



City of Martinez

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June 18, 2015

Ms. Sheri Pemberton
Chief, External Affairs/Legislative Liaison
California State Lands Commission
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Subject: Request for relief from obligation to transmit gross revenue from Martinez Marina

Dear Ms. Pemberton:

The City of Martinez requests relief from the obligation to transmit a portion of the gross revenue generated by the land grant described in SB 1424, also known as the Martinez Marina, as authorized under Section 7(d)(2). The City requests this relief for fiscal year 2014-2015.

The Martinez Marina is currently in a deteriorated state. Although the Marina was designed with six docks (A-F), currently only five are usable with Dock E only functioning on one side. Of the 400 slips in the Marina, only approximately 140 are in use. This is due primarily to the condition of the docks and the high levels of siltation as a result of major issues in the seawall and the entrance configuration. The last dredge occurred in 2012 and, due to the location of the Marina, the dredge cycle is every three years.


As a result of the Marina infrastructure needs, the revenue generated by the land has barely been enough to keep pace with basic maintenance and operational costs. The revenues are generated from two leases as well as docking and launching fees. All money generated by the Marina is kept in a separate Marina Services Enterprise Fund. However, since 2012, the revenue has not been sufficient to service the debt for the Marina State loans. The City is working closely with the State to address the outstanding loans.

If the State Lands Commission allows the City to retain the revenue generated from the granted lands, that revenue will be placed into the Marina Service Enterprise Fund and used toward plans to address the infrastructure needs and redevelop the Marina. As stated earlier, the revenue generated is by no means sufficient to redevelop the Marina, but the revenue would provide the City with funding to prepare the necessary feasibility studies in order to attract a developer. Any additional revenue will be used for dredging of sediment to restore adequate depth for Marina launching, berthing, and safe navigation.

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The City appreciates your consideration of this matter. Please contact Alan Shear, Assistant City Manager, at (925) 372-3577, if you have any further questions or require additional information. Thank you for your continued partnership in the Martinez Marina.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rob Braulik". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping loop at the end.

Rob Braulik