Supervisor Dennis Rodoni District 4 2-Year Marin Accomplishments

As the District 4 representative on the Marin Board of Supervisors, I collaborate with my colleagues on the Board of Supervisors, Department Heads & Staff, and community leaders to develop solutions to our community's most pressing issues.

Priorities:

- As an environmentalist, it is my duty to defend the natural environment and address sea level rise and climate change.
- As a champion for children, I advocate for the health, safety, and educational success of our youth.
- As an older adult, it is my duty to ensure that all our older adults have the necessary tools to remain in their homes and that our communities adapt to meet their needs as they age.
- Our community is vibrant because of our diversity, and I continue to work on policies and programs that foster Marin County as welcoming to all our residents regardless of socioeconomic status, immigration status, sexual orientation, gender, and physical capabilities.
- Our communities are stronger when we have robust emergency preparedness plans, adequate emergency preparedness staffing, and funding. I continue to advocate for a way to equip our communities with the training and tools they will need during an emergency.

As I approach the second half of my first term, I would like share with you some of the progress we have made on many issues in District 4 and Marin County.

- At the direction of the Board of Supervisors, our Health and Human Services Department has implemented Laura' Law Pilot Program (AB 1421) which has been active since September 2018. For more information about this program, click here.
- We enhanced the mental staffing to our county jail system in a partnership between Health and Human Services and the County Sherriff's Office. For more information about this program, click here.
- Worked alongside my colleague Supervisor Kate Sears, and West Marin Environmental Action Committee to recognize International Migratory Bird Day and reinforce our commitment to the protection of nesting and migratory birds. For more information click here.
- In response to community concerns over the increasing rental rates, unincorporated Marin County established the Rental Housing Dispute Resolution (Mandatory Mediation) for any rent increases of 5% or more. For more information about this program click here.

- Supported Just Cause for Evictions Ordinance, as it is one way to give our landlords and renters codified protections. For more information, click here to view the most current information.
- Collaborated with the Mayor of the City of San Rafael to support the code enforcement inspections of multi-family residential units in East San Rafael. As a result, we were able to delay a 40% rental increase for low-income residents of an apartment complex and secure unit upgrades to enhance the living conditions.
- Your Board of Supervisors continues to support an invigorated landlord partnership program to encourage landlords to accept Section 8. Click here to read the county news release.
- Over 100 residents experiencing homelessness have found homes through our new Housing First Initiative and Whole Person Care program. For more information about this program, click <u>here</u>.
- We have begun to address concerns over Short-Term Rentals through an enhanced Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) collections program and now require a designated responsible party for all Short-Term Rentals. For more information, please click here.
- A settlement agreement was reached over the lawsuit on the Pt. Reyes National Seashore's planning process and we are now moving forward and supporting National Parks Service's General Management Plan amendments process which could allow for establishing longer (20-year) leases. For more information regarding the General Management Plan process, click here.
- We supported Congressman Huffman's bill HR 6687 to reaffirm Congress' longstanding intent to allow working dairies and ranches in the Pt. Reyes National Seashore and Golden Gate National Recreation Area. Click here to view a Marin IJ article on the matter.
- As an incentive to create more housing stock in Marin, we are continuing to simplify the building/permitting process for our Accessory Dwelling Unit and Junior Accessory Dwelling Unit permit process as well as waive some associated fees. Click here to view to county news release.
- Continued to work on simplifying the building permit process by moving 75% of our permits to being accessible online or over the counter. And helped develop a two selfcertification processes for drywall inspections and curb-less showers. To access the online self-certification website, click here.
- Brokered a deal with North Marin Water District and Marin Municipal Water District for trucked water and drought supplies for Nicasio residents.
- Continued to support the sea-level rise, C-Smart, and BayWAVE work through our Community Development Agency. The Environmental Hazards sections in the Local Coastal Program (LCP) will benefit from C-Smart and BayWAVE studies and implementation. For more information about our sea level rise work, click here.
- Designated 2018 as Year of The Older Adult, a year-long event filled with community forums on Older Adult related topics. The goal is to engage our older adult community

- with resources and tools and to dispel any misconceptions about living as an older adult. Most recently, the Marin Senior Fair, drew more than 1000 community participants. For more information, click <u>here</u>.
- As a result of our '2018 Year of the Older Adult', Marin County is now a World Health Organization designated "Age Friendly" community. This will allow our county to tap into the network of age friendly communities around the world to better support our aging population. Click here to read the press release.
- Continued to support the opening of the third lane on the San Rafael-Richmond bridge to alleviate the traffic congestion that impacts the San Quentin Village and East San Rafael portion of District 4.
- Collaborated with Department of Public Works, Sherriff's Department, and the California Coastal Commission to address some of the overnight parking issues in Bolinas on non-county-maintained roads. As well as overnight parking concerns on Lucky Drive in Larkspur. My office supported the Bolinas Community Public Utilities District's decision to place an advisory ballot measure on downtown parking restrictions on the November 2018 ballot. For more information, click here.
- Served on the Fire and Emergency preparedness subcommittee to examine the lessons learned from the 2017 North Bay fires. We recommended over 60 action items to improve our vegetation management, resident safety, and notification methods, including alerts for non-English speaking residents. For more information, click here.
- Supported more funding for emergency response, notification and fire preparedness programs. This includes, robust vegetation management programs with the Federal, State, County Parks, Marin Municipal Water District, and all landowners.
- Held a successful 2017 Marin Agricultural Roundtable and 2018 Sonoma-Marin
 Agricultural Roundtable with over 150 attendees at both events. We discussed Ag-related
 issues and fostered a working relationship with Sonoma County to collaborate on
 solutions to the most pressing issues related to Ag.
- Moved forward a ballot measure to increase the Transient Occupancy Tax in West Marin. This 4-percentage point increase will fund emergency preparedness and community housing opportunities. The voters of West Marin approved the measure on November 6, 2018.
- Worked with County Counsel, Department of Public Works, and the Department of Finance to redraft our Private Road Division Policy. This allows for a ten-year loan repair private roads. Homeowners can barrow money from the county and then tax themselves to pay the loan back.
- Supported Marin Promise Partnership's roll out to West Marin as they hope to close the educational achievement gap. To view more information about Marin Promise's work, click here.
- Actively supported the Inverness Ridge Planning Group to analyze housing data and establish a house size limit on their community plan.

- Actively supporting our Community Development Agency's potential purchase of the former US Coast Guard property in Pt. Reyes Station. This site would be exclusively dedicated for new affordable housing opportunities. Hopefully, the purchase will occur in 2019. For more information click here.
- Supported the successful countywide ban on flavored tobacco products and electronic cigarettes. Click here to view the press release.

In these past two years:

- I have hosted over 80 community office hours in over 44 locations throughout District 4.
 - My office hours have brought together elected officials, county departments heads, senior staff, and community leaders to meet District 4 residents. This is an effort to introduce our communities with the other folks making decision that affect their lives.
- I have driven 33,000 miles throughout District 4.
 - o 90% of the miles driven were in all electric clean energy
- 100% attendance at all Board of Supervisors meetings.
 - o A total of 69 meetings
 - Board of Supervisors workshops on Equity, Economics, Homelessness and Drawdown Marin

What is in store for 2019?

- Continue to remove barriers to building more housing in Marin with a focus on our Accessory Dwelling Unit and Junior Accessory Dwelling Unit programs. These housing opportunities are ideal for our emerging work force and aging older population.
- Work with our Community Development Agency and Department of Public Works to address the challenges associated with the deployment of 5G technology to our communities.
- As the representative for the two Census Designated "Hard to Count" communities (East San Rafael and West Marin), my office will have a direct role in the county's efforts on the 2020 US Census Count.
- Encourage our Community Development Agency to revisit our planning and building processes to expedite farmworker housing and to develop new funding strategies/sources.
- Continue to work with the Army Corps of Engineers, City of San Rafael, Congressman Jared Huffman's office, and the East San Rafael business owners to get the funds to dredge the San Rafael Channel.
- Move forward a countywide Single Use Plastics ban to minimize the plastics that eventually end up on the beaches of our coastal communities and in our landfills.
- Continue to support the Chicken Ranch Beach project related to water quality and buoys.

- Support the work of our County Administrator and Human Resources Department, and Marin Association of Public Employees to develop a rental assistance program for county employees.
- Develop a training and apprenticeship programs in the trades that benefit our youth. This
 partnership amongst the County Administrator, our Department of Public Works,
 Community Development Agency, and community partners will focus on our
 underserved communities of East San Rafael, Marin City, and West Marin.
- The Senator McGuire Working Group will conclude in the coming year and we will continue to examine the best way to address our tourist and coastal related issues in West Marin.