

Midcoast Community Council

An elected Municipal Advisory Council to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors
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Dave Olson . Chris Johnson . Lisa Ketcham . Dan Haggerty . Erin Deinzer . Joel Janoe . Laura Stein

Approved Minutes: Meeting on January 28, 2015, at GCSD

Call to Order. 7:01 pm

Attendance:

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

1. Board of Supervisors' Report - Nicholas Calderón

Parallel Trail Southern Segment: Board of Supervisors is expected to approve consultant contract with BKF on Feb 24 agenda -- same consultant as did Devil's Slide CCT.

Surfers Beach Erosion Protection Project: Design and permit application is ready to be reviewed by Caltrans and then by CCC staff. Community meeting will be scheduled in mid to late Feb to discuss the project. Missing project deadlines for this urgent interim project is not an option. County sees no reason why deadline won't be met.

Midcoast Hwy 1 Crossings/Medians: New design images together with the Draft Preliminary Study for full explanation will be released on line Feb 18. Community engagement meeting to present/discuss and gather feedback is scheduled for Mar 11.

Upcoming meetings: (Kendall, Dave, Nicholas will work on special venues.)

- Mar 11 – Hwy 1 Crossing/Medians
- Mar 25 -- Plan Princeton
- April 8 -- Connect the Coastside (Comprehensive Transportation Mgmt Plan).

Reports from other Government Officials

CHP Captain Mike Maskarich: Year-end collision data is consistent with previous years. Speed bump installation approved for Coral Reef. Will pass along concern about motorcycles passing traffic on Hwy 1 shoulder -- can call 911 if you see that. Speeding on Alhambra is a concern – will strengthen officer presence when possible.

GCSD Board President Leonard Woren: Residents of the District watch for GCSD parks survey going out in a week or two, and return promptly.

2. (7:30) Public Comment

Leonard Woren: MCC should be more responsive to public comments and edit draft letters during meetings.

Karen Wilson: Improvements to control speeding on Sunshine Valley Rd. are amazing. Bioswales to reduce pollutants in stormwater runoff are good idea, but Carlos St. Moss Beach project has reduced parking and handicap access in front of businesses, and property owners were poorly informed. Needs improvement – sidewalk incomplete, trip hazard, overflows and mulch clogs drain. In future, would like better notice with set of plans to adjacent property owners.

Chris Johnson: On Feb 12 Coastside Design Review Committee (CDRC) will review several projects, including one in Miramar that raised many public comments at the last CDRC meeting – on Magellan next to restaurant parking lot, 3 stories on substandard lot. Link to CDRC agendas is found on bottom of MCC website Calendar page.

--Lisa asked Nicholas to help get all project plans posted on County's Design Review webpage, similar to staff reports posted for Planning Commission, ZHO, BoS, Parks Commission. Previously requested this to Dennis Aguirre at Dec 18 CDRC meeting.

3. Consent Agenda: approved 5-0

- a. Approve Minutes for January 12 and January 17, 2015.
- b. Approve updated MCC Policies & Procedures

4. Regular Agenda

- a. (7:40) CDP Application for guard rail installation and partial fence removal, 7th St in Montara, PLN2014-00302, DPW** -- (Ketcham) – MCC requested revocation of encroachment permit and fence removal from west end of ROW in 2012 due to blocked public coastal access and views.

Lisa showed slides of the site, summarized draft comments.

Chris feels property owner should pay for removing the encroaching fence.

Karen Wilson: Tried to get this fence down in 2002. Now it's an emergency due to cliff damage from fence loose and flopping.

Leonard Woren: Fence is above height limit.

Motion: Approve comments on CDP application PLN2014-00302 as written. Approved 5-0.

- b. (7:57) CDP Application for Construction of 4 ft fence, 7th St in Montara PLN2015-00020, Westerfield.** (Ketcham) Fence would be approximately 5 ft into the ROW and parallel to the front property line of the parcel at 101 7th Street (west end).

Karen Wilson: Recommends permit be denied – too many posts, pressure-treated.

Leonard Woren: Supports letter.

Motion: Approve comments on CDP application PLN2015-00020 as written. Approved 5-0.

- c. (8:12) Pillar Point RV Park, (Ketcham)** – Public coastal views, signage, lighting, public parking lot and restroom.

Lisa showed slide presentation of images to be included with letter to Harbor Commission.

Chris: Concerned about the history of the problems, particularly the closed restroom, and that the letter isn't strong enough.

Lisa: Would like to focus on the issues and solutions in a positive way that hopefully going forward we can have a better result than has happened in the past.

Dan: Requested deleting phrase referring to existing harbor lighting because he has noticed lights on the pier that he feels are too bright. Dave mentioned those lights are on boats. Lisa mentioned the vast harbor parking lots have shielded downward directed lights that are not noticeable from the highway. The phrase was deleted as Dan requested.

Leonard Woren: Appreciates the letter. Feels landscaping should not exceed the height of the fence and has heard of, but never seen, a HMB ordinance that limits landscaping to same height limits as fence regulations. Recommends requesting shower, trash cans, and shorter light poles. Lisa felt a hedge ordinance only known by hearsay was not as useful as the referenced LCP Policy and approved site plan. Trash cans are available. Other specific amenities could be discussed in negotiations between Harbor District and lessee.

Karen Wilson: Supports the letter.

Motion: Approve the letter, with Dan's requested modification, to SMC Harbor Commission on RV Park issues. Approved 5-0.

5. (8:53) Council Activity – Correspondence received & meetings attended

Mini Parks Committee: Chris will attend final committee meeting on Feb 5 to fine-tune the policy document for review by the Parks/Recreation Commission later that day. The Parks Commission will recommend for BoS approval or send it back to the Mini Parks Committee for additional work.

County Homeless Census: Chris participated on 1/22/15. Surveyed the "El Granada" district with homeless volunteer. Found 11 vehicles parked on public streets that clearly had people living in them. Census is conducted every two years. Homeless volunteer commented that January is an odd time to do the census because there are more homeless people on the Coast in summer.

HMB General Plan Update: Dave attended HMB City Council Jan 20 study session. Map revisions were presented in response to public input at City Planning Commission. Latest maps are posted on the HMB General Plan Update page:

http://www.half-moon-bay.ca.us/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=762:we-need-your-ideas-on-plan-half-moon-bay&catid=93:current&Itemid=169

All alternatives called for at least four Hwy 1 lanes throughout HMB. Draft preferred alternative coming in a few months. Plan will have significant impacts on the Midcoast. Strongly recommend Midcoast residents get involved and submit comments to HMB.

6. (9:00) Future Agendas

Feb ? -- Midcoast Parklands Access and Parking Study

Mar 11 – Hwy 1 crossings/medians

Mar 25 -- Plan Princeton Draft Preferred Alternative

April 8 -- Connect the Coastside Draft Alternatives Presentation

April 22? – Special meeting with County Parks

TBD April May – Seton (Chris)

Adjourn - 9:04