

Meeting Minutes of the Wetlands Advisory Board November 15, 2018

TIME AND PLACE

The meeting of the Wetlands Advisory Board was held on Thursday, November 15, 2018 at Balboa Park, Santa Fe Room, City of San Diego.

ATTENDANCE

Members Present

Jayne Janda-Timba, Chair, General Member Jeff Crooks, Coastal Salt Marsh Rep. Michael Beck, Environmental Org. (joined meeting at 2:52p) Chris Nordby, Wetlands Scientist (joined meeting at 2:40p) Theresa Talley, General Member Daniel Smith, Land Owner

Members Absent

<u>City of San Diego Staff</u> Daniel Neri, WAB Liaison, DSD

<u>Guests</u>

No Guests

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Jayne Janda-Timba at 2:35 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

D. Smith motioned to approve the minutes of the meeting held on July 19, 2018. J. Crooks seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved unanimously.

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

None

REQUESTS FOR CONTINUANCES

None

ACTION ITEMS

None

INFORMATIONAL/WORKSHOP ITEMS

A. Proposed Meeting Dates

Staff provided the list of dates for the 2019 Wetlands Advisory Board Meeting.

The locations for future meeting was pending, however City Administration Building, Room 12A was the most likely site.

- J. Crooks expressed concern about holding meetings downtown due to parking availability. Staff informed committee that the Balboa Park locations were booked for all meeting dates in 2019, but staff will continue to see if they are available.
- J. Janda-Timba requested that the WAB receive outlook appointments for the 2019 meetings. D. Neri to have Rose White assist in scheduling.

B. Revisiting Current List of Future Agenda Items

- J. Janda-Timba requests to assign "champion" to each of the proposed agenda items and prioritizing for future meetings.
- J. Janda-Timba requests meeting minutes as soon as possible after the meeting. D.Neri to attempt to provide meeting minutes ASAP.
- 1. Mission Valley Community Plan Update
 - D. Smith offers to be the champion for March Meeting
 - D. Smith to bring forth studies pertaining to the San Diego River.
 - J. Janda-Timba to help bring forth Environmental Consultant working on Hydrology/Water Quality for potential presentation for March Meeting.
- 2. Mission Bay Park 10-Year Plan / Re-Wild Mission Bay / City of San Diego Parks Master Plan
 - T. Talley to reach out to Re-Wild Mission Bay for presentation at January 19 meeting.
 - D. Neri to reach out to City of San Diego Planning Department for presentations on Mission Bay Park 10-Year Plan, City of San Diego Parks Master Plan, and DeAnza Cove Revitalization for January 19 meeting.
- 3. Shot Hole Borer Beetle
 - M. Beck offers to be champion for March 21st meeting.
 - J. Crooks would like to know what the City or County are doing on this. Who in the City is leading the charge on this.
 - M. Beck to contact Betsy Miller at San Diego Management and Monitoring Program.
 - D. Smith also recommends reaching out to the City Arborist.
- 4. Los Peñasquitos TMDL and Marsh Restoration
 - J. Crooks suggests keeping this on the back-burner.
- 5. West Mission Bay Bridge
 - J. Crooks suggests having a presentation on the City and where this stands, outcomes and conclusions. C. Nordby reminded staff that WAB comments are incorporated into the certified environmental documents. J. Janda-Timba suggests that knowing what direction the project went in may inform WAB response to future projects. WAB agrees to remove this discussion from future agenda items.

6. Pond 20 Mitigation Bank

C. Nordby states that the project is on Port land. J. Crooks states there is a City nexus and would like to know City involvement. J. Janda-Timba ask D. Neri to see if there is City involvement.

7. Local Canyon Restoration Projects

- D. Neri reminds committee that the focus should be on projects that have to come before the WAB.
- J. Crooks expresses concern of projects falling through the cracks.

8. Famosa Slough

T. Talley to follow up with Jim Peugh for presentation at January 17, 2019 meeting.

9. Mapping Wetlands

M. Beck will take the lead to see if SCMMP can provide a presentation on GIS Layers for March 21st meeting.

10. Vernal Pool Habitat Conservation Plan

M. Beck suggests there is no need to be concerned. Board will not need presentation. To be removed from future agendas.

11. Sea Level Rise

J. Janda-Timba asks D. Neri to find out if City has person leading this initiative.

T. Talley to ask Cody Hooven in City of San Diego Office of Sustainability if there is a plan for Sea Level Rise.

12. San Diego River Natural Resources Management Plan

M. Beck will look into this to see if this is an issue.

13. City of San Diego Parks Master Plan

D. Neri to reach out to Parks Planning for status of WAB participation.

14. Qualcomm Site

M. Beck to champion this for the May 16th meeting.

15. El Camino Real Bridge

C. Nordby suggests that the WAB may be interested in having a presentation on this project. J. Janda-Timba and C. Nordby to discuss potential presentation.

C. **Board Membership**

- T. Talley states that T. Norall will resubmit his application
- D. Neri reminds Board to direct interested parties to submit online application.
- T. Talley states that Larry Serra is interested in returning to the WAB.

All current members have termed. D. Neri to speak with Office of Board and Liaisons.

J. Janda-Timba offers opportunity for other members to Chair the WAB. All committee members agree that J. Janda-Timba to remain as Chair.

Board shall be made up of 9 members

Membership includes:

- 1 wetland scientist
- 1 land use expert
- 1 representative with expertise in vernal pools, coastal salt marsh, riparian freshwater habitat

- 1 representative from environmental organizations
- 1 representative from land owners

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

- T. Talley left meeting at 3:42pm.
- J. Crooks motioned to adjourn. D. Smith seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 3:46pm.

NEXT MEETING

Thursday, March 21, 2019 at 2:30pm City Administration Building 202 C Street, 12th Floor Conference Room 12A San Diego, CA 92101