

MINUTES-MORRO BAY HARBOR ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING – October 4, 2018
VETERAN'S MEMORIAL HALL - 6:00 P.M.

AGENDA NO: A-1

MEETING DATE: December 6, 2018

PRESENT: Lynn Meissen HAB Vice-Chair
Owen Hackleman HAB Member
Dana McClish HAB Member
Cherise Hansson HAB Member
Mark Blackford HAB Member

STAFF: Eric Endersby Harbor Director
Lori Stilts Harbor Business Coordinator

ABSENT: Ron Reisner HAB Chair
Gene Doughty HAB Member

ESTABLISH QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m., with a quorum present.

MOMENT OF SILENCE
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CHAIR AND ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS

<https://youtu.be/kPdgWRVz9do?t=135>

Board Member McClish announced October as Maritime Heritage Month and reported the opening of the Morro Bay Maritime Museum was a success.

PUBLIC COMMENT

<https://youtu.be/kPdgWRVz9do?t=239>

The public comment period was opened and closed with no comments.

A. CONSENT AGENDA

None.

B. REPORTS AND APPEARANCES

B-1 HARBOR DEPARTMENT STATUS REPORT

<https://youtu.be/kPdgWRVz9do?t=266>

Harbor Director Endersby presented the staff report for item B-1 and responded to Board Member inquiries.

C. BUSINESS ITEMS

<https://youtu.be/kPdgWRVz9do?t=1633>

There was Board consensus to move C-4 to the beginning of Business Items.

C-4 PRESENTATION AND QUESTION-AND-ANSWER SESSION BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CENTRAL COAST AQUARIUM ON THE STATUS OF THE CENTRAL COAST AQUARIUM'S MORRO BAY AQUARIUM PROPOSAL PROJECT

Christine Johnson, Executive Director of the Central Coast Aquarium introduced herself to the Board and provided background and a status update on the proposed Morro Bay Aquarium Project at lease site 69-70/69W-70W. Included in the update, Ms. Johnson provided a short video, and a handout, with the non-profits proposed timeline, exhibit concepts, and funding sources.

Ms. Johnson and Director Endersby responded to Board Member inquiries.

C-1 UPDATE FROM THE MARINE SERVICES FACILITY/BOATYARD AD-HOC COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEE'S RECENT ACTIVITIES

<https://youtu.be/kPdgWRVz9do?t=4666>

The public comment period was opened and closed with no comments.

Committee Chair McClish stated the Harbor Department is moving forward to develop the boat and trailer storage and taking names of potential renters on a wait list in their office.

Chair McClish stated, he and Committee Member Reisner met with Director Endersby on September 19, 2018 to review and give input on the draft Marine Services Facility/Boatyard Financial Feasibility RFP scheduled to be released soon.

C-2 UPDATE FROM THE FINANCE & BUDGET AD-HOC COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEE'S RECENT ACTIVITIES, AND CONSIDERATION AND INPUT ON PROPOSED HARBOR ACCUMULATION FUND RESERVE POLICY

<https://youtu.be/kPdgWRVz9do?t=4759>

Committee Member Blackburn spoke to a recent introductory finance meeting he had with Staff and stated the Ad-Hoc committee will be getting together next week to prepare a report for the November HAB meeting.

Director Endersby presented the staff report for C-2, requesting Members to give input on the draft Harbor Accumulation Fund Reserve Policy.

There was discussion by the Board and input gathered by Staff.

There was general Board consensus with the following:

- Create revenue first, cut services last as the primary budget balancing tool
- Develop a 3-5-year revenue-enhancement plan
- Ensure the percentage verse time ratio to achieve the minimum 15% is the correct one
- Possibly wait until the South T-Pier is paid off and those funds to pay the loan is available before starting a reserve balance

C-3 REPORT FROM THE EELGRASS AD-HOC COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION(S) REGARDING THE AUGUST 2018 MORRO BAY CONCEPTUAL EELGRASS PLAN BY ANCHOR QEA

<https://youtu.be/kPdgWRVz9do?t=6228>

Committee Chair Meissen stated the Ad-Hoc committee met and briefly recapped last month's eelgrass framework agenda item discussion, framework provided by Anchor QEA.

Chair Meissen also stated the Morro Bay National Estuary Program (NEP) Directors did meet to discuss their involvement in the eelgrass draft plan. They do not want to be primarily responsible for mitigation action and monitoring but would participate as a research data and investigation source.

There was discussion and inquiries by the Board and Director Endersby.

MOTION: Board Member Meissen moved the Harbor Advisory Board recommend City Council support the efforts in pursuing and further developing and adapting this plan framework with the goal of establishing a City Eelgrass Management Policy and that this include directing the Harbor Department to take the next step of presenting the plan framework as written by Anchor QEA to the relevant Regulatory Agencies for their comment and input on further development. The Motion was seconded by Board Member Blackford and carried unanimously, 5-0.

D. DECLARATION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

<https://youtu.be/kPdgWRVz9do?t=7669>

There was consensus to add the following verbiage noted in red to an already declared future agenda item.

Pending items previously declared:

Goals and Objectives – Working Waterfront Designation

Measure D

Explore Benefits of becoming a Harbor or Port District

Wind Energy Generation off the Coast of Morro Bay

Creation of an Embarcadero Business District to Fund Harbor Infrastructure

Review of TBID Assessment Funding

Identify/review responsible parties for cleanliness of waterfront ground lease sites, public restrooms, light posts, **and concern to public safety**

E. ADJOURNMENT

<https://youtu.be/kPdgWRVz9do?t=8332>

This meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m. The next Regular Meeting will be held on Thursday, November 1, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the Veteran's Memorial Hall located at 209 Surf Street, Morro Bay, California.

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