

Midcoast Community Council

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

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Approved Minutes: Meeting on November 9, 2016, at GCSD

Call to Order. 7:00 PM

Present: all 6 councilmembers

Government: Supervisor Don Horsley, Aide Ellie Dallman, Library Branch Mgr Annie Malley

Members of the public: 4

1. **Board of Supervisors' Report** and Reports from other Government Officials

Supervisor Don Horsley:

Marijuana legalization: Board of Supervisors study session is planned for Dec 6 to consider regulations for growing, manufacture, and dispensing marijuana as a result of Nov 8 state ballot initiative. Don prefers that growing be confined to indoors, preferably in underutilized existing greenhouses left idle due to declining floriculture industry.

Homelessness: There are 169 unsheltered homeless individuals on the Coastside from Pacifica to HMB. Don is chair of county homeless program, Housing Our People Effectively (HOPE) Interagency Council. County has shelter network called LifeMoves. Coming soon is Dignity on Wheels, self-contained unit with showers and washing machines to visit various Coastside locations every couple weeks. Jan 26 is annual homeless count, which is (or was) a way to get money from federal government.

Master Plan for Quarry/Wicklows/Mirada Surf will be developed during 2017 – would like one or two MCC members to participate on the committee.

Gray Whale Cove: County is coordinating with Caltrans to do crossing/turn lane project with routine maintenance already planned for next summer. Dan voiced concern about parking lot entrance line of sight and crosswalk impact in peak hours.

Connect the Coastside timeline has been delayed due to consultant DKS taking time to analyze roundabouts instead of traffic signals for Moss Beach.

Parallel Trail southern segment: County has allocated \$250,000 in District 3 Measure A funds to bring plans to 100%.

2. **Public Comment & Announcements**

Dave announced two upcoming meetings for Peninsula Clean Energy: Citizens Advisory Committee Nov 10 and Board of Directors Nov 12; see www.peninsulacleanenergy.com

Chris announced that Brandon Kwan was elected to MCC to fill the 2-year vacancy left by Erin Deinzer's resignation. Brandon will be sworn in at the Dec 14 regular meeting.

3. **Consent Agenda** – approved 6-0

- a. Approve minutes for October 26, 2016

4. **Regular Agenda**

a. (7:30) **Update on Surfers' Beach Project** (informational)

Supervisor Don Horsley: Rock armoring to protect the highway was the major project cost. Beach staircase is much safer than climbing over rocks down to the beach but is not designed to last long term in the upper surf zone. Construction materials are due to the short-term temporary nature of the permit. Wood has special treatment that is non-toxic. Caltrans will repair/replace as necessary. Staircase already had to be extended

due to loss of beach sand. Ellie keeps Caltrans informed. If stairs are destroyed and Caltrans doesn't fix them, the county will. County will maintain the Coastal Trail. Dan said the looseness of the railings could be improved relatively simply with larger brackets and more bolts. Don will have Ellie contact Caltrans about that. Chris is concerned that the new staircase leads into the surf and somebody may get washed away. He requested warning signage and other safety measures. Don said Sheriff, Fire, and Harbor District have water rescue and suggested having a presentation from the rescue people. He will arrange for the signage.

c. (7:52) **Coastal Hazards and Public Coastal Access Related to Proposed Residence at 199 Arbor Lane, Moss Beach** (Ketcham)

Desired Outcome: Approve comments to planner on application referral PLN2016-00444. Agenda re-ordered so Supervisor Horsley could hear the item. Lisa gave slide presentation to introduce the letter.

Public comment: Len Erickson and Bill Kehoe support the draft letter.

Dave volunteered to go to County Assessor's office and look up the scenic easement conditions in the 1972 Cypress Cliffs subdivision agreement.

Motion: Approve the letter as drafted. Approved 6-0.

b. (8:10) **HMB Library Annual Report** (informational)

Annie Malley, HMB Library Branch Manager, presented the report (posted).

5. (8:35) **Council Activity** – Correspondence received & meetings attended

Jubata grass: Lisa attended Nov 8 Weed Management Area (WMA) meeting. County Parks Natural Resource Manager Ramona Arechiga reported jubata grass treatment at Devil's Slide and Pillar Point Bluff using one-time funding source. Lack of regular funding source for maintenance follow-up treatment costs money in the long term due to re-infestation. Ramona needs annual invasive weed budget for each park. Public Works also has told us they have no budget for jubata grass control. We should ask Don Horsley to provide this funding.

Valleamar Bluff 5-house project: Lisa reported, as a result of the Oct 26 MCC meeting, the developer is planning a revised 4-house project on relatively equal-sized lots fronting on Valleamar and an expanded conservation easement on the coastal prairie. A revised project would come to MCC for review/comment before it goes to CDRC.

Chris: CDRC celebrates Ron Madsen Nov 10 on his being termed out after serving 10 years.

Dave: Pedro Point restoration is in progress. Pillar Point Bluff trail improvement planning is delayed due to need for adequate Air Force property access.

6. **Future Agendas** – Nov 23 and Dec 28 regular meetings are canceled due to holidays.

Dec 14: Council reorganization and swear in new member, Granada Fire Station EIR review

Adjourn: 8:48 PM