

MINUTES
CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE
COASTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, April 12, 2007 @ 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 meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. Committee Member Nielsen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Bill Hart, Ken Nielsen, Bob Maltinsky, Donald Prime
(arr. 8:12 p.m.)

Absent: Chair pro tem James Burror, Scott Smith

Staff Present: Tom Bonigut, Environmental Programs Manager
Eileen White, Recording Secretary

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes of the March 8, 2007, Regular Meeting

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER NIELSEN, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER PRIME AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED to receive and file the minutes of the March 8, 2007, regular meeting as presented.

B. Minutes of the January 30, 2007, Joint Council, Commissions, and Committee Meeting

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER NIELSEN, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER MALTINSKY AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED to receive and file the minutes of the January 30, 2007, Joint Council, Commissions, and Committee Meeting as presented.

4. PUBLIC INPUT

John Koch, City resident, requested clarification regarding home car washing procedures; complained about the condition of his neighborhood with regard to dogs without leashes or licenses; and advised people are not being responsible for their dog's waste. He recounted instances and situations where code enforcement was

called; and informed that the street sweeping regulations were only enforced on certain streets, which may lead to a discrimination lawsuit against the City.

Chair Hart explained that water quality regulations were established by the San Diego Water Quality Control Board and authorized by the California EPA. The City is required to conduct enforcement or face fines. The San Diego Water Quality Control Board is in the process of updating regulations and the City will be applying for a new permit.

Tom Bonigut, Environmental Programs Manager, advised that car washing was not allowed in the public right of way; and excessive car washing, even with biodegradable soap, is discouraged.

5. OLD BUSINESS

Agenda items are presented in the originally agendized format for the benefit of the minutes' reader, but were heard out of order at the meeting.

A. Finance Update

Pall Gudgeirsson, Assistant City Manager/Treasurer, reviewed the Strategic Financial Planning Process handout, which established the four steps of the financial planning process as follows: 1) Establish Goals & Priorities, 2) Develop Long Term Financial Plan, 3) Develop Balanced Budget, and 4) Monitor Budget & Process. He asked the Committee Members to contact him if they have any questions or comments.

B. Potential Future Agenda Items

Tom Bonigut, Environmental Programs Manager, reviewed the potential topics on the Potential Future Agenda Items list.

Future Agenda received and filed as submitted.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Clean Ocean Program Update

Tom Bonigut, Environmental Programs Manager, narrated a PowerPoint presentation providing information concerning the history of the Clean Ocean Program, the Urban Runoff Management Plan (URMP), and local implementation of the NPDES Storm Water Permit. Projects funded by the Clean Ocean Fee include Poche Beach UV Treatment, North Beach Filtration Project, and storm drain runoff units and system improvements. The fee also funded Clean Ocean Program Activities; public education and outreach; and inspections, enforcement, and water quality monitoring. The Clean Ocean Fee currently costs homeowners an average of \$5.00 per month and will expire in December 2007. Staff is

anticipating the new permit will have additional regulations, further intensifying the need for the Clean Ocean Fee. Continuing the fee will allow the maintenance of existing projects and activities supported by the fee; and enable potential future efforts and help fund costs associated with the City's efforts to prepare the new permit.

Public Comment:

John Koch, City resident, discussed the current code enforcement procedures associated with individuals removing items from the recycled materials containers, and requested the City assist homeowners in preventing this illegal activity. Mr. Bonigut agreed to forward his comments and request to the appropriate staff.

Ed Schlegel, representing the Surfrider Foundation, asked questions concerning the NPDES Storm Water Permit renewal and Clean Ocean Fee renewal processes as well as the bacteria caused by coastal birds; and requested staff hold a forum with the Surfrider Foundation to discuss the importance of the fee renewal.

Committee Member's Comments:

Chair Hart endorsed increased and/or decreased street sweeping in certain areas of town dependent on area conditions; more aggressive public education concerning water runoff issues and water conservation efforts; and continued implementation of water quality improvement measures. He noted the City Council would decide how to proceed with the fee renewal and felt the key to the renewal's success is public awareness of the past and future use of the funds.

Committee Member Nielsen noted the Watershed Task Force has provided oversight of the use of the funds and is very pleased with the results to date.

In response to questions from the Committee Members, Tom Bonigut, Environmental Programs Manager, advised the City was considering options for hazardous materials collection in conjunction with CR&R; advised the fee renewal process would be addressed by the City Council in June or July; offered to meet with organizations, groups and/or clubs to give this presentation; and will be providing this information to the San Clemente Times for publication.

B. Beach Advisory Board Update

Tom Bonigut, Environmental Programs Manager, summarized the staff report, the results of an informal email and phone survey of other cities in the area to determine if they have water quality committees or boards similar to the CAC.

Report received and filed.

7. COMMUNICATIONS

COMMITTEE MEMBERS RECEIVED AND FILED ITEMS 7A THROUGH 7D AS SUBMITTED BY STAFF.

- A. Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes from February 13, 2007.
- B. Bacteriological Monitoring Report of April 3, 2007.
- C. February 2007 Project Surf Update
- D. Linda Lane Restroom Recommendation

Committee Members thanked staff for forwarding their suggestion to the City Council.

8. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Tom Bonigut, Environmental Programs Manager, announced an electronic waste collection on April 14 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the sewer treatment plant; annual mulch giveaway on April 21 from 7:00 to 10:00 a.m. at the sewer treatment plant; and Earth Day Celebration on April 21 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Parque Del Mar. He noted staff would be scheduling beach clean up events.

9. ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

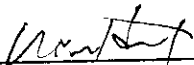
Committee Member Maltinsky discussed issues associated with the coastal trail currently being addressed by the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Commission, including complaints from adjacent residents concerning the discrepancy in operating hours between the beach and trail; issues regarding the illegal use of the skate park by BMX bicyclists and resulting conflicts with skateboarders; and requests from the public concerning lawn bowling upgrades as well as archery and tennis facilities.

Chair Hart lamented the passing of Stephanie Dorey, who founded the Watershed Task Force and established the first Earth Day Celebration.


10. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER MALTINSKY, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER PRIME, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED to adjourn at 9:08 p.m. to the regular meeting scheduled for May 10, 2007, at 7:00 p.m. in the Ole Hanson Fireside Room at the Community Center, 100 N. Seville, San Clemente, CA 92672.

Respectfully submitted,



Bill Hart, Chair

Attest:


Tom Bonigut, Environmental Programs Manager