



CITY OF PACIFICA
OPEN SPACE & PARKLAND ADVISORY COMMITTEE
June 21, 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, Goodmiller, Lancelle, Cardona, Skaggs, Natesan, and Read. McDermod was absent. Council Liaison/Mayor Bigstyc Planning Director Murdock, and Staff Liaison Lin were also present.

CALL TO ORDER: *Chair Patton* called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Roll Call A quorum was confirmed.

Approval of Order of Agenda. Unanimously approved.

Approval of Minutes of May 17, 2023

Staff Liaison Lin to revise the correct the role title from “Co-Chair” to “Vice Chair.”

Unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS:

Oral Communications – *John Kontrabecki (Pacifica)* made a public comment as the owner of a 60-acre property located at the end of Higgins Way. Addressed that the property has been used by members of the Pacifica community for hiking, biking, and looks forward to an invite to a future meeting to make a formal presentation on ideas to renovate the property for recreation purposes.

Committee Communications – *Patton* confirmed the email from *John Kontrabecki (Pacifica)*.

Council Liaison/Mayor Bigstyc and *Patton* announced they will be absent for the August meeting.

Patton made an announcement regarding the June 5th Planning Commission meeting, and commemorated City staff for their preparation and efforts.

Arnos made a comment regarding the Quarry and thanked Darren Brown (GGNRA) and Sue Gardner (GGNPC).

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- 1. Update by GGNRA/GGNPC** – *Darren Brown* gave a presentation on the Mori Point Parking Concerns. Addressed ongoing work with MTC to resolve community concerns regarding online directions and with Parks and Recreation Department with San Francisco to put wayfinding signs to direct visitors to the trailhead instead of Fairway Drive.

Patton asked if GGNRA has any updates regarding parking negotiation with Moose Lodge.

Darren Brown responded that a meeting to be determined will be set with the City to discussion.

Goodmiller made a comment about being familiar with Google’s directions for the trailhead.

Laurie Gaggero (Pacifica) made a public comment about Google directing the trailhead to the Fairway Drive residences.

Darren Brown addressed that there was discussion on Pollywog trail and its status.

Patton asked about the status and if GGNRA has brought up any considerations regarding the Pollywog trail.

Darren Brown responded that GGNRA wants to be on the same page with the City and the community on the issue, and commented on its history and assessment done prior to the age of social media and how it could drive visitors to the site.

Sue Gardner (GGPNC) said that there were a lot of discussion back in the day on having an accessible trail, and reminded that within the National Parks Service, you can't have a private trail.

Kirsten Holder (GGNRA) noted that it would be a collaborative discussion and stated uncertainty regarding environmental compliance, and that to provide an answer would require other Parks Staff as well as the community.

Arnos thanked GGNPC and GGNRA staff for their clarifications.

Council Liaison/Mayor Bigstycyk appreciated the progress that is being done with MTC as well as getting wayfinding signs as an interim solution. Also commented on the beginning of what might be a bigger study session in the future once certain things are in focus. Expressed gratitude for their work prior to the community feedback.

Petra Kretchmer (Pacifica) made a public comment and shared her frustration with the situation in the last three years. She stated she had made multiple attempts to communicate to respective individuals and had no success with contact.

Lauren Gaggero (Pacifica) made a public comment and shared her frustration as a resident having to deal with disturbances with all of the visitor traffic, parking, and asked that the Pollywog trail be closed while allowing resident access. She also asked for resident only signs, updates to direction for Mori Point, and need for a parking lot.

Petra Kretchmer (Pacifica) asked what the option would be if the trail can't be closed.

Darren Brown (GGNRA) responded that wayfinding signs are in progress.

- 2. Update by City Council Liaison/Mayor Bigstycyk** – *Council Liaison/Mayor Bigstycyk* provided updates to the Quarry Reclamation Plan and the urged those who did not attend to watch the meeting. Addressed the budget is still being finalized, and in communication with the Ramaytush Ohlone Association about the Pedro Point Headlands custodianship, and a larger conversation with the Coastal Conservancy and Land Trust with the City and the County. Lastly, discussion with the County supervisor about funding for Measure K funds for signage at the Ahni Trail.

Patton suggested to the committee to look at the signs at Pedro Valley Park.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:

- 3. Development project updates** – *Staff Liaison Lin* provided new updates on the Quarry Reclamation Plan.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

4. Discussion of OSPAC Charter Update Process. (15 minutes)

Planning Director Murdock provided an update on the City's effort to revisit OSPAC's authorizing charter and resolution. Addressed the importance to attend the July 19th OSPAC meeting to discussion survey questions for OSPAC.

5. Review the 6/12 OSPAC Annual Report Presentation. (10 minutes)

Patton asked for constructive feedback on the presentation and shared her disappointment for the lack of attendance from committee members. Addressed that the Council's reception was positive and were impressed with the work that had been done and initiative on the Ahni Trail.

Council Liaison/Mayor Bigstycyk thought the presentation was great and well-received by the Council and thanked the committee.

Planning Director Murdock shared the mayor's sentiment and provided feedback from other senior staff recognizing that OSPAC had the best presentation in the evening.

Patton addressed the diversity that was discussed by other committees and thought the length of the presentation was good.

Arnos added that it would be great for the committee to show up as one in the future, and it would be important to have a good showing as a group in the future.

Read thought the presentation was very well prepared.

6. Review of the June 10th Ahni Trail workday. Announce July 8th workday (10 minutes)

Patton shared that former Planning Director/Assistant City Manager Tina Wehrmeister had came out and offered her support. *Read* and a group of volunteers made progress on a major section of the trail.

Patton shared input made by *McDermod*, who was pleased with the turnout on the last workday and to see repeat volunteers. Would be great to have backups to retrieve and clean tools. *Patton* shared that there were three high schoolers who came out, and *Cardona* was a repeat volunteer.

Arnos moves to call a motion to adjourn.

Read second the motion.

All voted in Aye.

ADJOURNMENT *Patton* adjourned the meeting at 7:32 PM.

