

Midcoast Community Council

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

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Approved Minutes: Meeting on November 18, 2015, at GCSD

Call to Order. 7:02 PM

Councilmembers present: Dave Olson, Chris Johnson, Lisa Ketcham, Dan Haggerty, Laura Stein, Claire Toutant [Erin Deinzer arrived 8:00]

Government: Supervisor Don Horsley, Aides Nicholas Calderón, and Chris Hunter
14 members of the public

- 1. Swearing in of new councilmember Claire Toutant** by Supervisor Horsley --
Claire's appointment to complete Joel Janoe's term ending Dec 2018 was approved by the Board of Supervisors Nov 17, 2015.

2. Board of Supervisors' Report and Reports from other Government Officials

Supervisor Don Horsley:

Highway 1 Surfers' Beach Erosion Protection: Caltrans getting started next week -- can't work during king tides -- armoring will be 30 linear feet beyond original project. Don wants to put harbor sand on Surfers' Beach and Princeton shoreline. He sees two long-term options for the highway-- move inland or provide continuous sand replenishment.

King Tides & Coffee at Surfers' Beach Nov 24, 8:30-10AM, with Don and HMB Mayor Marina Fraser.

Seton Hospital Coastside – Attorney General decision coming soon on deal with BlueMountain. County has made attempt to buy Seton Coastside in the past and was turned down – may need to try again – committed to keeping this facility open.

Mobilehome Park Urgency Ordinance approved by BoS to prevent closure or conversion of these sources of affordable housing.

Peninsula Clean Energy Joint Powers Authority: On Nov 17 the BoS voted to establish the JPA with the County as the first charter member.

Beverly Garrity: Chair of CDRC:

CDRC has had significant number of vacancies for the last 10 months, hindering their work – waiting for BoS to interview and appoint from pool of applicants waiting since August. CDRC requests Supervisor Horsley's office to keep committee staffing more current.

Lisa Ketcham:

Valleamar Bluff pre-application workshop at MCC regular Dec 9 meeting for a development proposal for six houses on the bluff. MCC website has Valleamar Bluff page under Planning menu – photos, preliminary plans, background info, history. The page will be kept current with all available info.

3. Public Comment

Dan Haggerty: is concerned about the vast swaths of invasive pampas grass spreading on the mountain.

4. Consent Agenda: approved 6-0.

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5. Regular Agenda

- a. (7:34) **Midcoast Highway 1 Crossings, Raised Medians and Left-Turn Lanes –** Presentation by Supervisor Don Horsley and Nicholas Calderón of preferred design alternatives resulting from the series of public workshops and surveys in 2014 and 2015, and plans for implementation of projects, as described in Chapter 6 of the final PPS.

Project prioritization was by which design alternatives had the most support in the surveys. Grey Whale Cove (GWC) was Don's decision as top of the list. Construction will occur in 3 phases with timing dependent on funding availability. Each phase must be under \$3million in order to qualify for Caltrans' expedited PEER process. Each of the 3 phases will proceed to completion before the next phase begins (detailed design, environmental, permitting, identify construction funding, and construct).

Phase 1 - 2017-18:

Grey Whale Cove Alt 1: widen for turn lanes; painted crossing with flashing beacons.

Lighthouse/16th Alt 1: painted crossing with flashing beacons.

Cypress: conversion of left-turn to northbound acceleration lane.

Phase 2 - 2020-21: Moss Beach Alt 3: crossing with raised median refuge at Virginia.

Phase 3 - 2023-24: Montara Alt 3: crossing with raised median refuge at 2nd St.

Lisa: asked if converting 8th St Montara center "suicide" lane into left turn/acceleration pockets could be added to Phase 1, since it was analyzed in the PPS as feasible and would only require a change in paint striping, such as at Cypress.

--Nicholas said that could put Phase 1 over the \$3M limit. Conversion of left turn to acceleration lane at Cypress could cost \$200K.

Supervisor Horsley: Big Wave is responsible for Cypress improvements once they start building the office park -- thinks a traffic signal at Cypress would work better than a roundabout because of the amount of land required.

Len Erickson: This process started with Safety & Mobility Study in 2009, leading to an Action Plan in 2012. All Action Plan top priorities have had progress in the last 3 years.

The one thing short changed is for each community, the details got lost. How do we provide in Phase 2 & 3 for a process to let each community focus on its needs?

Leonard Woren: Prefers roundabout at Cypress, no left turns allowed without turn lane.

OK to widen highway for medians & turn lanes, just no added thru lanes.

Beverly Garrity: wants 8th St turn lanes fixed. Suggests separate entrance/exit at GWC.

Bill Kehoe: Moss Beach has been asking for over a decade for a safe crossing. We lost track of what this is about.

Michael Prieto: agrees with GWC decision. How does this project fit with the CTMP?

--Don: More transit is needed -- have to take people where they want to go.

Laura: Samtrans attended MCC a couple times in the last few years. We're told funding is lacking. Are there new funding sources?

--Don: Revenue for bus service is only 20% from riders – highly subsidized.

Erin: Why no overhead crossing at GWC? Employer incentives to encourage transit use.

--Don: ADA compliance makes it take a lot of property. County has incentives to employers for work at home and flex hours. Statewide, companies with over 50 employees are required to have a plan.

Dan: On the right track with park & ride and direct bus routes. He objects to losing left turn at Virginia – will have backups. GWC is good location for pedestrian underpass.

Short break

6. (9:01) Council Activity – Correspondence received & meetings attended

La Costanera Restaurant UP amendment to allow use of outdoor patios was considered by Planning Commission on Nov 4 and Lisa attended. Approval of this amendment would be the first step for CCC to consider amending the restaurant's CDP to legalize the patios. The 3 Commissioners present (Laurie Simonson, Fred Hansson, and Zoe Kersteen-Tucker) voiced their continued frustration with the restaurant's lack of compliance on outstanding violations over the past year and said they were ready to deny. County Counsel recommended they continue the item to a future meeting to allow staff to prepare findings for denial. That motion passed 3-0.

7th St fence: While talking with Nancy Cave, CCC North Central Coast District Manager, at Nov 4 CCC reception, Lisa learned that the Westerfields had filed an appeal with the CCC of last February's PC decision on DPW fence removal, just in case they were not happy with the results of the appeal of their new fence to the BoS. It would seem that since the BoS recently approved the applicant's modified fence application to their satisfaction, that the CCC appeal would be withdrawn, but as yet we don't have that assurance, and await news from CCC staff.

Seton Hospital: Claire attended Attorney General hearing and reported BlueMountain not wanting burdensome restrictions whereas community was very much in favor of keeping tight restrictions. There is huge loophole in restrictions where if buyer finds they are not making enough money, they can change them.

LED streetlights: Dave reported 3 replies (2 in favor, 1 against) on the second, dimmer, test installation. He will tell DPW to go ahead and install the fixture requested by MCC Sep 9.

New Library: Dave reported workshop tomorrow night 6-8pm on architectural design.

MCC budget surplus: Lisa reported that the County now allows MCC surplus funds from \$3,000 annual allocation to be used for the general welfare of the community. Give some thought to this for future discussion. Current surplus is \$6,000.

7. Future Agendas:

Nov 25 – canceled due to Thanksgiving

Dec 9 – Pre-application workshop on proposal for 6 new houses on Vallemar Bluff;
Sister Cities program presentation; Council re-organization of officers

Dec 23 – canceled due to holidays

Adjourn – 9:16 PM

Meeting video by PCT:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yyoKyj5TGQg&feature=em-uploademail>