

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission
July 29, 2016, 12:30 to 2:00 pm
West Basin's Edward C. Little Water Recycling Facility
1935 S. Hughes Way
El Segundo, CA 90245

Attendance:

Joan Cardellino
Gloria Gray
Timothy Lippman
Bruce Reznik
Sarah Sikich
Enrique Zaldivar

Absent:
Fran Diamond

Staff:
Tom Ford, Scott Valor (via
teleconference), Guangyu Wang, David
Coupe (SWRCB Legal Counsel assigned to
the SMBRC)

Guests: EJ Caldwell, Walter
Lamb, Sarah Hayes,
Domingo Oroasco

Note: Agenda Items are listed in the order in which they were taken up. Called to order at 12:44 p.m.

Enrique Zaldivar chaired the meeting. He invited board members to introduce themselves.

Agenda Item 1. Public Comment

Sarah Hayes from Westwood Greenway spoke on greenway issues, including addressing stormwater and daylighting issues.

Walter Lamb commented on potential litigation. He commented on an ongoing lack of communication and anticipates a lawsuit in the near future.

Agenda Item 2. Informational Items

- a. Consideration of Approval of May 19, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Approved without objection. (M: Cardellino, S: Gray)

- b. Order of Agenda

No change

- c. Reports from the Executive Director and Staff

Tom Ford noted that the ED report will focus on the non-closed session agenda items that he would summarize. Summary below under Agenda Item 3.

Agenda Item 3. Executive Committee Business

a. Establish Governing Board Agenda for August

Update on Proposition 84 Request for Proposals

Ford discussed the proposal process, including collecting the proposals, review by the Technical Advisory Committee, numeric prioritization, and staff review to this point. Staff had additional questions about proposals and contacted certain proponents for more information. The proposals were then resubmitted to the TAC. Staff is hoping to present these proposals to the EC and GB later in 2016.

Board members had questions about the process moving forward and additional funding sources.

Climate Change Adaptation Vulnerability

Ford stated that the SMBNEP has been directed by the federal government to include climate change values and impacts in the Bay Restoration Plan. He noted that an analysis is underway, include adaptability and likelihood that potential stressors will occur. He expects TAC review in August and completion of stage one before January. Stage two will be to incorporate it into the Bay Restoration Plan.

Consideration of Approval of the FY17 Annual Work Plan

Ford noted that the previously-approved Work Plan has been submitted to US EPA for review which suggested an expansion of the descriptions. He stated that none of the categories, subjects, or tasks have been changed. Rather, the descriptions have been expanded. It has yet to be determined whether or not the GB will need to reconsider the updated Work Plan. EC members suggested that a staff letter accompany the updated Work Plan to summarize the changes made.

Closed Session

The EC went into closed session at 1:31 pm to discuss matters of potential litigation.

The EC came out of closed session at 2:53 pm and reconvened open session at 2:54 pm.

b. Member Comments and Announcements Regarding Matters not on the Agenda

Sarah Sikich noted that her alternate will be attending in her absence in the foreseeable future and that Heal The Bay is looking for a new ED.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m. without objection.