



JOINT MEETING OF
CONTRA COSTA MAYORS CONFERENCE &
CONTRA COSTA CITY SELECTION COMMITTEE

Thursday, June 6, 2024

Hosted by the City of Pittsburg

Business meeting at:
The California Theatre
351 Railroad Avenue, Pittsburg, CA 94565
Business meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Program will feature:
Status report on Contra Costa Libraries presented by Alison McKee, County Librarian

Buffet dinner will follow the Business meeting at:
Marina Community Center
340 Marina Boulevard, Pittsburg, CA 94565

A vegetarian option will be available for dinner.

**DINNER RESERVATIONS MADE THROUGH
THE CITY OF PITTSBURG**

RSVP to: Magen Jack mjack@pittsburgca.gov

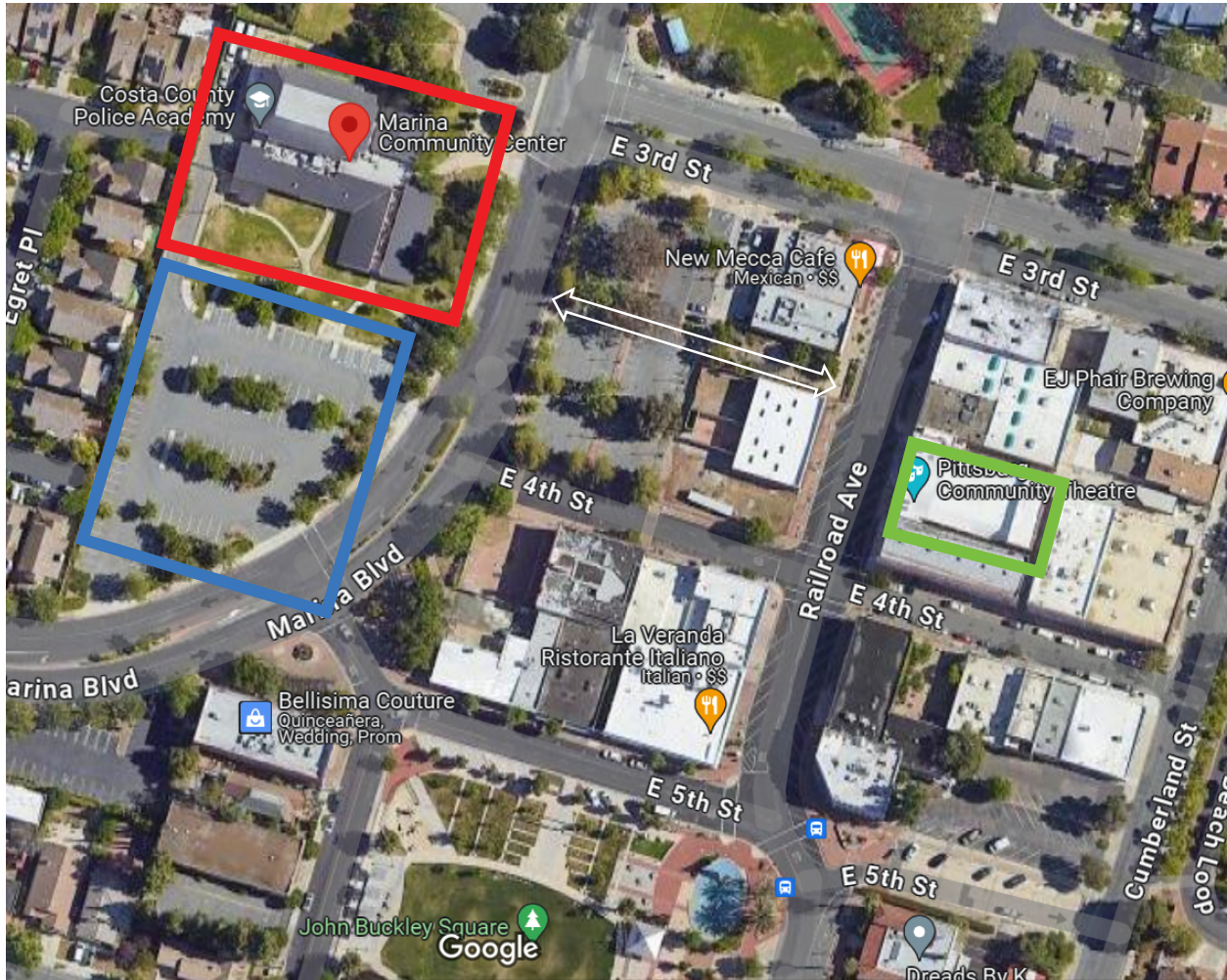
Reservation deadline: Thursday May 30, 2024

Dinner Reservations: Two dinners are prepaid for each City. **Please RSVP with the names and titles of all attendees.** Others interested in staying for dinner must RSVP, as noted above, mail payment to:

Magen Jack
City of Pittsburg, City Manager's Office
65 Civic Avenue, Pittsburg, CA 94565
(925) 252-4849

Individuals will be billed for reservations made but not cancelled prior to the deadline.

Dinner Cost: \$70.00.



Directions:

BLUE = PARKING GREEN = Meeting Site RED = DINNER LOCATION

CA-4 East

Head East on CA-4

Use the right 2 lanes to take exit 23 for Railroad Avenue 0.2 mi.

Turn left onto Railroad Avenue 1.1 mi.

Turn left on East 5th Street 440 ft.

Go straight through the stop sign to the parking lot 223 ft.

CA-4 West

Head West on CA-4

Use the right lane to take exit 23 Harbor Street, Railroad Avenue, toward California Avenue 0.3 mi.

Turn left onto California Avenue 0.5 mi.

Turn right onto Railroad Avenue 1.1 mi.

Turn left onto E 5th Street 440 ft.

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6:30 P.M. BUSINESS MEETING

AGENDA

Call Mayors Conference (Conference) to Order, Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, & Roll Call.

1. **Program:** Status report on Contra Costa Libraries presented by Alison McKee, County Librarian.

2. **Approval of Minutes:** (attached) of the May 2, 2024 meetings.

Action: Move to approve May 2, 2024 Conference & City Selection Committee (CSC) minutes.

3. **Recess Conference and call CSC to order for items 4-6 below:**

4. **Appointments to the Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC):** The latest terms of office of Brentwood Mayor Joel Bryant, as member, and of Concord Mayor Edi Birsan, as alternate, on the ALUC ended May 4, 2024. There were no nominations by the deadline. The CSC can either accept nominations from the floor and make an appointment or carry the appointments over to the next meeting.

5. **Appointments to the Contra Costa Countywide Redevelopment Successor Agency Oversight Board (Oversight Board):** The current terms of San Pablo Council Member Rita Xavier, as member, and Pittsburg Council Member Shanelle Scales-Preston, as alternate, on the Oversight Board end June 30. There were no nominations by the deadline. The CSC can either accept nominations from the floor and make appointments or carry the appointments over to the next meeting.

6. **Recess CSC Meeting & Call Mayors Conference back to order for balance of agenda.**

7. **Potential appointments to East Bay Economic Development Alliance Executive Committee (EBEDAEC):** The current terms of El Cerrito Council Member Lisa Motoyama and Danville Mayor Karen Stepper on EBEDAEC will expire June 30, 2024. The Conference may be making new appointments for new two-year terms ending in June 30, 2026 at the June 6, 2024 meeting. The incumbents are eligible to be reappointed. Appointments must be from cities that are members of the Economic Alliance. As there were no nominations by the deadline, the Conference can either accept nominations from the floor and make appointments or again carry the appointments over to the next meeting.

8. **Appointment to the Contra Costa Family Justice Alliance Board of Directors (Family Justice Board):** The current term of Walnut Creek Council Member Kevin Wilk on the Family Justice Board will expire June 30, 2024. The Conference will make an appointment for a new two-year term ending June 30, 2026. El Cerrito Council Member Kevin Wilk and Richmond Council Member Soheila Bana filed nominations for this position by the deadline. (Nominations attached.)

Action: After an election, a member will be appointed to the position for a new term ending June 30, 2026.

9. **Conference Appointee Reports:** This item is the time when city representatives to area-wide boards, commissions, and agencies may report on activities of the agency to which they are appointed.

10. **Chair Announcements:**

11. **Mayor Announcements:**

12. **State and Federal Legislative Update:**

13. **County Supervisor Announcements:**

14. **League of California Cities Update:** Samantha “Sam” Caygill, East Bay Division Public Affairs Manager.

15. **Public Comments:** *Members of the public are advised that public comments at this place should be confined to items not on the agenda and should be limited to **no more than 2 minutes in length**. Also, no more than one speaker from any organization should address the mayors on the same evening.*

16. Welcome to Pittsburg by Mayor Juan Antonio Banales.

17. Adjourn Conference to the July 11, 2024 meeting in Orinda. Note that this is the result of a trade in locations with Richmond.)

Deadline for next agenda is 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 25, 2024.

Brown Act Reminder: The Contra Costa Mayors Conference/City Selection Committee has a policy of complying with the letter and spirit of open meeting laws. Generally, off-agenda items may be taken up only if:

1. Two-thirds of Conference voting members find a need for immediate action exists and the need to take action came to the attention of the Conference after the agenda was prepared (Note: If fewer than two-thirds of Conference members are present, taking up an off-agenda item requires a unanimous vote); or

2. A majority of the Conference finds an emergency (for example: work stoppage or disaster) exists.

A majority of any city council may not, consistent with the Brown Act, discuss specific substantive issues among themselves at Conference meetings. Any such discussion is subject to the Brown Act and must occur in a City Council meeting that complies with Brown Act requirements.

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

2024

July 11, Orinda – **One week late because of July 4 holiday and trade with Richmond.**

August 1, Hercules

September 5, Walnut Creek

October 3, Richmond – **note trade with Orinda.**

November 7, Concord

December 5, San Pablo

2025

January 9, Oakley (one week late because of holidays)

February 6, Moraga

March 6, Lafayette

April 3, Clayton

May 1, Pleasant Hill

MINUTES OF THE
CONTRA COSTA MAYORS CONFERENCE
AND CITY SELECTION COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Thursday, May 2, 2024 – 6:30 p.m.

Hosted by the City of Pinole

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Haskew called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL OF CITY DELEGATES:

Antioch: Mayor Lamar Thorpe
Brentwood: Vice Mayor Susannah Meyer
Clayton: Mayor Jim Diaz
Concord: Mayor Edi Birsan
Town of Danville: Mayor Karen Stepper
El Cerrito: Mayor Tessa Rudnick
Hercules: Mayor Dan Romero
Lafayette: Council Member John McCormick
Martinez: Council Member Jay Howard
Moraga: Vice Mayor Steve Woehleke
Oakley: Absent
Orinda: Mayor Darlene Gee
Pinole: Mayor Maureen Toms
Pittsburg: Mayor Juan Antonio Banales
Pleasant Hill: Mayor Matthew Rinn
Richmond: Mayor Eduardo Martinez
San Pablo: Mayor Patricia Ponce
San Ramon: Mayor Dave Hudson
Walnut Creek: Mayor Loella Haskew

Presiding: Conference Chair: Loella Haskew

The above delegates comprised a quorum for the meetings.

1. **Program:** A report was presented on “Resilient Contra Costa Shoreline: The Role of Regional Shoreline Adaptation Plans” by Supervisor John Gioia, Contra Costa County Representative on the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC) and Chair of the BCDC Local Elected Official Task Force with assistance from the BCDC and Contra Costa County Staff. Discussion followed regarding the importance of the County and Cities working together to develop a multi-jurisdictional plan incorporating robust community outreach. Completion of these plans will enable local jurisdictions to receive future funding for related projects.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** of the April 4, 2024 CSC & Conference meetings.

Action: Motion to approve the minutes of the April 4, 2024 Conference and CSC meetings passed. Voting aye were delegates from Antioch, Brentwood, Clayton, Concord, Danville, El Cerrito, Hercules, Lafayette, Martinez, Moraga, Orinda, Pinole, Pittsburg, Pleasant Hill, Richmond, San Pablo, San Ramon, and Walnut Creek. Oakley was absent.

3. **Mayors Conference was recessed, and City Selection Committee was called to order by CSC Chair, El Cerrito Mayor Tessa Rudnick, for items 4-7:**
4. **Appointment to Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO):** The current term of El Cerrito Council Gabriel Quinto on LAFCO expires May 4, 2024. Council Member Quinto applied for this position. There were no other nominations by the deadline.

Action: Motion to apply the CSC rule and elect El Cerrito Council Member Gabriel Quinto for a term on LAFCO ending May 4, 2028. Voting aye were delegates from Brentwood, Clayton, Concord, Danville, El Cerrito, Hercules, Lafayette, Martinez, Moraga, Orinda, Pinole, Pittsburg, Pleasant Hill, Richmond, San Pablo, San Ramon, and Walnut Creek. Antioch abstained. Oakley was absent.

5. **Appointment to the Bay Area Air Quality Management District Board (BAAQMD):** The term of San Ramon Mayor Dave Hudson on the BAAQMD Board ends June 15, 2024. El Cerrito Council Member Gabriel Quinto and Pinole Council Member Devin Murphy were nominated for the position.

Action: Council Member Quinto was elected for a term on the BAAQMD Board beginning June 16, 2024 and ending June 15, 2026. Voting for Council Member Murphy were delegates from Antioch, Lafayette, Pinole and Richmond. Voting for Council Member Quinto were delegates from Brentwood, Clayton, Concord, Danville, El Cerrito, Hercules, Martinez, Moraga, Orinda, Pittsburg, Pleasant Hill, San Pablo, San Ramon and Walnut Creek. Oakley was absent.

6. **Appointments to the Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC):** The current terms of office of Brentwood Mayor Joel Bryant, as member, and of Concord Mayor Edi Birsan, as alternate on the ALUC end on May 4, 2024.

ACTION: There were no nominations by the deadline or from the floor so the appointment was carried forward to the June 6, 2024 meeting.

7. **Appointments to the Contra Costa Countywide Redevelopment Successor Agency Oversight Board (Oversight Board):** The current terms of San Pablo Council Member Rita Xavier, as member, and Pittsburg Council Member Shanelle Scales-Preston, as alternate, on the Oversight Board end June 30, 2024.

ACTION: There were no nominations by the deadline or from the floor so the appointments were carried forward to the June 6, 2024 meeting.

8. **The CSC Meeting was recessed and the Mayors Conference was called back to order for the balance of the agenda.**

9. **Appointments to the East Bay Economic Development Alliance Executive Committee (EBEDAEC):** The current terms of El Cerrito Council Member Lisa Motoyama and Danville Mayor Karen Stepper expire on June 30, 2024.

Action: Pleasant Hill Council Member Zac Shess was elected and the second position was carried forward to the June 6, 2024 meeting. Voting aye were delegates from Antioch, Brentwood, Clayton, Concord, Danville, El Cerrito, Hercules, Lafayette, Martinez, Moraga, Orinda, Pinole, Pittsburg, Pleasant Hill, Richmond, San Pablo, San Ramon, and Walnut Creek. Oakley was absent.

10. **Call for appointment to the Contra Costa Family Justice Alliance Board of Directors (Family Justice Board):** The current term of Walnut Creek council Member Kevin Wilk on the Family Justice Board will expire June 30, 2024. The Conference will be making an appointment for a new two-year term ending June 30, 2026 at the June 6, 2024 meeting. Nominations for this position shall be filled by email with Executive Director, Gary Pokorny at: giporkorn@lmi.net no later than 5:00 p.m., Tuesday May 21, 2024.

11. **Request for endorsement of the 2024/2025 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Funding recommendations.** The Contra Costa City-County engineering Advisory Committee presented its recommended funding plan for TDA, Article 3 projects for 2024-2025.

Action: the Mayors Conference endorsed the TDA funding proposal for 2024-2025 as submitted by the CCEAC. Voting aye were delegates from Antioch, Brentwood, Clayton, Concord, Danville, El Cerrito, Hercules, Lafayette, Martinez, Moraga, Orinda, Pinole, Pittsburg, Pleasant Hill, Richmond, San Pablo, San Ramon, and Walnut Creek. Oakley was absent.

12. **Conference Appointee Reports:** Carlyn Obringer reported on East Bay EDA and EBRPD matters, including an EDA health Care Program on May 15. She invited the Conference to attend the festivities celebrating the 90th Anniversary of East Bay Regional Park District at Lake Chabot. Chris Kelley report on East Bay EDA matters. Newell Arnerich reported on the upcoming CCTA Defining Mobility Conference and announced that the WETA Ferry Study had been completed. Sue Noack reported that MTC is working on legislation to put a potential ballot measure on the 2026 ballot to address the impending fiscal cliff facing transit. The Commission is discussing the next steps for the Richmond-San Rafael Bicycle Lane, having completed the pilot program. Karen Stepper reported that East Bay Regional Communications System Authority has a new Executive Director David Swain and that there will be an increase in radio costs for member jurisdictions. Kevin Wilk reported that the Family Justice Center opened a new center in the San Ramon Valley. Eduardo Martinez reported that the Hazardous Materials Commission has a new Executive Director and that the Commission received a presentation on carbon sequestration and the emergency warning system.

13. **Chair Announcements:** Conference Chair Loella Haskew introduced Rick Kovar, head of the Contra Costa Office of Emergency Services who provided an update on the Hazard Risks Plan for the 19 cities and 24 special districts in Contra Costa County included in the plan. The plan is in the draft stage and out for public review. He asked the mayors to bring the Local Hazard Mitigation plans to the attention of their communities to receive public input. Documenting public outreach and input in the plans is an essential part of the federal requirements to receive pre- and post-disaster funding.

14. **Mayor Announcements:** Moraga is now the host to a minor-league soccer team for the Earthquakes located at St. Mary's College. Richmond had a visit from a Norwegian Delegation, two local election ballot measures will be on the November ballot, and the City Council passed a measure to divest from industries focused on war. El Cerrito will host the 10th annual Trail Trekkers Celebration. Martinez will hold a community bar-b-que on May 15th and 16th. Clayton is celebrating its 60th anniversary and the concert in the Grove series start on May 25th. Brentwood hosted its first Community Day of Service with over 700 volunteers participating. Concord will be hosting its Spring Fest at Todos Santos Park and a summer concert series begins June 1st.
15. **State and Federal Legislative Update:** Harpreet Sandhu of Congressman Garamendi's office reported on grant funding for Highway 37, the honoring of the Rosie the Riveter Foundation in Washington DC, and the passage of other bills in Congress. Ryan-Thomas Brown from Congressman DeSaulnier reported on activities in Congress as well as local community town hall events. Both representatives offered their offices as resources for local cities on federal issues.
16. **County Supervisor Announcements:** Supervisor Gioia welcomed the mayors to District One. He discussed the additional Measure X grant funding that the Board of Supervisors allocated to wildfire mitigation and for the Family Justice Centers in Richmond, Concord, Brentwood and San Ramon and for a Wellness Center in Antioch.
17. **League of California Cities Update:** Samatha "Sam" Caygill, East Bay Division Public Affairs Manager reported on various action alerts that include bills on affordable housing, retail theft, and homelessness. She urged cities to keep an eye out for the action alerts and engage in these legislative issues that impact cities. In discussing the housing element requirements, she reported that the CalCities is working closely with HCD and the Legislature regarding housing element legislation and regulations. The last CitiPac Bocci Tournament fundraiser will be held in Danville on June 27th.
18. **Public Comments:** Emily Barnett, CCCSD, reported concern of increased nutrients in Bay water and that the Regional Water Board had passed new water quality regulations that will result in an increase in rates for CCCSD customers. Rick Perez discussed the Cultural Competency Training Program that was established by the Richmond Chief of Police. Danielle Kegan of AAA in Contra Costa reported that they are a resource for cities. Lisa Kerr asked the mayors to consider funding non-profits who are providing spay and neuter services in their communities and urged support of AB 2265. EBLC Executive Director Mark Orcutt reported that the EBLC is following the California home insurance crisis and is monitoring 90 bills in the current legislative session. Richmond Council Member Soheila Bana reported on efforts in Richmond to end gender based domestic violence through the formation of a task force working with both the Family Justice Center and the UC Berkeley School of Public Health. Yulie Padmore of the Port Chicago Alliance reported that this year marks the 80th anniversary of the Port Chicago Explosion and expressed appreciation for mayors support of their efforts. Luz Gómez, EBMUD Board of Directors, Ward 2 Director introduced herself and is looking forward to working with the mayors. Bar Sapir expressed concerns about the County Animal Shelter and the urgency of providing care to animals.
19. Mayor Maureen Toms welcomed the Mayors to Pinole and recognized City Staff. She introduced the current and former Council Members and Mayors, including former Mayor Jack Meehan who served in 1964 and is the father of Pinole's current mayor. She thanked Bielle Moore for her support of the Mayors Conference dinner.
20. **Adjourn Conference to the June 6, 2024 in Pittsburg.**

Hi Gary,

I would like to nominate myself to the Contra Costa Family Justice Alliance Board of Directors. Please let me know if there is a form to fill out.

Please confirm receipt of this email.

Thank you,
Soheila

Please excuse any brevity or typos, sent from my mobile device.

Regards,

Soheila Bana, PhD

[Richmond City](#) Council Member

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Dear Contra Costa Mayors,

Please note that I am submitting my nomination for consideration for re-appointment to the Family Justice Center for the Contra Costa Mayors Conference.

I have served on the Walnut Creek City Council since 2016 (serving as mayor in 2021). Since January 2023, I have been the representative for the Mayors Conference to the Family Justice Center. During this time, I have been able to help with marketing efforts, as well as provide insight into best ways to work within the various local government structures. During Mayors Conference meetings, I have consistently been providing updates as to activities in the Family Justice Center, and continue to be an active participant.

My qualifications in continuing to represent the Contra Costa Mayors Conference on the Family Justice Center Board have included taking an active role in many matters that serve diverse areas in socioeconomic and social issues.

Some of the issues that I have been involved in during my last 2 terms have included taking a leadership role in enacting ordinances that were often replicated by other cities in the region. These issues have included 100% clean energy for all city-owned buildings, recognizing Pride Month, requiring city employees to be vaccinated for Covid-19, enacting a buffer zone to keep patients safe from protestors at Planned Parenthood, a safe storage gun ordinance, banning flavored tobacco and vapes, and recently adding a ban on amplified noise to the Planned Parenthood buffer zone. Walnut Creek continues to be a leader in helping the homeless through our partnership with the Trinity Center, and was a driving force behind the County's A3 program and the Miles Hall Crisis Hub for mental health outbreaks. In addition, I have been the chairman of the city's DEI task force, which was founded under my mayorship. Most recently, I have been an active voice in publicly rebuking the rise in anti-Semitism and hate speech that has seen a disturbing increase in recent months. This included co-hosting a panel session on "Standing Up Against Hate" at the 2023 Cal Cities annual conference in Sacramento.

Other assignments include serving on the Environmental Quality Policy Committee for CalCities (since 2019), and I have served as Walnut Creek's representative on County Connection since 2017. My background in communication and social media is an ideal fit for the Family Justice Center, and my dedication in helping the community has shown that this is an ideal fit for my energy and expertise.

I hope the Mayors will vote to re-appoint me as the Mayor's Conference representative to the Family Justice Center for the next two years.

Sincerely,

Kevin Wilk
Walnut Creek City Councilmember