

MEASURE J COMMISSION
CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA
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MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2015, 4:00 p.m.
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Marshall called the September 17, 2015 Regular Meeting of the Measure J Commission of the City of Palm Springs to order at 4:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Commissioners Cohen, Dada, Hammond, Moon, Rosenberg, Vogel, Williams, Vice-Chair Bloomer and Chair Marshall.

ABSENT: Commissioners Williams.

ALSO PRESENT: Commission Secretary Muniz, Finance Director Kiehl, Assistant City Manager/City Engineer Fuller, and City Manager Ready.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Rosenberg led the Pledge.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA: The Agenda was accepted as amended, moving Item 5.A., Report from the Application Process AD HOC Committee, to come after item 1, Appointment of a Chair and Vice-Chair of the Measure J Commission for a one-year term. **Motion Commissioner Hammond, seconded by Commissioner Dada and unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioner Williams.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes for the June 18, 2015 Regular Meeting were accepted as amended, noting Commissioner Rosenberg's vote against not holding a July meeting and the name of the NMTP. **Motion Commissioner Dada, seconded by Commissioner Cohen and unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioner Williams.**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mary Sue Ellen, E. Sunny Dunes Rd., Palm Springs, CA – commented on Item 42 of the 2015 Community Projects Hot Spot Report, asking for consideration on this project. The road (Sunny Dunes Rd) is in great need of sidewalks for pedestrian safety, traffic calming, and bicycle lanes. Fledgling business district is difficult to access due the inconsistency of sidewalks.

Bob Perlman, Sunny Dunes Rd., Palm Springs, CA – commented on the constant construction, maintenance trucks, digging by utility and private companies to construct new homes, and resurfacing of the road; and having Sunny Dunes Rd. repaved, after all the construction, it is abominable to walk and ride bike.

1. **APPOINTMENT OF A CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR OF THE MEASURE J COMMISSION FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM:**
RECOMMENDATION: Reappoint Chair Marshall and Vice-Chair Bloomer. **Motion Commissioner Dada, seconded by Commissioner Cohen and unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioner Williams.**

Item 5.A. was moved up in the agenda and discussed at this point in the meeting.

2. **MEASURE J PROJECTS UPDATE REPORT:**
Assistant City Manager/City Engineer Marcus Fuller distributed a detailed report. He did not provide a verbal report. No action taken.
3. **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:**
City Manager Ready did not provided a verbal report. No action taken.
4. **FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**
Finance Director Kiehl did not provided a verbal report. No action taken.
5. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 5.A. **REPORT FROM THE APPLICATION PROCESS AD HOC COMMITTEE: (COMMISSIONERS MARSHALL, BLOOMER AND HAMMOND):**
Commissioner Hammond provided a verbal report on the submitted Hot Spot Submissions. After comments and discussion and before approval of the 2015 Community Projects Pedestrian, Bicycle and Traffic Hot Spots 3 year Budget Project List, Chair Marshall commented on a possible conflict of interest.

City Attorney Doug Holland commented on the possible conflict of interest, and out of caution advises that anyone that owns a property within 500 ft. of any of the listed locations, do not participate on those particular items; consider withdrawing those particular items and vote on separately.

Action: Approve 2015 Community Projects Pedestrian, Bicycle and Traffic Hot Spots 3 year Budget List withdrawing Item 39, 40, 46, and 48 from list and vote on separately. **Motion Vice-Chair Bloomer, seconded by Commissioner Rosenberg and unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioner Williams.**

Action: Commissioner Hammond recused herself from vote on Items 39 and 40. **Motion Commissioner Dada, seconded by Commissioner Cohen and unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioner Williams.**

Action: Commissioner Dada recused himself from vote on Items 46 and 48. **Motion Vice-Chair Bloomer, seconded by Commissioner Hammond and unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioner Williams.**

At this time, before Item 2, Measure J Projects Update Report, and remainder of the Items in the Agenda, Commissioner Dada made a motion to adjourn meeting and continue the remainder of the items at the next scheduled meeting. After discussion, the motion was substituted to adjourn meeting and continue with a Special Meeting next week. **Motion Commissioner Dada, seconded by Vice-Chair Bloomer and unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioner Williams.**

5.B. REPORT FROM PROJECT FUNDING: PROCESS & POLICY AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR APPROVED PROJECTS; REAUTHORIZATION AND REALLOCATION OF UNEXPENDED FUNDS:
RECOMMENDATION: None

5.C. SUBJECT MATTER ADVOCATE REPORTS:
RECOMMENDATION: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

STAFF MEMBER COMMENTS: None.

COMMISSION MEMBER ITEMS AND REQUESTS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: The Regular Meeting of the Measure J Commission of the City of Palm Springs adjourned at 4:58 p.m. to Special Meeting Thursday, September 24, 2015, at 4:00 p.m., Palm Springs Airport Conference Room, 3400 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way. **Motion Commissioner Dada, seconded by Vice-Chair Bloomer and unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioner Williams.**

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE MEASURE J COMMISSION THIS 19TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2015.

Ariana Muniz
Commission Secretary