

MINUTES
MALIBU PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 22, 2016
ZUMA ROOM
3:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Scott called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The following persons were recorded in attendance by the Recording Secretary:

PRESENT: Chair Richard Scott; Vice Chair Paul Grisanti; and Commissioners Frank Kerze and Brian Merrick

ABSENT: Commissioner Wendy Sidley

ALSO PRESENT: Bob Brager, Public Works Director; Rob DuBoux, Assistant Public Works Director; Arthur Aladjajian, Public Works Superintendent; Elizabeth Shavelson, Assistant to the City Manager; and Mary Linden, Recording Secretary

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Kerze led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION Commissioner Kerze moved and Commissioner Merrick seconded a motion to approve the agenda. The motion carried 4-0, Commissioner Sidley absent.

REPORT ON POSTING OF AGENDA

Recording Secretary Linden reported that the agenda for the meeting was properly posted on June 17, 2016.

ITEM 1.A. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ITEM 1.B. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Merrick discussed the Point Dume Traffic Management meeting held on June 16, 2016. He stated the meeting was contentious and had a completely different result

than previous meetings. He stated he had been contacted by members of the public who wanted to oppose any sidewalk installation on Birdview Avenue.

Public Works Director Brager discussed the possibility of a survey to get feedback from the entire Point Dume community.

CONSENSUS

By consensus, the Commission agreed the City should develop a survey to get community feedback on the Point Dume Traffic Management Plan.

ITEM 2 CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION Vice Chair Grisanti moved and Commissioner Kerze seconded a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried 4-0, Commissioner Sidley absent.

The Consent Calendar consisted of the following items:

- A. Previously Discussed Items
None.
- B. New Items
 - 1. Approval of Minutes – May 25, 2016
Staff recommendation: Approve minutes of the Public Works Commission Regular meeting of May 25, 2016.

ITEM 3 OLD BUSINESS

- A. Capital Improvement Projects Status Report
Recommended Action: Receive and file update on the City's current and upcoming Capital Improvement Projects.

Assistant Public Works Director DuBoux presented the report. He announced the Civic Center Wastewater Treatment Facility groundbreaking ceremony scheduled on Wednesday, June 29, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. at the facility site on Civic Center Way at Vista Pacifica. Public Works Director Brager announced some of the guest speakers. He invited the Commissioners to attend and be recognized.

Assistant Public Works Director DuBoux stated equipment for the project would be moving in over the next week with construction scheduled to begin after July 4. He stated the pipeline contractors would stage on the southwest corner Civic Center Way at Webb Way for storage of equipment and materials. He stated staff would provide a report on the pipeline construction schedule at the next Commission meeting and would provide monthly updates on construction work throughout the project.

Assistant Public Works Director DuBoux stated the Mayor, City Manager and staff met with Caltrans regarding right-of-way issues and construction standards related to the La Costa Pedestrian Improvements Project. He stated Caltrans would provide alternatives to help the project move forward.

Assistant Public Works Director DuBoux discussed the status of PCH median work and signal synchronization. He stated the City was working with Metro on memorandums of understanding for the projects. He reported Kimley-Horn had been selected as the consultant for the Civic Center Way Improvements Project. He stated the City was working with the County regarding placement of the Malibu Labor Exchange trailer and power. He reported that the City Council awarded the speed advisory signs contract to Crisp Company. He stated it would take four to six weeks for installation. He stated the City was working on concept designs for bus shelters. He stated the contract for the Paradise Cove Media Filters Project was scheduled for the June 27, 2016 Council agenda. He stated staff was recommending the contract be awarded to Oak Tree Construction, the same firm that installed the original filters. He explained the filters are recommended to be replaced every four to seven years.

Assistant Public Works Director DuBoux reported the Civic Center Storm Drain System Improvements Project was in the design phase and staff was working on details for connection points. He stated the design is expected to be completed in the next one to two months. In response to Chair Scott, Assistant Public Works Director DuBoux explained some connections in the existing system, such as the connection to Legacy Park, need to be corrected and fixed.

B. Update on Street Maintenance Work

Recommended Action: Receive and file report on the status of Street Maintenance Work.

Public Works Superintendent Aladjajian presented the report. He reported the City's brush clearance for fire prevention was recently completed. He stated notices went out to residents advising that maintenance would be conducted on trees in the public right-of-way.

C. Update on Los Angeles County Waterworks District 29 Water System Master Plan

Staff recommendation: Receive and file update on the status of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District 29 Water System Master Plan.

Assistant Public Works Director DuBoux explained that District 29 had been working on a master plan since 2011. He stated the draft plan was recently completed and District 29 was working on a program environmental impact report (EIR). He discussed the process for publishing completed documents for public review. He stated the public meeting held at City Hall in April 2016 was very

contentious with numerous negative comments from the public. He stated District 29 pulled the Program EIR for re-evaluation of the EIR process for the project. He stated City staff met with District 29 representatives to discuss concerns that nothing has happened since April. He stated the District 29 plan for community outreach was expected to be completed by the end of July 2016.

Vice Chair Grisanti clarified that District 29 opened the April meeting by stating it had been inundated with emails and phone calls and the plan was going to be pulled, but the public would be allowed to vent. He stated Supervisor Kuehl's staff advised him the programmatic EIR covered five five-year plans. He stated District 29 would probably prepare a new EIR for just the first five years. He stated the main community concern was that new pipes would be installed where previously no pipes existed.

In response to Commissioner Merrick, Vice Chair Grisanti confirmed that District 29 supplies water to all of Malibu, as well as unincorporated Los Angeles County areas in Lancaster and Topanga. He stated the plan intends to provide more storage, but would not meet the recommended five-day supply.

Chair Scott discussed dysfunction within District 29.

Vice Chair Grisanti stated funds from three rate increases that were supposed to be used for this program were more likely used for ongoing operations.

ITEM 4 NEW BUSINESS

- A. Civic Center Wastewater Treatment Facility Project Update
Staff recommendation: Receive and file update on the status of the Civic Center Wastewater Treatment Facility.

Assistant Public Works Director DuBoux referred the Commission to the update he provided in Item No. 3.A. He reiterated that detailed updates would be provided at each Commission meeting until the project was completed. He stated the pipeline contractors were expected to meet obligations within the project timeline.

- B. Feasibility of Constructing a Sidewalk on Birdview Avenue
Staff recommendation: Discuss the feasibility of constructing a sidewalk on Birdview Avenue.

Assistant Public Works Director DuBoux made a presentation about a potential sidewalk on Birdview Avenue.

Commissioner Merrick stated the left side of the slope heading to Westward Beach would probably be the most optimal location with the least resistance from

homeowners. He discussed landscaping encroachments near the three homes closest to the slope. He suggested the City consider reaching out to those homeowners.

Vice Chair Grisanti expressed concern for the safety of people going up or down the hill with strollers and beach items.

In response to Commissioner Merrick, Assistant Public Works Director DuBoux stated decomposed granite (DG), even with stabilizers, would require maintenance when wet.

Commissioner Kerze stated the area where homes are located should be considered to enhance public safety.

Barry Wirt reported he walks the area often. He discussed unsafe conditions for pedestrians on Birdview Avenue. He stated the walkway did not need to extend the entire length of Birdview Avenue. He suggested it be installed from the turn above the slope down to the beach.

Commissioner Merrick stated one resident contacted him in opposition to a walkway, preferring it be returned to a one-way street. He stated he believes the Coastal Commission would not approve a one-way street because it restricted public beach access. He stated Birdview Avenue is a popular walking loop. He stated the encroachment issue was toxic at this time. He suggested future discussion refer to potential installations as pathways or walkways rather than sidewalks.

Vice Chair Grisanti asked about the cost of a boardwalk. Commissioner Kerze stated the wind would blow sand from the beach making it maintenance-intensive.

Assistant Public Works Director DuBoux stated staff would develop alternative concepts for future review.

Public Works Director Brager suggested possibly extending one side of the road and adding paving and striping similar to the Zuma Beach bike lane.

In response to Chair Scott, Public Works Superintendent Aladjajian estimated there was an approximately 50- to 60-foot right-of-way.

Commissioner Merrick discussed correspondence received in support of the walkway. He discussed a previous easement trail that had been overgrown with vegetation.

Commissioner Merrick suggested initially proposing the walkway be installed up to the first of the three houses.

Chair Scott stated it is imperative that something be done to prevent a future tragedy.

ADJOURNMENT

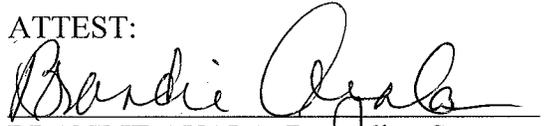
MOTION At 4:16 p.m., Commissioner Kerze moved and Vice Chair Grisanti seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion carried 4-0, Commissioner Sidley absent.

Approved and adopted by the Public Works Commission of the City of Malibu on July 27, 2016.



RICHARD SCOTT, Chair

ATTEST:



BRANDIE AYALA, Recording Secretary