

AGENDA ITEM: <u>VI-A</u>
DATE: <u>June 21, 2006</u>
ACTION: _____

**CITY OF MORRO BAY
PUBLIC WORKS ADVISORY BOARD
SYNOPSIS MINUTES**

(Complete audio- and videotapes of this meeting are available from the City upon request)

Veterans Memorial Hall
Regular Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

209 Surf Street, Morro Bay
Wednesday, May 17, 2006

Vicki Landis, Chair
Barry Dorfman, Vice Chair
Roger Ewing

Bill Olson
Noah Smukler
Jane Wilzbach

- I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL – The meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm.
Members Present: Vicki Landis, Barry Dorfman, Bill Olson, Roger Ewing, Noah Smukler and Jane Wilzbach
Members Absent: None
Staff Present: Bill Boucher, Frank Cunningham and Joan Drake

Landis introduced and welcomed new Boardmember Jane Wilzbach. Landis announced that City Council has approved a six-member board until January 2007. There was discussion about how many members constitutes a quorum. Landis said she would clarify the number with City Attorney Rob Schultz.

- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Landis called for a moment of silence.

- III. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA: There was consensus to accept the agenda.

- IV. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. Memo to City Council regarding City’s Implementation of Green Cities Declaration.
- B. Memo to City Council regarding recommendation for 2005 Urban Water Management Plan.

Boucher stated the memos were transmitted to City Council on behalf of the Board, reflecting actions on the items.

- V. PUBLIC COMMENTS/PRESENTATIONS:

John Meyers and Bill Newman, members of the NEW Futures Committee, made a presentation explaining the committee’s purpose and work plan.

Nancy Castle recommended people consider re-usable bags for their grocery shopping. It was noted supermarkets give a 5 cents credit per bag.

Landis announced the SLO County Food Bank Coalition was holding a food drive at Albertsons on Saturday.

Ewing encouraged people to join Friends of the Library for \$5 a year. Dorfman said a lifetime membership is available for \$100 and tax deductible. Smukler noted library interior renovations are complete and look great. Wilzbach added you could donate books.

- VI. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. Minutes of April 19, 2006.

Wilzbach noted duplicate text that needed to be deleted on page 2.
MOTION: Smukler, to approve the minutes as adjusted (Olson 2nd).

Vote: 6-0

DIRECTOR'S REPORT/INFORMATION ITEMS – No action required.

Boucher said City Council approved the permit for the Harborwalk Project and directed staff to express their reservations on a couple of Conditions; it is considering the Sewer Master Plan at the next meeting. He added Planning Commission approved the variance for the Fire Station 54 Apparatus Bay Replacement and the design/build RFP will be issued. Boucher said the annual water chlorine switchover has begun and the School District Water Negotiations will be at a City Council meeting in June.

Cunningham said the \$50,000 for new ADA ramps is funded by SLOCOG, the Harbor Department and the Street Maintenance budget. He highlighted the MtBE information and said the Main/Quintana bike path will be open when the City is satisfied it is safe and takes over maintenance.

Dorfman asked if the 9-month trial of Sunday Regional Transit Authority (RTA) service was an allocation of General Fund money. Boucher replied no, it is paid for by the City's allocation of Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds. During discussion it was pointed out that continual funding of the Sunday RTA service could mean cutting Dial-A-Ride service or the need to find additional grant money. Dorfman mentioned new stops on the route.

VII. OLD BUSINESS – None

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Appointment PWAB members to APCD Greenhouse Gas Sub-Committee.

Boucher said the program is still being fleshed out and Air Pollution Control District concurs it would be better to wait until this was done. Landis added the sub-committee is not ready until the Board has information to go forward.

MOTION: Dorfman, to table the item until further information on the nature of the commitment is available. (Wilzbach 2nd)

Vote: 6-0.

B. Discussion of petition received from citizens requesting a traffic signal to improve safety and control the intersection of Quintana Road and South Bay Blvd.

Charles Clouse of TPG Consulting presented his company's Traffic Impact Study, including recommendations for the intersection.

Ewing asked about CalTrans sphere of influence. Cunningham replied it was 120 meters south of the on-off ramps and a signal could stack traffic into their jurisdiction. In reply to Ewing's question about funding, Cunningham replied he would be looking to the developer to pay for improvements.

Dorfman asked if there were differences in the accident rate by season. Cunningham replied it is evenly divided between local and tourist season traffic. Smukler stated the lift station might need to be addressed. Wilzbach clarified the bike lane will remain. Olson stated his intersection and pedestrian concerns.

Cunningham stated the process allows for numerous opportunities for public testimony. He said he needed to hear the concerns about the existing conditions because the development may or may not occur.

Citizens who voiced their concerns about the intersection: Ray McKelligott, Stan Thompson, Robin Higgins, Rich Hansen, Susan Hansen, Doug Stuart, Vicki Leon, Wilma Smith, Bill Davies, Cholla Sizemore, Nelson Sullivan, Jeanie Burns, Connie Davies.

Wayne Colmer stated he paid for, but had no input or influence on, the Traffic Impact Study.

Landis listed the citizens' issues: speed, the embankment, crosswalks and turn lanes.

Following discussion, Cunningham requested the item be tabled until he could get more public input and address the issues and suggestions raised at this meeting.

MOTION: Dorfman, that next month, but no later than two months, the City Engineer return with a list of recommendations to improve vehicle safety at the intersection based on his further analysis and meetings with three or four representatives from the group at this meeting. (Ewing 2nd) Vote 6-0

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: North Coast Transit Plan; North Morro Bay/Cayucos Bicycle Connector; Sales Tax Initiative (Fire Chief Mike Pond); Sunday Transit Pilot Program; Discussion of liaison to the New Futures Committee.

XI. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm to the next regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, June 21, 2006, at the Veteran's Hall.