

HUNTINGTON BEACH
SOUTHEAST AREA COMMITTEE
MAY 16, 2006

Attendance: Jill Hardy; Don Hansen and Cathy Green, Councilmembers

City Staff: Stanley Smalewitz, MaryBeth Broeren, Todd Broussard, Bob Stachelski, Carol Runzel, Dave Webb, and Dave Dominguez

Cathy Green called the meeting to order at 3:39 pm.

Public Comments:

- Jack Kirkhorn reported that along PCH between the Santa Ana River and Newland there is non-native vegetation growing on the Cal Trans property that is an issue for the adjacent wetland area.
- George Mason mentioned the Adopt-A-Highway Program and said that insurance issues were a concern for volunteer groups. He suggested that AES might be interested in the Adopt-A-Highway program.

AES Power Plant Valuation – Shari Freidenrich, City Treasurer

Shari Freidenrich reported that she was going to testify on the AES property tax valuation amount at the Board of Equalization (BOE) meeting to take place on the following day, May 17. She reported that Van Horn Consulting has been most helpful in working with the BOE.

Magnolia Sidewalk – Todd Broussard, Civil Engineer Principal

Todd Broussard gave an update on the project including environmental and design activities to date. It was indicated that additional funding will be necessary above what is currently budgeted and since lighting is not required by City Code, it will be listed as an additive bid item and its inclusion into the project would be determined after bids have been received. He also indicated that some minimal wetland mitigation will be required.

Based upon comments from the committee and residents from the southeast area, the following design parameters will be pursued. The existing concrete barrier will be removed and replaced with curb and gutter. Staff will continue to identify alternate materials for the railing. Comments from Jack Kirkhorn, Board member for the Huntington Beach Wetlands Conservancy, and subsequent comments from the area residents, indicated that a continuation of the concrete sidewalk similar to the existing sidewalk north of the channel is desirable in lieu of a boardwalk type material. A lookout area will still be provided on each side.

Todd indicated that the goal was to have a construction package and an updated cost estimate prepared for the July meeting.

The meeting was adjourned approximately at 4:30 pm.

Notes prepared by Carol Runzel, Assistant Project Manager