

MINUTES - MORRO BAY CITY COUNCIL
CLOSED SESSION – MAY 12, 2008
CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM - 5:00 P.M.

Mayor Peters called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

PRESENT:	Janice Peters	Mayor
	Melody DeMeritt	Councilmember
	Rick Grantham	Councilmember
	William Peirce	Councilmember
	Betty Winholtz	Councilmember
STAFF:	Andrea Lueker	Interim City Manager
	Robert Schultz	City Attorney

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Councilmember Winholtz moved the meeting be adjourned to Closed Session. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Peirce and unanimously carried. (5-0)

Mayor Peters read the Closed Session Statement.

CS-1 GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.8; REAL PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS: Instructing City's real property negotiator regarding the price and terms of payment for the purchase, sale, exchange, or lease of real property as to three (3) parcels.

- Property: Embarcadero/Market.
Negotiating Parties: Potential Buyers and City of Morro Bay.
Negotiations: Voluntary Purchase and Sale.
- Property: Morro Bay Dunes.
Negotiating Parties: Doug Claassen and City of Morro Bay.
Negotiations: Lease Terms and Conditions.
- Property: 911 Morro Bay Boulevard
Negotiating Parties: Stewart Petroleum and City of Morro Bay:
Negotiations: Acquisition of Right-of-Way

CS-2 GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957; PERSONNEL ISSUES.
Discussions regarding Personnel Issues including one (1) public employee regarding appointment, specifically the City Manager.

CS-3 GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957; PERSONNEL ISSUES.
Discussions regarding Personnel Issues including one (1) public employee regarding evaluation, specifically the Interim City Manager.

CS-4 GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957; PERSONNEL ISSUES.
Discussions regarding Personnel Issues regarding organizational assessment of City personnel.

CS-5 GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.6; CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR: Conference with City Manager, the City's Designated Representative, for the purpose of reviewing the City's position regarding the terms and compensation paid to the City Employees and giving instructions to the Designated Representative.

The meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 5:00 p.m. and returned to regular session at 5:50 p.m.

MOTION: Councilmember DeMeritt moved the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Winholtz and unanimously carried. (5-0)

The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

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VETERANS MEMORIAL HALL - 6:00 P.M.

Mayor Peters called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT:	Janice Peters	Mayor
	Melody DeMeritt	Councilmember
	Rick Grantham	Councilmember
	William Peirce	Councilmember
	Betty Winholtz	Councilmember
STAFF:	Andrea Lueker	Interim City Manager
	Robert Schultz	City Attorney
	Bridgett Bauer	City Clerk
	Rick Algert	Harbor Director
	Bruce Ambo	Public Services Director
	Bill Boucher	Capital Projects Manager
	Janeen Burlingame	Management Analyst
	John DeRohan	Police Chief
	Rob Livick	City Engineer
	Mike Pond	Fire Chief
	Mike Prater	Planning Manager
	Susan Slayton	Finance Director
	Joe Woods	Acting Recreation & Parks Director

ESTABLISH QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MAYOR'S REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSED SESSION REPORT - City Attorney Robert Schultz reported the City Council met in Closed Session, and no reportable action under the Brown Act was taken.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ani Lyn, Membership Director of the Chamber of Commerce, reviewed the monthly statistics for the Visitor Center.

Keith Taylor announced the Music Festival would be held on June 7th on the Embarcadero.

Cathy Novak addressed Item D-1 (Resolution Initiating the Process to Consider Abandonment of a Portion of Palm Avenue) stating she represents the property owners requesting the abandonment of a portion of Palm Avenue. She reviewed the proposed plans for the abandonment and said she would be available for questions by Council.

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Ken Vesterfelt announced the Cruisin' Morro Bay Car Show was a great success. He said there are already 226 cars registered for next year's event. Mr. Vesterfelt stated it is a public right to run for election, and the destruction of campaign signs is a violation of a public right.

John Barta referred to the excess cost of using tertiary treatment of the wastewater treatment system, which will show as an increase on the community's sewer bills.

Bill Martony recommended Council consider locating a convention center at the property behind the Blue Sail Inn because there are plenty of motels in this area to support this use. He also noted smaller projects would be a better use for the Market Street/Embarcadero property. Mr. Martony asked if there is a problem with an easement where the roundabout is being built at Morro Bay Boulevard and Quintana Road.

Roger Ewing stated he did support Council's decision to approve tertiary treatment for the wastewater treatment plant. He said he also supports slurry treatment at the entrance of the City on Morro Bay Boulevard. Mr. Ewing referred to Item D-3 (Concept of Creating an Ad-Hoc Committee to Determine What Non-Tourist Industries is Appropriate for the City and How to Bring Them to Morro Bay) and encouraged Council to consider a regional shopping center that would bring stores that would benefit residents locally. He commended staff on the budget proposed to Council at last week's meeting.

Marla Jo Bruton encouraged more unique specialty shops in Morro Bay. She stated the benefits of tertiary treatment are more contaminants are removed and the effluent is cleaner. Ms. Bruton said she would like the City to move forward with water reclamation.

Mayor Peters closed the hearing for public comment.

DECLARATION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – None.

A. CONSENT CALENDAR

Unless an item is pulled for separate action by the City Council, the following actions are approved without discussion.

A-1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE APRIL 28, 2008 CITY COUNCIL MEETING; (ADMINISTRATION)

RECOMMENDATION: Approve as submitted.

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A-2 APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING; (ADMINISTRATION)

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the amendment to the Management Employee Unit's Memorandum of Understanding.

A-3 APPROVAL OF PILOT MORRO BAY DIAL-A-RIDE AND TROLLEY SUMMER YOUTH PASS; (ADMINISTRATION)

RECOMMENDATION: Approve a pilot Morro Bay Dial-A-Ride and Trolley Summer Youth Pass.

A-4 ORDINANCE NO. 538 AMENDING SECTION 14.60.200 OF THE MORRO BAY MUNICIPAL CODE REGULATING AUTOMATIC FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEMS – SECOND READING/ADOPTION; (FIRE)

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Ordinance No. 538.

A-5 PROCLAMATION DECLARING NATIONAL TOURISM WEEK; (ADMINISTRATION)

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Proclamation.

A-6 PROCLAMATION DECLARING NATIONAL POLICE MEMORIAL WEEK; (ADMINISTRATION)

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Proclamation.

A-7 PROCLAMATION DECLARING MAY 2008 AS BIKE MONTH; (ADMINISTRATION)

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Proclamation.

Councilmember Winholtz pulled Item A-3 from the Consent Calendar.

MOTION: Councilmember Winholtz moved the City Council approve the Consent Calendar with the exception of Item A-3. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Grantham and carried unanimously. (5-0)

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A-3 APPROVAL OF PILOT MORRO BAY DIAL-A-RIDE AND TROLLEY
SUMMER YOUTH PASS; (ADMINISTRATION)

Councilmember Winholtz reviewed the benefits of the Summer Youth Pass Program. She requested the start date be amended to June 12th since school lets out on that date, and the pass should be available for that weekend.

MOTION: Councilmember Winholtz moved the City Council approve Item A-3 of the Consent Calendar as amended. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Grantham and carried unanimously. (5-0)

Mayor Peters called for a break at 7:04 p.m.; the meeting resumed at 7:14 p.m.

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS, REPORTS & APPEARANCES

B-1 ORDINANCE NO. 539 AMENDING TITLE 16 OF THE MORRO BAY
MUNICIPAL CODE (SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE/TRACT 41) - FIRST
READING/INTRODUCTION; (PUBLIC SERVICES)

Planning Manager Mike Prater stated on February 11, 2008 staff brought the Cabrillo neighborhood lot size issue (Tract 41) before the City Council and was directed to proceed with an amendment to the Subdivision Ordinance that clarified the neighborhood standards and General Plan policies to preserve this single family neighborhood. On May 5, 2008 the Planning Commission considered the amendment to the Cabrillo neighborhood to not allow further subdividing of these parcels to maintain internal consistency with City planning documents. The Commission adopted a resolution that included amendment to staff's recommendation to facilitate these changes. A large part of the recommendation will require the City to strengthen the General Plan as it relates to single-family preservation and reinforce the compatibility and surrounding character within neighborhoods by recognizing larger lot sizes and charming qualities in certain neighborhoods. Mr. Prater recommended amendments to the Subdivision Ordinance and reinforcing General Plan policies to create a clearer intent to preserve single-family neighborhoods particularly the properties within Tract 41 to maintain the neighborhood charm and setting. He recommended the City Council approve Ordinance No. 539 adopting these amendments to Title 16 of the Morro Bay Municipal Code (Subdivision Ordinance/Tract 41) for first reading and introduction.

Mayor Peters opened the hearing for public comment.

Jim Bianchi stated the proposed amendments are consistent with the General Plan and preserves the character of neighborhoods. He referred to various sections of the Morro Bay Municipal Code relating to the protection of neighborhoods.

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Skip Barnhardt thanked the City for considering this amendment.

Marla Jo Bruton thanked the City for considering this amendment. She said the rest of the community should pay attention to the protection this ordinance gives to all neighborhoods in the City.

Mayor Peters closed the public comment hearing.

MOTION: Councilmember DeMeritt moved the City Council approve Ordinance No. 539 adopting amendments to Title 16 of the Morro Bay Municipal Code (Subdivision Ordinance/Tract 41) for first reading and introduction by number and title only. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Peirce and carried unanimously. (5-0)

Interim City Manager Andrea Lueker read Ordinance No. 539 by number and title only.

**B-2 CONCEPT PLAN APPROVAL FOR WORKFORCE HOUSE PROJECT
LOCATED AT 1405 TERESA DRIVE; (PUBLIC SERVICES)**

Planning Manager Mike Prater stated the applicant seeks a Conditional Use and Coastal Development Permits for concept approval to construct 15 workforce studio units. The plans indicate 14 of the units are attached and only one detached unit. All of the units will be studios approximately 432 square feet with open kitchen, living/sleeping area and one bathroom. There would be a total of 8 ground level units and 7-second floor units. The Planning Commission held hearings to discuss this project on September 4, 2007 and January 22, 2008, where during the discussion the Commission unanimously supported the concept plan with added conditions. Mr. Prater recommended conditions of approval and clarification on providing deed restricted housing units, the proposed project as consistent with the Local Coastal Plan, General Plan, requirements for projects in the Planned Development district, and would not have a significant impact on the environment. All residential units constructed at the project site would be available for the workers of the care facility with three of the units to be deed restricted at the moderate-income level. Mr. Prater recommended the City Council approve the Concept Plan for this proposed project.

Cathy Novak, representing the applicant, stated this workforce housing project is proposed to be located behind the Casa de Flores care facility. She said all of the units are concentrated on the southern side of the property, which will eliminate the visual concerns from the north, significantly reduce grading into the hillside, and provide better access for emergency personnel. Ms. Novak stated the Planning Commission conditioned the project to provide at least 3,000 square feet of common open space not exceeding a 10% grade behind Units 13 and 14. A combination of eleven gallon to 24-inch box trees are proposed for screening the new units, the scarred area on the north side, and general landscaping for the parking lot and building area. She noted the

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Planning Commission conditioned the project to deed restrict all 15 units. The project as proposed offers significant benefits and opportunities for affordable housing. To work further towards the City goals, the project will offer three deed-restricted units at the “moderate” income level. In order to accomplish the goal as a workforce housing project, the care facility needs to manage the deed-restricted rentals rather than an outside agency. The care facility shall provide an annual report to the Public Services Department documenting the employee, title, salary schedule and current employment status for each of the restricted units. The Planning Commission requested the units be deed restricted in perpetuity; however, this is inconsistent with previous affordable housing projects that have been approved. The applicant requests Council revise this condition and restrict the units for 30 years or until the facility ceases operation as a care facility. Ms. Novak referred to the repaving of Teresa Drive, especially the section nearest the Highway. The applicant understands that this will be a requirement along with the installation of a stop sign at the Highway on/off ramp intersection. The applicant requests Council consider waiving the building permit fees, and staff has recommended this request be brought back to Council after the final precise plan has been approved. Ms. Novak stated this project would provide a unique opportunity for on-site studio units available to the staff of Casa de Flores care facility at an affordable rental rate.

Mayor Peters opened the hearing for public comment.

Mark Woolpert, CEO of Compass Health, stated this is a good opportunity to provide affordable housing for his employees who receive low-income salaries. He said staffing levels have not been able to be sustained at the state requirement because of housing and transportation costs.

Nancy Johnson, Chair of Planning Commission, stated the Commission approved three units for 30 years, and wanted to be assured the employees would have first right of refusal.

Hal Tune stated he visits Casa de Flores weekly and this is a great benefit for its employees.

Noah Smukler suggested considering dual plumbing on this project as a water conservation measure. He also recommended using landscape that does not require herbicides or pesticides.

Marla Jo Bruton stated a proper National Pollution Discharge Elimination System should be used for this proposed project so there is no cause for flooding and there is recapture the run-off water. She said there is certain vegetation used as a buffer when there is agricultural area to assist in the elimination of herbicides and pesticides, which should be considered for this property.

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Mayor Peters closed the public comment hearing.

Councilmember Grantham stated he supports employees having the first right of refusal.

Councilmember DeMeritt stated she would like to add two more deed-restricted units in order to consider waiving the building fees.

Councilmember Peirce stated unless the units are rented as low-income, there would be no staff member that would be able to afford to live there.

Mayor Peters stated she would like to consider the necessity of some Planning Commission suggestions; such as the photovoltaic installations, and the open space and amount of trees required.

Councilmember Winholtz stated she would like to add a requirement that Green Build review this project.

MOTION: Councilmember Grantham moved the City Council approve the Concept Plan Approval for the Workforce Housing Project located at 1405 Teresa Drive with the requirement the units will be deed restricted for 30 years, and Green Build will review the project. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Peirce and carried unanimously. (5-0)

Mayor Peters called for a break at 8:30 p.m.; the meeting resumed at 8:36 p.m.

B-3 ORDINANCE NO. 540 ADDING CHAPTER 13.18 TO THE MORRO BAY MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATION OF EQUIPMENT OR FACILITIES IN RIGHTS-OF-WAY: FIRST READING/INTRODUCTION; (CITY ATTORNEY)

City Attorney Robert Schultz stated pursuant to City Council's direction, staff has prepared Ordinance No. 540, which provides for regulations for the placement and maintenance of public utilities in the City rights-of-way and includes the ability of the City to charge public utility companies the cost of removal for their equipment that creates a dangerous condition. Mr. Schultz recommended the City Council approve the first reading and introduction of Ordinance No. 540 by number and title only adding Morro Bay Municipal Code Section 13.18 entitled Equipment or Facilities in Rights-of-Way.

Mayor Peters opened the hearing for public comment.

Marla Jo Bruton stated the public is not clear on the specifics of this ordinance. She asked if the City's water and sewer services are included in this ordinance.

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Mayor Peters closed the public comment hearing.

MOTION: Councilmember Grantham moved the City Council approve the first reading and introduction of Ordinance No. 540 by number and title only adding Morro Bay Municipal Code Section 13.18 entitled Equipment or Facilities in Rights-of-Way. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Peirce and carried unanimously. (5-0)

Interim City Manager Andrea Lueker read Ordinance No. 540 by number and title only.

C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

C-1 REVIEW OF PHASE II OF THE CONCEPT PLAN APPROVAL OF GREAT AMERICAN FISH COMPANY/HARBOR HUT/VIRG'S FISHING PROJECT LOCATED AT 1185–1215 EMBARCADERO; (PUBLIC SERVICES)

Planning Manager Mike Prater stated the City Council held a public hearing on March 24, 2008. Council continued the project and directed the applicant and staff to consider splitting the project into two phases (Phase I would consist of the restaurant/fish market expansion of the Great American Fish Company and all of the floating docks). Council action was taken at the April 28, 2008 meeting to approve Phase I and directed staff to return with Phase II at the May 12, 2008 meeting (Phase II consisted of Virg's new building, bio-diesel tanks, and demolition of the Thai Boat.) Mr. Prater stated the proposed project can be found consistent with the General Plan and Local Coastal Program, Waterfront Design Guidelines and requirements for projects in the Planned Development district. Mr. Prater recommended the City Council approve Phase II of the Concept Plan for the development proposed at 1185 to 1215 Embarcadero Road based upon findings and conditions.

Cathy Novak, representing the applicants, gave a recap of Phase II of the proposed project. She said the existing tackle shop would be demolished and a new two-story building would be constructed with a roof-top public observation deck; the first floor would be occupied by Virg's for the tackle shop, charter boat business, storage, offices, freezer and crew room for the boat employees; the second floor restaurant would be 952 square feet (the same size as the existing Thai Boat); the second floor would have 324 square feet for offices to house marine-oriented businesses; a new 450 square foot single story building at the southern edge of the lease site, which will incorporate existing uses as well as remodeled unisex restrooms, and one new section to provide coffee and pastry service; to the west would be a customer waiting area with a glass wind break for protection from the elements; raze the Thai Boat and install underground marine fuel tanks. Ms. Novak stated the proposed construction phasing for the Virg's tackle shop, the Thai Boat building and underground tanks would be done five years after the Precise Plan approval.

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Councilmember Winholtz expressed opposition to the proposed height limit and said it should remain at 17 feet. She said offices should not be allowed on the Embarcadero; and, the walkway and roof deck are amenities that are not marine-related and do not belong at this proposed site. Councilmember Winholtz stated she questions the compliance of Measure D and noted Council previously agreed that this portion of the project would not be discussed until there was a discussion on placing Measure D on the November 2008 ballot.

Councilmember Peirce stated the proposed office space is for marine-related businesses.

Mayor Peters stated there is plenty of interest in renting a marine-related office space at this proposed site.

Councilmember Grantham stated public benefit of the proposed project outweighs the height restriction concern.

Councilmember DeMeritt stated Measure D should not be run over by development decisions. She said she supports the allowance of marine-related businesses at this proposed site.

Mayor Peters stated Measure D should be pursued on a ballot for clarification, but not with this project.

MOTION: Councilmember Peirce moved the City Council approve Phase II of the Concept Plan for the development proposed at 1185 to 1215 Embarcadero Road based upon findings and conditions with the amendment that the proposed office spaces would be used only for marine-related businesses. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Grantham and carried with Councilmember Winholtz voting no. (4-1)

D. NEW BUSINESS

D-1 RESOLUTION NO. 21-08 INITIATING THE PROCESS TO CONSIDER ABANDONMENT OF A PORTION OF PALM AVENUE; (PUBLIC SERVICES)

City Engineer Rob Livick stated the State of California Streets and Highways Code (Public Streets, Highways, and Service Easements Vacation Law) contains procedures under which a local agency can vacate or abandon its Rights-of-Ways. The Code requires that if the proposed abandonment of a street, highway, or public service easement is within an area for which a General Plan is adopted by a local agency, the legislative body of the public entity shall consider the General Plan prior to vacating the street, highway, or public service easement. The proposed street to be abandoned is a 125-foot long section of Palm Avenue between Main and Walnut Streets. The street has

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never been developed beyond driveway access to two properties fronting on Palm Avenue. The City has installed a barricade sometime in the past at the intersection to preclude through circulation. The property owners have petitioned the City for the abandonment of the street out of concern with the unkempt appearance of the street and feel they can better maintain the property if it was not a public street. The property owners propose to maintain the area as a common driveway and landscaped area. This abandonment was presented and recommended for approval at the February 4, 2008 Planning Commission meeting. Mr. Livick recommended the City Council adopt Resolution No. 21-08 initiating the process to consider abandonment of a portion of Palm Avenue, and set a public hearing for June 9, 2008.

Councilmember Peirce stated the City has made no improvement to this property, and he sees no reason maintaining it within the City's inventory.

Councilmember Grantham stated with the lack of maintenance, he supports the abandonment of this property.

Councilmember DeMeritt expressed concern with parking in this area, and said the City should consider rehabilitating it and provide parking.

Mayor Peters suggested a bulb-in on either side of the driveway that would provide a couple of parking spaces.

Councilmember Winholtz stated the proposed abandonment should be used partially for public benefit such as a public walkway.

Councilmember Peirce stated the property would need to be graded for a pathway, which would bring in some liability to the property that is not there now.

MOTION: Councilmember Peirce moved the City Council adopt Resolution No. 21-08 initiating the process to consider abandonment of a portion of Palm Avenue, and set a public hearing for June 9, 2008. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Grantham and carried with Councilmember DeMeritt voting no. (4-1)

**D-2 REVIEW OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR MARKET STREET/
EMBARCADERO PROPERTY SITE; (PUBLIC SERVICES)**

Public Services Director Bruce Ambo stated in February 2004, the City contracted with Allan D. Kotin & Associates in collaboration with Urban Studio-LA and James Regan & Associates to evaluate the market potential of the Embarcadero/Market Street site. The basic premise is that Morro Bay's tourism season is constrained to the peak summer months where it is maximized to its fullest extent, and in order to substantially expand the market base it would be necessary to go beyond its current characteristic peak season by

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providing a conference facility with a “Class A” hotel that would broaden the market to the off-peak seasons. In November 2004, the City issued a Request for Proposal for this hotel/conference center project, which received minimal response from the development community. Since then the City has been approached by numerous prospective developers interested in developing the site. Mr. Ambo recommended the City Council direct staff to solicit the Request for Proposals for a hotel and optional conference facility, and return with recommendations for entering into an Exclusive Negotiation Agreement with a prospective developer.

Mayor Peters referred to page 17 of the report (4.1 – Unsubordinated Lease) and made the following amendment: “The City would prefer proposals for a long-term, unsubordinated ground lease with a 60-year term, but will consider other options.”

Councilmember DeMeritt requested the language relating to the linkage between the Downtown and Embarcadero be emphasized.

Councilmember DeMeritt referred to page 8 (2.3 – Characteristics of New Hotel) and suggested the proposed hotel be rated as a four-star instead of three-star.

Councilmember DeMeritt referred to page 9 (3rd paragraph) and requested the following statement be removed: “The City’s objective is to create additional inventory in downtown Morro Bay **of a quality somewhat consistent with that of The Inn at Morro Bay during its best periods**”

Councilmember DeMeritt expressed concern with the graphic on page 11 showing the height of a proposed hotel.

Mayor Peters referred to pages 9 and 10 where it specifies the amount of people to be accommodated should be referred to as a “banquet room.”

Councilmember DeMeritt referred to a typographical error on page 10.

MOTION: Councilmember Grantham moved the City Council direct staff to solicit Request for Proposals for a Hotel and Optional Conference Facility and return with recommendations for entering into an Exclusive Negotiation Agreement with a prospective developer with the suggested amendments made by Council. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Peirce and carried with Councilmember Winholtz voting no. (4-1)

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D-3 CONCEPT OF CREATING AN AD-HOC COMMITTEE TO DETERMINE
WHAT NON-TOURIST INDUSTRIES IS APPROPRIATE FOR THE CITY
AND HOW TO BRING THEM TO MORRO BAY; (COUNCIL)

Councilmember Peirce stated the number of vacant commercial storefronts is becoming increasingly of concern. Almost since incorporation, Morro Bay has had a reputation of being anti-business. He suggested Council establish an ad-hoc committee to determine which businesses would be viable for Morro Bay and then recruit them. Councilmember Peirce recommended the City Council explore incentives, which may be necessary to make this process work for the benefit of the City.

Councilmember Winholtz requested a business owner from Downtown and North Main Street be added to the committee.

MOTION: Councilmember Peirce moved the City Council establish an ad-hoc committee to determine which businesses would be viable for Morro Bay and recruit them. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Grantham.

Councilmember DeMeritt suggested someone from the Public Services Department be on the committee.

Councilmember Grantham suggested this topic be discussed at the weekly business meeting held on Thursday mornings.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

MOTION: Councilmember Peirce moved the City Council appoint an ad-hoc committee consisting of Councilmember Grantham and Councilmember Peirce; the Executive Director of the Morro Bay Chamber of Commerce or his/her designee; one member that is a current retail business owner; one member of the Public Services Department; and others as deemed necessary. Council also directed staff to return this item within six months with an update from the committee. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Winholtz and carried unanimously. (5-0)

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Recorded by:

Bridgett Bauer
City Clerk