

**MEASURE J COMMISSION**  
CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA  
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MEETING MINUTES  
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2014, 4:00 p.m.  
CITY HALL LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Marshall called the September 18, 2014 Regular Meeting of the Measure J Commission of the City of Palm Springs to order at 4:02 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Commissioners Dada, Hammond, Moon, Towner, Vogel, Vice-Chair Bloomer, and Chair Marshall.

**ABSENT:** Commissioners Cohen and Williams.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Commission Secretary Cairns, and City Manager Ready.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Commissioner Towner led the Pledge.

**ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA:** Approve the Agenda as presented. **Motion Commissioner Dada, seconded by Commissioner Towner and unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioners Cohen and Williams.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Approval of July 17, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes. **Motion Commissioner Dada, seconded by Commissioner Hammond and unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioners Cohen and Williams.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**1. CITY COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Communications Director Amy Blaisdell provided a brief update. No action taken.

**2. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:**

City Manager Ready provided a verbal report. No action taken.

**3. FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

No action taken.

**4. MEASURE J PROJECTS UPDATE REPORT:**

Special Projects Coordinator Al Smoot provided a project update. Mr. Smoot and Chief of Police Al Franz provided a report on the current project needs at the Police Department. No action taken.

**5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**5.A. THE ANALYSIS AD HOC COMMITTEE ON 2014-15 PROJECT FUNDING (COMMISSIONERS BLOOMER, DADA, AND WILLIAMS):**

**ACTION:** This item was tabled to the next regular meeting. **By consensus of the Commission.**

**5.B. THE MEASURE J MULTI-YEAR PLANNING AD HOC COMMITTEE (COMMISSIONERS HAMMOND, MARSHALL, AND VOGEL):**

**ACTION:** Appropriate five percent (5%) of the annual Measure J revenue directly into community projects. **Motion Commissioner Hammond, seconded by Commissioner Vogel.**

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION:** Appropriate a minimum of \$1 million or five percent (5%) of the total annual Measure J revenue directly into community projects. **Motion Commissioner Hammond, seconded by Commissioner Vogel and unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioners Cohen and Williams.**

**6. NEW BUSINESS:**

**6.A. SUBJECT MATTER SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**ACTION:** The Commissioner "Subject Matter Expert" committee assignments will now be known as "Advocates" . **By consensus of the Commission.**

Commissioner Hammond provided an update on Water Conservation (including the Tahquitz Canyon Median), as well as a Neighborhoods update. Vice-Chair Bloomer commented on the Trolley project. Commissioner Vogel commented on taking a tour of the Police Department, and provided an update on a possible Parks pavilion design competition.

**6.B. RESPONSE AND FOLLOW-UP TO PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**ACTION:** The Commission discussed moving up the "Commission Member Items and Requests" item to follow the first public comments period. No action taken.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**STAFF MEMBER COMMENTS:** None.

**COMMISSION MEMBER ITEMS AND REQUESTS:**

Commissioner Hammond commented on possible unfunded projects coming up before the Commission to be considered, and whether some of the projects are completed and how the Commission can get information or help move the project forward. Commissioner Moon commented on how to get community input on additional public projects. Chair Marshall encouraged Commissioners to take a tour of the Police Department before the next meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The Regular Meeting of the Measure J Commission of the City of Palm Springs adjourned at 5:14 p.m. to a joint meeting with the City Council on Wednesday, October 15, 2015 at 6:00 p.m., Palm Springs City Hall, 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way. **Motion Commissioner Dada, seconded by Vice-Chair Bloomer and unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioners Cohen and Williams.**

**APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE MEASURE J COMMISSION THIS 16TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2014.**



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Cindy Cairns  
Commission Secretary