



CITY OF PACIFICA
OPEN SPACE & PARKLAND ADVISORY COMMITTEE
February 15, 2023, 6:00 – 7:30 P.M.
Portola Room, Pacifica Community Center, 540 Crespi Drive, Pacifica
Action Minutes

In attendance was Chair Patton, Vice Chair Arnos, McDermod, Goodmiller, Natesan, Read, and Skaggs. Cardona and Lancelle were absent. Council Liaison Bigstycck, Staff Liaison Lin, and Planning Director Murdock were also present.

CALL TO ORDER: *Chair Patton* called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Roll Call A quorum was confirmed.

Approval of Order of Agenda. Unanimously approved.

Approval of Minutes of February 15, 2023 Unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS:

Oral Communications – None.

Committee Communications – None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

1. **Update by GGNRA/GGNPC** – *Chair Patton* provided an update from Darren Brown (National Parks Service) and Sue Gardner (Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy) in place of their absence this evening. Updates include David Smith selected as the new GGNRA General Superintendent, storm damage across the parks, status from the Natural Resources team, the Mori Point parking pilot project. *Natesan* inquired on if it was a possibility for the GGNRA to present at the March meeting. *Patton* will follow up next week.
2. **Update by City Council Liaison** – *Council Liaison Bigstycck* provided updates about the Housing Element Update, Quarry Reclamation, and cap on Short Term Rental Program.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:

3. **Development project updates** – *Staff Liaison Lin* provided new updates on the Quarry Reclamation Plan (hearing continued to March 6, 2023), Hillside Meadows (CEQA consultant selected, kickoff meeting TBD), Harmony @ 1 Lot 5 (no appeals filed following approval, pending building permits), and 570 Crespi Dr (present for the presentation this evening.)

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

4. **Presentation by the applicant for a new proposed mixed-use development project on 570 Crespi Drive.**

Staff Liaison Lin provided a short project introduction.

Applicant Eamon Murphy presented to the committee and the public.

Natesan inquired about the number of below market rate, if studies had been done for the open space wetlands, and conservation easements over the wetland area in the long term.

Applicant E. Murphy addressed the below market rate units as San Mateo County requirement and responded to flooding and environmental concerns with the existing conditions and proposed development.

Patton inquired about how wetland ownership would look like after each individual unit are sold.

Applicant E. Murphy addressed that the project is still going through the tentative map phase, and once there is more headway, it would answer the questions. However, residents would not have access to the wetlands.

Public comment was given by *Resident Mark R. (Park Pacifica)*.

Public comment was given by *Resident Margaret Goodale*.

Public comment was given by *Resident Davis*.

Public comment was given by *Resident Charie Chan*.

Public comment was given by *Resident Summer Lee*.

Public comment was given by *Resident Cliff Lawrence*.

Public comment was given by *Resident Jim Cramer (Sharp Park)*.

Planning Director Murdock addressed questions raised by the residents about the Surplus Land Act and the environmental review process.

Applicant E. Murphy and B. Murphy has no further comments.

Natesan clarified her previous comments on conservation easements along with the environmental and financial benefits.

5. Present submitted nominations for the 2023 Preservation Award and conduct a vote by OSPAC Committee Members.

Chair Patton introduced this year's Preservation Award nominees: Peter Loeb and Jim Sullivan.

Resident Aaron Reif (Rockaway/Terra Nova) endorsed Jim Sullivan.

Resident Sue Digre endorsed Peter Loeb.

Resident Summer Lee endorsed Peter Loeb.

Resident Charie Chan endorsed Peter Loeb.

Resident Mark R. (Park Pacifica) endorsed Peter Loeb.

A secret ballot was conducted. *Staff Liaison Lin* announced that Jim Sullivan is the winner of this year's Preservation Award (4-3).

6. Updates and discussion following first Ahni Trail (Cattle Hill) workday, vote to determine if OSPAC should continue organizing.

Chair Patton recalled the Ahni Trail workday as a great success, and highlighted successes and challenges throughout the morning.

Vice Chair Arnos shared the public feedback on the event and highlighted that publicizing the event at an earlier time would give the volunteers more time for exposure. Provided suggestions on using social media sites like MeetUp to broadcast to potential volunteers outside of the region.

Goodmiller shared her highlights and thanked Steve Deirs for his efforts.

Skaggs recommended implementing more time efficient methods and instructions for the future.

Read shared mapping and other pin-pointing applications for trail work efforts.

Council Liaison Bigstyc expressed gratitude for these efforts and bringing the community together.

Resident Aaron Reif appreciated the turnout and the committee for their efforts. Suggested that he could train smaller groups of volunteers for trail maintenance work.

Natesan recommended a window of time where trail conditions are most suitable and concentrate the workdays in the winter.

Natesan asks for clarification on limitations of workdays.

Planning Director Murdock clarifies that each workday would have to be first authorized by the City Manager.

Natesan moves to motion a regularly programmed workday on the Ahni Trail.

Skaggs second the motion.

All voted in Aye.

ADJOURNMENT *Patton* adjourned the meeting at 7:54 pm

