

MINUTES
MALIBU PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING
JULY 17, 2019
MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM
3:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dittrich called the meeting to order at 3:33 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

PRESENT: Chair Scott Dittrich; Vice Chair Brian Merrick; and Commissioners, James Palmer, Lance Simmens, and Paul Grisanti (arrived at 3:35 p.m.)

ALSO PRESENT: Adam Chase, Assistant Public Works Director; Arthur Aladjajian, Public Works Superintendent; and Julie Walker, Administrative Assistant

Commissioner Grisanti arrived at 3:35 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Administrative Assistant Walker led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION Vice Chair Merrick moved and Commissioner Simmens seconded a motion to approve the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

REPORT ON POSTING OF AGENDA

Administrative Assistant Walker reported that the agenda for the meeting was properly posted on July 15, 2019.

ITEM 1.A. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ITEM 1.B. STAFF UPDATES

Assistant Public Works Director Chase reported anti-backing up mechanisms had been proposed to be placed at the gate leading to the Point Dume Natural Preserve parking lot, which will go before the Public Works and Planning Commissions and residents will be alerted to the project. He reported City Manager Feldman would meet with Caltrans on July 18, 2019, to discuss the Malibu Seafood area

crosswalk. He stated a meeting had taken place with the Big Rock Mesa Assessment District 98-1 between the Public Works Department, Mayor Wagner, Councilmember Pierson, and six homeowners of the Big Rock Mesa Area Homeowners Association. He stated access issues, stormwater sampling costs and a reduction in the amount of water quality sampling were discussed.

In response to Commissioner Grisanti, Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated the discussion of “perched” water in the Big Rock Mesa area was not discussed.

In response to Chair Dittrich, Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated Contract Geologist Dean’s report regarding the Big Rock Mesa Assessment District had not yet been filed.

Assistant Public Works Director Chase discussed the Commission Assignments for Fiscal Year 2019-2020. He stated the application period for inclusion in Civic Center Water Treatment Facility (CCWTF) Phase 2, which had been advertised, had closed on June 30, 2019.

In response to Commissioner Grisanti, Assistant Public Works Director Chase explained Pepperdine University was not an applicant for the Civic Center Water Treatment Facility Phase 2. He stated Malibu Country Estates Homeowners Association had submit an application to be included in Phase CCWTF Phase 2.

In response to Chair Dittrich, Assistant Public Works Director Chase explained additional properties being included in CCWTF Phase 2 could potentially result in a cost reduction for all participation participants in the program, depending on the additional infrastructure needed.

Assistant Public Works Director Chase announced a ribbon cutting ceremony for the Legacy Park Artwork Pedestal Foundation Project would take place at Legacy Park on Thursday, July 25, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. In response to Commissioner Simmens, he stated anyone was welcome at the ceremony.

Assistant Public Works Director Chase explained the older Malibu stormwater drainage plans were not posted on the City’s website due to a City policy that does not allow draft documents to be posted. In response to Commissioner Palmer, he stated the City would investigate the feasibility of posting the Los Angeles County storm drain plans as a hyperlink on the City’s website.

Public Works Superintendent Aladjadjian stated he had been told by Mark Russo, Volunteers on Patrol, that overnight parking of commercial vehicles on Rambla Vista was allowed as long as the vehicles are moved every 72 hours.

ITEM 1.C. COMMISSIONER REPORTS, COMMENTS AND INQUIRIES

Commissioner Simmens reported speaking at the Public Safety Commission meeting regarding the Public Works Commissioners willingness to add or expand bicycle lanes wherever feasible within the City limits.

Chair Dittrich reported speaking with Public Works Director DuBoux about the potential of utilizing the underpass at the Malibu Seafood area.

In response to Chair Dittrich, Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated consultants were working on the re-design of the Civic Center Way Improvements Project to include the northern pathway as requested by City Council, which would go to the Planning Commission and then out to bid in late September 2019.

ITEM 2 CONSENT CALENDAR

The Consent Calendar consisted of the following items:

A. Previously Discussed Items
None.

B. New Items

1. Approval of Minutes

Staff recommendation: Approve minutes from the Public Works Commission Regular meeting of June 26, 2019.

Chair Dittrich stated had called the meeting to order on June 26, 2019. He stated his comments for agenda Item No. 3.C. regarding Class II and Class III bike lanes were incorrect in the minutes.

Vice Chair Merrick stated his name was incorrectly listed in Roll Call.

MOTION

Commissioner Palmer moved and Commissioner Grisanti seconded a motion to approve the Public Works Commission Regular meeting minutes of June 26, 2019, with corrections, to be signed at the August 28, 2019 Regular Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 3 OLD BUSINESS

A. Capital Improvements 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 staff report.

In response to Commissioner Palmer, Public Works Superintendent Aladjajian explained the signal at the corner of Webb Way and Civic Center Way was now in “on demand” mode, allowing vehicles to trigger the signal.

In response to Commissioner Palmer, Assistant Public Works Director Chase explained the Pacific Coast Highway Signal Synchronization Project was considering the “platooning” of cars for traffic flow. He stated Caltrans had the ultimate authority regarding the timing of the synchronized signals.

In response to Vice Chair Merrick, Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated the bike racks at Westward Beach were designed to be angled next to the restrooms and restaurant.

In response to Commissioner Palmer, Public Works Superintendent Aladjajian explained the new Electric Vehicle (EV) chargers on Civic Center Way would have the capability of charging the end user for electricity. He further explained there was currently no charge for the EV chargers on Civic Center Way.

In response to Chair Dittrich, Assistant Public Works Director Chase explained the Public Works Department was aware of traffic issues caused by the beach parking entrance near the Malibu Pier and was looking into various ways of alleviating the traffic when the lot was full.

In response to Commissioner Simmens, Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated a list of Disaster Capital Improvement Projects approved by the City Council for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 would be made available to the Commissioners.

In response to Chair Dittrich, Public Works Superintendent Aladjajian explained the La Costa Pedestrian Improvements Project was anticipated to be complete in early September.

CONSENSUS

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

B. Update on Street Maintenance Work

Staff recommendation: Receive and file report on the status of Street Maintenance Work.

Public Works Superintendent Aladjajian presented the staff report.

Public Works Superintendent Aladjajian requested feedback from the public regarding potholes or signs that were burned in the Woolsey Fire.

CONSENSUS

By consensus, the Commission received and filed the update on Street Maintenance Work.

ITEM 4 NEW BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION At 4:39 p.m., Commissioner Grisanti moved and Commissioner Simmens seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

Approved and adopted by the Public Works Commission of the City of Malibu on August 28, 2019.



SCOTT DIPTRICH, Chair

ATTEST:



BRANDIE AYALA, Senior Administrative Assistant