

Midcoast Community Council

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

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Approved Minutes: Meeting on May 22, 2013, at GSD

Call to Order. 7:00 pm

Present: all 6 councilmembers

Government: Supervisor Don Horsley, Sandy Wong (C/CAG), 2 airport consultants
10 members of the public

1. Board of Supervisors' Report – Supervisor Don Horsley

Parks Dept tentatively allocated \$5 million by Board of Supervisors for 7 new positions with return to separate department; will include management position for natural resource professional.

Homeless Outreach Team (HOT) funded for Coastside.

Mobile medical team for La Honda/Pescadero allocated \$900,000 over 2-yr period.

Early Childhood Education Summit at Silicon Valley Community Foundation June 18.

Princeton Planning project contract approved – 3-yr project.

Agriculture on Coastside - spoke with CCC, tour of area with Chair of State Assembly Agriculture Committee, Assemblyman Kevin Mullin, local farmers.

Devil's Slide Park may open this fall - road in better shape than thought, can't really keep people out anyway.

2. Public Comment

Laura: **2012 LCP** should be available in 2-3 weeks. **2013 DPW projects** list will be posted on MCC website tomorrow. **GSD reorganization** as Community Services District delayed - planning for June 2014 election.

Elizabeth Vespremi: request Council take up issue of disappearing green buffers along Hwy 1 leaving wide paved uncontrolled access fronting certain businesses (Moss Beach gas station & taquería, Sam's restaurant in El Granada).

Bill: **Disaster Preparedness Day** June 8 at County Fair 10-2.

Lisa: **Pillar Point Harbor (PPH) shoreline erosion meeting** Wed, May 29, 7:30 pm, HMB Yacht Club.

PPH Pollution Source ID Study Results – Resource Conservation District public meeting to present results Sat, June 8, time/place to be determined – will post on MCC website.

3. Consent Agenda: approved 6-0

Approval of Minutes for May 8, 2013

Approval of MCC Treasurer Report for May 22, 2013

4. Regular Agenda

a. (7:12) **Preliminary Draft Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan (ALUCP)** for Environs of HMB Airport. City/County Association of Governments (C/CAG) is updating this 15-yr-old plan which affects future land uses and development surrounding the airport. Land use policies address height of structures for airspace protection, aircraft noise impacts, and safety compatibility criteria near the ends of the runway. Draft plan available at: <http://halfmoonbayalucp.airportstudy.com>.

Sandy Wong, C/CAG: introduction on airport regulatory structure

Coffman Associates, airport consultant, presentation on preliminary draft ALUCP

Ed Larenas & Sabrina Brennan expressed concern about aerial acrobatics and low flying planes over marine reserve.

Consultant heard same concerns voiced by public at afternoon Project Advisory Team meeting at Pillar Ridge clubhouse. As that meeting was ending a session of the aerial acrobatics occurred.

Leonard Woren: Removing displaced threshold benefits Moss Beach but impacts El Granada (approach loop will shift). Who makes decision on displaced threshold?

Consultant answer: This document only affects land use planning outside the perimeter of the airport.

It does not restrict airport operations governed by County Airports (division of Public Works), or flight regulations governed by FAA.

b. (8:15) **Highway 1 Lighthouse Crossing.** A Transportation Authority (TA) funded project is about to get underway to complete design plans and permitting for Midcoast crossings, turns, and medians which were conceptualized in the Highway 1 Safety & Mobility Studies. The lighthouse crossing was not included. **Desired Outcome:** Request that the lighthouse crossing be included in the upcoming TA-funded design/permitting project of Midcoast Highway 1 crossings.

Lisa: slide presentation

Len: New left turns took up space for median. Hwy resurfacing just completed from Moss Beach up through Montara Beach. Lighthouse crossing fits with framework of current project on crossings/medians.

Don: An intersection is a pedestrian right of way. With 45mph speeds, adequate line of sight is needed for crossing. Once east-side Parallel Trail is done, can take a look at median at lighthouse. Concerned about putting a crossing where there isn't adequate safety on the hwy shoulder. Caltrans doing a lot of work without consulting County - forces County to rethink projects. We need to engage Caltrans, State Senator. Find out what they're doing ahead of time, find out whether center medians will be allowed. What they've done looks like they're precluding some of our schemes for these areas.

Dan: Raised medians decrease car turning radius, delay traffic. South of lighthouse is good area for over-crossing because of high banks on either side.

Don: Agrees that is good place for over-crossing - probably only one in area.

Lisa: Purpose tonight is to request inclusion of the lighthouse in the current planning project, not to design the crossing.

Don: If you make the motion and pass it, then we will do it.

Lisa: Move that we request that the lighthouse crossing be included in the upcoming TA-funded design/permitting project of Midcoast Highway 1 crossings.

Barry Parr: Rode bike from Montara to harbor with son - was terrifying. Lighthouse area looks bad when you drive through it, but as pedestrian it's really awful. Sunshine Valley Rd is not an option for anyone but crazy cyclists. Need way for Montara folks to cross – is only coastal route. Strongly recommend this be part of current study.

Leonard Woren: Good presentation - support motion. Close off left turn onto 16th and use for crossing median.

Dave Olson: Need crossing at lighthouse - cross there a lot.

Elisabeth Vespremi: Access for emergency vehicles is blocked by raised medians.

Lisa reported that Neil Merrilees couldn't attend tonight, but he asked it be reported that he supports raised median there for safe crossing.

Bill: Overcrossing would be further south – would people go that far out of their way? Caltrans has mangled traffic at lighthouse – better discussions came out of Hwy 1 charrettes.

Laura: Fully support Don communicating with Caltrans.

Don: Suggest that Chair appoint a subcommittee to work with him on meeting with Caltrans.

Motion re-read and approved 6-0 (Council request that the lighthouse crossing be included in the upcoming TA-funded design/permitting project of Midcoast Highway 1 crossings.)

Laura: As Chair, will be on subcommittee to meet with Supervisor Horsley & Caltrans.

Lisa, Len, & Bill expressed interest. Len withdrew. Committee makeup: Laura, Lisa, Bill

5. Council Activity – none

6. Committee Reports - none

7. Future Agendas - 8:55

5/29 -- Special meeting notice in order for quorum to attend PPH Shoreline Erosion meeting (Lisa, Laura, Dan, Bill, Bob wish to attend)

6/12 – PPH dredging & shoreline erosion (Lisa)

6/26 – DPW report on Midcoast road projects (Len)

Adjournment -- 9:10