

**MINUTES
CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE
REGULAR COASTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

Thursday, September 12, 2013 @ 7:00 p.m.
Community Center, Ole Hanson Fireside Room
100 N. Seville, San Clemente, CA 92672

1. CALL TO ORDER/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Interim Chair Brown called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Interim Chair Brown led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Susan Ambrose, Don Brown, Richard Dickey, and Michael Smith

Absent: Ken Nielsen, Chair pro tem Peter Salgado, Chairman Bill Hart,

Staff Present: Tom Bonigut, Assistant City Engineer
Eileen White, Recording Secretary

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER AMBROSE, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER SMITH, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED TO APPOINT COMMITTEE MEMBER BROWN TO SERVE AS INTERIM CHAIR.

3. NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF CHAIR AND CHAIR PRO TEM

Committee Members elected to continue elections due to lack of Committee Members present at this meeting.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER AMBROSE, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER SMITH, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED TO CONTINUE NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF CHAIR AND CHAIR PRO TEM TO THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 14, 2013.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes of the Regular CAC Meeting of July 11, 2013

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER DICKEY, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER AMBROSE, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 11, 2013 AS SUBMITTED BY STAFF.

B. Minutes of the Regular CAC Meeting of June 13, 2013

Due to lack of quorum needed to take action on the minutes of the June 13, 2013, meeting, the Commissioners continued the minutes to their next regular meeting.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER AMBROSE, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER SMITH, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED TO CONTINUE CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 13, 2013 TO THE MEETING OF NOVEMBER 14, 2013.

5. **PUBLIC INPUT** - None

6. **OLD BUSINESS** - None

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Clean Ocean Program Outreach Next Steps

Tom Bonigut, Assistant City Engineer, reviewed the staff report, an update on the outreach plan for the Clean Ocean Program for fiscal year 2014. He recommended the Committee discuss the proposal, provide input, and receive and file the report.

Committee Member Ambrose suggested staff add, "The Sun Post" to its listing of print advertising sources. In addition, she suggested staff check with the City Attorney's office regarding legal guidelines when using individuals' names for endorsement.

Committee Member Smith suggested staff include information concerning the City's rebate program in all information released regarding replacement of thirsty plants with drought tolerant varieties.

Report received and filed.

B. Clean Ocean Fee Renewal Update

Assistant City Engineer Bonigut reviewed the staff memo, an explanation of the Fee Approval Process, current status of the process including an estimated timeline, and a summation of the fee amount and term approved by the Committee and Council. The public hearing on the fee proposal will be October 15, 2013. Staff recommended the Committee discuss the update, provide feedback, and receive and file the report.

Committee Member Brown encouraged the Committee Members to attend the October 15, 2013 City Council meeting to voice their support of the fee proposal.

Report received and filed.

C. Coastal Access at El Portal

Assistant City Engineer Bonigut reviewed the staff report, a request that the Committee pledge its support for a grant application to be submitted to the California State Coastal Conservatory asking for \$780,000 to reconstruct the El Portal Beach Access to bring it up to building code requirements and provide improvements compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Staff recommended the Committee support the City's application for Coastal Conservancy grant funds for the El Portal Coastal Access.

In response to questions from the Committee Members, he noted the City has allocated \$200,000 and hired a consultant firm for the design services; advised the project may not go forward without the grant funds due to high demand for funds for other projects; noted the City Council has voiced its support of the project.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER AMBROSE, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER SMITH, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED TO SUPPORT THE CITY'S APPLICATION FOR COASTAL CONSERVATORY GRANT FUNDS FOR THE EL PORTAL COASTAL ACCESS.

8. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Bacterial Monitoring Report Dated September 5, 2013

Mr. Bonigut updated the Committee on ongoing efforts to reduce the amount of birds at Poche Beach, noting that the ultrasonic device has become less effective as the birds have become more accustomed, the falcon program is back in effect, and staff continues to work on behind the scene efforts.

B. July & August 2013 Environmental Programs Update

Committee Members received and filed items 7A and 7B.

Mr. Bonigut advised that current plans call for him to speak at the upcoming Joint Meeting regarding the Clean Ocean Fee renewal, with Chair Hart providing bullet points on major activities overseen by the Committee such as the sand replenishment project, efforts to clean up Poche Beach, and SANDAG. In addition, he will notify them when the pharmaceutical waste drop off box is installed, and provided an update on efforts to bring a local restaurant owner into compliance with regard to a missing grease interceptor.

9. ITEMS FROM STAFF

A. Potential Future Agenda Items

Assistant City Engineer Bonigut reviewed the Potential Future Agenda Items and requested the Committee Members provide input. He noted potential topics proposed for the October meeting will be rolled over to the November meeting in the event the Committee elects to cancel the October meeting.

Report received and filed.

10. ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Committee Member Smith reported that at its August meeting, the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Commission elected new officers, revised rental restrictions at Richard Steed Memorial Park, voted to retain the bike restrictions on Beach Trail as is, voted to retain existing access to Park Semper Fi, and tabled a request to lease an unused lot at Richard Steed Memorial Park. At its September meeting, the Commission approved extension of the concessionaire lease at Richard Steed Memorial Park, approved implementation of a tribute program to dedicate park/trail amenities to loved ones, and approved installation of historic artwork as part of the Pier Bowl restroom improvements program.

Interim Chair Brown reported that the Planning Commission has finished its work on the General Plan Update after a four year process; noted Planning Division ongoing discussion with the California Coastal Commission regarding the Local Coastal Element; advised the updated Zoning Ordinance is anticipated to be ready in early 2014 for Planning Commission review.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Following discussion, the Committee elected to cancel its regular monthly meeting in October in light of the upcoming Joint Meeting. The Committee's next regular meeting is scheduled for November 14, 2013.

MOVED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER AMBROSE, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER SMITH, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. to the Joint Council/Commissions/Committees Meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 22, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. in the San Clemente Municipal Golf Course Wedgewood restaurant, located at 150 Avenida Magdalena, San Clemente, California, for the purpose of meeting in Joint Session with the City Commissions and Committees.

A subsequent Regular Meeting for the Coastal Advisory Committee will be held on Thursday, November 14, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Fireside Room, at the Community Center, 100 N. Seville, San Clemente, California.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Hart, Chair

Attest:

Mary Vondrak, Environmental Analyst