

Midcoast Community Council

An Elected Municipal Advisory Council to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors

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Approved Minutes: Meeting on Wednesday, February 12, 2014, at Granada Sanitary District Offices, El Granada, CA

Call to Order — 7:00 p.m.

Present: Councilmembers Ketcham, Olson, Johnson, Stein, Deinzer, Haggerty, and Janoe

--Supervisor Don Horsley

--Aide Nicholas Calderón

--Captain Nick Gottuso, coordinator, San Mateo County Offices of Emergency Services

--9 members of the public

1. Board of Supervisors' (BoS) Report – Supervisor Don Horsley

--"Donuts with Don" — A "Donuts with Don" event is scheduled for Friday, February 21, from 10:00 a.m. to noon at the Moss Beach Sheriff's Office substation.

--Transportation Management Plan (TMP) — County has received one proposal; proposal submitted by DKS in partnership with Nelson/Nygard, Flint Strategies, and Dyett & Bhatia. Nelson/Nygard, Flint, and Dyett are also participating consultants in Plan Princeton. An evaluation team comprising James Hinkamp, transportation planner; Steve Monowitz, deputy director of planning and building; Wally Abrazaklo, transportation specialist; Joe LoCoco, deputy director/road services manager; and Nicholas Calderón met during the week of 2/3/14 to discuss the proposal. The team sent some questions to the consultant for clarification.

--Moss Beach Park (MBP) — The bathroom is in Portland, Oregon; it will be installed in two months. The engineering has been completed for installation. County is working to address some existing drainage issues associated with the MBP property. A consultant has reviewed the site for ADA and safety compliance.

--Plan Princeton — Plan Princeton is currently in Phase 2: Background Studies. The consultants have prepared an Existing Conditions Report that includes reviews of the following: land use and urban design; fishing, boating, and visitor-serving needs; environmental resources; natural hazards and shoreline erosion; circulation, parking, and coast access; and infrastructure, public services, and facilities. This month, the technical advisory committee (TAC) will conduct a final review of the document before it is reviewed by the steering committee. After review by the steering committee, the report will be released to the public; the report will be introduced to the Midcoast Community Council (MCC) at the MCC meeting on March 12, 2014.

--Human Trafficking — On February 11, 2014, Supervisor Horsley spoke at a press conference in Millbrae to discuss new efforts to combat human trafficking. San Mateo County will be enforcing a state law that requires businesses to post posters with information on how to identify and report human trafficking. Supervisor Horsley provided the following number for the National Human Trafficking Resource Center, which people can call if they suspect somebody is a victim of human trafficking: 1-888-373-7888.

--Martin's Beach — Supervisor Horsley believes that the beach should be open to public access. District 13 California State Senator Jerry Hill has made a proposal that the State Lands Commission purchase the road to the beach as a way to restore public access to the beach. If those negotiations fail after a year, legislation recommends process of eminent domain.

--Seton Hospital — The County is in negotiations with the owners of Seton Coastside Hospital to ensure that it is sold to a nonprofit organization committed to maintaining the same level and tenor of community care. Houlihan Lokey, an international

investment bank, has been engaged by the Daughters of Charity to sell the entire chain of hospitals. Supervisor Horsley feels a standalone hospital can't make it on the Midcoast. Supervisor Horsley feels certain that whatever happens, the emergency room (ER) will go away; hopefully, it will be replaced by an urgent care facility. Long-term skilled nursing care component of Seton Coastside also a major issue. County talking to Brius, a company that operates a large number of nursing facilities in California, about taking over the nursing care services. The County worked with Brius in 2012 to privatize the Burlingame Long Term Care facility.

--Bill Kehoe, Moss Beach — It was recently announced that the Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) will no longer be serving the Coastside, so the sale of Seton Coastside and impending loss of ER and/or urgent care services is very concerning. Are there any plans or ideas for future Coastside emergency care? A: Supervisor Horsley — The County has not been successful in getting other agencies to pick up the services vacated by MRC. The County is looking to develop an organization of emergency care providers — “an extended CERT.”

2. Public Comment

--Captain Nick Gottuso, coordinator, San Mateo County Sheriff Offices of Emergency Services — Captain Gottuso introduced himself and explained that the coordinator position for the Coastside is a new position; the Coastside has never had a dedicated Coastside rep before. Office is at the Half Moon Bay substation; his area of responsibility ranges from the Santa Cruz County border to the southern portal of the Devil's Slide tunnels and from the ocean to Skyline/Highway 35. Captain Gottuso is committed to relationship building and uniting the existing emergency response groups on the Coastside.

--He confirmed that the MRC has folded its operations on the Coastside. Captain Gottuso will be working on a plan to divide the Coastside into sectors and gather resources and people for emergency medical response on the Coastside; he is currently looking to recruit more people for this.

--Captain Gottuso is reviewing tsunami evacuation routes and sites and admits to having a hard time finding the original map and understanding all the different signs and site. He said he is going to tackle this issue head-on and plans to redo the tsunami routes and sites map. Noted that the current tsunami plan is based on a 40-ft tsunami surge, “a once in a millennium event.”

--Erin Deinzer, MCC — Are you receiving input from emergency first responders about Coastside conditions, like traffic conditions, that might lead to emergency situations? A: Captain Gottuso — Not at the moment. If the MCC raised a safety committee, they would be invited to contribute to his agency's efforts. His focus is on disaster preparedness right now and developing emergency operation plans, but traffic is not his focus right now.

--Leonard Woren, El Granada — The next Harbor Commission meeting on the Coastside will be at Sea Crest School in Half Moon Bay on March 5, 2014; the Harbor Commission will no longer be meeting at the Comfort Inn in Half Moon Bay.

3. Consent Agenda Approved 7-0

- a. Approve minutes for January 8, 2014
- b. Approve minutes for January 22, 2014
- c. Approve minutes for February 1, 2014
- d. Approve letter to Coastside Fire Protection District in support of their Mission/Vision statements

4. Regular Agenda

a. **San Mateo County Child and Adolescent Hotline & Prevention Program**

(CAHPP) — CAHPP Program Coordinator Narges Dillon made a presentation on this free resource available to San Mateo County residents. See <http://www.midcoastcommunitycouncil.org/storage/mtgs-com2014/2014-02-12-CAHPP-Flyer.pdf>.

--CAHPP, a program of StarVista, is a new, Measure A-funded County program started in November 2013. The purpose of the CAHPP is to facilitate early identification of behavioral, learning, and developmental issues. Children or adults who are concerned about a child age 0-18 can call the 24x7 phone hotline or send a text or email. A child can also call for themselves. Services provided include immediate screenings; referrals to appropriate counseling and support services; short-term counseling services; and follow-up services to ensure long-term success. CAHPP personnel can also make home and school visits for screenings. CAHPP provides interpreter services for 200 languages. A component of CAHPP, the Lucky Kids Club, which is a school-based program for kids K-6 with school-adjustment problems, is not yet available on the Coastside but will be in 2015.

--The number for CAHPP is 650-567-KIDS (5437); for more information see the StarVista website at www.star-vista.org.

--Laura Stein, MCC Treasurer — Have you been getting a lot of calls from the Coastside? A: Narges Dillon — Recent calls indicate a need on the Coastside. Going forward, CAHPP will be closely monitoring call metrics to see where resources are needed.

--Laura Stein, MCC Treasurer — It would be really good idea to let school counselors know about this program.

--Laura Stein, MCC Treasurer — Has there been any coverage of this in the *Half Moon Bay Review*? A: Narges Dillon — No, how can this be done?

-Lisa Ketcham, MCC Chair — I will let the *Review* know that they should contact you about this.

--Supervisor Horsley — He is working with County Supervisor Adrienne Tissier to develop a crisis response team for schools called Beyond Newtown.

--Laura Stein, MCC Treasurer — Has anybody considered working with the high school counselors using “mock” calls as information/outreach tool?

A: Narges Dillon — No. Half Moon Bay High School has not invited the CAHPP to speak to them.

--Gael Erickson, El Granada — What/how is CAHPP working with kids on drugs?

A: Narges Dillon — We refer people to appropriate County programs when they contact CAHPP.

b. **Traffic Hazard on Prospect Way in Princeton (Ketcham)** —

The MCC is considering submitting a Traffic Control Request to the County Department of Public Works (DPW) for creation of a no-parking zone at the narrow mid-block section of Prospect Way in Princeton that obstructs the eastbound travel lane.

--This is the third time this issue has been on an MCC agenda. MCC has received reply from DPW indicating that they recognize this is a situation that needs to be addressed and suggesting the MCC complete a Traffic Control Request.

--No public comments were offered.

--Laura Stein, MCC Treasurer — Safety is the most important issue, not parking. This situation is definitely a safety hazard.

--Supervisor Horsley — After DPW reviews application, the BoS will review it and make a decision.

--Dan Haggerty, MCC — I am sympathetic to the parking issue, but the current situation is just not safe.

--Joel Janoe, MCC — Can any person fill out a Traffic Control Request?

-Lisa Ketcham, MCC Chair — Anybody can, but it will probably be more effective if the MCC does it.

--Laura Stein, MCC Treasurer — For the speeding issue on Sunshine Valley Road, we engaged law enforcement for assistance. Why are we working with DPW on this issue instead of law enforcement?

-A: Supervisor Horsley — The new parking measures need to be made a part of the County ordinance code before enforcement can happen.

--Councilmembers voted 6-1 (Janoe voting no) to authorize MCC Chair to submit a Traffic Control Request to DPW for no-parking zone at the narrow 35-ft-long midblock section on south side of Prospect Way in Princeton.

C. **Barbara's Fish Trap Restaurant Use Permit Renewal and Modification**

(Ketcham) — The owners of Barbaras' Fish Trap Restaurant are seeking a use permit renewal and modification to allow construction of a 270-square-foot kitchen area, move the take-out window from the street to the east side of the building, construct a 250-square-foot patio for eating and waiting, and install an access ramp from the patio to the beach. MCC considered whether to approve permit application comments from the MCC and provide them to the project planner. MCC has been invited by the Planning Department to submit comments.

--Lisa Ketcham, MCC Chair — Provided an overview of the review, renewal, and referral process. Barb's is under direct California Coastal Commission (CCC) jurisdiction. CCC issues the coastal development permit and the County handles Use Permit renewals and modifications.

--Melodie Madsen, owner of Barb's — Introduced herself and project architect Barry McAdoo.

--Barry McAdoo, project architect — County asked Barb's to do something to mitigate the amount of overflow traffic spilling over onto the Capistrano Street sidewalk from Barb's' take-out window. The design he created — the new addition amounts to less than 10% of the original structure — addresses this issue. See <http://www.midcoastcommunitycouncil.org/storage/issues/plns/fishtrap/2014-01-14-UP-mod-plans.pdf>. Noted that he received a letter from the County Planning Department stating that an ADA-compliant accessibility ramp with an accompanying lift may be required if beach access is part of the project. Since there is not enough room to squeeze in a lift, he says that if this is the case, the final design will not include beach access. He also stated that the Planning Department's conditions for use permit renewal include a detailed structural analysis of the building and foundation, including decks; a geological study of the site, including subsurface exploration and a list of recommended repairs; a history of the structure, including past changes and repairs; an annual inspection of the immediate site and the adjacent beach. Wonders why so much is being required for this small addition and request for permit renewal.

--Lisa Ketcham, MCC Chair — Reviewed color guidelines of the Local Coastal Plan (LCP) for Princeton: "employ natural or sea colors." The existing restaurant orange/yellow exterior colors leads others to think they are OK for the Midcoast. It sets a de facto precedent and goes against LCP standards.

--Melodie Madsen — Orange color deemed nautical in past reviews because it is the color of cooked crab.

--Chris Johnson, MCC Secretary — The steps down to the beach look fantastic, however, that specific strip of sand is well documented as the most polluted section

of beach on the Midcoast. Maybe it's not a good idea to make it easier for people to get down there.

--Dan Haggerty, MCC — The steps are a good idea but it may be difficult to fit the ramp in.

--Laura Stein, MCC Treasurer — The design is a very clever way for handling the crowds and getting them off the Capistrano Street sidewalk. Color is important and so LCP must be considered.

--Melodie Madsen — Her mother received legal approval for color in 1978.

--Lisa Ketcham, MCC Chair — That was before the LCP existed, which makes all the difference.

--Dave Olson, MCC Vice Chair — Likes the project. Thinks ADA requirements for ramp may be too difficult; in the interest of getting something done, may need to skip that part of the project. What kinds of things are the County looking for with their multiple requests?

A: Barry McAdoo — Doesn't know. What he read from the letter is all they've heard from the Planning Department. Trying to meet ADA requirements may not be worth the effort; in the interest of getting something done, they may have to scrap plans for beach access.

--Bill Kehoe, Moss Beach — The color of Barb's is iconic for the Midcoast. Doesn't want to live in a plain world of blue and white and gray. It's not a very good idea to start dictating specific details like paint color. Supports the project.

--Leonard Woren, El Granada — Does this increase seating for dining?

A: Barry McAdoo — No. It reduces it by one table.

--Leonard Woren, El Granada — Happy that the plan reduces sidewalk congestion. ADA compliance is the thing that the Planning Department struggles with because they ignore important words in the ADA law: "where feasible." The owners of Barb's should challenge the ADA requirement because they are not feasible in this situation. Also, if the final plan does include beach access, please provide additional garbage cans. Supports the project.

--Erin Deinzer, MCC — ". . . natural or sea colors . . ." as quoted from the LCP is a pretty broad standard. This is not clearly defined and therefore should not be focused on.

--Laura Stein, MCC Treasurer — How would the Coastsides Design Review Committee handle this for a residential project?

A: Chris Johnson, MCC Secretary — Does not believe that the CDRC would make repainting an existing structure to match the color of a new 10-percent addition a condition for project approval.

--Lisa Ketcham, MCC Chair — This is a chance to support the LCP. Notes that Summer Burlison, the project planner for Plan Princeton, said that the LCP can be invoked on an existing building as condition of CDP approval.

--Dan Haggerty, MCC — We should figure out a way to support this coastal resource (Barb's). An LCP/use permit variance? Supports the project.

--Erin Deinzer — We can support both the project design and consideration of the LCP.

--Dave Olson, MCC Vice Chair — Wants MCC to explicitly say we recommend approval of the project plans; make Lisa's statement more forceful in support. Strike discussion of color from any recommendation because LCP color statement too broad. Needs to include language about reducing sidewalk congestion.

--Leonard Woren, El Granada — The MCC's comment should be that this is not a blanket situation and this is not a movement to ignore the LCP, but the entire building should not have to be repainted.

--Barry McAdoo, project architect — Every two years, Barb's is required to renew its use permit; this color has been approved every time.

- Lisa Ketcham, MCC Chair — Color would not have come up in use permit renewal. Only triggered by request for new Coastal Development Permit (CDP).
- Several motions were proposed.
 - Motion to vote on MCC Chair Ketcham's proposed comments to project planner that MCC recommends compliance with LCP color guidelines for commercial development in Princeton as a condition of approval. Motion failed. Council voted 5-2 against. Yes: Ketcham, Stein. No: Olson, Johnson, Deinzer, Haggerty, Janoe.
 - Motion to vote on recommending project approval without mentioning color. Motion withdrawn.
 - Motion to vote on supporting project as proposed. Motion failed. Council voted 4-3 against. Yes: Olson, Haggerty, Janoe. No: Ketcham, Johnson, Stein, Deinzer.
- Issue tabled.

d. MCC Appointments to Coastside Emergency Action Program (CEAP) (Janoe)

- MCC discussed selection of an MCC representative and alternate to the CEAP Executive Committee.
- Joel Janoe, MCC — Wants to bring emergency issues and plans to the public's attention. Requests that he be appointed MCC representative for CEAP.
- Motion made to vote on appointing Joel Janoe as MCC representative for CEAP. Motion approved. Council voted 7-0 in favor.
- Dan Haggerty, MCC — Volunteers to be MCC alternate representative for CEAP.
- Motion made to vote on appointing Dan Haggerty as MCC alternate representative for CEAP. Council voted 7-0 in favor.
- MCC Chair Ketcham will write an official letter on behalf of MCC informing CEAP Executive Committee of new MCC representatives.

5. Council Activity

- Neil Merrilees, the MCC community representative for the County-sponsored agency work group dealing with funding for planning and permitting of the southern segment of the Midcoast Highway 1 Parallel Trail, participated in a conference call on February 7, 2014. Neil then briefed Chris Johnson, the MCC alternate community representative, about the call.
- An obvious solution is still unclear, but one idea is a possible seawall as a short-term solution with beach replenishment as a follow-up component.
- Supervisor Horsley is providing leadership and has decided that San Mateo County will be the lead agency. Supervisor Horsley doesn't want San Mateo County to provide all the funding though. Supervisor Horsley, Assistant County Manager Dave Holland, and Legislative Aide Nicholas Calderón will be working with State Senator Jerry Hill's office to work through jurisdictional impasses. Some consideration of engaging Congresswoman Jackie Speier's office.
- Dan Haggerty announced next Harbor District meeting on February 19, 2014.
- Joel Janoe attended the CEAP meeting on February 7, 2014.
- Lisa Ketcham provided the following updates:
 - Attended the Fitzgerald Marine Preserve (FMR) forest restoration field meeting at FMR on January 25, 2014, and submitted written comment as an individual.
 - Along with MCC Secretary Chris Johnson, Chair Ketcham met with Kris Mickelson, CFO of the Friends of Mirada East (FOME) about his ideas for developing a disc golf course and other recreational opportunities in the Mirada East open space. Advised Kris on history of the area and elements of the process. Suggested he contact County Parks Director Marlene Finley.
 - Retired MCC member Len Erickson organized a walk along the Coastal Trail on

February 3, 2014. County Parks Director Marlene Finley, MCC Chair Ketcham, and community member T.J. Glauthier participated.

-The MCC received copy of 2/5/14 letter from the County Planning Department to Big Wave LLC, regarding the status of the Big Wave project in Moss Beach. Chair Ketcham posted this letter to the MCC website.

-On February 28, 2014, Chair Ketcham will attend the Plan Princeton Steering Committee meeting to review the Existing Conditions Report.

-The Highway 1 issues page on the MCC website has been updated with new information and documents and the multi-modal trail and the Transportation Management Plan (TMP).

-Chair Ketcham advised everybody that the MCC Facebook page is a very useful and important resource for raising visibility on issues and the MCC. Important that people share/comment on posts in order to sustain the MCC's weight in the Facebook traffic algorithm.

--Dave Olson announced that the Half Moon Bay City Council will soon hold a meeting to discuss replacing the existing Half Moon Bay Library; see the City of Half Moon Bay website for more details.

6. Future Agendas

--2/26/14 — No specific agenda items discussed.

--3/12/14 — Update on the Plan Princeton Existing Conditions Report.

--Erin Deinzer, MCC — Mentioned that she is working on developing two future agenda items: rodenticide remediation on the Midcoast and a presentation about Sister Cities International.

--Lisa Ketcham, MCC Chair — MCC has received an early referral from the Planning Department regarding a new 16-unit apartment building being proposed for El Granada. No dates provided for the community input workshop. She will pursue this issue with the project planner to find out when the workshop is going to be held and post that information to the MCC website.

--Erin Deinzer, MCC — Did the fellow from the Dream Machines who was trying to get support from the MCC ever respond to our invitation to present at MCC meeting this month?

A: Lisa Ketcham, MCC Chair — No he did not.

Adjournment — 9:12 p.m.