MINUTES CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE REGULAR COASTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, September 9, 2010, @ 7:00 p.m. Community Center, Ole Hanson Fireside Room 100 N. Seville, San Clemente, CA 92672

1. CALL TO ORDER/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Hart called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Committee Member Salgado led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL

Present:

Susan Ambrose, Don Brown, Robert Jordan, Peter Salgado:

and Chair Bill Hart

Absent:

Eric Swartz, Chair pro tem Ken Nielsen

Staff Present:

Tom Bonigut, Assistant City Engineer

Eileen White, Recording Secretary

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes of the June 10, 2010, Regular Meeting

It was moved by Committee Member Jordan, seconded by Chair Hart and carried 2-0-3, with Committee Members Salgado, Brown, and Ambrose abstaining, to receive and file the minutes of the June 10, 2010, regular meeting as presented.

- 4. PUBLIC INPUT None
- 5. OLD BUSINESS None

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. <u>Environmental Grant Applications</u>

Chair Hart recused himself from considering this item due to his relationship with the Watershed Task Force, a potential recipient of an environmental grant.

Tom Bonigut, Assistant City Engineer, reviewed the staff report. The City established an Environmental Sustainability Grant Policy to provide resources, in the form of grants awarded yearly, to the community for

environmental programs or projects. From the five applications received this application cycle, staff is recommending awards to Concordia Elementary, The Ecology Center, and Watershed Task Force, in amounts of \$500, \$2,000, and \$2,000, respectively. Grant applications from Benedict Elementary and the San Clemente Junior Women's Club were disqualified because they did not meet necessary requirements. Staff recommended the Committee recommend the City Manager approve grants to Concordia Elementary, The Ecology Center, and Watershed Task Force, as set forth in the staff report.

It was moved by Committee Member Brown, seconded by Committee member Jordan, and carried 4-0-1, with Chair Hart abstaining, to recommend the City Manager award Environmental Sustainability Grants to Concordia Elementary in the amount of \$500, The Ecology Center in the amount of \$2,000, and Watershed Task Force, in the amount of \$2,000.

Chair Hart returned to the meeting room.

B. Climate Action Plan

Tom Bonigut, Assistant City Engineer, summarized the staff memo, an update on the City's proposal to issue a Request for Proposals to hire a technical consultant to assist with preparation of the Climate Action Plan. In addition, he requested the Committee designate a representative to serve on the Climate Action Plan review/selection panel.

It was moved by Committee Member Brown, seconded by Committee Member Salgado, and unanimously carried to designate Committee Member Ambrose to represent the Coastal Advisory Committee on the Climate Action Plan review/selection panel.

C. Bacteria Source Identification Study Update

Tom Bonigut, Assistant City Engineer, updated the Committee on the status of the Bacteria Source Identification Study for the Prima Deshecha watershed. He requested the Committee designate a representative to service on the Technical Advisory Committee.

Committee Members Jordan and Salgado expressed interest in serving on the Committee, and Mr. Bonigut agreed that it would be feasible to have both serve. In response to questions, Mr. Bonigut discussed the improved readings at Poche Beach, and described how the readings were taken and/or processed.

It was moved by Committee Member Ambrose, seconded by Committee Member Brown and unanimously carried to designate Committee Member

Jordan and Committee Member Salgado to represent the Coastal Advisory Committee on the Technical Advisory Committee.

7. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Bacterial Monitoring Report Dated September 1, 2010

B. June & July 2010 Environmental Programs Update

In response to questions from the Committee Members, Mr. Bonigut reviewed Clean Ocean Program (COP) information, documentation, and program updates provided monthly to Committee Members and available to the public via the City's website. The City is currently in the process of revamping the website to make it more user-friendly. All ads produced by COP feature the website address for those interested in additional information.

Committee Members received and filed Items 7A & 7B as submitted by staff.

8. ITEMS FROM STAFF

A. <u>Potential Future Agenda Items</u>

Mr. Bonigut reviewed the proposed future agenda items. He announced that the proposed State-wide Single Use Plastic Bag ban failed He advised that staff is currently researching the best way to proceed and an update is tentatively scheduled for the Committee's November meeting.

Committee Members added the following items to the Potential Future Agenda Items List:

- Single Use Plastic Bag Ban Environmental Study cost review (November)
- Recommendation for action on Army Corps of Engineers Study (December)
- Review of public outreach sections of the Clean Ocean Program
- Draft of Fire Rings Policy
- Draft of Kelp on Beach Policy

9. ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Committee Member Ambrose stated that she would like to see more public awareness/information published regarding where funds collected through the Clean Ocean Program are spent.

Committee Member Salgado noted that there is a stagnant pool which collects in a storm drain channel along the beach, and suggested that the Committee may want to consider these issues for potential projects in the future and that staff should consider in the upcoming CIP budget process.

Committee Member Brown commented that he found the information presented/discussed at the Army Corps of Engineers Sand Replenishment Project Workshop last month fascinating.

Chair Hart encouraged businesses or those with a potential stake in the Army Corps of Engineers Sand Replenishment Project and/or potential Single Use Plastic Bag Ban to be involved in debates and workshops where these topics are discussed; announced the City's adopted Marine Battalion has adopted a beach section for cleaning, done a great job on its first outing, and plans to continue cleanings every two weeks; and invited all to attend the Art Auction scheduled for September 10, 2010, at the Art Center starting at 6:30 p.m. with a nominal fee of \$10 at the door.

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER BROWN, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER SALGADO AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED to adjourn at 8:10 p.m. to the regular Coastal Advisory Committee meeting scheduled for Thursday, October 14, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. at the Ole Hanson Room of the Community Center, located at 100 N. Seville, San Clemente, CA.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Hart, Ch

Attest:

Tom Bonigut, Assistant City Engineer