

MISSION BEACH PRECISE PLANNING BOARD
Tuesday, February 21, 2017 @ 7 PM
Belmont Park Coaster Terrace – Community Room
Minutes of Meeting

Board Members Present:

Carole Havlat	Dennis Lynch	Brian McCarthy	Mike Meyer
John Ready	Mary Saska	Will Schussel	Gernot Trolf
Debbie Watkins			

Absent: Jenine Whittecar

OPENING FUNCTIONS

Meeting was called to order by Chair Debbie Watkins at 7:10 PM.

- **Approval of Minutes** for January, 2017
Copies of the draft January 17, 2017 Minutes of Meeting were distributed and reviewed. Chair pointed out a typographical error on Page 2 that needed to be corrected as follows:
Change: Mike Meyer: Area 1 TO: Mike Meyer: Area 2

Motion 1 was made by Debbie Watkins and seconded by John Ready to APPROVE the January 17, 2017 Minutes of Meeting with the typographical correction discussed above.

VOTE For: 8 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion passed.

- **Revisions to Agenda**
Copies of the February 21, 2017 Agenda were distributed and reviewed. There were no changes.
- **Chair's Report**
Chair Watkins gave the following updates:

1. Mission Beach Elementary School Development Project Update: The Land Use Plan (“LUP”) Amendment for the Mission Beach Residences project, which changes the use of the land from “School” to “Residential,” is tentatively scheduled to be heard by the Coastal Commission in May in San Diego. The appeal and project plans cannot be heard at the same hearing as the LUP. Chair will keep the Board posted.

2. FAA SoCal Metroplex Community Outreach – Chair Watkins reported that she attended the February 2nd FAA community workshop held in Solana Beach that introduced the new SID’s departure paths that will be utilized by planes with satellite navigation capability. Chair stated that she was reassured by the FAA that the new PADRZ RNAV departure route will help alleviate early turns and vectoring over Mission Beach. Chair explained that PADRZ SID is replacing the PEBLE SID. The PADRZ SID departure route utilizes the WNFLD Waypoint, which is about 2 ½ miles off shore of Mission Beach by the channel. This is a fly-by waypoint

and serves destinations up the Western Coast including but not limited to SFO, OAK, SJC, SEA, PDX (Portland) and RNO/LAS. The PADRZ is one of two primary SIDs from SAN. Chair noted that the ECCHO and MOTTO SID's departure routes utilize the LANDN Waypoint, which is about 1 1/2 miles off shore of Mission Beach by the channel. This is a fly-by waypoint. ECCHO has same city pairs as PADRZ SID and MMOTO SID is used for International and Hawaiian destinations. These two new SID's will be operational sometime in the beginning of March and April.

Chair noted that the Night Time Departure procedure between the hours of 2200 and 0630 whereby departures normally assigned a BORDER / POGGI SID 270-degree heading are assigned a 290-degree heading to the BORDER / POGGI SID will not change at this time.

3. Bike Share (DecoBike) Community Meeting sponsored by the Mission Beach Precise Planning Board and La Jolla Planning Group held on January 30th was a success in getting people activated for action. As a result, a follow-up *CALL TO ACTION* meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 14th from 6-7:45 PM at the Pacific Beach Library sponsored by the Mission Beach Precise Planning Board, La Jolla Planning Group and Pacific Beach Planning Group.

Secretary's Report

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT (limited to 3 minutes per speaker regarding Mission Beach matters NOT listed on the Agenda)

- Dawn Riley commented that the next beach cleanup will take place on Saturday, February 25th from 9AM-Noon.
- Gary Wonacott (President, Mission Beach Town Council) commented that the City is working on a new STVR ordinance, that Councilmember Zapf is putting a second trash pickup in the summer months as a priority for Mission Beach, that there is a new airplane departure procedure over the channel, and the night departure procedure needs a new waypoint.
- Mary Saska commented that the restaurant *Saska's* is under new ownership and will reopen on March 23rd and encouraged all to check it out.

REPORTS FROM GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

- **Bruce Williams, Community Representative for Councilmember Lori Zapf, San Diego City Council District 2 (Mission Beach & Midway Districts)**
Bruce Williams distributed the *District 2 Update* dated February 2017. Mr. Williams reported that Councilmember Zapf attended the groundbreaking for construction of the new Plunge swimming pool. He noted the Appellate Court will hear arguments on March 17th regarding the lawsuit filed by the Citizens for Beach Rights regarding the new lifeguard station to be located in South Mission Beach.

- **Brian Elliott, Field Representative, Congressman Scott Peters, CA District 52**
Brian Elliott introduced himself and announced that Congressman Peters sits on the Energy and Commerce Committee and the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Mr. Elliott encouraged those in attendance to visit Congressman Peters' website for more information.
- **Lieutenant John Sandmeyer, City of San Diego Lifeguard Services**
Lieutenant John Sandmeyer talked about the placement of tsunami and rip current information signs at various locations in the coastal communities. Lieutenant Sandmeyer asked the Board to place this issue as an *Action Item* at the Board's March 21, 2017 Meeting for approval to place signs at the south restroom located at the South Plunge parking lot. Chair Watkins confirmed this request.

OTHER

Information Item:

- **Mission Bay Navigational Safety Dredging Project Update** – Tamara Miller, Associate Engineer, City of San Diego, Public Works – Engineering

Present: George Freiha, City of San Diego Senior Project Manager; Keith Merkel, Environmental Consultant of Merkel Associates

Mr. George Freiha gave a brief description of the project. He pointed out that over the years, the bottom of Mission Bay has been impacted by recreational boating, storms and water currents causing sediment travel and shoals to form and in order to maintain the navigational water safety of the bay, the bottom of the bay needs to be dredged to the original survey elevation. Mr. Freiha noted that the dredged material will be utilized to fill the depleted/reuse areas within the bay, which covers approximately 82.83 acres of bay waters and sand beach. The \$3.5M cost will be paid through the Mission Bay Park Fund.

Keith Merkel, Environmental Consultant, gave an informative PowerPoint presentation. He commented that they anticipate construction work to start in Fall 2017 to Spring 2018 with daytime dredging only. Mr. Merkel explained there is approximately 43 acres of eelgrass in the bay that will be impacted and discussed the benefits of eelgrass as a stabilizer filter. He noted that the eelgrass will be mitigated through replanting dredged and filled areas.

After the presentation, the Board and public were given the opportunity to ask questions and make comments. Chair Watkins asked that the PowerPoint be sent to her to make available to Board Members and other interested persons upon their request.

BUILDING PLAN REVIEWS

None

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

Action Items:

- **Nominations for Area Representatives for March 21, 2017 Election**

Chair Watkins reported there are eight (8) vacancies. The open seats are as follows:

- **One opening in Area 1** (between San Diego Place and South side of Capistrano Place): **3-year term** 2017 -2020
- **Two openings in Area 2** (between North side of Capistrano Place and South side of West Mission Bay Drive & Ventura Place): **3-year term** 2017-2020; **1-year term** 2015-2018
- **One opening in Area 3** (between North side of West Mission Bay Drive and Ventura Place and South side of El Carmel Place): **3-year term** 2017-2020;
- **One opening in Area 4** (between North side of El Carmel Place and South side of San Jose Place): **3-year term** 2017-2020; and
- **Three openings in Area 5** (between North side of San Jose Place and South side of Pacific Beach Drive): **3-year term** 2017-2020; **2-year term** 2016-2019; **1-year term** 2015-2018.

Accordingly, Chair Watkins announced the following three (3) eligible candidates for nominations as Area Representatives to be included on the March 2017 Election Ballot:

Area 2	Mike Meyer (Incumbent/Property Owner)	Term 2017-2020
Area 3	Jenine Whittecar (Incumbent/Property Owner)	Term 2017-2020
Area 4	Mary Saska (Incumbent/Resident)	Term 2017-2020

Chair noted there were no eligible candidates to fill remaining vacancies for Areas 1, 2 and 5.

After further discussion, the following motions were duly made:

Motion 2 was made by Carole Havlat and seconded by Dennis Lynch TO APPROVE the nomination of MIKE MEYER as Area 2 Representatives on the March 2017 Election Ballot as discussed above.

VOTE For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion passed. [M. Meyer abstained.]

Motion 3 was made by Mike Meyer and seconded by John Ready TO APPROVE the nomination of JENINE WHITTECAR as Area 3 Representatives on the March 2017 Election Ballot as discussed above.

VOTE For: 8 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion passed. [J. Whittecar absent.]

Motion 4 was made by Gernot Trolf and seconded by Dennis Lynch TO APPROVE the nomination of MARY SASKA as Area 4 Representatives on the March 2017 Election Ballot as discussed above.

VOTE For: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion passed. [M. Saska abstained.]

- **Approve March 2017 Ballot Design**

Chair Watkins distributed copies of the sample 2017 Election Ballot for review. After review and discussion, a motion was duly made as follows:

Motion 5 was made by Will Schussel and seconded by Dennis Lynch TO APPROVE the Sample 2017 Election Ballot for use at the March 2017 Election of Area Representatives.

VOTE For: 8 Against: 0 Abstain: 0
Motion passed.

- **Appoint March 2017 Election Secretary**

Chair Watkins explained the duties of the Election Secretary. Chair reported that Jenine Whittecar volunteered to assist as the Election Secretary. After discussion, Jenine Whittecar was appointed Election Secretary.

Chair announced that elections for Area Representatives are held concurrent with but separate from the regularly scheduled March meeting. Polls open at 7 PM and close at 8 PM. The Mission Beach Precise Planning Board requires proof of identity of eligible community members to vote in the election. Voting is by secret written ballot. Eligible community members can vote for ONE CANDIDATE in the area they reside and are not allowed to vote in multiple areas.

There being no further business, Chair Watkins noted Agenda Items must be submitted to the Chair in writing **10 days PRIOR** to the scheduled Board meeting. **The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at 7 PM in the Belmont Park Community Room.**

ADJOURNMENT

Motion 6 was made by Gernot Trolf and seconded by Will Schussel TO ADJOURN the meeting.

VOTE For: 8 Against: 0 Abstain: 0
Motion passed.

Submitted by: Debbie Watkins, Secretary