



Midpeninsula Regional
Open Space District

Meeting 12-25

SPECIAL MEETING

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MIDPENINSULA REGIONAL OPEN SPACE DISTRICT**

July 18, 2012

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING – REGULAR SESSION

I. ROLL CALL

President Riffle called the Special Meeting of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District Board of Directors to order at 7:30 p.m.

Members Present: Jed Cyr, Yoriko Kishimoto, Pete Siemens, Cecily Harris, Larry Hassett and Curt Riffle

Members Absent: Nonette Hanko

Staff Present: Acting General Manager Ana Ruiz, General Counsel Sheryl Schaffner, Senior Planner Meredith Manning, Project Manager Gina Coony, Restoration Design Group Principal Landscape Architect Bob Birkeland, Restoration Design Group Planning Director Rich Walkling, Rutherford & Chekene Principal Structural Engineer Bret Lizundia, TBD Consultants Executive Vice President Gordon Beveridge, and District Clerk Michelle Radcliffe

I. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

The following people shared their thoughts regarding the Lehigh Quarry Reclamation Plan Amendment: Barry Chang of Cupertino; Ken Smyth of Cupertino; Cathy Helgersson of Cupertino; and Tim Brand of Cupertino.

II. BOARD BUSINESS**1. Agenda Item #1 – Board Workshop for Mount Umunhum Radar Tower Options (R-12-75)**

Acting General Manager Ana Ruiz welcomed the Board and public to the meeting and introduced Cathy Hyde, Constituent Services Director from Congressman Mike Honda's office. Ms. Hyde read a statement from Congressman Honda into the record.

Senior Planner Meredith Manning explained that the purpose of the meeting is to provide an opportunity to review, ask questions, and comment on the three radar tower options under consideration as well as the project costs and funding. She also provided an overview of the preliminary list of factors to be considered in making decisions regarding structures on District property and stated that the purpose of the list of factors is to help guide the Board in the radar tower decision-making process. Ms. Manning explained that the Board will be considering the list of factors at this meeting.

Next, Ms. Manning provided a brief overview of the radar tower options as well as costs of the options and the associated maintenance. Rich Walkling and Bob Birkeland of Restoration Design Group presented the three options for the radar tower to the Board and answered questions they had.

Public Comment:

The following people spoke in favor of Option #1- Restoration: Cathy Helgersson of Cupertino; Roger Little of San Jose; Gary Stoy of Los Altos; George Clifford of Los Altos Hills; James Urban of Campbell; Corrine Asturias of San Jose; Bern Smith of Half Moon Bay; Robert Garner of San Jose;

The following people spoke in favor of Option #2 – Open Air: Jack Nadeau of San Jose.

The following people spoke in favor of Option #3 - Retain and Seal Radar Tower: Monica Toole of San Jose; Bob Wallace of San Jose; Jordan Makower of Sunnyvale, Robert Watts of Morgan Hill; Tim Towers of Santa Clara; Hella Bluhm-Stieber of San Jose; Chuck Jeronimo of Livermore; Basim Jaber of San Jose; Ric Bretschneider of San Jose; Anthony Zerbo of San Jose; Rich Cirivilleri of San Jose; Bob Dougherty of Campbell; Kitty Monahan of San Jose; Michael Boulland of San Jose; Irmeard Auckerman of San Jose; Ronald Horii of San Jose; George Royer of Los Gatos; Harry Pottol of Sunnyvale; Mike Cook of Milpitas; Bill Likens of Sunnyvale; Paul Barrish of Los Gatos; Michael O'Halloran of Santa Clara; Curt Hopkins of Los Gatos; Beth Wyman of Morgan Hill; Sam Drave of San Jose; Jeff Gordon of San Jose; Taylor Wing from San Jose; Steve Nestle of San Jose; Harry Bunting of San Jose; Larry Ames of San Jose; Frank Sweeney of San Jose; Henry Cuningham of San Jose; David Schwadenen of Saratoga; and Charles Smith of San Jose.

Due to time constraints, the meeting was continued to September 19, 2012. The Board agreed to consider the list of factors at the next Special Meeting for the Mount Umunhum project.

III. ADJOURNMENT

President Riffle adjourned the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District at 10:29 p.m.

Michelle Radcliffe, CMC
District Clerk