



# CITY OF MORRO BAY HARBOR ADVISORY BOARD A G E N D A

*The City of Morro Bay is dedicated to the preservation and enhancement of the quality of life. The City shall be committed to this purpose and will provide a level of municipal service and safety consistent with and responsive to the needs of the public.*

## **Regular Meeting - Thursday, March 3, 2016 Veteran's Memorial Building - 6:00 P.M. 209 Surf Street, Morro Bay, CA**

Bill Luffee, Chair	Marine Oriented Business
Dana McClish, Vice Chair	Recreational Boating
Alan Alward	Morro Bay Commercial Fishermen's Organization
Gene Doughty	South Bay/Los Osos
Neal Maloney	Waterfront Leaseholders
Lynn Meissen	Member at Large
Ron Reisner	Member at Large
Tom Hafer	Alternate to Alan Alward (MBCFO)
Joe Conchelos	Alternate to Alan Alward (MBCFO)

### ESTABLISH QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

### MOMENT OF SILENCE

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### CHAIR AND ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS

### PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Members of the audience wishing to address the Board on City business matters other than scheduled items may do so at this time. To increase the effectiveness of the Public Comment Period, the following rules shall be followed:

- When recognized by the Chair, please come forward to the podium and state your name and address for the record. Board meetings are audio and video recorded and this information is voluntary and desired for the preparation of minutes.
- Comments are to be limited to three minutes.
- All remarks shall be addressed to the Board, as a whole, and not to any individual member thereof.
- The Board respectfully requests that you refrain from making slanderous, profane or personal remarks against any elected official, Board member and/or staff.
- Please refrain from public displays or outbursts such as unsolicited applause, comments or cheering.
- Any disruptive activities that substantially interfere with the ability of the Board to carry out its meeting will not be permitted and offenders will be requested to leave the meeting.
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A. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A-1 Approval of Minutes from Harbor Advisory Board meeting held on February 4, 2016  
**Staff Recommendation: Approve minutes.**

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS, REPORTS, AND APPEARANCES

- B-1 Harbor Department Status Report  
**Staff Recommendation: Receive and file.**

C. BUSINESS ITEMS

- C-1 Update from the Marine Services Facility/Boatyard Ad-Hoc Committee on Committee's Recent Activities  
**Staff Recommendation: Receive and file.**
- C-2 Update from the Finance & Budget Ad-Hoc Committee on Committee's Recent Activities  
**Staff Recommendation: Receive and file.**
- C-3 Update from the Eelgrass Ad-Hoc Committee on Committee's Recent Activities  
**Staff Recommendation: Receive and file.**
- C-4 Update from the Marine Sanctuaries Ad-Hoc Committee on Committee's Recent Activities  
**Staff Recommendation: Receive and file.**
- C-5 Request by Thomas St. John for a Waiver of Requirement to Qualify for a Commercial Fishing Slip  
**Staff Recommendation: Consider request and make recommendation to Harbor Director.**
- C-6 Discussion and Recommendations on the Condition of Restrooms on the Embarcadero  
**Staff Recommendation: Staff recommend the Harbor Advisory Board take public input to identify and discuss possible options and ideas to improve the state of the public restrooms on the Embarcadero, and make any recommendations as appropriate.**
- C-7 Consideration of Recommendation of Slip Fee or Slip Qualification Relief for Commercial Crab Fishermen  
**Staff Recommendation: Staff recommend the Harbor Advisory Board take public input and consider recommending some degree of slip fee or slip qualification relief to commercial crab fishermen due to the declared crab economic disaster.**

D. DECLARATION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

E. ADJOURNMENT

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**AGENDA NO: A-1**

**MEETING DATE: March 3, 2016**

**CITY OF MORRO BAY**

**HARBOR ADVISORY BOARD**

**SYNOPSIS MINUTES**

The regular meeting of the City of Morro Bay Harbor Advisory Board was held Thursday, February 4, 2016 at 6:00 PM in the Veteran's Hall, 209 Surf ST, Morro Bay, California.

**ESTABLISH QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER**

Present:	Members:	Gene Doughty Bill Luffee Neal Maloney Dana McClish Lynn Meissen Ron Reisner
	Absent:	MBCFO Rep.
	Staff:	Eric Endersby, Harbor Director Polly Curtis, Office Assistant

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

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**CHAIR AND ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS**

Mr. Doughty said he has been doing mooring inspections in Morro Bay for forty years, but over the past six months a new growth has appeared on the mooring chains which encapsulates all the mussels, and the mussels die. He took a specimen to be analyzed, and this is a sponge native to Baja California. Mr. Doughty showed the Board a large sample of the yellow sponge. Mr. Reisner mentioned that boaters need to check their thru-hulls and engines for growths of this sponge.

Mr. McClish said the Central Coast Maritime Museum kiosk and all vessels will soon move to their new location, approximately 60-feet away from current site. He said Meyer's Drilling has volunteered the crane work for this project.

Mr. Reisner asked Ms. Lori French to make an announcement about enchiladas. Ms. French said the Central Coast Women for Fisheries are holding their annual albacore enchiladas sale; she gave her phone number for pre-orders 748-2460.

Mr. Luffee said the Coastal Commission is holding a meeting at the Inn at Morro Bay with a possible secondary location at the Community Center, February 10-12.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Lori French said due to testing results of domoic acid by the California Department of Public Health, and on a subsequent recommendation by the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, the California Fish and Wildlife Commission closed the Dungeness and rock crab fisheries as of November 5, 2015. She reviewed the testing process, saying this closure was an unprecedented, pre-emptive move by the state, which has shut down the crabbing industry.

Ms. French said commercial fishermen do not qualify for unemployment, and they have also missed all of the markets from Thanksgiving, Christmas and through the New Year. The Central Coast Women for Fisheries have set up a Crabbers Emergency Relief Fund, and donations can be sent to CCWF, 785 Quintana Road, Box 106, Morro Bay, CA 93442. She requested the Harbor Department forgive slip rent for commercial crabbers for two months, as well as exempt landings to qualify for their slips for 2016.

**A. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**A-1 MINUTES**

Mr. McClish moved the January 7, 2016 Harbor Advisory Board minutes be approved as submitted. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Maloney and carried unanimously.

**B. PUBLIC HEARINGS, REPORTS, AND APPEARANCES**

**B-1 Harbor Department Status Report**

Mr. Endersby briefed the Board on the following topics:

**Coastal Commission Meeting, Inn at Morro Bay or Community Center, Feb 10-12**

**Recent Department Activity**

**Harbor Patrol 22 Emergency Responses in January  
North Jetty Danger Area; Stay Back from Waves**

**Recent City Council Activity**

**Winter Bird Festival Month Declared for January  
Aquarium Lease Site Consent of Landowner  
C-MANC Washington Week Approval**

**Two Study Sessions on Objectives for FY16-17  
Work Plan Development Structure for Advisory Bodies**

**C-MANC Washington Week March 14-18**

**Upcoming Events**

**K38 Training Feb 22-24**

**Past Events**

**NOAA Marine Sanctuary Meeting Jan 6**

**Discussion by the Board and Mr. Endersby on Hazardous Bar Closure by the Coast Guard, and Public Safety Responses by Harbor Patrol and Coast Guard, as well as the importance of local knowledge by the Harbor Patrol during rescue operations.**

**C. BUSINESS ITEMS**

**C-1 Update from the Marine Services Facility/Boatyard Ad-Hoc Committee on Committee's Recent Activities**

Mr. McClish reviewed the Ad-Hoc Committee's annual report of highlights from 2015, followed by their report on "2016 Critical Path." He concluded by saying the City's Triangle Lot site appears to the Ad-Hoc Committee as the only possible site left for an adequate Marine Facility in Morro Bay, and if the City fails to act on the recommendation regarding RRM Design Group's Concept Plan A; then the Ad-Hoc Committee feels a vital element of needed infrastructure for the future of our working waterfront and the entire Morro Bay boating community will be lost.

Discussion by the Board and Councilmember Makowetski.

**MOTION:** Mr. McClish moved the Harbor Advisory Board recommend to the City Council to employ a consultant for a feasibility study of the previously recommended Marine Services Facility design option "A" by RRM Design Group, in a timely manner. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Reisner and carried with a vote of 5 to 1, with Mr. Doughty voting no.

**C-2 Update from the Finance & Budget Ad-Hoc Committee on Committee's Recent Activities**

Mr. Maloney said the Ad-Hoc Committee met with the Harbor Director who reviewed the fiscal year revenues for the Committee. Mr. Maloney reviewed the City Council budget schedule for 2016 with their flow sheets and work plans. He said the Ad-Hoc Committee will continue to be a sounding board for the Harbor Director in the ongoing budget process. Mr. Endersby said the mid-year budget will be reviewed at the Council's February 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, which includes mid-year adjustments.

**C-3 Update from the Eelgrass Ad-Hoc Committee on Committee's Recent Activities**

Ms. Meissen said the Committee had one meeting with NEP's eelgrass expert Jen Nix who gave the Committee an updated eelgrass report. Ms. Meissen said the Ad-Hoc Committee will be reviewing this information and will report back to the Harbor Advisory Board.

**C-4 Update from the Marine Sanctuaries Ad-Hoc Committee on Committee's Recent Activities, Including Consideration of Ad-Hoc Committee Written Report Dated February 4, 2016**

Mr. Reisner read the Ad-Hoc Committee's written report dated February 4, 2016 for the Board, updating the Committee's activities and containing information relative to each of the three macro areas of interest, which are Economic, Regulatory, and Local/Regional/State Control aspects.

**MOTION:** Mr. Reisner moved that the Harbor Advisory Board make a direct written request to the Morro Bay City Council that City sponsorship and promotion of additional public information forums relative to a hypothetical marine sanctuary off the coast of Morro Bay be placed on the earliest possible City Council agenda. Further, that those forums be intended to provide objective, fact-based information to the City and its citizens – information provided by City and County governments; port and harbor authorities; regional agencies; business interests and other non-government organizations (NGOs) which have lived for a period of time with a marine sanctuary on the California coast. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Doughty and carried unanimously.

**D. DECLARATION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**MOTION:** Ron moved to recommend a public information forum at a future Harbor Advisory Board meeting, relative to the use in the Back Bay to include such uses as hunting, birding, boating and other uses. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Luffee and carried unanimously.

**MOTION:** Ron moved that the Harbor Advisory Board place on the next agenda the question of moorage relief for resident crab fishermen. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Luffee and carried unanimously.

**March:**

Commercial Crab Disaster Slip Fee Relief

**Future:**

Back Bay Water Use Public Forum

Coast Guard Building Location Plans

Condition of Restrooms on the Embarcadero

Inspecting Marine Sanitation Devices on All Vessels in Morro Bay Harbor

**E. ADJOURNMENT**

This meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Submitted by,

*Polly Curtis*

Polly Curtis  
Harbor Department



AGENDA NO: B-1

MEETING DATE: March 3, 2016

## Staff Report

**TO:** Harbor Advisory Board  
**FROM:** Eric Endersby, Harbor Director

**DATE:** February 23, 2016

**SUBJECT:** Harbor Department Status Report

### RECOMMENDATION

Receive and file.

### DISCUSSION

#### **Recent Department Activity:**

Morro Bay police confirmed that a body found early Sunday morning on February 7 in the Morro Bay Estuary was that of missing 22-year-old Avery Danley. Their investigation has not revealed any signs of criminal wrongdoing, though it was noted that the case remains open and the investigation is ongoing. Danley's body was found by a citizen in the back bay near Los Osos at about 11 a.m. and was retrieved by Harbor Patrol. Danley lived alone aboard a boat in Morro Bay for the past year, and he was last seen in the early evening of Jan. 21 after dining with friends. The kayak that he used to travel between his boat and shore was found adrift in the harbor a few days following his disappearance. The City's condolences go out to Danley's family and friends.

On February 14, four people, including one child, were saved after their boat capsized in the surf just south of the harbor entrance. Harbor Patrol received one "mayday" call for help when waves about 10 to 12 feet high were rolling through the area near the south jetty. Two adult men and a woman, along with her 8-year-old girl, went into the water. Within five minutes of the initial call a Harbor Patrol vessel arrived, followed shortly thereafter by a Harbor Patrol rescue jet ski and the Coast Guard. Rescue swimmer and Harbor Patrol Officer Jeremiah Jacobs was the first to the victims, all clinging to the overturned vessel, where he quickly determined the mother was in the worse shape and in need of immediate attention. He quickly brought her to the jet ski, manned by Reserve Harbor Patrol Officer Marcos Green and Fire Captain Michael Talmadge, where she was transported to a waiting Harbor Patrol vessel manned by Harbor Patrol Officer Scott Mather and brought back to the harbor for medical attention. She was hospitalized overnight and released the following day. Jacobs then swam the girl to shore to awaiting bystanders and rescue personnel, then assisted the two adult males, one with a significant leg laceration, to a Coast Guard motor lifeboat that made its way into the surf for the survivors. Conditions were such that the Coast Guard had posted a hazard bar warning.

Prepared By: EE

Dept. Review: EE

The City of Morro Bay always encourages water recreation enthusiasts to be mindful of the ocean conditions, use caution and check in with the Harbor Patrol or Coast Guard if there is any question about the weather or ocean conditions. This rescue highlights the important role all our water public safety entities play in incidents such as this, which include the Harbor Patrol, Coast Guard, and Fire Department.

Harbor Patrol statistics to date for February (through the 26<sup>th</sup>) include 13 emergency responses and 112 calls for service. The month has seen 11 days of small craft advisories for either wind or swell, and 10 days of hazardous entrance conditions. Inside the harbor at the “Widow Walls” surf spot next to the north jetty, about 20-25 people have been plucked from strong ebb tide currents that they could not get out of as they were being swept toward the harbor entrance and 10-20 foot breaking waves. The public is cautioned that “Widow Walls” is not necessarily the little kid or learner spot that it seems to have earned a reputation for. Conditions must be carefully checked, especially on days with very low or negative tides in the afternoon, which make for the greatest tidal flows.

**Recent City Council Activity:**

At their February 9, 2016 meeting the City Council authorized the 2015/16 Mid-Year Budget Amendments the Harbor Operating Fund as follows:

Revenues:

- Increase a total \$26,086 of revenue for Harbor Leases (\$3,086), North T-Pier Dockage (\$8,000), and South T-Pier Dockage (\$15,000), due to more robust actuals;
- Increase a total \$9,600 of revenue for Mooring Rental (\$2,600) and Slip Rental (\$7,000), due to Master Fee increases that occurred after the budget was adopted.

Total requested revenue amendments = \$35,686

Expenses:

- \$20,000 for a part-time administrative clerk to assist with backlog of tasks;
- \$5,626 for health bank enhancement (\$3,636), and part-time benefits for requested administrative clerk (\$1,990), which are PARS, Medicare, SDI, Unemployment Insurance and Worker’s Compensation;
- \$2,000 for unanticipated costs of firefighting gear and new City patches;
- \$13,000 for a single propeller lower drive for Patrol Vessel 3864 to replace inefficient dual drive;
- Reduction of \$10,000 in financial audits, which are not scheduled;
- \$15,000 for cost share of RRM Promenade study; this is replacing the \$15,000 in contract services for the Fish Cleaning Station, which should be a capital project, not operations; and
- \$3,000 for the Harbor Fest donation match.

Total requested expenditure amendments = \$33,626

Capital:

\$25,000 Capital Projects (Harbor) for the Fish Cleaning Station; that project was inadvertently omitted from the 2015/16 adopted budget.

At their February 23 meeting, the Council recognized Harbor Patrol Officers Scott Mather, Marcos Green, Jeramiah Jacobs, United States Coast Guard Station Morro Bay, Fire Captain Michael Talmadge and Fire Engineer/Paramedic Travis Hasch for their outstanding efforts in the February 14 rescue. Certificates of appreciation were given from the City of Morro Bay.

Also at the February 23 meeting, the Council adopted the 2016-17 City Goals and Program Objectives, included with this report as Attachment 1.

In addition, at the February 23 meeting the Council adopted the Mitigated Negative Declaration and adopted Resolution No. 09-16, making the necessary findings for approval of Conditional Use Permit #UP0-359 for the construction of a new gangway, dock, seven boat slips (6 private rentals and 1 public slip), second story dining deck expansion along the west side of the building, and coastal access improvements at 725 Embarcadero, Rose's Landing.

**Grants:**

The Harbor Department was successful in obtaining another generous grant from the Central Coast Joint Cable Fisheries Liaison Committee to fund a three-person City delegation this year to Washington DC with CMANC, the California Marine Affairs and Navigation Conference. This year's proceedings are March 15-17 and the Mayor, City Manager and Harbor Director will be the attendees.

The Central Coast Joint Cable Fisheries Liaison Committee also granted the City, in partnership with the Morro Bay Commercial Fisherman's Organization, \$40,000 for maintenance and repair requirements of the City's commercial fishing ice machine. The machine is a key piece of equipment for the vitality and viability of the commercial fishing industry in Morro Bay and regionally.

**Dredging:**

Morro Bay received an additional \$4.09M "plus-up" Corps funding for dredging in this current Federal (FY16) budget year. That is funding in addition to the \$3.07M already in the budget for the dredge ship YAQUINA coming this spring. This functionally means we have adequate funding to get the majority, if not the entire, Federal channel dredged over the course of the next year which, given the storms and sand movement to date so far this winter, we'll need every penny. The Corps Division in LA indicate they are intending to have the \$4.09M plus-up under contract sometime late this summer or fall, which should mean getting the work done late this year or possibly into early next year.

In addition, the President's FY17 budget, just released February 9, includes \$4.4M for Morro Bay work plan funding. That number will still have to go through Congress and the normal budgeting process, which as you probably know, the last few years has gone through a "CR" process which delays the process into the following calendar year. Finally, there is the possibility the FY16 plus-up funding and the FY17 President's funding could be combined into one larger project, but that is yet to be determined how the Corps will execute.

**Plover Fencing:**

The symbolic fencing to delineate the Western Snowy Plover protection area on the sandspit goes up soon with the assistance of State Parks and California Conservation Corps personnel. As always, the public is requested to share the beach and keep themselves and their animals out of the fenced areas.

**Update on Brian Williamson:**

Unable to provide valid receipts to qualify to retain his slip for 2015, Mr. Williamson last year requested his second waiver from qualifying. Due to the circumstances of his attempting to provide false landing receipts to qualify, the waiver was denied by the Harbor Director. Mr. Williamson appealed that decision to the Harbor Advisory Board, where the Board recommended Mr. Williamson be allowed to remain in the City slip while the case against him by Fish and Wildlife for falsifying landing receipts was being adjudicated, as long as his slip fees remained current.

Mr. Williamson had been allowed to continue using his designated slip, however, his slip agreement was terminated on December 1, 2015 due to non-payment of slip fees.

On February 26, it was reported from Fish and Wildlife that Mr. Williamson pled guilty to two counts of fraud/forgery/theft, and three counts of Fish and Game violations relating to the false landing receipt case.

**STaR Award:**

The Morro Bay Fishing Community Sustainability Plan, which Lisa Wise Consulting prepared for the City of Morro Bay as a requirement of one of the grants relating to past Community Quota Fund work, was recently selected for a 2016 Vernon Deines Honor Award for an Outstanding Small Town Special Project Plan by the Small Town and Rural Planning Division of the American Planning Association. The awards committee was incredibly impressed with the plan, and the award letter is included as Attachment 2 to this report. The City and project team have been invited to attend the awards ceremony at the national conference in Phoenix on Sunday, April 3, 2016 during the National Planning Conference in Phoenix, Arizona.

**Bar Condition Information:**

The Morro Bay Harbor Patrol will no longer call the passenger for hire or watersport businesses operating on the Embarcadero when the entrance is posted “hazardous” by the US Coast Guard. The Coast Guard will activate the blinking yellow lights on the North T-Pier and broadcast on WHF 16 every 30 minutes stating the hazard. Business owners and employees are responsible to review weather forecasts and know the conditions of the harbor. The letter sent to business owners is included with this report as Attachment 3. The Coast Guard and Harbor Department are working with the Deputy City Manager in developing a new weather and harbor entrance advisory element on the City’s website.

**Waterways Analysis Management System:**

The U.S. Coast Guard Sector Los Angeles-Long Beach Waterways Management Division is conducting a Waterway Analysis Management System (WAMS) study from Morro Bay to San Luis Obispo Bay. This study utilizes an online survey to gather specific information and comments to ensure the waterways are safe and effective for all mariners. Local operators can provide the specific knowledge to make direct improvements and changes to ensure the waterway is safe and effective. Included with this report as Attachment 4 is a flyer with information on how to access the online survey.

**Morro Bay Quota Fund Update:**

Recently, Dwayne Oberhoff was hired as the Morro Bay Community Quota Fund's new Executive Director, replacing Andrea Lueker who stepped down from the position late last year. Dwayne owns Ecological Assets Management, LLC, where one of his jobs is managing the Quota Fund's quota portfolio. Dwayne, a Cal Poly Biology graduate, has a wealth of wildlife, ecological and consulting experience to draw from.

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. 2016-2017 City Goals and Objectives
2. STaR Award Letter
3. Bar Condition Letter to Embarcadero Businesses
4. Waterway Analysis Management System Study Survey



# CITY OF MORRO BAY

CITY HALL

595 Harbor Street  
Morro Bay, CA 93442

## Memorandum for City Council, Staff and the Public

**Date:** February 24, 2016

**Subject:** 2016-2017 City Goals and Objectives

**1. Purpose.** The purpose of this document is to identify City of Morro Bay Goals and Objectives for the Budget Year July 2016 – Jun 2017.

- a) The City of Morro Bay Strategic Planning Framework, adopted by the City Council on December 8, 2015, directs the timing for development of City Goals and Objectives.
- b) In accordance with that policy, the City's 10 existing goals remain in place. They will be reviewed and modified in January of 2017.
- c) The City's 2016/17 budget year objectives were developed in January and February of 2016, encompassing broad input from residents, staff, advisory bodies and Council. This process included receiving resident, board and Council input through the year, then, two formal Council study sessions in January 2016 and deliberation at one Council meeting on February 9, 2016. This document was approved / adopted by Council on February 23, 2016.
- d) The objectives under each goal identify a number of specific objectives the City intends to accomplish in the July 2016 to June 2017 budget year. Accomplishing these objectives, however, is dependent on adequate resourcing – both staff time and money. Thus, some objectives may not be completed if adequate resources are not allocated during the fiscal year 2016/2017 budget process.
- e) City staff intends to develop simple action plans, including milestones and basic metrics, for each of these program objectives. Staff will update the Council on the status of work on each objective periodically through the year, and formally at the November 15, 2016 Annual Goals Update.

**2. Goals and Objectives.** Following are the City of Morro Bay's 10 Goals and subordinate program objectives for budget year 2016-17:

### **Goal #1 - Develop New WRF**

- a) **Public Participation.** Continue to pursue robust public input on site design and aesthetics opportunities/process associated WRF project, site and ancillary facilities.

- b) **Property Acquisition.** Complete property appraisal, make first earnest money payment, and close on property.
- c) **Facility Master Plan.** Complete the facility master plan.
- d) **Complete the Master Reclamation Plan.** Make initial, then final determinations on reclamation options for the water reclamation component of the facility and approve the master reclamation plan.
- e) **Environmental Review.** Complete and certify environmental review.
- f) **SRF Loan Application.** Complete state revolving fund (SRF) construction loan application.
- g) **Grant Funding.** Investigate and pursue additional Proposition 1 grants applicable to the WRF project.
- h) **Annexation.** As part of the GP/LCP process, evaluate possible annexation of property acquired for the WRF and bring to Council for decision.
- i) **Construction Delivery Decision.** Bring to Council for decision the method of procurement to be used for construction of the WRF.
- j) **Construction RFP.** Issue a Request for Proposal to pre-qualify design-build or builder teams, dependent on procurement method, to participate in the bidding process.
- k) **Construction Contract.** Issue a design-build or other design/construction contract approved by Council.
- l) **Cayucos Participation Decision.** Bring to Council for decision final throughput design / construction requirement based on Cayucos CSD decision on participation in the MB WRF project.
- m) **Existing WWTP Site Future.** Work with the Cayucos Sanitary District to frame decision regarding future ownership of shared property at existing WWTP site.
- n) **City Corporation Yard Transition.** Complete design and identify funding requirements for possible City corporation yard component of the WRF project.
- o) **Improve Influent Quality.** Research and bring to Council for decision various options, from incentives to ordinances, to improve the quality of influent at the new WRF to decrease treatment costs.

## **Goal #2 - Improve Streets**

- a) **Street Summit.** Plan and execute a "streets summit" to inform residents and work various street improvement approaches including financing and a possible funding revenue measure on the Nov. 2018 ballot.
- b) **Traffic Calming.** Complete 2-3 traffic calming projects at appropriate locations as dictated by the circulation element of the general plan. Include San Jacinto/Main for primary consideration.

- c) **41/Main Street Intersection Funding.** Research options and bring to Council for decision the required 50-percent local match (~ \$2M) to the Highway 41, Main Street and Highway 1 (ramp) Intersection improvement project. (Moved from Goal 4, otherwise unchanged.)
- d) **Traffic Signs.** Replace 20% of non-conforming traffic signs.
- e) **Traffic Markings.** Refresh Street markings, focusing on cross walks and legends, in the down town, embarcadero, north Main and routes to school.
- f) **Bike Needs.** Complete specific items from the unmet bike needs list that are funded in the FY16/17 budget process. Include Highway 1 and Yerba Buena, Bike Parking at public buildings, and traffic calming on San Jacinto for primary consideration. (If not completed in 2015/16, also complete the Class 1 path from Lemos to Cloisters, San Jacinto and Main bike safety, and installation of Bike Friendly Community signs.)
- g) **Bike Lane Painting.** Bring to Council in the budget scaled proposals for green painting various bike lanes including extensions through intersections, as appropriate.
- h) **Construction Timing.** Research and bring to council for consideration actions to remove existing City-imposed restrictions on timing of street work so that some paving, patching and painting work can be performed at appropriate times during shoulder and summer seasons.

**Goal #3 - Review and Update Significant City Land Use Plans**

- a) **GP/LCP.** Continue work on the GP/LCP update, completing the alternatives analysis and administrative draft of the Blue Print / Green Print; and administrative draft of the Program EIR, while pursuing robust public input in the entire process.
- b) **Zoning Option for GP/LCP update.** Bring to Council for consideration a budget decision to add a full zoning update/overhaul to the GP/LCP contract.
- c) **WRF / Righetti Property Master Plan.** Complete site master plan for the entire Righetti property should the Council decide to construct the WRF at that site.
- d) **Wireless Ordinance.** Update wireless ordinance and process through Coastal Commission.
- e) **Downtown/Waterfront Strategic Plan (DWSP).** Consider incorporating the downtown/waterfront strategic plan into the GP/LCP process. Complete the DWSP part of the plan.
- f) **2016 Building Code.** Review and adopt the 2016 California Building and Standards Code. Consider integrating green building incentives and greywater / solar-ready initiatives not included in the state revisions.

#### **Goal #4 - Maintain Core Public Safety Services**

- a) **Speed Survey.** Update citywide speed survey to determine appropriate safe driving speeds for all streets.
- b) **Marijuana Ordinances.** Begin a robust public discussion, informed by the results of a likely marijuana “recreational use” statewide initiative on the November 2016 ballot that results in Council consideration and action on all aspects of marijuana cultivation, medical and possible recreational use.
- c) **Good Neighbor Campaign.** Plan and implement a “Good Neighbor Campaign”, including aspects of Public Safety and Code Enforcement.
- d) **Public Safety Scrub of MBMC.** Complete a review of all public safety ordinances in the MBMC, including various sections of the MBMC that currently require first offence warning for violations of code, and bring recommended changes to Council for decision.
- e) **Strategic Plan Implementation.** Implement certain items to be identified from the 2015/16 Police Department and Fire Department strategic plan updates.
- f) **Public Education.** Provide 3 CERT training sessions for the public and multiple Hands-Only-CPR presentations with the goal to educate 100 citizens in CERT and 500 citizens in Hands –Only-CPR.

#### **Goal #5 - Ensure Fiscal Sustainability**

- a) **Budget Forecast.** Complete a, professional, external, 10-year budget forecast in Jan-Mar 2017 with the new Council.
- b) **Budget Transparency.** Consider and implement additional budget transparency / citizen participation actions.
- c) **CFAC Review.** Review and refine the roles and responsibilities of the Citizens Finance Advisory Committee after their first full year of operation.
- d) **Community Choice Aggregation.** Partner with regional entities to further research possible implementation of a Community Choice Aggregation approach to energy choice.
- e) **Budget Policies.** Adopt a comprehensive set of financial and budget policies to provide a meaningful and easily understood framework for maintaining financial discipline.
- f) **Vehicle Replacement.** Determine City vehicle requirements, then determine replacement costs over a 15-year period to estimate the total costs required to fund replacements on an annual basis.
- g) **Recreation Programming.** Evaluate partnerships and/or contracting opportunities to increase the range recreation programming through the use of external service providers.

## **Goal #6 - Support Economic Development**

- a) **Tidelands Trust Lease Management Policy.** Update and revise the City Lease Management Policy.
- b) **Economic Development Strategic Plan.** Launch the initial EDSP marketing toolkit and the 30-60-90-day action steps in the MB Economic Development Strategic Plan fostered by Chabin Concepts.
- c) **MBPP.** Consider providing proactive support, including a possible “memorandum of cooperation”, to any entity pursuing demolition, remediation and redevelopment (for non-energy producing purposes) of the Morro Bay Power Plant property.
- d) **Business Information on Website.** Complete a full renovation of the “Doing Business” section of the City’s website to enhance service for existing businesses and better market to potential new business for Morro Bay.
- e) **Business Incentives.** Research, evaluate, and bring to Council for consideration business incentive opportunities that may encourage existing business reinvestments in Morro Bay or recruit new businesses to the community.
- f) **Commercial Real Estate Inventory.** Partner with a local real estate agent to create a commercial real estate inventory and market this information on the City’s website.
- g) **Aquarium Project.** Work closely with the Central Coast Aquarium to bring a Concept Plan for approval to Council and Coastal Commission.
- h) **Business Improvement Districts.** Be receptive to, and provide City support, to any business improvement district opportunities proposed by Morro Bay business interests.
- i) **Economic Development Code Scrub.** Complete a high-level analysis of the Morro Bay Municipal Code to revise/remove policies that impede or hamper an improved business climate.
- j) **Maritime Museum.** Update the current MOU and complete a license agreement with the Central Coast Maritime Museum.
- k) **Marine Services Facility.** Contract for, complete and bring to Council for consideration a full feasibility study for the proposed Marine Services Facility.
- l) **Tourism Integration.** Complete the integration of the management of Tourism Business Improvement District operations with other aspects of the City’s Economic Development plans and activities.
- m) **Food Trucks.** Research and bring to Council for consideration a change to the MBMC to allow “food trucks” during approved events.

## Goal #7 - Improve City Infrastructure, Facilities and Public Spaces.

- a) **Market Street Bluff / Centennial Parkway Area Revitalization.** Begin a public process and bring to Council ideas for revitalization of the city owned properties adjacent to Centennial Parkway, including the Front Street parking lot, the Branigan's / Distasio's building, and the City-owned parking lot at Market and Pacific.
- b) **Implementation of Concept Plans.** Depending on public input and funding, complete design, research funding tools and begin implementation work on various projects including Centennial Parkway revitalization and the Embarcadero Promenade concept.
- c) **ADA Compliance Improvements.** Following the ongoing ADA compliance assessment, complete \$50K of ADA compliance improvements, or as set by the FY2016/17 budget.
- d) **Signage and Branding.** Install new welcome, way finding and street signs based on updated city "branding" resulting from the Vision / Values and DWSP projects.
- e) **Improve Trash Collection and Public Restroom Cleaning.** Research and bring to Council for funding proposals to increase the frequency of public trash collection in public areas and the cleaning of public restrooms.
- f) **Tree Trimming.** Research and bring to Council for direction a proposal to increase the frequency of tree trimming in the downtown from ~5 years to ~2 ½ years, while continuing City tree management and planting consistent with the Urban Forest Management plan.
- g) **Community Beautification.** Budget depending, implement specific Community Heritage and Beautification Committee recommendations including installing permanent aesthetic lighting in downtown street trees, providing direct City support to the Hidden History interpretive panel project, Vet's Hall turf removal / garden installation. Refresh and re-implement the City Adopt-a-Park program.
- h) **ESH Fencing.** Fence the Environmentally Sensitive Habitat (ESH) between the Embarcadero dirt extension and the Morro Bay Power Plant property in the same manner as the ESH fencing on the opposite side of the road.
- i) **City Hall Functional Improvements.** Plan and complete remodeling of the IT space in City Hall to provide additional / more functional office space and improved customer service in MB City Hall.
- j) **Facility Maintenance Program.** Update the Facility Maintenance Program using priority setting in time to influence the 2017/18 budget cycle.

## Goal #8 - Enhance Quality of Life

- a) **Community Pool Planning.** Prepare for, and enact, the overall management of community access at the new Morro Bay High School/Community Pool.

- b) **City-Sponsored/Partnered Events.** Execute the following City/Partnered Events: Fourth of July, Rock to Pier Run, Dixon Spaghetti Dinner, Downtown Trick-Or-Treat (partner with the Chamber of Commerce), Lighted Boat Parade/Christmas Tree Lighting (partner with Rotary).
- c) **Sea Otter Awareness.** Take specific action to raise awareness of Sea Otter protection practices and participate in the 2016 Sea Otter Awareness Week.
- d) **Pickleball Court Space.** Research and present to Council opportunities for additional, future Pickleball court space.
- e) **Recreation Guide.** Sponsor and publish the Morro Bay Recreation Programs Guide in Fall, Winter, and Spring, beginning Fall 2016.
- f) **Vet's Hall Renovation Planning.** Bring to Council a proposal for partial revitalization of Vet's Hall to achieve functional improvements for public meetings and work toward a more attractive / rentable space for private events.
- g) **Public Meeting Broadcasts.** Bring to Council a proposal for upgrading City-owned broadcast equipment used to video and broadcast public meetings.
- h) **Community Paramedicine.** Research and partner with other EMS agencies in our County for possible proposals for Federally funded Community Paramedicine Programs starting after 2018, pursue public / private partnerships to simultaneously improve local healthcare access.

**Goal #9 - Improve Water Supply Diversification**

- a) **State Water Planning.** Assess the long-term requirements for continued participation in the State Water Project, conduct initial determination what level of participation is appropriate, and identify timeline for contract renewal.
- b) **Desal Permit.** Submit permit application for full time use of the City desal plant as part of the City's water portfolio.
- c) **Desal Location.** Research and bring to Council for decision options to relocate the City desal plant.
- d) **"One Water" Planning.** In concert with the GP/LCP update, complete Master Plans for Water Supply, Water System, Wastewater Collection, and stormwater as a "One Water" Plan.
- e) **CMC Emergency Exchange Agreement.** Resolve emergency exchange agreement with CDCR for CMC water.

**Goal #10 - Improve City Operations**

- a) **IT Support.** Assess opportunities to enhance IT help desk support services through supplemental, contractual support.

- b) **IT Disaster Protection.** Move City computer servers from City Hall to the Fire Station.
- c) **Records Management.** Develop a prioritized, budgeted short- and long-term plan for improving records management policies and procedures, including development of a trustworthy electronic records system, and staff education regarding legal requirements and best practices. Begin digital scanning of Harbor Dept Records.
- d) **Compensation Study.** Complete a professional, external, comparative study of City of Morro Bay compensation policies and levels to ensure both taxpayers and employee interests are appropriately served. Complete the study in time for 2017/18 MOU negotiations.
- e) **Lease Management Office Reorganization.** Research and bring to Council for consideration transferring Harbor lease and property management functions to the Administrative Services Department or another City Department. (MP Recommendation)
- f) **MBMC and City Organization.** Review and bring to Council for consideration changes to the MBMC related to City staff organization.
- g) **Succession Planning.** Develop a succession planning framework and conduct detailed succession planning for positions at high risk for turnover. (MP Rec.)
- h) **Harbor Maintenance.** Evaluate transferring Harbor maintenance functions to Public Works.
- i) **GIS.** Research and bring to Council for decision options for providing comprehensive geographic information system data for both internal and customer serving applications.
- j) **Community Resource Connections.** Refine and formalize, with Council resolution, the relationship between the City and the Community Resource Connections Office.



David W. Buckingham  
City Manager



February 22, 2016

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Dear Mr. Pontarelli,

On behalf of the Small Town and Rural Planning (STaR) Division Awards Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your submittal of the *Morro Bay Community Sustainability Plan* was selected as a recipient of the 2016 Vernon Deines Honor Award for an Outstanding Small Town Special Project Plan. The Awards Committee was incredibly impressed with this plan, and feel it embodies the best of small town planning. The Committee appreciated the unique planning challenges addressed by this plan and felt the robust community outreach and expansion beyond minimum federal requirements makes this plan award worthy. A number of Committee members stated that reading this plan got them interested in Morro Bay and the unique planning requirements for CSPs, which is a testament to the plan's high quality graphics, unique story, and strong implementation techniques. This planning effort can serve as a model for sustainability plans in California and throughout the country. We congratulate you on your successful project!

Please join us for the Awards Reception and STaR Business Meeting on Sunday, April 3, 2016 from 7:30pm – 9pm during the National Planning Conference in Phoenix, Arizona. The reception will take place at the Sheraton and will honor award recipients. As an award recipient, we will highlight Morro Bay's plan at the Business Meeting and in a future STaR newsletter article and Morro Bay will receive an award plaque.

Please consider joining us for the entire conference (<https://conference.planning.org/conference/>). Some reimbursement of travel costs is available for attendees from the City of Morro Bay. In addition one member of the project team will receive a one-year membership in the STaR Division. Please contact me if you would like to take advantage of this travel assistance or the complimentary STaR membership. Additional copies of the award may be ordered for support staff and consultants at a nominal cost.

Congratulations on your Award Winning Project!

Sincerely,

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 STaR Vice-Chair – Conferences and Programs

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# City of Morro Bay

HARBOR DEPARTMENT

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January 22, 2016

Dear Passenger for Hire Operation,

To those who did so, thank you for your attendance or inquiry at our recent Safety Meeting. Important topics were discussed and your collaboration and compliance is appreciated.

One very important topic that has changed is the courtesy phone call from the Morro Bay Harbor Department during hazardous conditions at the Morro Bay Harbor Entrance. **The Morro Bay Harbor Patrol will no longer call you when the entrance is posted "Hazardous" by the US Coast Guard.** The US Coast Guard will activate that lights on the North T Pier at the Rough Bar sign, as well as a broadcast on VHF 16 radio every 30 minutes stating the Hazardous conditions. You are still responsible to review the weather forecasts and know what conditions make it unsafe for your customers. You are welcome and encouraged to call the Harbor Department or US Coast Guard Station to get updates on the sea state. The following websites are also helpful:

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/lox/main.php?suite=marine>

<http://www.tenera.com/weather/>

<http://17ft.com/slo>

<http://cdip.ucsd.edu/?nav=recent&sub=nowcast&xitem=conception>

US Coast Guard Station Morro Bay 805-772-2167

Morro Bay Harbor Department 805-772-6254

Be advised:

California Boating Law Harbors and Navigation Code 774.1 Restrictions on leaving or entering Morro Bay states: No operator of a for-hire vessel shall leave or enter Morro Bay after being directed by the harbormaster or US Coast Guard of the harbor not to do so because of the condition of the weather, the sea, the vessel, or a combination thereof.

We want to encourage great caution with your vessels in Morro Bay. Our large tidal swings have been challenging for many boaters, paddle craft and surfers especially when the swell is up.

If you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Becka Kelly  
Harbor Patrol Supervisor

The nation's waterways contain more than 100,000 federal and private aids to navigation. The US Coast Guard is responsible for ensuring waterways are as safe, effective, and efficient as possible and the Waterway Analysis Management System (WAMS) study is one of the tools available to assist in accomplishing this mission.

The WAMS study evaluates the Aids to Navigation (ATON) in the area to determine their effectiveness, which often leads to alterations of technical aspects of the aids and establishment or disestablishment of aids in order to meet changing needs in waterways.

The U. S. Coast Guard is conducting a (WAMS) study from Morro Bay to San Luis Obispo Bay. The WAMS Survey will be active until March 26, 2016 and can be found by using the following link <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CGSECLALBMSLO>. This questionnaire seeks to obtain data on the effectiveness of the system of Aids to Navigation from Morro Bay to San Luis Obispo Bay as well as other waterway safety concerns. The Coast Guard will use this information to ensure that the aids are serving their intended purpose. The Coast Guard also uses the concerns of waterways users to assist with other or future waterway management decisions. Any interested company or individual wishing to provide recommendations on existing or additional aids to navigation in this area is welcome to participate by submitting a user survey.

Access to the online survey can also be achieved through the U.S. Coast Guard HOMEPORT webpage: <https://homeport.uscg.mil/mycg/portal/ep/home.do> Port Directory: Select Coast Guard Unit: LOS ANGELES-LONGBEACH. News and Events: WATERWAY ANALYSIS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM ANNOUNCEMENT.

For any further questions or information please contact Sector LA/LB Waterways Department at 310-521-3860 or [D11-DG-SectorLALB-WWM@uscg.mil](mailto:D11-DG-SectorLALB-WWM@uscg.mil).



AGENDA NO: C-1

MEETING DATE: March 3, 2016

## Staff Report

**TO:** Harbor Advisory Board

**DATE:** February 22, 2016

**FROM:** Eric Endersby, Harbor Director

**SUBJECT:** Update from the Marine Services Facility/Boatyard Ad-Hoc Committee on Committee's Recent Activities

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Receive and file.

### **DISCUSSION**

The Marine Services Facility/Boatyard Ad-Hoc Committee will be presenting an oral update on their activities, if any. This is a standing committee report agenda item.

Prepared By: EE

Dept. Review: EE







AGENDA NO: C-4

MEETING DATE: March 3, 2016

## Staff Report

**TO:** Harbor Advisory Board

**DATE:** February 22, 2016

**FROM:** Eric Endersby, Harbor Director

**SUBJECT:** Update from the Marine Sanctuaries Ad-Hoc Committee on Committee's Recent Activities

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Receive and file.

### **DISCUSSION**

The Marine Sanctuaries Ad-Hoc Committee will be presenting an oral update on their activities, if any. This is a standing committee report agenda item.

Prepared By: EE

Dept. Review: EE



AGENDA NO: C-5

MEETING DATE: March 3, 2016

## Staff Report

**TO:** Harbor Advisory Board

**DATE:** February 24, 2016

**FROM:** Eric Endersby, Harbor Director

**SUBJECT:** Request by Thomas St. John for a Waiver of Requirement to Qualify for a Commercial Fishing Slip

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Consider request and make recommendation to Harbor Director.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

None; whether or not the waiver is granted the City will continue to collect revenue from the slip in question as there are eligible vessels on the slip waiting list.

### **BACKGROUND**

The City Municipal Code reserves City slip assignments to “qualified” commercial fishing vessels as-defined. In order to qualify, fishermen must annually provide proof of a certain level of fishing effort based on their vessel’s size as evidenced by Fish & Game fish landing tickets. Alternatively, slip holders may qualify by showing 90 days of “fishing effort” as evidenced by fuel receipts and/or fish tickets. The pertinent sections of the Municipal Code and Resolution No. 23-91 are attached to this staff report for reference.

Slip holders are allowed up to two (2) waivers from qualifying in any ten-year period. The City Council granted a blanket waiver to all fishermen in 1998, and in 2009 and 2010 fishermen were allowed to show proof of a current salmon permit to qualify as the salmon fishery those years was declared a Federal disaster. None of those Council-granted waivers count against the fisherman’s two waivers in a ten-year period.

Resolution No. 23-91 provides an appeal process to the Harbor Advisory Board for decisions by the Harbor Director to not grant waivers.

Prepared By: EE

Dept. Review: EE

**DISCUSSION**

Thomas St. John, owner of the fishing vessel Merri 1 in City slip #15, exercised qualification waivers in 2011 and 2012, and has therefore used his two waivers in a ten-year period. As per Resolution 23-91, he is appealing to the Harbor Advisory Board for a third waiver from qualification to retain his slip. A copy of his appeal letter is included with this staff report.

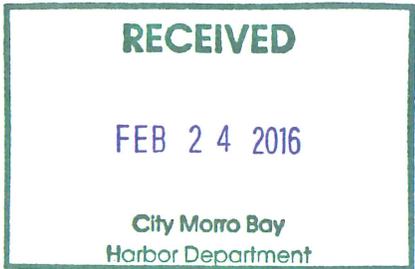
**CONCLUSION**

Mr. St. John is a slip holder in good standing and a long-time Morro Bay area fisherman. As in past practice with third waivers granted by the Harbor Advisory Board, should this waiver be granted staff recommends that it be on the condition that no further waivers be granted to Mr. St. John until the next one would be allowed under the “two waivers in any ten-year period” rule.

Mr. St. John is being allowed to remain in his slip until his appeal is heard, and if granted the Harbor Director will administratively carry it out per Resolution 23-91.

2/20/16

Slip # 15  
Merry 1



Hi Eric,

Hope This Request for a hearing on keeping my slip finds you well.

I want to present my views on why I was not able for the 1st time to make \$5000 fishing for 2015.

The two permits I have are Salmon & CABB. Shortest season opening in our area (ending last of July) - so income from CABBING -

I know that I have used 2 waivers due to my wife's declining health and now I am a single parent who could take my boat to an area of the state that was still open.

Thank you for the opportunity to present my views Thank You

Tom St. John

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tom St. John". The signature is stylized with long, sweeping strokes.

I am requesting a waiver for Qualifying for 2016 with my 2015 fish tickets

RESOLUTION NO. 23-91

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PROCEDURE TO QUALIFY AS A  
COMMERCIAL VESSEL FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
LEASING CITY DOCKING FACILITIES

T H E C I T Y C O U N C I L  
City of Morro Bay, California

WHEREAS, Morro Bay Municipal Code Section 15.04.150 defines vessels of a commercial nature; and

WHEREAS, Morro Bay Municipal Code Section 15.32.010 establishes the policy that the City shall rent or lease all City facilities at docks, wharfs and piers primarily to those vessels of a commercial nature; and

WHEREAS, City Council wishes to rescind Resolution No. 90-85 of the City of Morro Bay.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Morro Bay that Resolution No. 90-85 is rescinded in its entirety and replaced with the following. Any vessel attempting to qualify as a commercial vessel under the criteria of having fished ninety (90) days during the calendar year shall submit proof of having actually fished for ninety (90) calendar days in the following manner:

1. By fuel receipts clearly indicating the date of purchase and the owner's name and/or vessel's name and/or registration number of the vessel, or
2. By presenting Fish and Game tickets for the sale of fish which will be credited on the basis of one ticket for every two days' fishing credit, or
3. Any combination of the above proof of fishing statement, provided there is sufficient proof of separate incidents.

The Harbor Director, or his appointee, shall be responsible for evaluating the proof of fishing and making the determination as to whether or not this proof indicates that the vessel has been actively worked for ninety (90) days during the preceding calendar year.

A waiver from the requirement to qualify as a commercial vessel for a given calendar year may be granted by the Harbor Director upon filing of an official written request by the lessee. The Harbor Director shall evaluate the request and determine whether or not the waiver shall be approved. Not more than two (2) waivers shall be granted in any ten (10) year period.

Any person who wishes to appeal the decision of the Harbor Director regarding the waiver may do so to the Morro Bay Harbor Advisory Board by filing an official written statement with the Harbor Director not later than fifteen (15) days after the Harbor Director's determination. The Harbor Advisory Board shall review the appeal within thirty (30) days of the date of filing, and shall render a recommendation regarding the appeal within fifteen (15) days following close of the appeal hearing. The Harbor Director may administratively carry out the recommendation of the Harbor Advisory Board or may schedule the appeal for City Council consideration.

Any person who wishes to have the City Council review the hearing record of the Harbor Advisory Board recommendation regarding an appeal may do so by submitting a request to the Harbor Director within fifteen (15) days following receipt of the Harbor Advisory Board's findings.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Morro Bay at a regular meeting held thereof on the 25th day of February, 1991, by the following vote:

AYES: Baker, Luna, Mullen, Wuriu, Sheetz

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

  
ROSE MARIE SHEETZ, MAYOR

  
ARDITH DAVIS, CITY CLERK





## **DISCUSSION**

Both the State and Federal governments have declared economic disasters in the crab fisheries, and the SBA is making low-interest loans available. In two recent years when salmon disasters were declared due to severe restrictions on that fishery, the City Council provided relief in the form of waiving the requirement to qualify for a commercial slip if a fisherman had a commercial salmon permit.

It is staff's understanding that Bodega Bay and San Francisco have provided some degree of rent relief, Half Moon Bay provided for one month of non-payment of slip fees that have to be paid back when the season opens, and Crescent City is waiving late fees on delinquent accounts.

## **CONCLUSION**

Should the Harbor Advisory Board recommend slip fee relief or slip qualification relief for commercial crab fishermen, that recommendation would be brought to the City Council for their consideration.