

★★★★★★★ **Call to the 92nd Annual Meeting** ★★★★★★★★  
**League of Women Voters of Monterey County**

Wednesday, May 8, 2019  
Unitarian Universalist Church, 420 Aguajito Road, Carmel, CA 93923

# Agenda

## Order of Business

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| 11:50 am | <b>Registration</b>  | Lisa Hoivik     |
| 12:00 pm | <b>Buffet luncheon</b> (optional, reservation needed)  |                 |
| 12:30 pm | <b>Call to Order</b> , welcome, quorum count   | Dennis Mar      |
| 12:33 pm | <b>Adoption of Agenda and Rules</b> (page 1 & 6)   | Dennis Mar      |
| 12:35 pm | <b>Presentation of 2019-2020 Budget</b><br>and report of LWVMC asset balances (page 2 & 3)   | Howard Fosler   |
| 12:50 pm | <b>Presentation of Program</b><br>Adoption of updated FORA position (page 4 & 5)<br>Retention of remaining current local positions   | Dennis Mar      |
| 1:00 pm  | <b>Election of 2019-2020 Officers &amp; Directors</b><br>Report of the nomination committee (page 6)<br>Introduction of nominees<br>Nominations from the floor<br>Election of officers, directors and nominating comm.   | Betty Matterson |
| 1:10 pm  | <b>President's Acceptance</b><br>Direction to the new board<br>Introduction of delegates to state convention:<br>Kalah Bumba, Howard Fosler, Dennis Mar<br>Direction to delegates  |                 |
| 1:20 pm  | <b>Brainstorming on Membership</b> (optional activity)<br><br>The League's activities are guided by the concerns of members. To meet the needs of the community, our League must be representative of all residents. How can that be done? League members are smart, hard working, and engaged. How can we get more of them?<br><br>As a free-wheeling activity after formality of the Annual Meeting, League members are invited to convene by table to brainstorm ideas for increasing our membership and diversifying our backgrounds. Each table will have a facilitator/recorder. During the summer hiatus, the board will have an opportunity to consider all these ideas. |                 |
| 2:00 pm  | <b>Adjournment</b>   |                 |

<b>2019-2020 Proposed Budget</b>			
League of Women Voters of Monterey County			
<b>Operating Fund Income &amp; Expense</b>			
<b>Operating Fund</b>	<b>2019-2020</b>	<b>Actual amounts</b>	<b>2018-2019</b>
	<b>Proposed Budget</b>	<b>7/1/2018--3/20/2019</b>	<b>Budget</b>
<b>INCOME</b>			
411 Contributions for Operating Funds	\$2,500	\$2,377	\$3,000
415 Precinct Staff Contributions	\$1,400	\$1,430	\$2,000
416 Contributions for Ed Fund	\$0	\$495	\$400
417 Contributions for Curlee Fund	\$0	\$85	\$100
421 Member Dues	\$10,005	\$9,105	\$10,400
431 General Meeting Income	\$5,120	\$3,440	\$4,800
440 Transfer from Ed Fund	\$1,085	\$0	\$1,500
443 VG Investment Acct 5% Distribution	\$7,446	\$7,000	\$7,725
451 Wellington Fund Disbursements	\$4,011	\$0	\$794
499 Miscellaneous Income	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$31,567</b>	<b>\$23,932</b>	<b>\$30,719</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
<b>510 US and California Dues</b>			
511 LWVUS PMP	\$4,960	\$3,696	\$5,600
512 LWVC PMP	\$4,340	\$3,234	\$4,900
<b>520 Meetings and Luncheons</b>			
521 Guest Speakers	\$250	\$0	\$250
522 Room Rental	\$2,320	\$2,320	\$2,000
523 Catering	\$5,120	\$3,523	\$4,800
524 Video Production	\$400	\$150	\$350
529 Miscellaneous Meetings and Luncheons	\$100	\$90	\$175
<b>530 Publications &amp; Web Site</b>			
531 VOTER Printing & Mailing	\$3,000	\$2,384	\$2,100
532 Handbook Printing & Mailing	\$200	\$0	\$200
533 Web Housing	\$400	\$438	\$350
539 Miscellaneous Publications, Etc.	\$100	\$0	\$200
<b>540 League Program</b>			
541 Voters Service	\$1,000	\$919	\$500
542 Voter's Edge	\$500	\$72	\$500
543 Advocacy	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$1,000
549 Miscellaneous League Program	\$100	\$0	\$100
<b>550 Education</b>			
551 Studies and Workshops	\$50	\$0	\$200
552 Conventions	\$3,000	\$2,895	\$3,000
554 State Leadership Conference	\$250	\$0	\$0
559 Miscellaneous Education	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>570 Administration</b>			
571 Office Rent	\$2,832	\$2,124	\$2,832
572 Cell Phone	\$100	\$0	\$100
573 Insurance	\$200	\$176	\$500
574 PO Box Rental	\$120	\$120	\$112
575 Bulk Mail Permit	\$225	\$225	\$200
576 Bulk Mail Postage	\$300	\$200	\$400
577 Supplies, Printing, Other Postage	\$400	\$449	\$250
579 Miscellaneous Administrative Fees	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>580 Discretionary Funds</b>			
581 President's Discretionary Fund	\$100	\$103	\$100
589 Board's Discretionary Fund	\$200	\$0	\$0
<b>590 Miscellaneous Expenses</b>			
594 Transfer to Education Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
599 Other Miscellaneous Expenses	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$31,567</b>	<b>\$25,117</b>	<b>\$30,719</b>

# Balance Sheet

League of Women Voters of Monterey County  
As of March 31, 2019

	Amount
<b>BANK ACCOUNTS</b>	
Union Bank Checking Account	\$173.21
Union Bank Savings Account	\$0.00
<b>ASSET ACCOUNTS</b>	
Education Fund, LWVC custodian	\$334.20
Vanguard Wellington Fund	\$154,361.22
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$154,868.63</b>
Curlee Fund:	\$230.00
Petty Cash:	\$200.00

## Comments on 2019-2020 Proposed Budget

### Income Line Numbers

- 411** Contributions are from outside donors and from members contributing above the basic membership levels.
- 415** Precinct Staff Contributions --- The LWVMC expects to staff two polling places for the March 2020 primary.
- 421** Membership Dues --- This amount is based on our current members:  
113 individual members @ \$65 and 28 household members @ \$95.
- 431** General Meeting Income --- This amount is based on an average attendance at eight luncheon meetings at 32 participants at \$20/per person.
- 440** Transfer from Education Fund --- LWVMC is allowed by State LWV to pay one quarter of our PMP from the Education Fund. This amount reimburses the General Fund from the Education Fund.
- 443** Vanguard Wellington Fund 5% Distribution --- By Board policy, 5% (of the average value of the Fund for the last three years) is withdrawn for operational costs.
- 451** Vanguard Wellington Fund Additional Distribution --- By Board policy and with member approval of the budget, an additional amount each year is withdrawn as needed to balance the budget.

### Expense Line Numbers

- 511** LWVUS PMP --- Based on membership as of January 2019, Per Member Payments are sent to LWVUS at the rate of 113 individual members @\$32 and 28 household members @ \$48.
- 512** LWV Calif. PMP --- Based on membership as of January 2019, Per Member Payments are sent to LWV Calif. at the rate of 113 individual members @\$28 and 28 household members @ \$42.
- 523** General Meeting Catering --- Based on an average attendance of eight luncheon meetings of 32 attendees @ \$20/lunch.

The League studied the reuse of Fort Ord in 1992 and updated its position in 2018 to address whether or not the Fort Ord Reuse Authority (FORA) should sunset in 2020. FORA's performance during its 24 year history was assessed based on six governance criteria. The League also studied ways to transfer FORA's responsibilities to other agencies after it sunsets.

While FORA was never intended to be a permanent agency and sunseting of FORA is required by legislation, some in the community have advocated that it should continue until development by Fort Ord Base Reuse Plan (BRP) is completed or for up to 10 years. The LWVMC believes that FORA should sunset at the statutory date in 2020 based on an evaluation of its past performance and the availability of alternatives to undertake FORA responsibilities.

The League's specific findings follow: The following governance criteria were used to evaluate FORA's past performance as well as agencies that could assume FORA's responsibilities: Accountability, Effectiveness, Efficiency, Transparency, Regionalism and Feasibility.

The League's background information and findings are available upon request. A summary of findings follow:

**Accountability:** The FORA Board is not directly elected. Changing the membership of the Board is difficult since members are appointed and not directly elected. Some Board members are not directly affected by decisions they make as FORA Board members. Many successor agencies are directly elected and more accountable to their constituencies.

**Effectiveness:** FORA failed to effectively address blight in a timely manner and passed the responsibility and costs onto the individual jurisdictions. This leaves local jurisdictions with a bill of at least \$49 million to address blight removal when FORA sunsets with no funding mechanism currently in place. FORA failed to update the Base Reuse Plan (BRP) in over 20 years and to prepare annual reports on BRP implementation and mitigation measures identified in the environmental impact report as required by the California Environmental Quality Act.

FORA failed to make valid findings of consistency of general plans and projects with the BRP on numerous projects. FORA failed to address seawater intrusion as required by BRP policies. After the transition, seawater intrusion will be addressed through Groundwater Sustainability Planning.

FORA failed to prepare a Transition Plan in a timely manner and is actively pursuing a further extension. FORA transferred the responsibility for addressing

affordable housing needs to the cities and County where it will be addressed after the transition.

FORA adopted a funding structure that will not fully fund transportation obligations, habitat conservation obligations and water augmentation.

Successor agencies exist for all general government functions and have the authority and capability to accept those functions. Incomplete BRP policies will continue to be the responsibility of successor agencies. FORA funding associated with those functions should transfer with those functions. Jurisdictions have the ability to enact new funding mechanisms, e.g., Mello-Roos, impact fees, etc.

**Efficiency:** FORA has a large staff with total salaries and benefits which will exceed \$2.9 million in fiscal year 2018-2019. FORA's operating budget exceeds \$5 million annually.

Sunsetting FORA would save \$5 million annually which could be used by successor agencies to fund local projects and staff support. A trust fund has been established to address pension obligation after FORA sunsets.

**Transparency:** FORA places public comments at end of meetings – usually late on a Friday afternoon. Many key recommendations are made in committee with limited Board engagement. In 2010 FORA attorney illegally changed wording in Chapter 8 of the Master Resolution, giving the Board discretion to violate the terms of the BRP. The changes were later withdrawn.

FORA failed to fully account for the Environmental Services Cooperative Agreement (ESCA) grant funding for munitions cleanup.

**Regionalism:** While FORA's institutional structure was established to ensure that regional impacts of FORA development were addressed, FORA has failed to meet its regional obligations. For example, FORA recently approved the Eastside Parkway that fails to meet regional needs, and FORA has not paid its full share of regional impact fees.

**Feasibility:** Continuation is not feasible under existing law which requires that FORA sunset in 2020. Extension would require new state legislation. FORA staff has indicated that buildout of all BRP projects will occur by 2029. This is infeasible based on the housing market demand and historical construction.

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# Nominating Committee Report

Betty Matterson, chair

## **OFFICERS:**

President: Howard Fosler  
Vice President: Kalah Bumba  
Secretary: Marianne Gawain  
Treasurer: Marilyn Maxner

## **DIRECTORS:**

Public Relations: Beverly Bean  
Voter Service  
Mry. Peninsula: Dennis Mar  
Salinas Valley: vacant

## **DIRECTORS:**

Government: James Emery  
Social Policy: Bev Kreps  
Natural Resources: George Riley  
State & Nat'l Action: Janet Brennan  
Membership: Lisa Hoivik

Webmaster: Bob Evans  
VOTER Editor: Regina Doyle  
Salinas Valley Unit: vacant  
Director at Large: Sue Erickson  
Director at Large: Sharon Miller

## **OFF-BOARD:**

Nominating Committee: Whitney Gravel

## Rules of the Annual Meeting

The purpose of these rules is to conduct an effective and understandable meeting.

### **Delegates**

Each voting member is a delegate to this meeting.

### **Privilege of the Floor**

All members may have the privilege of the floor when fully recognized by the Chair.

### **Debate**

Any delegate may debate on the floor. Debate shall be limited to five minutes unless the time is extended by a two-thirds vote. No person may speak twice until all those who wish to speak have had an opportunity. All remarks should be limited to the question.

### **Motion**

Main motions of substantial length shall be in writing in duplicate and signed by the mover. One copy should be given to the President and one to the Secretary.

### **Voting**

The President shall designate the method of voting to be employed by the voice or by hand.