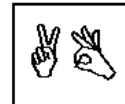


Marin Women's Commission — Minutes
Tues, March 24, 2026 – 6:00pm to 8:00pm
3501 Civic Center Dr., Room 410 B, San Rafael, CA 94903

Directions: Travel Highway 101, taking the San Pedro exit (north of San Rafael and south of Manuel T Freitas Parkway), proceed east to the traffic light, turn left at the light. Turn immediately left into main Civic Center Administration Building. Ample parking is available close to the building, with no evening time limitations. Take elevator to the fourth floor, exit right, and continue to first hallway Room 410B at end of hallway.

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order & Establish Quorum 6:00pm
- II. Present: Sonia Saltzman, Erika Rosales-Shelfo, Leslie Belingheri, Caroline Vance Bruister, Heather McPhail Sridharan, Cris Criollo, Cheryl Timoney. Absent: Fran Calle La Bou (Excused.)
Members of the Public: Stephany Barahona, Eboni McKinley.
- III. Approval of Minutes for February 24, 2026 *HMS/CT/p*
ERS-abstain
- IV. Approval of Agenda for March 24, 2026 *LB/CT/p*
- V. Open Time for Members of the Public to Speak on Items not on the agenda
No comments by members of the Public.
- VI. Welcome New Commissioners – Kellye and Stephany
Sonia welcomed and introduced Kellye and Stephany. They then introduced themselves, and the Commission welcomed them.
- VII. Commissioner Check-In Question – All Commissioners
In celebration of Women's History Month, who is a woman that inspires you?
- VIII. Discussion & Vote: Bylaw Amendment – Youth Advisory Members SS/CC/p
& Pilot Process Introduction (Omar Rascon)
We extended the deadline to work on the bylaws. A motion was introduced and approved to add five Youth Advisory Members, with one representative from each Supervisorial District. Sonia will confirm this update with Omar and draft the corresponding amendments to the bylaws.
- IX. Report: Marin County Needs Assessment 2025/26 – Heather, Cris, Caroline
Each Commissioner sent an email to their respective Supervisor on Monday, introducing the proposal for a 2026–27 Marin County Needs Assessment for Women and Girls. The emails provided background on the last countywide assessment conducted in 2009, outlined key community needs and data gaps, and requested consideration of a \$50,000 allocation in the FY 2026–27 budget to fund the updated assessment.
- X. Report: Chair Update (Spring Retreat, Vacant Seats, Upcoming Events) – Sonia
 - Attended the Marin Women's Political Action Committee Elected Women's Luncheon alongside Commissioners



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- Discussed potential engagement with the YWCA Justice Challenge initiative.
- Continued coordination with Omar and the Clerk's Office on the bylaw amendment process as part of the pilot implementation of the new structure.
- Stephany and I were also invited to the League of Women Voters Annual Gala in Sausalito on April 16th, and we'll be meeting with them to discuss youth involvement and the Ambassador Program.
- Ongoing recruitment efforts for vacant District 3 and District 4 Commissioner seats, with continued outreach underway.
- Represented the Commission at the Dominican/Sonoma Marin Women Who Lead event, presenting on the Commission and strengthening external partnerships. Commissioners are encouraged to continue attending community events, when possible, to support visibility and engagement.
- Social media engagement continues to grow, with approximately 7,000 weekly views, 400+ interactions, and 87 new followers to date.

\$500 donation to Sponsor Teens for the Racial Justice Challenge.

LB/HMS/p

XI. Vote: Nominating Committee

Leslie Belingheri, Heather McPhail Sridharan and Cris Criollo to serve on 2026 Nominating Committee.

LB/CT/p

XII. Retreat follow-up & debrief -- Sonia

New mission statement review: We envision a Marin County where the voices, opportunities, and potential of all women and girls are amplified and realized. Because when women thrive, everyone thrives.

Committee Report Outs:

- Research & Outreach - going to collaborate with the legislative
- Legislative/Policy - every other Tuesday 9 am on zoom (policy prioritization) - them to recommend
- Partnerships - 3 organizations to work with: League of Women Voters Marin (Sara T), YWCA, Center for Domestic Peace (Domestic Violence is the Number 1 crime in Marin)

XIII. Report & Vote: MWC Budget – Leslie

Leslie reviewed MWC budget with the Commission.

XIV. Discussion & Vote: Updating the QBR contract for 2026-2028. -- Leslie

Moton to Update the QBR Contract for 2026 – 2028

CT/HMS/p

XV. Discussion & Vote: Proposed to add \$1,200 for Shelley to continue – Leslie
to work with her on various projects.

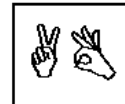
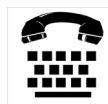
A motion was made to table the discussion until further information and review can be completed prior to a vote on the item.

XVI. Open time for Commissioners + Q & A

XVII. Adjournment

7:45pm

KEY DATES:



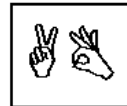
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General Meetings 2026: April 28, May 26, June 23, July 28, August 25, September 22, and October 27, 2026.

Special Meetings 2026: November 17 and December 15, 2026.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

YWCA MWHF + Dominican Women’s History Panel Discussion: Thursday, March 26, 2026, 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM, Guzman Hall, Dominican University 50 Acacia Ave., San Rafael, CA.



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