

# Mobile Home Advisory Board [MHAB]

## Meeting Notes

April 28, 2014

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### 1. Call to Order:

Chair Daniel Kittredge called the MHAB meeting to order at 6:01 PM, at Huntington Beach City Hall, 2000 Main Street, Room B-8, Huntington Beach, CA.

### 2. Roll Call:

**Members Present:** Mary Jo Baretich, Sharon Dana, Tim Geddes, Daniel Kittredge, Patricia Taylor, and Manuel Vizinho

**Excused Absent:** Don Castleman, Michael Cirillo, and Amber Monte

**Staff Present:** Kellee Fritzal and Denise Bazant

### 3. Approval of the Meeting Notes from January 27, 2014:

Motion made by Taylor, seconded by Baretich, to approve the meeting notes of January 27, 2014 as corrected. Minutes were approved unanimously.

### 4. Public Comments (agenda items):

- Chris Friberg spoke regarding rent increases at Pacific Mobile Home Park and street widening
- Diane Atkins spoke regarding rent increases at Pacific Mobile Home Park, park management, and space 154, a park owned mobile home
- Maria Laurienzo, Secretary of Pacific Mobile Home Homeowner Association (HOA), seeking MHAB support regarding a meeting with park management – the HOA has attempted to meet with park management with no response
- Krystal Friberg spoke regarding disturbance by construction of new mobile home, harassment by Pacific Mobile Home management regarding condition of her home, and selective rent increases

### 5. Election of Chair Elect:

Kittredge suggested that the election of the Chair Elect should be postponed due to the absence of three board members. Geddes made a motion to move forward with election of Chair Elect, seconded by Taylor. Motion passed 4-2 (Kittredge, Vizinho No).

Chair Kittredge open the meeting for nominations of Chair Elect:

- Kittredge nominated Vizinho, Dana second the motion. Motion failed 2-4 (Taylor, Baretich, Dana, Geddes, No).
- Taylor nominated Geddes, Baretich second the motion. Motion approved 4-2 (Kittredge, Vizinho, No).

### 6. New Business:

**Presentation** – Nilda Patino de Berndt, Community Relations Specialist, spoke on the Police Department's Neighborhood Watch Program. The Neighborhood Watch Program is comprised of three components: Neighborhood Watch Board; meetings; and offers personal safety information.

### 7. Old Business:

**Update and Discussion on Overlay Zone Ordinance regarding Restricting Senior Mobile Home Parks from becoming Family Parks** – Fritzal announced the City Council approved the Overlay Zone at its March 17, 2014 meeting.

**8. Public Comments (non-agenda items):**

- Betsy Crimi advocated for Pacific Mobile Home Park. Requesting that the MHAB meet monthly to address what is happening in the parks.
- Vickie Talley stated that there is a rental assistance program with a 10% subsidy within the Pacific Mobile Home Park. Talley stated that the board is preempted from discussing rents. She stated that Geddes serving on the board is a sever conflict of interest and should not be serving on the board due to his affiliation with the GSMOL.
- Chris Friberg spoke regarding rent increase.
- Diane Atkins spoke regarding seniors being homeless due to rent increases and requested that the Board meet monthly.
- Jodie Wollman, resident of Rancho Huntington, questioned the term of Elizabeth Alex on the MHAB as an independent representative. Supported Geddes as an independent representative to the Board.

**9. Member Comments:**

Geddes thanked the residents who attended the MHAB meeting and hope that residents take advantage of all the programs which are offered.

Taylor inquired if the City Council wanted the MHAB to meet monthly. She would be willing to meet monthly. Fritzal responded that the By-Laws state the MHAB meet quarterly; however, special meetings could be convened at the written request by the majority of the Board or by the City Council Liaisons.

Baretich wanted a consensus from the Council Liaisons as to whether they would want the MHAB to have monthly meetings.

Dana supported Geddes as a member of the MHAB and stated that his affiliation with GSMOL is a volunteer. Dana also mentioned her concern that park owners are raising rents of certain tenants. Fritzal responded to questions regarding the purchase of mobile homes as a result of a relocation plan for the Atlanta Street Widening project.

**10. Next Meeting Agenda Items:**

Geddes requested an update of the Atlanta Street Widening. He also requested that a special meeting be implemented or inquire to City Council to change by-laws. Fritzal stated that she will approach the Council Liaisons for their input regarding special meetings.

**11. Adjournment:**

Moved by Kittredge and seconded by Geddes to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 pm to the next regular scheduled meeting of July 28, 2014, at 6:00 pm, held at City Hall, 2000 Main Street, Huntington Beach, Lower Level, Room B-8.