

MINUTES
MALIBU PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 26, 2020
MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM
3:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dittrich called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

PRESENT: Chair Scott Dittrich; Vice Chair Brian Merrick (arrived at 3:33 p.m.); and Commissioners James Palmer, Lance Simmens, and Paul Grisanti

ALSO PRESENT: Adam Chase, Assistant Public Works Director; Brandie Ayala, Senior Administrative Assistant; Travis Hart, Public Works Superintendent; and Jenna Sobieray, Assistant Civil Engineer

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Simmens led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice Chair Merrick arrived at 3:33 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION Commissioner Grisanti moved and Commissioner Palmer seconded a motion to approve the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

REPORT ON POSTING OF AGENDA

Senior Administrative Assistant Ayala reported that the agenda for the meeting was properly posted on February 21, 2020.

ITEM 1.A. PUBLIC COMMENTS

In response to Graeme Clifford, Public Works Superintendent Hart stated the diamond shaped sign on Rambla Pacifico Street warning motorists "Road Ends" was replaced with a larger sign in December 2019 and had reflective at night.

In response to Graeme Clifford, Commissioner Grisanti stated the Commission would be discussing the City's Pavement Management Program under Item No. 4.A and would review the condition of Rambla Pacifico Street and when the street was scheduled for maintenance.

Chair Dittrich discussed funding concerns about the Lower Rambla Pacifico Utility Undergrounding Proposed District.

Dennis Smith discussed his application for Planning Commissioner. He stated he was not appointed.

Jeff Grier spoke to the Commission about the concerns from the Big Rock community about protecting their neighborhood during a fire and the need to purchase three generators for the pump stations to maintain water supply during a power outage.

In response to Chair Dittrich, Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated he would reach out to Los Angeles County Department of Public Works Waterworks District 29 to attend a future meeting and discuss water supply concerns and emergency plans for the Big Rock community.

Commissioner Grisanti requested staff to bring back an agenda item to discuss how an assessment district is formed and how benefits are identified and distributed to the property owners.

Chair Dittrich suggested Mr. Grier reach out to the Public Safety Commission regarding his concerns about the water availability during emergencies in the Big Rock community.

Commissioner Grisanti requested staff invite the City's consultant to discuss how an assessment district is formed and the benefits of forming an assessment district.

Norm Haynie discussed the slide in the Big Rock Mesa area. He expressed his concern about the existing dewatering system.

In response to Commissioner Palmer, Mr. Haynie explained there was groundwater in the Big Rock Mesa. He further explained groundwater could be reduced by install landscape that required less watering and was drought tolerant.

Mr. Haynie requested an item be put on a future agenda to discuss the dewatering infrastructure and proposed updates to the aging infrastructure.

ITEM 1.B. STAFF UPDATES

Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated staff was preparing a request for proposals and qualifications for the operations and maintenance of the City's landslide maintenance districts. He further explained that staff would be inviting residents within the Big Rock community to participate in the selection of the

consultant. He stated the current agreement with Fugro Consultants was due to expire in early August.

In response to Chair Dittrich, Assistant Public Works Director Chase explained costs related to updating the infrastructure. He explained Mr. Haynie's concept of installing a wastewater treatment plant to serve the Big Rock Mesa Landslide Maintenance Assessment District (LMD) may be less costly than existing costs to maintaining the district, but it is not currently substantiated.

In response to Commissioner Grisanti, Mr. Haynie explained there was a lot vacant on the corner of Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) and Big Rock Drive that he believed could be used to construct a wastewater treatment plant for the Big Rock community. He further discussed how the costs for purchasing the land, permitting and all associated design and construction costs would be included in an additional assessment district.

In response to Terry Davis, Assistant Public Works Director Chase explained Mr. Haynie was proposing additional infrastructure that would include a wastewater treatment plant and the existing hydraugers and wells in the Big Rock Mesa LMD would still need to be maintained.

In response to Jeff Grier, Assistant Public Works Director Chase explained staff may consider bringing back an item to discuss the possibility of installing a wastewater treatment plant for the Big Rock Mesa LMD and the possible funding for it.

Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated City Manager Feldman and Public Works Director DuBoux were attending a meeting at Caltrans to discuss the proposed pedestrian crosswalk at Malibu Seafood. He stated staff would bring updates to the City's draft evacuation plan and Outdoor Warning Sirens Study at future meetings. He stated staff had applied for a Coastal Development Permit to install no parking signs near Las Tunas. He also explained staff was discussing with the Caltrans the possibly of constructing a right turn lane at the intersection of PCH and Trancas Canyon Road as part of the Trancas Creek Bridge Replacement project.

In response to Vice Chair Merrick, Assistant Public Works Director Chase explained Caltrans Trancas Bridge Creek Replacement project included a seasonal pedestrian underpass crossing.

Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated the Trancas Creek Bridge Replacement project would be an agenda item for a future meeting.

In response to Commission Simmens, Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated he requested Caltrans review the ability to include a seasonal underpass crossing at the Malibu Seafood pedestrian crossing.

Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated the updated Capital Improvement 5 Year plan would be brought to the Commission in April 2020.

Public Works Superintendent Hart stated the maintenance crews would begin replacing the scenic sign on Malibu Canyon Road tomorrow and finishing up on Friday, February 28, 2020. He stated on Friday, February 28, 2020, crews were installing an updated overhead sign at the intersection of Webb Way, Stuart Ranch Road and Civic Center Way. He stated he met with the Caltrans maintenance crew and the striping recently installed on PCH was done per the plan. He stated the drain on Birdview Avenue mentioned by Vice Chair Merrick at the previous meeting was on a private drive and staff was working with the property management company.

ITEM 1.C. COMMISSIONER REPORTS, COMMENTS AND INQUIRIES

Vice Chair Merrick stated he met with Assistant Public Works Director Chase and Public Works Superintendent Hart at Malibu Road and Webb Way to observe the traffic signal patterns and timing. Assistant Public Works Director Chase explained he would review the traffic data but cautioned that to every action there would be a reaction.

In response to Commission Palmer, Assistant Public Works Director Chase explained the signals on PCH were controlled by Caltrans through the Traffic Management Center and not controlled by staff.

In response to Commissioner Simmens, Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated staff would request Southern California Edison attend a future Public Works Commission meeting to discuss the status pole replacements within Malibu and the type of material is used.

In response to Commission Palmer, Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated the Planning Department might know what the status of development of the old Verizon building on Cross Creek Road.

In response to Commissioner Palmer, Assistant Public Works Director Chase explained Public Safety Manager Dueñas was reviewing the telecommunications issues in the City since the Woolsey Fire. Commissioner Grisanti explained

telecommunication coverage had been discussed in previous Public Works Commission meetings and had received presentations from various cell phone carriers about the coverage within the Malibu area.

ITEM 2 CONSENT CALENDAR

The Consent Calendar consisted of the following items:

- A. Previously Discussed Items
None.

- B. New Items
None.

ITEM 3 OLD BUSINESS

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

Assistant Public Works Director Chase presented the report and gave the Commission an update on the City's Capital Improvement Projects.

He provided an update to the Commission on the appeal of the Civic Center Way Improvements Project. He stated the City Council directed staff to conduct a traffic study on Malibu Canyon Road and the Commission would review the study once it was completed.

In response to Commissioner Simmens, Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated staff would investigate temporary striping on Malibu Canyon Road near Harbor Vista Drive and Malibu Knolls Road.

In response to Commissioner Grisanti, Assistant Public Works Director Chase clarified the damaged pipe on Civic Center Way was a part of the Civic Center Storm Drain Repair project and would be replaced.

In response to Vice Chair Merrick, Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated the current parking conditions on Westward Beach Road were included in the Westward Beach Road Improvements project. He stated the City would present "No Overnight Parking" as part of the project to the California Coastal Commission in March 2020.

In response to Commissioner Simmens, Assistant Public Works Director Chase clarified there was an all-purpose bike lane included in the Westward Beach Road Improvements project.

In response to Commissioner Grisanti, Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated staff was preparing a request for qualifications and proposals for the Civic Center Water Treatment Plant Phase 2 for assessment engineering services.

In response to Commissioner Simmens, Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated the Westward Beach Road Improvements project would go out to bid in September 2020 and construction was anticipated to take eight months.

CONSENSUS

By consensus, the Commission received and filed the update of the City's current and upcoming Capital Improvement Projects.

- B. Disaster Recovery Capital Improvement Projects Status Report
Staff recommendation: Receive and file update on the City's current and upcoming Disaster Recovery Capital Improvement Projects.

Assistant Public Works Director Chase presented the report and explained the funding dynamics with FEMA, CalOES and the City for the City's disaster projects.

CONSENSUS

By consensus, the Commission received and filed the status report of the City's Disaster Recovery Capital Improvements Projects.

ITEM 4 NEW BUSINESS

- A. Annual Street Maintenance Project and Updated Five-Year Pavement Management Plan

Staff recommendation: Review the Annual Street Maintenance Project and the need for an updated five-year Pavement Management Plan (PMP).

Assistant Public Works Director Chase introduced Assistant Civil Engineer Sobieray to Commission and she presented the report discussing the upcoming the Annual Street Maintenance project and updated five-year PMP.

Public Works Superintendent Hart clarified major pavement overlay would be done in the Malibu Knolls neighborhood. He also clarified lower Las Flores Canyon Road was paved using a slurry coating.

In response to Commissioner Palmer, Public Works Superintendent Hart stated the City's contractors for paving at a private driveway would be to pave up from the flow line to the flow line of the private driveways but in some areas and there would be a taper grind.

In response to Chair Dittrich, Public Works Superintendent Hart explained Rambla Pacifico Street from the private gate to the City boundary was on the City's PMP for this year there was a proposed utility underground project in the same area. Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated he would like to review the costs and the timing of when the proposed utility underground project would move forward. Chair Dittrich suggested a minor repair to the deteriorating roadway.

In response to Vice Chair Merrick, Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated pavement repairs including tree roots would be done prior to the slurry application on the identified roadways. He further explained the City's tree maintenance program also addressed the tree roots and with the recommendation of the City's Arborist a repair plan would be put in place.

B. Public Works 2019-2020 Work Plan

Staff recommendation: Receive and file report on the status of the Public Works current Work Plan for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

Assistant Public Works Director Chase presented the report.

In response to Vice Chair Merrick, Assistant Public Works Director Chase explained Public Works staff worked with the Community Services Department to design the Temporary Skate Park project.

In response to Vice Chair Merrick, Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated the Permanent Skate Park would be brought to the Public Works Commission as well as the Park and Recreation Commission.

In response to Chair Dittrich, Assistant Public Works Director Chase explained the City applied for a grant to study undergrounding utilities citywide and did not receive the grant. Chair Dittrich explained it was a safety issue throughout the City and stated he would like to discuss a long-term plan to underground along public roads like the City's PMP.

Commission Simmens stated there was a Southern California Edison pole blocking sight at Harbor Vista Drive and Malibu Canyon Road and suggested this pole should be undergrounded.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION At 5:12 p.m., Commissioner Grisanti moved and Commissioner Palmer seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

Approved and adopted by the Public Works Commission of the City of Malibu on August 10, 2020.

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brian merrick

BRIAN MERRICK, Chair

ATTEST:



BRANDIE AYALA, Senior Administrative Assistant