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2/1/99 MidCoast Community Council  
 Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting- Minutes  
 HMB Airport, 3-0 Cafe 7:30 pm

**Attendance:**

Mary Hobbs, Chair  
 Chuck Kozak (Appointed by David Spiselman)  
 Bern Smith (Appointed by Mary Hobbs)  
 Paul Perkovic, MCC  
 Tim Duff (Appointed by Paul Perkovic)  
 Fran Pollard (Appointed by Laura Stein)  
 Gary Wood (Appointed by Bill Derow)

Guests: Barbara Kossy, Christine Marciniak, Mike Fields, Gary Wood, Ken Lundie, Todd Gazelle (several guests left around 8pm)  
 Recorder: Tim Duff

**1) Fitzgerald Marine Reserve Master Plan**

Mary Hobbs reported that the second TAC meeting will be held in March to review the draft master plan.

**2) Vallemar Bluffs**

Gary Wood reported that test well drilling continues since its start in 11/98. Appears that water has been found. Sewer connections available through MSD soon.

Questions remain as to the property's location relative to the urban/rural boundary. Gary stated that SAM excludes service to rural areas within the urban/rural boundary, but not sure if RM/CZ zoned lands within the boundary are excluded from service. Perkovic suggested calling the MSD office for determination. Friends of the Field meeting with POST to discuss options to purchase the land in fee.

**3) Memorial Bench**

To be installed in honor of the 3 who died in plane crash along the Pillar Point Ridge blufftop property owned by Coastside Parks and Preservation, Inc. Neighbors have been contacted. Monitoring a concern. Friends of deceased to do the installation with support from Ken Lundie.

**4) Land Trust Alliance**

Not clear who was to research this entity and why. Kozak said the Alliance provides insurance for land trusts, and grants to protect watersheds and drinking water supplies, but not necessarily acquisition of water rights. These issues have been raised in connection with the Ocean View Farms property now up for sale. Several entities including Montara Water Improvement Association, MSD, Citizen Utilities, private developers, current property owners and others are interested in water rights

associated with the property and what could potentially be done with them on and/or off the site.

#### 5) State Park Bonds Update

Kozak and Hobbs setting up public meeting with Rachel Dinno of PCL and Linda Barr of Ted Lempert's office to be sponsored by Coastal Alliance, MCC, and possibly others for one of the following dates: 3/18, 3/22, 3/29.

#### 6) County Parks Needs Assessment

Mary Hobbs reported that Mary Burns, Dir. of San Mateo County Parks, has indicated that she is not sure a County Parks Needs Assessment has been adequately funded for this year and she may wait until the next fiscal year for funding. Mary Hobbs to check with M. Burns regarding current funding allocated for the assessment this fiscal year that Chuck thought Sup. Rich Gordon had already secured. Consider cooperating with HMB on the study.

#### 7) MROSD Coastal Advisory Committee (CAC)

Next meetings 2/23, and 3/9 at the HMB Community Center, 7:30 pm. CAC to meet twice a month on Tues. and/or Thurs. CAC compiling list of stakeholders to receive meeting notices. 3 at-large seats to be filled on 2/23.

#### 8) Mirada Surf

LSA Assoc. doing biotic survey of wetlands and related resources.

#### 9) County Park in-lieu fees

Lengthy discussion of the County's responsibility/possible legal obligation to assess park in-lieu fees to fund park projects/acquisitions on the coast and elsewhere. State Quimby Act Guidelines (Govt. Code Section 66.477) address local government's ability to assess park fees and provides for land exaction in-lieu of impact fees or both. HMB received \$530,000 past fiscal year (1997-98?) in developer in-lieu fees which represented 9% of the City's general operating funds for that year. Fees are required as a condition of tentative map approval, and cannot be required of existing (built?) subdivisions. Quimby suggests 3 acres of neighborhood parks for every 1,000 residents. OTDs (easements) for parklands must be accepted in 3 years or they expire. Fees must be spent in 5 years. Community Service Area (CSA) already established for the midcoast to provide services including parks and in-lieu fees could be directed to this CSA. State property taxes from the County to cities varies by city: HMB gets 6% while San Mateo City gets 20%. Fran Pollard thinks pressure on the county for park fees is needed. County annexation study has figures on HMB park fees and estimates for costs to provide park services to the midcoast. Hobbs to contact M. Burns re County efforts to lobby in Sacto for state park funds through bond proposals. Hobbs to set up meetings (Fran and Bern can attend) with Sups to discuss park funding.

Pollard, Kozak, Hobbs, Smith to call surrounding counties to get figures on park funds directed to local cities.

MCC Parks Committee motion to the MCC to recommend to the County as follows:

The MidCoast Community Council urges the County of San Mateo to pursue all possible sources of funding to purchase the Mirada Surf property and the other three parcels on the MidCoast that are designated in the General Plan as Community Parks. We will support the County in whatever way possible in this pursuit. We urge the County to initiate a park in-lieu fee program pursuant to the state Quimby Act Guidelines and actively pursue potential park and recreation funding sources.

Moved by Kozak, seconded by Pollard, passed without dissent or abstention.

10) Montara Street Abandonment

Discussion of what the MCC policy should be. Montara neighbors want 9th st. ROW owned by County for private use. Possible public benefits of ROW include: parks, trails, protection of natural and riparian resources and habitat. Related issues include historic public use/prescriptive rights of the ROW, possible Zone of Benefit Program whereby the ROW is leased to private landowners with income directed to park programs/acquisitions. Also, discussion of the abandonment of the bypass ROW owned by Caltrans to be on the 2/25 tunnel committee agenda.

NEXT MEETING 3/1, Three-Zero Cafe

AGENDA TO FEATURE COASTAL TRAIL WITH PRESENTATIONS BY HMB PARKS DIRECTOR TERESA SMITH, AND LOCAL TRAILS EXPERTS JOHN HERNANDEZ AND BARBARA VANDERWERF.

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