



Midpeninsula Regional
Open Space District

MIDPENINSULA REGIONAL OPEN SPACE DISTRICT

LEGISLATIVE, FUNDING, AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The Committee conducted this meeting in accordance with California Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20. All Board members and staff participated via teleconference.

Tuesday, May 26, 2020

DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Director Kersteen-Tucker called the meeting of the Legislative, Funding, and Public Affairs Committee to order at 2:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Jed Cyr, Larry Hassett, and Zoe Kersteen-Tucker

Members absent: None

Staff present: General Manager Ana Ruiz, General Counsel Hilary Stevenson, Assistant General Manager Brian Malone, Assistant General Manager Susanna Chan, Chief Financial Officer Stefan Jaskulak, District Clerk/Assistant to the General Manager Jennifer Woodworth, Public Affairs Manager Kori Skinner, Governmental Affairs Specialist Joshua Hugg

District Clerk Jennifer Woodworth announced this meeting is being held in accordance with Governor Newsom's Executive Order allowing Committee members to participate remotely. The District has done its best to conduct a meeting where everyone has an opportunity to listen to the meeting and to provide comment. The public has the opportunity to comment on the agenda, and the opportunity to listen to this meeting through the internet or via telephone. This information can be found on the meeting agenda, which was physically posted at the District's Administrative Office, and on the District website. Ms. Woodworth described the process and protocols for the meeting.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

District Clerk Jennifer Woodworth reported no public comments had been submitted.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: Director Hassett moved and Director Cyr seconded the motion to adopt the agenda.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 3-0-0

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

1. Approve the April 14, 2020 Legislative, Funding, & Public Affairs Committee Meeting Minutes.

Motion: Director Cyr moved, and Director Hassett seconded the motion to approve the April 14, 2020 Legislative, Funding, and Public Affairs committee meeting minutes.

Public comment opened at 2:02 p.m.

No speakers present.

Public comment closed at 2:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 3-0-0

2. Consideration of a Commemorative Bench for State Senator Jim Beall at El Sereno Open Space Preserve (R-20-48)

Joshua Hugg, Governmental Affairs Specialist provided the staff report describing California State Senator Jim Beall's significant contributions to the District, including helping secure funding for District projects such as the Highway 17 crossings, streamlined process and funding for potential San Jose Water Company land acquisition, and trail and watershed projects at Bear Creek Redwoods Preserve. The proposed bench location overlooks the Lexington Reservoir, and Mr. Hugg described suggested language for the commemorative bench, which language would be approved by Senator Beall. Finally, Mr. Hugg described the next steps for the process.

The Committee members spoke in strong support of the general manager's recommendation and of Senator Beall's contributions to the District.

Public comment opened at 2:18 p.m.

District Clerk Jennifer Woodworth announced that no comments were submitted.

Public comment closed at 2:18 p.m.

Motion: Director Cyr moved, and Director Hassett seconded the motion to forward to the full Board of Directors a recommendation to install a commemorative bench and plaque in honor of significant supporter State Senator Jim Beall with a view over the Lexington Vista at El Sereno Open Space Preserve.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 3-0-0

3. Paper Usage Policy Update – Revised Information (R-20-49)

Public Affairs Manager Korrine Skinner reported this item is bring brought back to the Committee because there was an error in the previous report the Committee discussed in April. provided the staff presentation. Ms. Skinner explained the error and reported it does not significantly alter the fiscal impact of the proposed policy change and described the proposed policy language update.

Directors Cyr and Hassett suggested using the cost of the entire printing budget rather than using sample projects to simplify the explanation of the fiscal impact.

Public comment opened at 2:31 p.m.

District Clerk Jennifer Woodworth announced no public comments were submitted.

Public comment closed at 2:31 p.m.

Motion: Director Hassett moved, and Director Cyr seconded the motion to forward the following recommendations to the Board of Directors for approval:

1. Affirm the authorization of the specification of 100% recycled paper stock, when feasible, for high-quantity printing orders, including for brochure maps and the quarterly newsletter.
2. Update Board Policy 3.03 Section V.C, Purchase of Recycled Products to match Administrative Policy 4.03: “District staff shall purchase recycled products when the cost, suitability, and quality, taken together, provide the best outcome for the environment and best value for the public.”

ROLL CALL VOTE: 3-0-0

ADJOURNMENT

Director Kersteen-Tucker adjourned the meeting of the Legislative, Funding, and Public Affairs Committee at 2:32 p.m.

Jennifer Woodworth, MMC
District Clerk