

MEASURE J COMMISSION
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SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2015, 4:00 p.m.
PALM SPRINGS AIRPORT CONFERENCE ROOM

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Marshall called the September 24, 2015 Special Meeting of the Measure J Commission of the City of Palm Springs to order at 4:01 p.m.

Chair Marshall commented on Commissioner Moon's resignation.

ROLL CALL:

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

ABSENT: Noting the resignation on Commissioner Moon

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Williams led the Pledge.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA: Approve the Agenda as amended, moving Item 4.A., Report from Project Funding: Process & Policy AD HOC Committee for Additional Funds for Approved Projects; Reauthorization and Reallocation of Unexpended Funds after Public Comments period. **By Consensus of the Commission, noting the resignation of Commissioner Moon.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

Item 4.A. was moved up in the agenda and discussed at this point in the meeting.

1. MEASURE J PROJECTS UPDATE REPORT:

Assistant City Manager/City Engineer Marcus Fuller provided a verbal report on the Police Department Remodel and commented that Frank Urrutia can give a presentation at the next scheduled meeting. After discussion, Chair Marshall recommends Commissioner Hammond and Vogel coordinate a tour of the Police Department.

Action: Commissioner Vogel to coordinate a tour of the Police Department.

Discussion continued on General Procedures to improve policy and practices with City Council. No action taken.

No additional report provided by Assistant City Manager/City Engineer Marcus Fuller.

2. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Ready did not provided a verbal report. No action taken.

3. FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Finance Director Kiehl did not provided a verbal report. No action taken.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

4.A. REPORT FROM PROJECT FUNDING: PROCESS & POLICY AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR APPROVED PROJECTS; REAUTHORIZATION AND REALLOCATION OF UNEXPENDED FUNDS: (COMMISSIONERS VOGEL, WILLIAMS AND BLOOMER):

Commissioner Vogel provided a verbal report. Finance Director Kiehl provided a verbal financial report. City Engineer Fuller distributed a detailed report on the Measure J Capital Project Tracking Report and provided a verbal report on Item 25, CP 14-16 Tahquitz Creek Gateway Triangle Parcel; Item 38, CP 14-19 Ruth Hardy-Demuth Security Path Lighting; Item 69, CP 14-17 Fire Station #2 HVAC Chiller Replacement; Item 84 and 85, CP 14-20, 21 Palm Canyon Irrigation/Electrical; and Item 91, CP 13-31 Entry Way Signs.

After discussion, Chair Marshall requested Commissioners comment on how we should proceed with items 25, 38, 69, 84, 85, and 91: Commissioner Hammond recommends to proceed with all the projects; and go back to City Council and request City Council to pay for the lighting in Demuth Park (Item 38) and the two additional entry way signs they have requested to add (Item 91); Commissioner Dada recommends to proceed with all of the projects; Commissioner Cohen recommends to proceed with all of the projects and request that entry way signs not be dropped; Vice-Chair Bloomer recommends to proceed with all of the projects and is in favor of adding the Demuth Park lighting to the list of projects (Item 38); Chair Marshall recommends to move forward; Commissioner Rosenberg recommends to proceed with the original projects list; Commissioner Vogel recommends to move forward with all projects including lighting for Demuth Park and the additional entry way signs; Commissioner Williams recommends to move forward with all of the projects.

City Manager Ready provided a verbal report on Item 30, CP 14-22 Visitor Center's Landscape Upgrade; and Item 37, CP 15-16 Cornelia White House Improvements. Item 30, we are not asking for direction at this time and recommends revisiting; Item 37, has been completed, will remove from this list and take it to City Council and request to add to the Capital Projects list from the General Fund. Assistant City Manager/Engineer will provide update on Item 76, 77, and 78, CP 15-05 Police Department Remodel. Commissioner Vogel commented on Item 30 and 37. Commissioner Rosenberg commented on Item 37. Commissioner Williams commented on Item 30.

Action: Approve the five projects identified by Assistant City Manager / City Engineer Marcus Fuller. **Motion Commissioner Dada, seconded by Commissioner Williams and unanimously carried 8-0 on a roll call vote noting the resignation of Commissioner Moon.**

Ayes: Commissioner Hammond, Dada, Cohen, Vice-Chair Bloomer, Chair Marshall, Rosenberg, Vogel and Williams.
Noes: None.
Absent: Noting the resignation of Commissioner Moon.

Commissioner Dada left at 5:01 pm.

4.B. SUBJECT MATTER ADVOCATE REPORTS:

RECOMMENDATION: Commissioner Vogel will get together with Commissioner Hammond and coordinate a tour of the Police Department; Commissioner Hammond commented that One-PS will hold a community discussion on Brown Act issues, and on the upcoming DWA Candidate Forum and Mayoral and City Council Candidates Forum.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

STAFF MEMBER COMMENTS: None.

COMMISSION MEMBER ITEMS AND REQUESTS: Commissioner Williams thanks City Engineer Marcus Fuller for the detailed tracking report provided; Commissioner Vogel compliments Commissioner Williams for his participation in the sub-committee; Commissioner Rosenberg thanks Commissioner Vogel for his time to review project list; Commissioner Cohen comments on FIOS services; Commissioner Hammond comments on working with City Staff.

ADJOURNMENT: The Special Meeting of the Measure J Commission of the City of Palm Springs adjourned at 5:29 p.m. to Thursday, October 15, 2015, at 4:00 p.m., Palm Springs City Hall, 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way. **Motion Commissioner Vogel, seconded by Commissioner Cohen and unanimously carried, noting the resignation of Commissioner Moon.**

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

Ariana Muniz
Commission Secretary