



## MINUTES

### WATERFRONT COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING

City Council Chambers  
1000 San Pablo Avenue  
Monday, June 14, 2010 – 7:30 P.M.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Diehl at 7:33 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Diehl, Dann, Granholm, Papalia

Members Absent: Donald, So

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

3-1. **Approve Minutes from May 10, 2010 meeting (attached)**

Minutes approved as amended.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Clay Larson – asked about maintenance of the Burrowing Owl habitat, and whether the East Bay Regional Park District is actively managing the maintenance of the habitat.

Brian Parsley – the agenda was not posted at the Community Center 72 hours in advance of the meeting.

5. **DISCUSSIONS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON MATTERS RELATED TO THE FOLLOWING ITEMS, WHICH COULD INCLUDE REPORTS AND/OR PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS IF ANY:**

5-1. **Dog management at Albany Waterfront – continued discussion, subcommittee report regarding updates to survey**

Papalia reported that he saw two dog walkers with 14 dogs at the waterfront, all roaming off-leash. He called EBRPD police to discuss who said they would be addressing the item at an upcoming operations meeting. Papalia also found out that EBRPD management staffing for the area has changed. Papalia would like the Committee to consider things they can do. Dann recommended the Committee standardize the dog rules for the site to match EBRPD rules.

Chaney replied that the Voices to Vision process included an online survey, 70% of the respondents had visited the park over the last year. There was a question regarding dogs at the waterfront: 40% support off-leash dogs in clearly designated areas, 24% support creating a specified area at the waterfront for leashed-dogs, 15% support leash dogs at the waterfront, 9% support an off leash option throughout the site, 8% prefer the waterfront be free of dogs. Papalia suggested the Committee request the City install dog waste stations throughout the park.

Chaney replied that the Cove enhancement project includes funding for one dog waste station. Chaney suggested identifying other locations, and some of the locations may be on EBRPD land.

Papalia moved that the Committee direct staff to pursue acquisition and the placement of two dog waste dispensers, receptacles, and signage at two locations by the Cove and Plateau area. Seconded by Granholm. Unanimously approved.

The Committee agreed that the Subcommittee will work on a draft policy for the Committee to review and meet with EBRPD on how to coordinate on a realistic and enforceable policy. The Committee agreed that a draft should be developed by September.

5-2. **Proposed Porta-Potty at Bulb on experimental basis**

Chaney reported that there is an interest in placing a porta-potty further out on the bulb on an experimental basis and are talking with EBRPD to see if they can maintain.

The Committee agreed to support the location of a porta-potty on an experimental basis.

Chaney will also provide follow up regarding servicing frequency.

- 5-3. Proposal to remove some of the non-native vegetation on Bulb during late summer**  
Chaney reported that there is a lot of scotch broom and pampas grass on the Bulb. There is an interest in removing some of the non-native vegetation.  
The Committee agreed to support this project – Chaney will provide further details as the project planning begins.

**6. ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS – Information only**

**6-1. Status of Measure WW – Cove Enhancement project**

Chaney reported that EBRPD responded to the City’s application, and has required a deed/survey. The City Engineer located the grant deed for the property. A response regarding project approval is expected from EBRPD in June.

**6-2. Status of Beach Feasibility Study**

Chaney discussed the item with EBRPD – they are still in the data collection stage of the project. They intend to take their research to their Executive Board Subcommittee in July. EBRPD will let Chaney know when the meeting is scheduled. The Committee is welcome to attend the meeting. It is expected that they will hold a meeting with the Committee sometime in the fall.

**6-3. Status of concert proposal at Waterfront**

The Planning Commission approved the use permit and appreciated the thoughts the Committee provided. The promoters have now withdrawn the event.

**7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**7-1. Next Meeting: July 12, 2010.**

Report from the subcommittee to create a policy by September

Report on porta-potty and trash, update on burrowing owls, discussion regarding art, discussion regarding homeless, discussion on how to follow up on the Voices to Vision process, follow up on Measure WW \$27 Million for Eastshore State Park.

Chaney will identify potential meeting dates/times should a second meeting be necessary for July.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:13 p.m.