

Midcoast Community Council

An elected Municipal Advisory Council to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors
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Approved Minutes: Meeting on February 8, 12012

Call to Order. 7:30

Present: all councilmembers

Public: Adam (Supervisor's intern), Laslo Vespremi, Leonard Woren, Sabrina Brennan

1. Board of Supervisors Report - Nicholas Calderon (7:33)

- **Hwy 1 Study community meeting** planning is ongoing - Laura will report under Committees
- **Midcoast Projects/Issues list** submitted by Lisa for tonight's meeting is accurate and up to date.
- **FMR beach ramp** project not planned till 2013. Needs tweaks in plan for CDP.
- **Climate Action Plan**: one more public outreach meeting planed, on Bayside. Someone can come to MCC to present that information.
- **Coastside Design Review** Committee recruiting write-up is finished and ready to send for posting on MCC website. Laura asks could we get someone with experience on DR to come talk about what it's like? Nicholas will pursue.

2. Community Forum (7:45)

- **Laura: Harbor District** looking at alternatives to Perched Beach in inner harbor for new office building, focused on parking lot "B" behind Ketch Joanne Restaurant and shops. Would be off the beach, not block views, cost less, be quicker to process. Harbor District memo with mapped location included in agenda packet.
- **Leonard Woren: Fire District** Board trying to boot Cal Fire, and rebuild local department. MCC should consider inviting Fire Board to attend and state their case.

3. Approval of Agenda

4. Consent Agenda (7:55)

- a. Approval of Minutes – January 23, 2012
- b. Approval of Minutes – January 25, 2012
- c. Approval of document "MCC Policies & Procedures", a compilation of those adopted January 18, 2012
- d. Approval of MCC comments on Planning Permit Application Referral PLN2011-00365, new residence at Bernal & Alvarado

All approved 6-0 (Laura stepped out) Lisa to submit #d via email to planner D.Aguirre, copy Bill.

5. Regular Agenda

a. Review MCC priorities per lists from the retreat – Bill Kehoe (8:00)

Desired Outcome: Clarify and agree on top priorities, which councilmembers will track which issues, and what committees are needed.

Len: Study sessions, as council special meeting, or committee meetings, are a useful tool for increasing understanding of complex topics, and need not have specific action objective.

Bill: Goal is to compile one spreadsheet of all issues with councilmember names attached and prioritized.

Lisa offers to make the spreadsheet.

Review and confirm list of projects/issues and assign a councilmember name to track each issue per attached spreadsheet.

GGNRA committee: Lisa wants to follow closely what happens at Rancho and learn from everything Christine Carey of Parks Conservancy does with her demonstrated ability to organize volunteers to improve parklands. Trailheads, habitat restoration, volunteer efforts, use policies, visitor center, and parking are of interest to the whole Midcoast community, not just nearby neighbors.

Bill: Neighborhood group, formed a year ago, around specific neighborhood issues --trailheads, fire safety, and

dog management. Doesn't know whether they want to get into other Rancho issues. They came to us for help on these 3 items. 40 plus people in google-group. Committee has been working closely with GGNRA. Shouldn't be undermining community people that come to us and ask for help.

Len: Could have multiple committees dealing with Rancho.

Lisa: Rancho neighbors have organized local special interest group. Entirely appropriate to sponsor their fire danger issue & organize MCC forum with agency people attending to speak to the issue, however their group does not represent the MCC and the larger community. The full council needs to be informed and have the opportunity to be involved in Rancho planning. Dog-walker lobby is quite organized and capable of advocating for their issue. Doesn't see this neighborhood group as MCC committee.

Laura: Appreciates work put into it, but this is a community group, not MCC committee. Why do they use MCC name when they have their own neighborhood group name?

Bill: As MCC committee, we were able to have the fire safety agenda item, the field trip meeting at Coral Reef, and several meetings with GGNRA. Neighbors have gotten some satisfaction on their issues.

Laura: Not comfortable having whole MCC web page devoted to this committee, defining objectives that haven't been voted on by council. Page needs to come down until committee is approved.

Bill: Website posting was not by committee's request – already asked Len to take it down.

Lisa: Very disappointed not to be included in Monday's Rancho meeting, especially since Christine Carey attended. Am on the council and didn't even know this was happening.

Bill: Group meets every first Monday of the month at Seton noted on neighborhood group Google list.

Lisa: Didn't know about neighbors' google-group list so didn't know to get on it.

Laura: What about the rest of the community – they have not been notified.

Bill: Most of them have been. Numerous articles on Coastsider mention regular monthly meeting. It didn't happen last Monday because didn't have time. Didn't have to because not officially MCC committee.

Lisa: Would have liked notice of the meeting - a simple request.

Midcoast Park & Rec Committee (MPRC) Lisa says has lots of community members who might be interested in an MCC Parks Committee with a larger scope. Len says MPRC covers all county parks on Midcoast, not just those funded by Parks Development fees (contrary to Lisa's understanding). DPW staff should join discussions at MPRC for better coordination. Big parks should be discussed separately from MPRC issues. Lisa says since we don't yet have an MCC Parks Committee, for now councilmembers will attend MPRC meetings and report back to council.

ASBS Stormwater Pollution Reduction Program: Nicholas will keep us posted on results of studies

Hwy 1 Mobility Study: Bill says needs more definition; Len says need study sessions; Lisa recommends Laura continue to be liaison with Steve M. since that is working well.

Harbor dredging/development: Lisa suggests considering other locations for boat launch dredging spoils besides building bulkhead and filling in Perched Beach, such as eroded areas on Princeton Waterfront and West Shoreline Access Trail.

Princeton Shoreline erosion/access: Lisa will send Nicholas prior studies done on beach replenishment with dredging spoils.

Sabrina Brennan: Council should attend meetings of ABAG, C/CAG, BPAC, BoS, RCD. Sabrina will go to BPAC.

Alignment list – Bills wants to assign councilmembers to contacts on alignment list. Laura asks to defer for now unless something of immediate impact comes up - already identified councilmembers with projects and issues and can figure it out from there. Discussion tabled for lack of time

Priorities – Bill: discuss priorities at future meeting, or let people set their own priorities? Tabled.

Calendar - Lisa suggests google calendar to help plan agendas a couple months ahead to help prioritize individual meetings. If someone could get calendar set up (& link to website), Lisa could maintain it.

b. Confirmation of the ad hoc committee: Meeting Audio Issues Committee – Bob Kline (9:20)

Purpose: Solve MCC meeting audio issues. Gather information on audio systems and possible solutions. Report back to Council for direction. Members: Chair: Bob Kline Len Erickson Dan Haggerty

Desired Outcome: Find and implement a solution to recurring MCC meeting audio problems during live and rebroadcast by PCT.

Committee approved 7-0

Bob: This is second meeting w/omni-directional mic, last meeting was good, rebroadcast was difficult, VOD was clear. 2/29 community meeting will use this system. County bring own PA equipment.

Leonard said last meeting on omni-mic was abysmal, picks up all ambient sound, bad room acoustics

Bill asks council to check recording

Bob: Directional mics we already have are much better. Will report to council when have more info.

6. Council Activity (9:30)

a. Correspondence Received

PLN2011-00365 new residence at Bernal & Alvarado: Design Review hearing 2/9, 1:30pm Sheriff substation

7. Committee Reports and Continuing Business (9:35)

a. Hwy 1 Community Meeting Committee – Laura Stein

Room at Farallone View is procured for 6:00 PM – 9:00 pm, Feb. 29

6:30 is start time advertised, presentation begins at 7pm

Snacks will be provided. County will bring their own PA system

Flyer text approved by Steve and council, should be ready by Friday

Phase 1 Study to be posted on County website (currently on Parks site)

After Caltrans comments are incorporated into project text, date for hard copy of study will be determined

Meeting notification via email (paper too expensive). County willing to create a “general notification email list” for the Coastside. Planning secretary already has a Midcoast list as well as Josh’s list from Phase 1 Workshop. We could gather and send more. Steve will write distribution cover email and send for review.

Bill concerned about forwarding email addresses to county.

Sabrina: inappropriate to send email addresses to county

Leonard: concerned about multiple emails – suggests setting up google-group and invite people to join.

Len: Identify Midcoast groups with email lists and approach them to distribute meeting notice. There will be distribution overlap, but people will recognize who it’s coming from.

Presentation: Steve gives broad overview & how it relates to Phase 1. Project team explains findings/suggestions.

Steve suggests ideas for next steps, asks for feedback. Implementation action plan may include steering committee and typical advisory committee, future project-based workshops and other ideas that council members or community may have.

David wants Council to submit questions and talking points to County ahead of time.

Bill: Steve wants to hear from us about next steps – need to discuss ahead of the meeting a few contingency plans to answer that question

Laura: How can we decide before we’ve heard from community?

Len: This is community’s time to listen and ask questions.

Lisa: I will attend as an individual and have my own questions & comments.

Len: Right, this is a community meeting

Sabrina: This is the one opportunity to talk to consultants. Sit with audience like League of Women Voters forum.

David: don’t want to be seated in a way that implies council necessarily endorses the study. Need to ask where did funding come from for study.

Lisa: We had this conversation with Nicholas at our last meeting, about where the council would sit.

Bill: Didn’t know he would be controlling speakers, won’t be able to fully participate in the meeting.

Laura: If Bill doesn’t want to, as Vice Chair she would control speaker slips. Normal to have speaker time limits.

Lisa: Someone has to control the meeting. Someone that engenders respect. Keeping it well organized doesn’t imply that you endorse the content.

David: still wants council to submit questions and concerns to Steve ahead of time.

Len: suggests David, as meeting planning committee member, call a committee meeting to discuss or ask for MCC special mtg. Out of time tonight - now 10pm hard stop time.

b. Website committee:

Bill wants proposed Rancho committee info removed from website - didn’t ask for it - is inappropriate.

Len: do you want it up as a proposed committee or out of sight?

Bill: Previous council policy was nothing posted until approved by MCC. That policy not being followed.

Laura: wants Website Committee to come to council with recommendation on this topic.

8. Future Agendas (10:07)

Lisa: Devil’s Slide Tunnel crossing – Consider new information learned since April 2011 regarding the crossing and whether to update the MCC position that will be brought by MCC appointees to Devil’s Slide Task Force meeting in March. Desired Outcome: Approve bullet list of points reflecting current council position and choose 1 or 2 councilmembers to attend Devil’s Slide Task Force March 7 meeting.

Lisa: Presentation of First Flush 2011 data results on local stormwater runoff pollutants by Karissa Anderson, Resource Conservation District (RCD). Mar 14. (council agreed)

Bill: GGNRA committee approval

Len: Website committee approval

David: Finalize Hwy 1 meeting format (with committee meeting before that). Laura: Proposed format is what the council already agreed to at last meeting.

Vote to approve format of meeting as presented by Laura tonight: 5-1-1 David against, Dan abstain

Laura: Discuss committees vs. individuals completing a task, vs. study group. Define how we work together & accomplish things. Bill wants special meeting on that – 2 hrs. Laura says no need for special meeting, shouldn't take long. Lisa: 5 meetings in Jan, 3 already for Feb. Len: important to get issue resolved.

9. Adjournment (10:15)