by the Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers as a candidate for nomination to be Marin County’s representative on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (“MTC”). As a thirty-year resident of Marin County, fourteen-year resident of Greenbrae, and current vice-mayor of the City of Larkspur, I have a strong interest in the work of MTC and its impact on our local communities.

Larkspur and Greenbrae play a unique role in the Marin County’s transportation and planning environment. We are home to one of Marin County’s two waterborne ferry operations (the Larkspur Ferry Terminal), the County’s most significant north-south/east-west traffic intersection (the Highway 101 and Sir Francis Drake Boulevard Greenbrae Interchange), and the proposed southern terminus of the SMART train project. We also have been the focus of one of the most expansive development plans (the Larkspur SMART Station Area Plan) that has been proposed for the County in recent years.

I believe that my personal experience and credentials make me uniquely well suited to serve as the County’s representative to MTC. In addition to my service on the Larkspur City Council, I previously served for two years on the City planning commission. I currently represent the City on the board of MCE Clean Energy, where I have served as a member of MCE’s executive and technical committees, as well as various administrative ad hoc committees. I also am Larkspur’s alternate delegate to the Association of Bay Area Governments and the Transportation Authority of Marin.

I have over thirty years of experience working as an environmental and land use attorney throughout the State of California and around the country. Part of that experience has involved long standing representation of large public agencies, including
the Santa Clara Valley Water District, the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, the San Diego Unified Port District, and the Guam International Airport Authority. In addition to my law degree, I have a master’s degree (with distinction) in business administration, with an emphasis on public administration.

Marin County is facing increasing pressures to accommodate regional economic, transportation, and housing needs. Our representative to the MTC needs to have the skill and expertise to represent the County’s interests in a fair, responsible, and apolitical manner. I believe my background and demonstrated commitment to public service will go a long way in helping to fulfill that role.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Kevin Haroff

cc: Sloan Bailey, President
    Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers
Nomination for MTC

barbara landy <barbaralandy44@gmail.com>
To: MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com

Fri, Nov 11, 2016 at 4:58 PM

I wish to nominate Kevin Haroff, Larkspur City Council Member, for the Metropolitan Transportation Commission seat that will be vacated soon by Supervisor Kinsey. Mr. Haroff has the training and experience as an environmental and land use attorney, as well as the familiarity with the issues, to represent Marin residents. I have seen him work with many different people and points of view in Larkspur and have nothing but the greatest respect for his dedication to public service and probity.

Barbara Landy
4 Sycamore Avenue
Larkspur, CA 94939
Dear Secretary,

Please include Kevin Haroff's email in the November 16 meeting packet. Thank you in advance for doing so.

Regards,

Edward Harkins
206 Evergreen Drive
Kentfield
Ms. Vaughn:

I support the nomination of Kevin Haroff to the MTC and request that my message be included in the meeting packet for Council members.

Kevin Haroff has ably represented our community on a number of transportation and environmental issues as a member of the Larkspur City Council. He was out front in responding to community concerns about development near the Larkspur Ferry Terminal. As an environmental lawyer and long-time resident of Marin, he understands what is at stake when transportation issues arise.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Effel

Larkspur
Hello Ms. Vaughn,

I am in support of Kevin Haroff's candidacy for our county's MTC rep to replace the retiring Steve Kinsey.

Peter Hensel, Corte Madera
Nomination for Metropolitan Transportation Commission Representative

Ron <ronnaso@comcast.net>
To: MCCMCSecretary@gmail.com

Fri, Nov 11, 2016 at 9:53 AM

Rebecca Vaughn, Secretary Treasurer
- Marin County Council of Mayors and Council Members
- 300 Tamalpais Drive
- Corte Madera, Ca 94925

As a long time Kentfield-Greenbrae I would appreciate you add this nomination letter request to the file regarding Councilman Kevin Haroff who becomes the Mayor of Larkspur in December 2016. Not only is Mr. Haroff highly qualified and a believer in transparency, several issues not only for Marin County but the Bay Area as well, he would make an excellent choice to take over Supervisor Steve Kinsey’s role as Marin County’s Metropolitan Transportation Commission representative.

Thank You.

Ron Naso
36 Manor Road
Kentfield/Greenbrae CA 94904
Hutch Turner would like information about:
I endorse the nomination of Kevin Haroff to be the Marin County Representative to the MTC.

Mr. Haroff possesses the gravitas and seasoned experience required. He has the inter-personal skills and the intellectual tools to represent the interests of the entire County of Marin.

His successful negotiating abilities and intuitive ability to read both sides of an issue enables forward and conclusive movement on difficult decisions.

Mr Haroff knows well the quality of life issues facing Marin's residents. Housing, infrastructure, development, and transportation issues require a balanced perspective the depth of which Mr Haroff fully comprehends.
He is the best candidate for that position.

Regards,

Hutch Turner
Novato, CA
Katherine Turner would like information about:
Dear Supervisors:
Please appoint Kevin Haroff to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission. Mr. Haroff is the ideal person to represent the concerns of Marin residents at the MTC. It is important that we have a strong voice at the Commission.
Thank you.
Katherine Turner
205 Alder Place
Novato, CA 94945
Dear Board of Supervisors:

Please select Pat Eklund, present mayor of Novato, as Marin County’s next representative on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission.

Pat has more than twenty years in public office and understands transportation needs throughout the Bay Area. She has been a very active participant as well as a keen observer of all aspects in the regional process of planning for 2040, but she has also championed the unique needs of a county like Marin, sectioned into corridors where very different land uses predominate. She is passionate about preserving the best of Marin--open space, agriculture, towns with both character and modernity, and people who believe in keeping their heritage and having their say.

Pat has served on the Joint MTC Planning and ABAG Administrative Committee, the General Assembly, and has organized the Marin County ABAG delegates in order to disseminate information and to coordinate a coherent response on regional questions, not to mention her active role in the League of California Cities.

Electing Pat as MTC rep will be electing a rep who knows the ropes and is working maximally from the very first day.

Sincerely,
Pam Drew
ABAG Alternate for the City of Novato