

May 20, 2026 Special Meeting Of The Tree Committee

Wednesday May 20, 2026
5:30 P.M.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TREE COMMITTEE

AGENDA

City of Marina City Council Chambers
211 Hillcrest Avenue, Marina, CA

PARTICIPATION

All meetings take place in the Council Chambers at 211 Hillcrest unless otherwise noticed. If you are unable to participate in real-time, you may email to planning@cityofmarina.org with the subject line “Public Comment Item #” (insert the item number relevant to your comment) or “Public Comment – Non-Agenda Item.” Comments will be reviewed and distributed before the meeting if received by 5:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting. All comments received will become part of the record. The Tree Committee will have the option to modify their action on items based on comments received.

Any person addressing the legislative body making impertinent, slanderous, or profane remarks, or who becomes boisterous while addressing the legislative body, shall be called to order by the Presiding Officer and, if such conduct continues, may at the discretion of the Presiding Officer be barred from further audience before the legislative during that meeting, unless permission to continue be granted by a majority of the body.

Any person in the audience who engages in disorderly conduct such as hand clapping, stamping of feet, whistling, using profane language, yelling, and similar demonstrations, which conduct disturbs the peace and good order of the meeting, or who refuses to comply with the lawful orders of the Presiding Officer, shall be guilty of an infraction, and upon instructions from the Presiding Officer, it shall be the duty of the Sergeant at Arms or Peace Officer to remove any such person from the room and to place him under arrest or otherwise cause him to be prosecuted under the law.

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**)

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The City recognizes that it was founded and is built upon the traditional homelands and villages first inhabited by the Indigenous Peoples of this region - the Esselen and Ohlone/Costanoan, their ancestors, and allies - and honors these members of the community, both past and present.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

2. ROLL CALL & ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM:

Tree Committee Members: Chair - Jeffrey Markham, Vice Chair - Greg Simmons, Jackie Gardner, Joey Silva, and Richard St. John (PC Rep)

3. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

(Please stand)

4. CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR:

Nominate and select Chair and Vice Chair

5. SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Announcements of special events or meetings of interest as information to the Committee and Public.

6. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR:

At this time any person may comment on any item which is not on the agenda. Speakers may state their 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. Tree Committee 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 three (3) 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 Tree Committee.

7. EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS FOR QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS:

On quasi-judicial matters, Tree Committee (TC) members shall verbally disclose off the record contacts relating to the item, after the item is called and before TC consideration of the matter. Disclosure shall include the identity of an individual(s) with whom the TC Member had contact, and the nature of the contact. Written ex parte communications must be forwarded to the staff so they can be provided to the entire TC and to the public.

8. CONSENT AGENDA:

Background information has been provided to the Tree Committee 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. Prior to such a motion being made, any member of the public or the Tree Committee may ask a question or make a comment about an agenda item and staff will provide a response. If discussion or a lengthy explanation is required, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed at the end of Other Action Items.

. A. Approval Of Minutes

Tree Committee February 25, 2026, Meeting Minutes.

Documents:

[DRAFT MEETING MINUTES 2-25-26.PDF](#)

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Time will be set aside during the Public Hearing to receive oral comments on all items listed as Public Hearings. Staff will present the project brought forth for Planning Commission consideration and possible action and answer questions from the Planning Commissioners. The applicant will then have the opportunity to raise any issues. The public will then be invited to approach the podium to provide up to three (3) minutes of public testimony.

10. ACTION ITEMS:

1. *Action listed for each Agenda item is that which is brought forth for Tree Committee consideration and possible action. The Tree Committee may, at its discretion, act on any item. The public is invited to provide up to three (3) minutes of public comment.*

- A. Guidelines For Review Of Tree Planting Encroachments In The City Right-Of-Way

Tree Committee to consider adopting a Resolution approving Guidelines for Review of Tree Planting Encroachments in the City Right-of-Way. This item is not a project per Section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Documents:

[2026_05_20 ACTION ITEM 10A.PDF](#)

11. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- A. TR26-000003 – 3116 Lake Drive Emergency Tree Removal Report

On March 11, 2026 two Monterey cypress trees were removed in accordance with an emergency tree removal permit authorized on March 3, 2026. In accordance with Marina Municipal Code (MMC), after such a removal a report describing the facts and the circumstances shall be provided to the Tree Committee.

Documents:

[TR26-000003 - 3116 LAKE DR - EMERGENCY TREE REMOVAL.PDF](#)

12. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- A. Tree Ordinance Update Discussion

Tree Committee to discuss and provide input on the Scope of the Tree Ordinance Update, Draft Outreach Plan, and Draft Community Input Questionnaire. This item is not a project per Section 15378 Of The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Documents:

[2026_05_20 DISCUSSION ITEM 12A.PDF](#)
[EXHIBIT A - DRAFT OUTREACH PLAN.PDF](#)

EXHIBIT B - DRAFT QUESTIONNAIRE.PDF

13. CORRESPONDENCE:

14. ADJOURNMENT:

TREE COMMITTEE NOTES:

1. The Marina Tree Committee regularly meets at 5:30 P.M. on the second Wednesday quarterly in January, April, July and October.
2. The Tree Committee follows procedures intended to allow for project applicants and members of the public the fullest possible opportunity to be heard, while enabling the Committee to complete its meetings within a reasonable time.
3. Copies of staff reports are available to the public on Friday afternoon, prior to the Wednesday meetings at the Community Development Department office located at 209 Cypress Avenue, Marina.
4. The public is invited and encouraged to participate in all meetings of the Tree Committee.
5. All meetings are open to the public. The City of Marina does not discriminate against persons with disabilities. Council Chambers are wheelchair accessible. Recordings of meetings can be provided upon request. To request assistive listening devices, sign language interpreters, readers, large print agendas or other accommodations, please call (831) 884-1220 or e-mail: PLANNING@CITYOFMARINA.ORG. Requests must be made at least **48 hours** in advance of the meeting.