

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 25, 2015, at GCSD

Call to Order. 7:05 PM

Attendance:

Councilmembers present: Olson, Johnson, Ketcham, Haggerty, Stein. Absent: Deinzer, Janoe
6 members of the public

1. Board of Supervisors' Report - Nicholas Calderón

Surfers Beach Erosion Protection Project: Final community meeting Feb 26, at GCSD – presentation of design plans, timeline, construction logistics.

Midcoast Highway 1 Crossings/Medians/Left Turns: New designs and Draft Preliminary Planning Study is posted for survey/comment - www.smcspeakout.com. Staff is working to make images load more quickly. Community engagement meeting to present designs, discuss and gather feedback is scheduled for Mar 11 at Cypress Meadows, 7PM.

Moss Beach Park: Closed 8-10 weeks starting mid March for major renovations. Nicholas will send plans for website posting.

LED Streetlights – Sample installations planned at 3 Midcoast post offices to focus discussion on color and brightness. Fixtures ordered, should be installed in 4 to 8 weeks.

Reports from other Government Officials

GCSD Director Leonard Woren: District Parks survey is in mailboxes. Return by Mar 6, or reply on Speakout.

Harbor Commissioner Sabrina Brennan: RCD presentation of First Flush results at Mar 4 Harbor District meeting. Municipal service review of Harbor District is in progress.

2. Public Comment/ Announcements

Len Erickson suggested upcoming MCC Midcoast Parks Forum should include GCSD and discussion of parking study.

3. Change regular agenda order: first 4b, then 4a

Consent Agenda: approved 5-0.

a. Approve Minutes for Feb 11, 2015

4. Regular Agenda

b. PLN2014-00133 for 115 West Point Ave, major addition/remodel of house on Princeton shoreline next to Pillar Point Marsh. Lisa presented draft comments to project planner to be addressed in staff report for 3/11 Planning Commission meeting. Key issues are tsunami analysis, potential future coastal armoring, pre-1931 historic building, remodel more than doubles size of non-conforming use in waterfront zone.

Leonard Woren and Sabrina Brennan spoke in support of the letter.

Motion: Approve comments on PLN2014-00133 as drafted. Motion passed 5-0.

- a. (7:37) **Change MCC elections to even numbered years** -- Laura explained that the change would align MCC with other local and statewide elections. The anticipated benefit is increased voter participation and decreased County election costs. If approved, all current councilmember terms will be extended by one year. If a councilmember resigns before the end of their extended term, the person elected or appointed to replace them will only be completing the remainder of that councilmember's term. The Resolution will be sent to Clerk of the Board, and will then come to the Board of Supervisors within 60 days.

Leonard Woren and Sabrina Brennan spoke in support of the Resolution.

Motion: Adopt Resolution No. 2015-1 requesting that MCC biennial election be changed from odd numbered years to even numbered years in conjunction with general elections. Motion passed 5-0.

5. (7:50) **Council Activity** – Correspondence received & meetings attended

Sale of Seton Hospital: Dave reported sale of Daughters of Charity hospitals (including Seton Coastside) to Prime Health Care was approved with new conditions by State Attorney General. Prime will consider whether to accept the new conditions.

Coastside Design Review: Laura reported on efforts to improve CDRC process, including expand website content, post digital project plans. Mar 12 CDRC agenda includes 3-story house on substandard 4400 s/f parcel (where 10,000 s/f is standard) on Magellan directly behind Miramar Beach Restaurant parking lot.

Pillar Point RV Park: Lisa reported followup to MCC Jan 28 letter to Harbor District. Harbor Commissioner Nicole David arranged Feb 13 morning meeting over coffee with RV Park lease holder and MCC rep (Lisa) for preliminary discussion of the issues. Two out of four concerns raised by MCC were discussed: coastal views and glaring lights. Lease holder agreed to use dimmer light bulbs and to look into options for shading the existing historic light fixtures. He also agreed to trim the trees along the fence line and plant some California native shrubs to start growing lower vegetation. He will discuss more solutions for vegetation adjustments with his landscape architect. The communication between lease holder, MCC, and HD will be ongoing for feedback and further exploration of solutions for concerns.

Harbor District Beach Replenishment Committee: Lisa attended Feb 17 committee meeting. On Feb 18 the Harbor Commission unanimously approved letter to Coastal Regional Sediment Management Plan (CRSMP) Santa Cruz littoral cell workgroup re a pilot beach replenishment project with PPH dredged material at Surfers' Beach.

7th St Fence Encroachments: Lisa, Dave, Laura, and 7 community members attended Planning Commission (PC) today and spoke in support of MCC request for no fence encroachments in the public ROW. PC voted 4-0 to approve the following: Existing 6-ft wooden wall across the end of 7th St. will be removed, opening the public view. DPW will install bollards to prevent cars going over the cliff and allowing public access to the vista point and Marine Walk on State Parks land. Private encroachment was granted to neighboring property owner covering 300 sq/ft of coastal bluff within the 7th St ROW via installation of a new 4-ft wood framed wire fence. PC did not require removal of 7th St hedge despite the invasive oversize shrub species and embedded barbed wire. DPW said they don't do landscaping. PC encouraged County Parks to consider maintenance of the landscaping in that area.

Weekend Traffic: Lisa suggested to SF Area CHP and Pacifica police that having an officer direct traffic through the Linda Mar and San Pedro Bridge detour intersections on fair weather weekend afternoons might help alleviate the weekend afternoon gridlock. Pacifica Police Chief Joe Spanheimer replied that "The Pacifica City Manager and Public Works Director have been made aware of the problem." CHP SF Area Captain Christopher Sherry (covers area down to Montara) replied, "I would have to agree that this issue is just going to get increasingly worse. As we approach the summer months AND due to the lack of snow presently, it's my opinion that people will start flocking to the coast during these last few months as opposed to the mountains (Tahoe), which are usually ski months. As we all know, the ski season is probably over for the most part, so this increase in traffic does not surprise me. I actually think traffic control at our intersection near Linda Mar might give some relief to the problem. It will most definitely be needed by latest May."

Parking enforcement on Hwy 1 between Montara and Devil's Slide: Erin (arrived after regular agenda items) reported SF area CHP Captain Sherry phoned her, and will meet with her to view parking issues. CHP parking ticket revenue goes to County.

6. Future Agendas

TBD – Midcoast Parklands Access and Parking Study – draft not completed
Mar 11 – Hwy 1 crossings, medians and left turn lanes – Cypress Meadows
TBD Mar 19-26? County Community meeting on Connect the Coastside
Mar 25 -- Plan Princeton Draft Preferred Plan; HMBYC beach/water access ramp
April 8 -- Devil's Slide Ride, ?Connect the Coastside discussion/comment?
April 22 – Midcoast Parks Forum – Cypress Meadows

Adjourn - 8:21 PM