

Midcoast Community Council

An elected Municipal Advisory Council to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors

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Approved Minutes: Meeting on January 9, 2013, at GSD

Call to Order. 7:00

Present: all 6 councilmembers

7 Government: Supervisor Horsley, Nicholas Calderón, SamTrans (Chuck Harvey, Paul Lee, Doug Kim), Camille Leung (County Planner), Rick Kowalczyk (HMB Mayor)

~12 members of the public

1. Board of Supervisors Report – Supervisor Horsley

Don Horsley is now President of BoS; Study session on Measure A funding at BoS 1/15; Dream Machines will be 2-day event (BoS consider on 2/12); County will apply for “Safe routes to schools” grant for Farallone View as most doable, would eventually link to Parallel Trail, Carlos to Main St. Nicholas has met with School Board, & FV Principal.

2. Public Comment

Rick Kowalczyk (HMB Mayor): want to reach out, open lines of communication between HMB and Midcoast. Coastside is one community. Will attend on area-wide issues. (Laura: would be interested in HMB Hwy 1 projects)

Kathryn Slater-Carter: to Supervisor: thank you for BoS swearing-in ceremony last night in Pacifica, appreciate acknowledgment of Midcoast. To HMB Mayor: If we are one community, why didn't HMB participate in wet weather over-flow project.

Leonard Woren: MCC meeting start time is 7:30. Council can't change to 7:00 as they have done.

3. Consent Agenda: (items considered separately)

Minutes for December 12, 2012 – approved 6-0

MCC approval of forms/policies which will designate Granada Sanitary District as permanent MCC meeting place: GSD Meeting Room Use Request Form & Meeting Room Use Policy – continued to another meeting, along with 7pm start time.

4. Regular Agenda

a. **SamTrans presentation** (7:15 – Stein) SamTrans Deputy CEO Chuck Harvey gave handout and presentation on SamTrans Coastside Services. Rte 17 ridership doubled since 2007. Larger buses in 2010. Overall SamTrans ridership declining, structural deficit. Final draft service plan delayed due to new federal regulations. Nov 2012 MCC comments being considered in Final Draft. Estimate final draft in Feb/Mar, more public outreach, final adoption ~April. Will let us know dates and schedule meeting on Midcoast for public review.

Len: Federal mandate to service special needs, but not school kids.

Zoe Kersteen-Tucker: Thanks SamTrans folks. Coastside is small but unique & important.

Christy Usher: re 294, took bus from Main St. to work in San Mateo, but times not convenient & takes much longer - HMB transfer would be much more hassle. Convenience/frequency would make success. Consolidate stops rather than getting rid of 294. Good public trans is quality of life issue.

Leonard: Took bus once, got stranded when route from SFO ended in Pacifica. Supports neighborhood stops – safer. People avoid taking last scheduled bus in case they miss it.

Dan: Has had good experience with bus, schedules easy to find on line.

Laura: New buses clean and comfortable, kudos to service.

b. **La Costanera restaurant** (8:15 - Ketcham) Consideration of Initial Study & Negative Declaration (NegDec) for Use Permit Amendment.

Camille Leung, Project Planner: Review of NegDec will be delayed several months due to need for archeological report. revised and recirculated NegDec.

Kathryn Slater-Carter: owns a house across street from project, never received notice.

Item continued to date uncertain to await recirculated NegDec.

c. **Highway 1 Action Plan Committee proposal** (8:20 – Erickson/Kehoe) to manage all projects outlined in the Hwy 1 Safety and Mobility Studies

Bill: slide presentation on proposed committee

Don Horsley: Hwy 1 study & public comment ongoing past 3 years. Proposed committee not useful at this stage, tend to become exclusive. County's draft public review process document provided tonight. TA projects are fairly straightforward. Prefer MCC work with County on public outreach.

Nicholas: Draft doc on Public Review process was developed with Steve and TA consultants – believe it's the best approach. Says draft because we want MCC feedback. See the process as partnership with MCC and County. County would like this process for all Hwy projects going forward.

Don: Would like subcommittee from MCC to work with County (meaning appointed councilmember rep(s) as with Devil's Slide, Princeton).

Len: Larger context than just TA projects is important – how nearby parking or trail issues closely relate to medians/crossings but might get ignored.

Dan: Would like fact sheets on topics, to bring people up to speed.

Bob: Committee would throw more confusion into discussion than clarify things. People come to speak to MCC, get some satisfaction from that. When county joins us, public comment has more force – gives public direct input.

Kathryn Slater-Carter: Hwy 1 charrettes felt like a sales job, very disappointing. Supports Hwy 1 standing committee.

Leonard Woren: Wary of committees, have gone off the rails in the past. Need very bright line drawn on limits of charter. Need all same meeting requirement as MCC, no outbound info/recommendations from committee, without going through Council.

Carl May: Are there enough people willing to serve on the committee? Trails should be dealt with separately from roads in MCC considerations.

Lisa: County's public review plan reflects excellent progress made this year in County/MCC relationship. Informal ad-hoc "work groups" or single councilmembers fill role of MCC staff -- research/study issues, present findings/draft letters/reports to Council. "Workshops" can provide informal discussion/brainstorming with community on specific issues. None of this requires extra layer/effort of standing committee. Council can oversee our own Hwy 1 process.

Laura: Committee feels like parallel process with county, public confused, not going to attend all these meetings.

Bill: Move to approve Hwy 1 committee. Motion failed 2-4 (Laura, Lisa, Bob, Dan opposed)

5. Council Activity – 9:45

Devil's Slide Task Force meeting (Bill) 12/19/12 (written report submitted). Next meeting 1/23/13.

Harbor District public meeting (Lisa) 1/8/13 at Yacht Club re harbor dredging -- how/when dredging materials could be used to replenish eroded beaches at Princeton and Surfer's Beach. Harbor District will put up new page on their website about harbor dredging.

Hwy 1 vegetation encroachment (Lisa) Caltrans District 4 website has Maintenance Service Request form. Reported 2 worst sites on 11/5/12, both on west side in Montara (just north of lighthouse and at 9th St.). As of last week both sites have been pruned back so pedestrians/bikes can be seen by cars and can proceed without moving out into traffic lane.

7. Committee Reports

CCT Committee (Len) Slide presentation update; writing team working on report; next committee meeting 1/22, 7pm, GSD

8. Future Agendas

1/23 – Montara Gateway forum proposal (Len), Hwy 1 projects public process discussion (Nicholas), Dream Machines (Bill), MCC meeting place/time, time permitting non urgent- FMR issues overview (Lisa/Bill)

2/2 (Sat) - Retreat, Supervisor Horsley will attend for part.

9. Adjournment - 9:55