



## MINUTES

### CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION APRIL 16, 2014

**Call to Order/  
Pledge of Allegiance:** The meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m. by Chairperson Brenden, who led Commissioners and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Commissioners Absent:** Thomas

**Commissioners Present:** Commissioners Brenden, Carr, Berge, Cook (arrived at 5:10PM), Hart, and McGovern were in attendance.

**Others Present:** Travis Hopkins, Director of Public Works  
Bob Stachelski, Transportation Manager  
Todd Broussard, Principal Civil Engineer  
Ken Dills, Project Manager  
Kirsty Wapner, Administrative Assistant

#### **B. PRESENTATIONS-COMMENDATIONS**

None.

#### **C. MINUTES**

C-1. Motion by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Commissioner Berge to approve the minutes of March 16, 2014 as presented.

VOTE: The motion carried.  
AYES: 4  
NOES: 0  
ABSENT: 2 (Cook, Thomas)  
ABSTENTIONS: 1 (McGovern)

#### **D. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Public comment from Gerald Chapman, former member of Planning Commission, Public Works Commission, and Infrastructure Advisory Committee, stated concern that all debt service is including in the City's infrastructure calculation. He also stated his concern with the funds budgeted for the Senior

Center in the Infrastructure Fund is not the infrastructure its intended for. Commissioner McGovern noted Measure O was placed on ballot but defeated and acknowledged Chapman's concerns. Hopkins stated current debt service is about \$5 million. He added that the Public Works Commission reviews this at the July Public Works Commission meeting. The Finance Department provides the data.

## **E. DIRECTOR'S ITEMS**

Travis Hopkins provided information on the National Mayor's Challenge and noted that Huntington Beach is currently in third place for our population category. He encouraged commissioners to go online and pledge. Chairperson Brenden stated he attended the rain barrel class and picked up four barrels. He gave credit to the City for getting the message out to residents about water conservation efforts.

Commissioner Cook stated if north OC cities used as little water as Westminster, we could 100% of water from ground.

## **F. INFORMATION ITEMS**

F-1. Upcoming City Council Study Sessions – It was noted that the Downtown Task Force recommendations are being presented at the April 21 Study Session. The new Senior Center will be presented at the May 5 Study Session. Mid-year budget update will be presented May 19. The CIP will be presented at the August 4 Study Session. The CIP will be presented to the Public Works Commission in June, along with the Public Works tour.

F-2. Active Capital Project Report – Todd Broussard provided updates on the capital project report. He stated the Arterial Rehab for Argosy, Yorktown and 6<sup>th</sup> Street- bids opened yesterday. This will be brought to Council on May 5. Meredith Pump Expansion- bids opened last week. First Street Diversion SCADA project- was awarded at the April 7 Council meeting.

Chairperson Brenden asked for status on WAGS. Mr. Broussard noted the pipeline portion is complete on the inland side of the Warner bridge. Dewatering has started on other side. The pipeline portion of the project should be completed in June.

Chairman Brenden suggested again that a readerboard sign be put up on PCH northbound, before Seapointe or at Goldenwest to alert drivers of potential delays. He also suggested the possibility of opening up a right turn lane at Warner to alleviate traffic back-up on PCH.

**G. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

- G-1. Beach Blvd 4<sup>th</sup> Northbound through Lane– Todd Broussard reported the City had applied for grant funding in 2011 to reduce unsafe driving maneuvers by drivers intending to access the I-405 on-ramp. This job will include re-striping for a thru-lane at Beach Blvd and Edinger and work to be done at the freeway off-ramp. Staff is working with Caltrans because a stop sign will be needed.

Motion by Commissioner Hart, seconded by Commissioner McGovern, to approve that the Beach Blvd 4<sup>th</sup> northbound lane is in general conformance with the previously approved CIP.

VOTE:           The motion carried.  
AYES:           6  
NOES:           0  
ABSENT:         1 (Thomas)  
ABSTENTIONS:  0

**H. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

**I. COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMENTS**

Commissioner Hart announced his resignation. He thanked Council Member Katapodis, Public Works Commissioners, and Public Works Department staff.

**J. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 5:33 PM to May 21, 2014 at 5:00 PM at the Utilities Yard.

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Pat Brenden  
Chairperson

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Kirsty Wapner  
Administrative Assistant