

<p>Midcoast Community Council</p> <p><i>An elected Advisory Council to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors representing Montara, Moss Beach, El Granada, Princeton, and Miramar</i></p> <p>PO Box 248, Moss Beach, CA 94038</p> <p>http://www.MidcoastCommunityCouncil.org</p>	<p>Claire Toutant, Chair Gregg Dieguez, Vice Chair Michelle Weil, Treasurer Len Erickson, Secretary Dave Olson, Jill Grant Dan Haggerty</p>
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Draft Minutes for Meeting of January 12, 2022

Call to Order (7:03pm)

All Council Members present: Claire Toutant, Gregg Dieguez, Michelle Weil, Len Erickson, Dave Olson, Jill Grant, Dan Haggerty.

This meeting was conducted virtually in of State and County COVID-related orders.

1. Board of Supervisors' Report (7:10)

Lena Silberman for Supervisor Horsley:

- COVID surging
- Grant for Wildfire Coordinator report to Office of Emergency Management
- Mirada Bridge collapsed with emergency work by DPW
- 68M for homeless related projects housing 300 people
- Multi-modal permit, encroachment permit approved by Caltrans
 - o Claire notes and congratulates Don Horsley elected president of the Board

Harvey Rarback for the City of Half Moon Bay:

- New mayor elected, Debbie Ruddock
- Redistricting will be discussed on January 19
 - o Carlyse Ann (Cyd) concerned about flood control
 - o Gregg Dieguez – asked about recent storms bringing overflow. Asks if HMB will address the need for wet weather storage. Asked Harvey to pass on to council

Sheena Sidhu for Rural Conservation District: Update on El Granada Scoping project

- Consultants are gathering qualitative and quantitative data from a variety of sources
- Meetings held with the Partners: Calfire, County Parks, MCC, and selected community members
- Data collection continuing through the end of January
- Community listening session planned for Jan. 25, 6pm to 8pm to speak directly with the consultants
- Additions added to the partner team: Danny Terway as at large community member and Steve Stilestra of Miramar, a liaison between RCD board and the partners
- Working on a capacity building grant to support CEQA planning and permitting (earmarked for 100K) target later this year.

Michelle for the MCC: Met with the consultants and provided documents including updated wildfire issues list which was posted on the web site. Sharing with consultants and went well encourages attendance at the listening session

Claire Toutant: read a letter from an anonymous community member a dangerous traffic incident at Farallone View School where the traffic comes in from LaConte. Feels this is representative of a continuing problem in this area.

Mira Glasscock: reported an additional traffic bicycle incident on the entry to Farallone View. Gregg said he would follow up.

Bhavana: New to the community and bicycle rider. Feels that SR1 is not safe for bicycles, both road quality and bike lane are deficient

Carlene Foldenauer: Safe Routes to School Coordinator for Cabrillo Unified School District. Discussed concerns about safety of streets in Montara with Farallone View principal

2. Public Comment & Announcement

No public comment

3. Consent Agenda

a. Minutes for Regular Meeting, December 8, 2021: Pulled at request of Gregg Dieguez (SAM has adopted a Non-Domestic Wastewater Control Program) Amended before regular agenda 4.

Moved Dave, 2nd Gregg, Approved 7-0

b. Approve: Resolution to continue virtual meetings for 30 days.

Moved Michelle, 2nd Gregg, Approved 7-0

4. Regular Agenda

a. Study Session for public comment and council discussion on Connect the Coastside (CTC).

Dave Olson explained the urgency of the item, focus on public comment and goal to bring a completed letter for adoption of the letter at the next MCC meeting. Invites further comments to be sent to the council by email.

Public Comment:

Dolores Silva: Wanted clarification of relationship between the CTC and LCP. Dolores stated that the CTC does not provide specifics on the costs and approval of future projects, is convoluted and does not accomplish its goals. Agreed to resend the ECO material and cites specific concern about lack of emphasis on evacuation routes. Claire asks people to review the CTC materials with links provided. Expressed concern about proposed one way traffic on Carlos in Moss Beach, having three roundabouts or traffic lights in Moss Beach, better treatment of pedestrian features in the near term.

- Len Erickson explained that the plan is to close the CTC once it is approved by the Board of Supervisors (BoS). After approval elements may be identified and forwarded to the Coastal Commission LCP amendments. The LCP should be considered a long range planning document.
- Dave Olson noted that if a person feels that the CTC does not meet the requirements of the LCP they should forward that comment directly to the California Coastal Commission (CCC)

Carlyslie stated past events shows that major projects move forward without the completion of the CTC. Cited concerns about roundabouts as an example of lack of progress and would like to see funding to be directly connected to the CTC

JQ Oswein: is disappointed that important, high value projects for the transportation improvement are most subject to long delays, while residential and commercial buildout move forward more rapidly. Wants to see a process that keeps near term focus on transportation projects.

- Dave notes that specific comments about mitigation for large scale projects should be made.
- Noting lack of further community comment Claire and Dave ask for more comment and ask people consider sending comments.
- Dan Haggerty – cites areas of concern – underpasses, roundabout concerns, smart intersections, problems of blue rich road lights, need for simulations to assess transportation proposals.
- Gregg: Notes input from Community ECO and asks it to be factored into the letter.
- Dave asks for further ECO comments.

Ann: stated dislike of roundabouts and expressed concern about their impact on evacuation citing observations in wine country.

Fran Pollard: expected to have a summary presentation at this meeting.

- Dave: noted that links to summary material were provided.
- Dan: echoed the need for a summary.

Rob: Provided multiple suggestions for executive summary.

- In the interest of providing better identification of the proposed changes in the Executive Summary:
- Add a 2nd set of “Project Area Maps” to the Executive Summary, Maps #2 thru #8, (pgs 10-16) and:
- Annotate this 2nd set of maps with all the Project “Numbers” (R1 to Pa2) found on Table 1. This will show the location of the various proposed projects.
- Annotate this 2nd set of maps with labels / descriptions showing some of the biggest proposed projects, e.g. Project Pe1B “Highway 1 Pedestrian Overcrossing” \$4,804,000 and the major crossings.
- Add the revised updated set of project maps proposed above (for the Executive Summary) to the Main Final Draft as an appendix
- Add all the separate projects shown on Tables 35 & 41 of the Main Final Draft Oct 2021 to the Executive Summary Table 1. This would include breaking out the separate A, B, C sub-projects.
- Add the estimated projects costs shown on Table 35 of the Main Final Draft Oct 2021, to Executive Summary Table 1.
- Propose a feasibility study be conducted, and ideally conceptual plan(s), regarding installation of a pedestrian tunnel underpass in Moss Beach. Taking a look at the concept now may provide useful input into planned future design features in Moss Beach, that is, there may be features of more short term improvements that could be adapted to a long range plan for an underpass. At the least, get comments from County and / or State design personnel regarding the concept.

Chris Johnson: stated it is difficult to make effective closing comments to a process that has gone on so long, with so many changes of course. Wants to see the MCC’s response and wants to get the document approved so that the community can move forward.

Karen DeMoor: wanted to see the letter published in advance, public transit comment is minimal, agrees with need to move forward

Rob: Wants a feasibility study of an undercrossing in Moss Beach added to the report. Sees this as an important element of the Coastal Trail. Feels that overcrossings block Coastal Views.

Fran: Study has gone on so long. Wants an explanation of moving SR1. Would like a presentation on Surfers Beach from the Harbor District manager.

Carlyle believes the county just not want to handle lot mergers

MCC final discussion:

Lena: provide summary comments from Chanda Singh (SMC Senior Long Range Planner)

- A new lot merger feasibility analysis, which found that lot mergers have been happening over time due to the updated County Subdivision Regulations and results of Witt and Abernathy cases. The Plan no longer recommends a mandatory lot merger program or lot retirement program.
- New sections detailing existing and planned coordination with agency partners, such as Half Moon Bay and Caltrans.
- And updates to early implementation actions, including prioritizing seeking funding for the design of the rest of the Parallel Trail north of Coronado Street, updated parking study for the coastside, and annual reporting.

Dave expressed sympathy with the concerns expressed and understands the feeling of burnout in this review and said the letter will be published by January 18.

Dan emphasized several points:

- Underpasses
- Roundabouts
- Smart Signals
- Blue night lights

Dave agreed with dropping lot retirement and disagreed with lot merger requirements, especially if they were mandatory for sub-standard lots. This would reduce the number of buildable lots. He s the county's interpretation is that these forced mergers would be contested in court.

Jill: Concerned that approving the CTMP will negate the 40 units per year for buildable residential units.

- Dave explained changing the buildable unit limit would have to be approved by the CCC

Gregg had eight points of concern

- The county's process to take community in 2020 was an illegimate manipulation of county outreach
- People are not interested in slowing traffic, they are interested in speeding it up
- Roundabouts disrupt traffic when there is a predominant flow pattern and there is considerable expense to required movement of sewer lines to accommodate roundabout placement
- Roundabout present an impediment to evacuations and a simulation should be provided to investigate this issue
- There should be an assessment on when to move SR1 at Surfer's Beach which will be required due to coastal erosion
- In favor of an aggressive lot retirement program
- Traffic data is out of date and a more current traffic should be part of the CTC
- Take into account the growth of use of electric cars
- And in addition has concerns about the interior roads of Montara

Dave: Emphasizing that the original purpose of the CTMP was to ensure that visitors have good access to the Coast and to find parking. Many actions have put additional requirements on the CTMP

Michelle: Concerned about roadway access for pedestrians and bicycles throughout the Midcoast. Recognizes the concerns about roundabouts. There are a larger number of points in favor of their use at selected sites. Cites state highways in the Lake Tahoe area make considerable use of roundabouts. The letter should highlight the features we like as well as areas of concern.

Len emphasized two points. The Moss Beach Corridor initiation study (1.3M) is a sign of progression from the base established by the LCP. There should be a community oriented executive summary highlights near term priorities that will benefit users of the roadways.

Dan: The timing of this request for approval, in particular the impact of COVID. The process should be delayed. Wants it documented that there are more slow speed accidents in roundabouts.

Claire said she wants to see close attention to what happens next and receives close attention from the community.

Dave agreed with Claire's comments. With regards to comments on roundabout accidents: the important point is that there are much fewer major accidents. Further pedestrians and bicycles are much safer when crossing at roundabouts.

Dan / Dave had a continuing dialog on roundabouts and underpasses

Dave noted that there is only 5% of CTC I care about. His majro concern is nothing to slow buildout. Feels strongly that log merger should be retained. Parking is represented but could be given more attention.

Claire: Discussion closed. Send further comments to the MCC and the Planning Commission.

5. Council Activity

Gregg Dieguez: highlighted concerns about the risks facing the Sewer District plant and related problems in Pacifica. SAM Board has not adopted an overflow program.

Len Erickson noted that Virginia Crosswalk RRFB is operational.

- Dan agreed with comments on improved instructions at the RRFB. Wants to see improvements.

Dan Haggerty: Observed activity at the collapsed concrete support at Medio Creek

6. Future Agendas

January 25: RCD Community Listening (Joint meeting with MCC permitting all MCC to attend)

January 26: Connect the Coastside Letter, Dog Off Leash Letter

February 5: Retreat – 9am – 1pm

February 9: First Flush update

February 23: MROSD on Purisima Open Space Projects

Beyond: Sewer Plant Issue, Airport Noise

Adjournment (9:38pm)

Moved Len, 2nd Michelle, Passes 6-0 (Jill left early)