

MEASURE J COMMISSION
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MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 2016, 4:00 p.m.
CITY HALL LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Marshall called the January 21, 2016 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, Rosenberg, Williams, Vice-Chair Bloomer and Chair Marshall.

ABSENT: Commissioners Vogel and Williams.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Hammond led the Pledge.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA: Approve the Agenda as amended. Motion by Commissioner Rosenberg, seconded by Commissioner Cohen and unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioner Vogel and Williams.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes for the September 17, 2015, Regular Meeting Minutes were accepted as amended; Minutes for September 24, 2015, Special Meeting Minutes and October 15, 2015, Regular Meeting Minutes were accepted as presented. Motion by Commissioner Dada, seconded by Commissioner Rosenberg and unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioner Vogel and Williams.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Richard Noble, Palm Springs, commented on having Rainbow Crosswalks on S Calle Encilia to E Arena Rd. and Indian Canyon and E Arenas Rd. (full square). He stated that he had presented the idea to the local businesses in that area and the majority was in favor.

1. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Ready was not in attendance. No report provided. No action taken.

2. FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Finance Director Kiehl provided a verbal report. Also, attached to the report was the Audit Reports from Lance, Soll & Lunghard & Maryanov, Madsen, Gordon & Campbell. No action taken.

3. MEASURE J PROJECTS UPDATE REPORT:

Assistant City Manager/City Engineer Marcus Fuller provided a verbal report.
No action taken.

4. NEW 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):

RECOMMENDATION: Vice-Chair Bloomer stated, that the Committee had decided to wait to meet with the City Council Sub-Committee and get direction from them.

4.B. DEFERRED ACTION: CITY PROJECT 14-18, JOJ DESERT HIGHLAND UNITY CENTER OUTDOOR PERFORMANCE STAGE / BALL FIELD LIGHTING:

RECOMMENDATION: Chair Marshall commented that as a Commission it had been decided not to spend any additional money until the new City Council had met with the AD HOC Committee. Process & Policy AD HOC Committee will be meeting with City Council.

Chair Mark Marshall commented on how he would like to approach this going forward; instead of limiting to two or three meeting with City Council, he would like to do it by Subject Matter Advocates (Ex. NMTP, Public Works, Downtown) give everyone a chance to meet with the City Council.

Assistant City Manager/City Engineer Marcus Fuller also stated that no direction was needed at this time until sub-committee meetings occur. He stated that this project was out to bid; and bid opens on February 11, 2016. City Engineer Marcus Fuller will be prepared at next month's meeting with actual bid amount, ask for Commission to make a decision and recommendation on appropriating from the reserved, the amount needed to award the contract.

This Item 4.B. is being deferred to next meeting.

4.C. DISCUSSION OF CITY PROJECT 15-05, POLICE DEPARTMENT: (COMMISSIONERS MARSHALL, HAMMOND AND ROSENBERG):

Senior Civil Engineer Franco provided a verbal update and distributed additional material for presentation.

Assistant City Manager/City Engineer Marcus Fuller commented on the request to amend the scope of the project including an addition to the Architects Design contract. We are looking for the Commissions concurrence on. Also, this is coming from previous appropriated budget not additional budget. We welcome recommendation to proceed to City Council to have Council amend the Design Consultants contract with exiting budget.

Captain Walter Combs shared a brief history and vision on the use of the facilities.

There was given time for questions and discussion. No action taken.

4.D. APPOINTMENT OF CITY COUNCIL AD HOC COMMITTEE:

This item has been deferred until after the AD HOC Committee has met with City Council. No action taken

4.E. DISCUSSION OF MEETING TIME (PER CITY COUNCIL SUGGESTION):

This item was deferred until after the AD HOC Committee has met with City Council. No action taken.

4.F. SUBJECT MATTER ADVOCATE REPORTS:

Chair Marshall asked Commissioner Hammond to work with Marcus Fuller on the Rainbow Crosswalk project. Commissioner Hammond provided an update on the Community Project list, stated that work continues on the proposal for a traffic calming study, and street improvements. Senior Civil Engineer Franco Laurie also, commented on the traffic calming. Assistant City Manager/City Engineer Marcus Fuller commented on the contract previously awarded to Granite. Commissioner Dada reminded the Commissioners that we have no authority to discuss the General Fund for the future. Vice-Chair Bloomer mentioned on DWA pipe replacement and saving water. Chair Marshall commented on the ONE-PS picnic expo and Commissioners participation on March 19, 2016 at 11:00 a.m...

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 5:14 p.m. to Thursday, April 21, 2015, at 4:00 p.m., Palm Springs City Hall, 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way. Motion Commissioner Dada, seconded by Commissioner Hammond and unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioner Vogel and Williams.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE MEASURE J COMMISSION THIS 17TH DAY OF MARCH, 2016.



Ariana Muniz
Commission Secretary