Midcoast Community Council

An elected Municipal Advisory Council to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors
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Approved Minutes: Meeting on June 12, 2013, at GSD

Call to Order. 7:00 pm
Present: all 6 councilmembers
4 members of the public

1. Board of Supervisors' Report – Nicholas Calderón

Donuts with Don 6/14 at Pescadero Country Store 10-noon.

Supervisorial Redistricting meeting June 15 at Cunha School Library in HMB to discuss the redrawing of County district boundaries, 9:30-11:30AM.

Sam's Restaurant Hwy 1 left-turn lane – grading commenced for road widening without Coastal Development Permit -- have spoken with Shannon Flynn, Legislative Affairs Liaison for Caltrans -- she is looking into it – has not yet found anything about the project. HMB Planning/Building is also unaware of the project. County Sheriff stopped work today until all permits are obtained. County requires Coastal Development Permit for the amount of grading that is going on.

Caltrans MCC Subcommittee, formed at 5/22 meeting: We are working on scheduling the meeting with Caltrans. Meeting goals will be to discuss projects Caltrans is doing on the Midcoast, lack of public process in the past, and how to improve it going forward. Will talk with Jerry Hill, Rich Gordon, and Kevin Mullin regarding the matter.

2. Public Comment

Leonard Woren: Revised schedule for GSD reorganization as Community Services District is now posted on GSD website. RCD sponsored a presentation on results of harbor pollution source study. Could MCC host condensed presentation which would then be available on video?

3. Consent Agenda: approved 6-0

Approval of Minutes for May 22, 2013

Approval of MCC Treasurer Report for June 12, 2013

4. Regular Agenda

a. (7:15) **Pillar Point Harbor Shoreline Erosion and Dredging** -- **Desired Outcome**: Approve letters to Representative Jackie Speier and San Mateo County Harbor Commission on this issue.

Lisa: gave slide presentation. Dredge permitting is complicated by the many agencies involved. Most complicated is outside the breakwater (Surfers' Beach) which is in Monterey Bay Marine Sanctuary. Within the harbor, Princeton Shoreline has other complications/delay due to planning project in process which won't be complete for several years and no Harbor District (HD) jurisdiction above mean high tide line. West Shoreline Trail appears most straight-forward option with funding already allocated in HD budget for trail repair/protection.

Draft letters to Harbor Commission and Congresswoman Jackie Speier were introduced; excerpts read. Letter to Jackie Speier encourages better communication with MCC on local issues and supplies important information on the dredging issue that was lacking in her letter to CCC which was based solely on Homeland Security letter which was clearly based on HD lobbying.

Nicholas: Supervisor Horsley sent letter to CCC supporting CCC staff recommendation on dredging, and asked to add condition that requires Harbor District to locate & apply for permits for alternate dredge disposal sites, and not use Perched Beach for disposal after this dredge event.

Sabrina Brennan: Thanks for support. Next Harbor District meeting 6/19 - has agenda item to adopt Shoreline Erosion Committee.

Leonard Woren: Launch ramp dredging has nothing to do with Homeland Security -- Jackie Speier's letter out of line. Ramp dredging is regular maintenance event - should not have been emergency permit. HD wanted dredge on Perched Beach to further development plans. Ask Jackie Speier to introduce a bill to put sand on Surfers' Beach. Moving highway is not a solution. Need to modify breakwater.

Lisa: Move approval of 2 letters on harbor dredging, one to Congresswoman Jackie Speier and one to Harbor Commission. Approved 6-0.

Len: Suggest Chair reach out to Jackie Speier's office as follow-up.

Laura: We should encourage activities to keep focus on this topic.

b. (7:55) Selection of MCC representative to Princeton Plan Steering Committee

Bill, Len had questions about Steering Committee that Nicholas will need to get answered. MCC was invited to send one rep; Bill feels two are needed.

Item initially tabled, but taken up again after Future Agendas. Bill, Dan, & Len want two MCC reps, which tie vote does not pass.

Lisa appointed as MCC rep to Princeton Plan Steering Committee. Laura is alternate.

5. Council Activity –

Len: 2014 is next funding cycle for bus shuttle grant. Info briefings in late summer/fall. Laura will work with Len. talk to C/CAG.

Lisa: RCD harbor pollution presentation is posted on website. Final report to follow.

Bill: GGNRA fire protection plan for Rancho, open for comment; public meeting at Farallone View School (Lisa will post with date)

Lisa: Mirada Surf East recently mowed, totally scalped, wetland habitat and all, as though this open space meadow were roadside weeds. Who gave that order and why? Could we discuss this type of open space management before it happens again next year? – Nicholas will look into it.

Bill: Reported tunnel portal parking access/safety inquiry from public via MCC Facebook; passed on to Devil's Slide Task Force.

6. Committee Reports - none

7. Future Agendas -

Len: Concerned about whether TA grant process can deal with issues related to crossings (such as at lighthouse with impact from ingress/egress at 16th St) or whether some other process will be needed. Should tools for crossings be broader than what's available in TA grant? Do we want to examine this further in future agenda item?

Nicholas: TA grant is only for crossing, left-turns, raised medians. It is not for rerouting traffic. Need public input, beyond just councilmembers. No MOU from Caltrans yet (waiting since January). After Council discussion, Len decided not to bring this agenda item.

6/26 – no items, possible meeting cancelation

Adjournment -- 8:47