

Midcoast Community Council

An elected Advisory Council to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors representing Montara, Moss Beach, El Granada, Princeton, and Miramar

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Minutes for Meeting of August 12, 2020

Call to Order (7pm)

Len Erickson absent. All other Councilmembers present.

1. Board of Supervisors' Report and Other Government Reports

Carrie Dallman of Supervisor Horsley's office--the BOS issued a resolution condemning racism.

--COVID-related Cares Act funds are being used to help small residential property owners and school meal programs. The county has give \$2million each to Immigrant and Child Care relief and is sponsoring a mobile mask distribution program.

--Census deadline is moved up from 10/31 to 9/30 and County outreach continues.

--Caltrans will hold a meeting on a proposed SR1 crosswalk in Miramar on 8/26.

Dan expressed surprise at this and Chris Hunter clarified that this is a Caltrans proposal unrelated to CTC and County operations. Dave—Caltrans meeting immediately precedes next MCC meeting.

Harvey Rarback of HMB City Council—recent HMB Planning Commission on Land Use Plan had large attendance. Plans are to coordinate their Circulation Element with County's CTC.

Dave—drive-in movie will be held near Johnston House, as was previously presented to MCC. Robert Brownstone of HMB CC—Permitting is finalized. Thanks to Dave.

2. Public Comment & Announcements

Gregg Dieguez—presented thoughts in the spirit of creating dialogue.

--HMB planning projects 3% growth but water resources may be threatened by possible 40% cutbacks in case of drought or State/SFPUC actions.

--Approval of new development should include mechanisms to cover costs of related public expenditures.

Barbra—CEAP announced COVID testing in HMB 8/25

3. Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Minutes for July 22, July 29 and Financial Report 2019-2020. Approved 5-0.

4. Regular Agenda

a. Medio Bridge Replacement and Highway One Detour Safety

Presentation on details of bridge replacement and pending Caltrans Encroachment permit for a detour by Khao Vo and Jim Porter of County DPW attached.

Dave—will abutments be moved back will prevent erosion? –No. Extent of soil nailing along the creek and to the south should take into consideration that CCC has ordered removal of current riprap at the condo building.

Dan—Did the bridge deteriorate faster than anticipated?—No, it was estimated to last 2 years when inspected 2 years ago.

--What is the plan for the general area to deal with erosion?—County is working with CCC to maintain riprap along Mirada Road. Considered placing sheet piles in the road to separate the trail from the road and allow erosion to occur to sheet pile line, but planning is now in the hands of the Sea Level Rise District. Changing bridge alignment limited by ROW resources and neighbor opposition. A 30-year bridge allows for more planning.

--What construction firms will be involved?—To be determined at bidding process.

Barbra—Is use of plastics dangerous to environment? –This plastic will not degrade but degree of slipperiness is being studied.

Robert Brownstone—Width should be wide enough for traffic. Will culvert under SR1 be closed?—No

Bob Nesbitt—Appreciates action as the situation is urgent. Supports removing turn pocket and adjusting striping to give some northbound shoulder at the detour location.

Chris Johnson—The situation of very urgent.

Michelle Dragony—Supports inland replacement, perhaps on Caltrans ROW closer to SR1

Emma Bowman—wants fast action

Gregg Dieguez—Sewer pipe under bridge needs to be moved or protected

Paulette Eisen has looked at all the bridges as part of the Friends of the Bridge and HMB bike/ped committee. Concerns about proactive planning and time-lines.

Krystlyn Geidt—Use of trail is vital for local workforce.

Kimberly Williams—Eventually the trail itself will need to be moved.

Dan—Are plans available? No, they are in design phase.

Jim and Khao—Time-line: design by 12/20, followed by reviews and permitting.

Construction to begin in May and to take 3-4 months. Sewer management wants to replace its line at current location. Detour is top priority of the department.

Moving bridge to the east requires time-consuming public process and bridge is needed soon.

Kimberly—Movement of trail traffic may not be intolerably problematic for residents

Dave—Some eminent domain may be needed in moving trail eastward. County should start that soon because trail will need to be moved. Planning should consider that riprap at condo building are under Coastal Commission orders to be removed and that further armoring at the bridge may well worsen the problems at the condo. Dave believes that if armoring is involved, the project will be appealed to the Coastal Commission. Suggest moving abutments further back from creek banks, and as far inland in the right of way as possible.

Jim—Appeals will delay the time-line

Paulette—continue to treat this as top priority and avoid a patchwork approach

Krystlyn—Neighbors also agree that a solution is needed.

Dan—Are there alternative ways of stabilizing soil, such as Gabion Baskets?—Yes but they are blocked by Fish and Wildlife and by Regional Water Quality Board.

They hope the proposed approach of both rock slope protection and soil-nailing will minimize impacts.

b. Consideration of letter to County and Caltrans regarding Medio Bridge Replacement and Detour Safety

A letter urgently requesting a safe bike/pedestrian detour and sustainable and rapid replacement of the bridge was presented for consideration and was approved 5-0.

c. Appointment of Chris Johnson to represent MCC in planning for Quarry Park pump track

Chris Johnson was introduced as former MCC Chair and member of Parks Dog Policy Task Force. He was asked to serve on Quarry Park Pump Track Project advocacy team and to represent the community/MCC.

Chris—History of robust community interest in project. Parks committed to having new track in place within one year. COVID has slowed this but the commitment remains. Committee will review plans and documents to share them with community. Committee members include people from bike community, Parks Department, GCSD and construction. They will review conceptual designs next week, followed by a public workshop.

Dave—This is the most visible youth facility, along with HMB skatepark, on the Coast and has relatively low impact.

Barbra—supportive

Appointment moved by Barbra, seconded by Dan and passed 5-0

5. Council Activity

Barbra—in discussion with Chief Cosgrove regarding presentation on ZoneHaven fire safety program

--CERT training was interrupted by COVID but is resuming

Dave—attended HMB Planning Commission meetings. Everyone should familiarize themselves with that work because it is comprehensive and will affect the entire coast. Plans to be reviewed by Coastal Commission.

--Harbor Commission approved living berm approach to erosion control at West Point Trail

--There are 4 candidates for 3 open MCC positions: Gregg Dieguez, Dan Haggerty, Andra Anderson and Jill Grant

Dan—detailed look at erosion control measures at Pacifica Esplanade Beach are instructional in understanding this issues

6. Future Agendas

Parks, CTC, ZoneHaven

Adjournment (8:45)