

MINUTES
MALIBU PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 28, 2019
MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM
3:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dittrich called the meeting to order at 3:32 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

ALSO PRESENT: Adam Chase, Assistant Public Works Director; Arthur Aladjajian, Public Works Superintendent; and Brandie Ayala, Senior Administrative Assistant

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Assistant Public Works Director Chase led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION Commissioner Grisanti moved and Chair Dittrich 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 August 23, 2019.

ITEM 1.A. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ITEM 1.B. STAFF UPDATES

Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated the City met with Caltrans regarding the pedestrian hybrid crosswalk near Malibu Seafood. He stated Caltrans affirmed it was addressing a safety problem at the location. He stated the City requested additional safety measures to help pedestrians utilize the crosswalk. He stated Caltrans had committed to hold another public meeting, possibly in September, and would consider the feasibility of crossing under PCH.

In response to Chair Dittrich, Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated the City had voiced opposition to the project, but the highest levels at Caltrans District 7 insist the project must move forward.

Commissioner Grisanti asked if a large number of citizens at the public meeting voicing opposition could impact Caltrans' decision.

Assistant Public Works Director Chase recommended everyone come to the public meeting to voice opposition.

Commissioner Simmens asked if the Commission could register disapproval of the Caltrans proposal. He stated the project proposal was horrible.

Commissioner Grisanti requested a list of other agencies involved in a decision regarding the undercrossing. Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated the list would include the State Department of Fish and Game and the Army Corps of Engineers. He stated the information would be presented at the public meeting.

Chair Dittrich suggested Commissioner Simmens write up his summary of the project to be submitted to the City Council and City Manager. Commissioner Simmens stated it should come from the Commission.

Senior Administrative Assistant Ayala stated a letter from the Commission would need to be presented to the Commission as an agenda item for approval.

Public Works Superintendent Aladjadjian suggested a Commission representative attend the September 4, 2019 Public Safety Commission meeting where Caltrans was scheduled to be in attendance.

Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated a hyperlink to the Los Angeles County Storm Drain interactive storm drain GIS was added to the Public Works page on the City website. He stated a design consultant was hired for the Civic Center Water Treatment Facility (CCWTF) Phase Two, and updates would be added to future Commission agendas. He stated a community meeting would be held in September to discuss the project schedules, timeline and milestones. In response to Commissioner Grisanti, Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated assessments would be evaluated at the 50% design stage, which was expected to be approximately June 2020. He stated applications to be added to Phase Two would be presented to the City Council on September 9, 2019.

Commissioner Grisanti discussed a roller coaster effect on Civic Center Way. Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated staff would investigate the issue for remediation in the Civic Center Way Improvements Project.

Public Works Superintendent Aladjajian stated the annual storm drain maintenance project had begun. In response to Commissioner Palmer, Public Works Superintendent Aladjajian stated there were over 200 storm drains. He stated a Keep Clear stencil was added at the entry to the Malibu Pier to reduce traffic queuing. He announced a Caltrans paving project from the McClure Tunnel to Cross Creek Road.

Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated the City had an engineer study the brightness of streetlights at Civic Center Way and Webb Way. He stated two lights had been turned off, and required lumens for intersection safety standards had still been maintained.

ITEM 1.C. COMMISSIONER REPORTS, COMMENTS AND INQUIRIES

In response to Commissioner Palmer, Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated the City had a long-term plan to add its own website for identifying storm drains once grant funding was obtained.

Commissioner Palmer asked what City policy prevented the draft storm drain maps from being posted. He inquired about the Public Works Department's involvement in the rebuild process. Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated regular updates on the rebuild process were being presented at every City Council meeting. He stated most plan reviews for rebuilds were turned around within 24 hours.

In response to Vice Chair Merrick, Assistant Public Works Director Chase explained how encroachments into the City right of way were handled in the rebuild process.

Chair Dittrich discussed a resident who parked numerous private vehicles on Sumac Ridge, a private road, near a water tank. Public Works Superintendent Aladjajian stated the private road was under the jurisdiction of the homeowners association.

Chair Dittrich discussed a new emergency disaster committee formed that would include representatives of the Public Works Commission and Public Safety Commission. He discussed an upcoming meeting being planned to discuss how best to deal with the threat of fire. He discussed brush clearance. Commissioner Grisanti discussed the County's past practices regarding brush clearance.

Commissioner Palmer stated the Public Works Director should attend the Public Works Commission meetings.

Chair Dittrich urged everyone to have their homes inspected by Fire Safety Liaison Vandermeulen.

ITEM 2 CONSENT CALENDAR

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

The Consent Calendar consisted of the following items:

A. Previously Discussed Items
None.

B. New Items

1. Approval of Minutes – June 26, 2019 and July 17, 2019

Staff recommendation: Approve minutes from the Public Works Commission Regular meetings of June 26, 2019 and July 17, 2019.

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. He stated the PCH Median Project was in environmental review. He stated a presentation on the project's status would be on an upcoming agenda and would include the preliminary layout. He stated the Civic Center Way Improvements Project plans were finalized and the City was working on getting final approvals from the Los Angeles County Flood Control District. He stated the project would be presented to the Planning Commission within the next month before going out to bid. He stated vendors presented configurations and equipment options to the City for the PCH Signal Synchronization Project.

Commissioner Simmens requested staff reports include expected start dates for each project.

Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated staff was reviewing technical details with the County about the weir wall for the Civic Center Storm Drain System Improvements Project before beginning construction. He stated the City Hall Roof Project was on hold due to problems with the contractor's bid. He stated it would be put out to bid again. He stated the Storm Drain Trash Screens Project was jointly managed with the Environmental Sustainability Department. He stated it had been pushed back at least three months due to disaster projects. He stated staff

was working with the Planning Commission regarding the angled parking component of the Westward Beach Road Improvements Project to comply with requirements from the Los Angeles County Department of Beaches and Harbors. He stated Electric Vehicle Chargers specs had been finalized. He stated staff was working with the CCWTF Phase Two consultant to schedule a community meeting. He stated details of the Disaster Projects would be discussed with Item No. 4.A. He stated a kickoff meeting was held with the County contractor for the Citywide Guardrail Replacement Project.

Public Works Superintendent Aladjajian stated the La Costa project was approximately 95% complete. He stated final equipment was expected within six weeks and, once received and installed, Caltrans would activate the signal.

Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated the Electric Vehicle Chargers Project would go out to bid in the next week or so.

ITEM 4 NEW BUSINESS

- A. Disaster Recovery Capital Improvements 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. He stated the City continued to work with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) on fire-related projects and the California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) on storm-related projects. He commended Public Works staff on efforts to clean up after storm events and develop remediation measures for preventing future damage. He displayed repairs on Birdview Avenue. He explained different types of repairs and enhancements.

Vice Chair Merrick asked if dead trees and vegetation would be reestablished. Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated the CalOES process included evaluation by an arborist. He discussed requirements to replace removed trees if they were a protected species. Public Works Superintendent Aladjajian stated anything removed that had provided erosion control would be replaced. Assistant Public Works Director Chase clarified that an arborist must be utilized for the City to be reimbursed.

In response to Vice Chair Merrick, Public Works Superintendent Aladjajian stated staff would check out a tree that had fallen on Birdview in the City's right-of-way.

Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated the project's final design would deal with dead and half-dead trees, as well as necessary erosion control measures.

He stated an update would be provided next month. He encouraged Commissioners to visit the area to provide comments.

Assistant Public Works Director Chase discussed Broad Beach Road water quality infrastructure repairs. He discussed impacts of mud and debris on the system's functionality.

Senior Administrative Assistant Ayala stated funding was provided through a Clean Water Act grant.

Assistant Public Works Director Chase discussed how consultants would help design disaster repair projects and work with CalOES on funding.

Senior Administrative Assistant Ayala described the process for working with CalOES and the insurance companies on funding for projects after a disaster was declared.

Dennis Smith discussed filtration devices required in the private sector. He questioned why public projects did not have to meet the same standards. Assistant Public Works Director Chase explained that the City must comply with the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP) and Enhanced Watershed Management Programs (EWMP), which are managed by the Environmental Sustainability Department.

Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated the City applied for a hazard mitigation grant for the Clover Heights Storm Drain Improvements Project. He stated the project would look at undergrounding methods as alternatives to the current storm drain box culvert.

Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated the Corral Canyon Culvert Repairs Project would consist of determining how much damage occurred in the pipe and potential upgrades to the catch basin.

In response to Chair Dittrich, Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated it was difficult to state what the timeline would be for these projects until the consultants were hired.

Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated the Latigo Canyon Road culvert was more than half-filled with eroded embankments and other debris requiring clean-up and repairs. He stated the project was supported by FEMA. He stated additional mitigation measures may be funded to help prevent future events. In response to Commissioner Grisanti, Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated the environmental impact report would help determine whether equipment could

be used. He stated staff was working with FEMA on long-term mitigation measures.

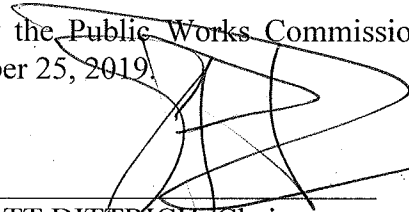
Assistant Public Works Director Chase stated the Community Services Department had identified mature plants and trees, as well as irrigation lines, lost in the fire at Trancas Canyon Park. He stated the project would be added as a Capital Improvement Project and go out to bid.

Assistant Public Works Director Chase displayed damage done by the fire to the Trancas Canyon slope below the park. He stated the City's insurance would cover part of the cost to hire a geotechnical consultant to investigate remediation methods for stabilizing the embankment.

ADJOURNMENT

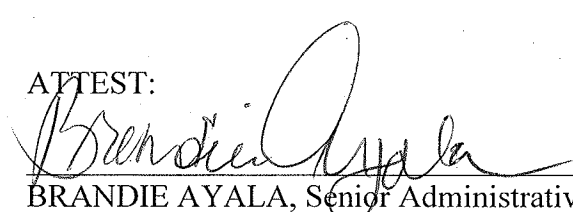
MOTION At 5:07 p.m., Commissioner Grisanti moved and Chair Ditrich seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

Approved and adopted by the Public Works Commission of the
City of Malibu on September 25, 2019.



SCOTT DITRICH, Chair

ATTEST:



BRANDIE AYALA, Senior Administrative Assistant