

MEASURE J COMMISSION
CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA
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MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016, 4:00 p.m.
CITY HALL LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Marshall called the May 19, 2016 Regular Meeting of the Measure J Commission of the City of Palm Springs to order at 4:03 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Hammond led the Pledge.

ROLL CALL:

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

ABSENT: Commissioner Williams.

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

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA: Approve the Agenda as presented. **Unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioner Williams.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes for the April 21, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes were accepted as presented. **Motion by Commissioner Rosenberg, seconded by Commissioner Vogel and unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioner Williams.**

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

1. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager David Ready provided a verbal report and additional handout material. No action taken.

2. FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Finance Director Kiehl provided a verbal report.

Commissioner Heritage, commented on the Buzz Trolley funding.

Commissioner Hammond, commented on item request for funding the Buzz Trolley marketing/program and generating revenue from the Buzz Trolley use, and on the NMTP / Biking Issues.

Commissioner Vogel, commented on the total amount available in the Measure J & City Budget fund.

Action: It is recommended the Commission does not participate in the discussion of changing the previous allocation to the Bike Lanes. **Motion by Commissioner Vogel, second by Chair Marshall and unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioner Williams.**

Commissioner Rosenberg, commented on Items 81-83 Police Redesign, Remodel and Upgrades, of the Measure J Capital Projects Tracking Report.

Chair Marshall, commented on the parking structure.

At this time, Item 4.E., Budget for Capital Improvements Requests was moved before Item 3, Measure J Projects Update Report.

3. MEASURE J PROJECTS UPDATE REPORT:

Assistant City Manager/City Engineer Fuller provided a verbal report.

Action: Allocate Measure J Funds to all of the publicly visible projects. Any project designated by the City Council to come from Measure J Funds to be high visibility. **Motion by Commissioner Vogel, second by Commissioner Heritage and unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioner Williams.**

At this time, it was continued with Item 4.C. Appoint AD HOC Committees.

4. NEW BUSINESS:

4.A. JOINT MEETING WITH THE CITY COUNCIL – COMMISSIONER
COMMENTS: 2 MINUTES: None.
RECOMMENDATIONS: Receive and file.

4.B. APPROVAL OF POLICIES RECOMMENDED TO CITY COUNCIL
REGARDING PALM SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE 2.59.050:
RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file.

Action: Line item 1, 2, and 3 approve as amended. **Motion by Commissioner Heritage, second by Commissioner Rosenberg and unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioner Williams.**

Commissioner Dada left meeting at 5:40 p.m.

Action: Remove line item 4. **Motion by Commissioner Vogel, second by Commissioner Cohen and unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioner Dada, and Williams.**

Line item 5, to be discussed between the AD HOC Committee and the City Council Sub-Committee.

Item 3, Measure J Projects Update Report was moved after Item 4.B. Approval of Policies Recommended to City Council regarding Palm Springs Municipal Code 2.59.05.

4.C. APPOINT AD HOC COMMITTEES: COMMUNICATIONS, STREETS:

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file.

Vice-Chair Bloomer, will Chair the Communications AD HOC Committee. Chair Marshall will work with Commissioner Hammond on the Streets AD HOC Committee.

4.D. UPDATE OF ADVOCATE ITEMS AND MEMBERS:

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file.

Update the Advocates for Measure J approved projects list and remove the Downtown group from list.

Commissioner Rosenberg, suggest redefining list.

Commissioner Hammond, suggest removing Funded Community Projects when the Mizell Structure is completed and Study projects.

4.E. BUDGET FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS REQUESTS:

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file.

Commissioner Vogel, commented on the Chino Cone Trail, asked clarification on the Public Comment during the joint Measure J Meeting with City Council relating to the Chino Cone Trail, and discussion on Streets.

Commissioner Hammond, commented on the Streets program beginning on July 1, 2016.

Commissioner Heritage, commented on the budget discussion with the City Council and Council Priorities.

Commissioner Vogel, commented on recommendations to add to list of Staff priorities.

Chair Marshall, suggest discussing the Unfunded Capital Request & Unfunded Capital Request – Staff Priorities.

Commissioner Hammond, recommends adding Chino Cone Trail and Streets to the Unfunded Capital Request – Staff Priorities list.

Commissioner Cohen, recommends adding Chino Cone Trail, and the Swim Center Pool Cover to the Unfunded Capital Request – Staff Priorities list.

Vice-Chair Bloomer, recommends adding Chino Cone Trail to the Unfunded Capital Request – Staff Priorities list.

Chair Marshall, recommends adding Chino Cone Trail to the Unfunded Capital Request – Staff Priorities list.

Commissioner Heritage, recommends adding for Streets, Dog Park Renovation, and re-plastering the pool to the Unfunded Capital Request – Staff Priorities list.

Commissioner Rosenberg, recommends adding Downtown Holiday Lighting, Fire Training Tower, Chino Cone Trail, Streets, Dog Park to the Unfunded Capital Request – Staff Priorities list.

Commissioner Vogel – recommends that Measure J funds be used on the most visible projects. That the Community can see as Measure J accomplishments.

After discussion, it was agreed that, item 36 Dog Park Renovation, 39 Downtown Holiday Lighting, 41 Swim Center Pool, 42 Fire Training Center, 43 Chino Cone Trail be added to the Unfunded Capital Request – Staff Priorities List.

Action: The Unfunded Capital Request – Measure J Oversight Commission Priorities list recommended to the City Council are:

- (B) Demuth Park ADA Design, Compliance & Retrofits – Phase 1
- (C) Roof Replacements (City Hall / Leisure Center / Demuth Center)
- (D) Swim Center Re-plaster
- (I) Cornelia White House Restoration / Repairs
- (J) Library Infrastructure – Phase 1 – Design
- (K) Downtown Park General Fund loan to Measure J Fund if needed in 2016-2017
- (36) Dog Park Renovation
- (39) Downtown Holiday Lighting
- (41) Swim Center Pool Cover
- (42) Fire Training Tower
- (43) Chino Cone Trail
- Streets

Motion by Commissioner Rosenberg, second by Commissioner Cohen and unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioner Williams.

At this time, it was continued with Item 4.A. Joint Meeting with the City Council – Commissioner Comments and 4.B. Approval of Policies Recommended to City Council regarding Palm Springs Municipal Code 2.59.05.

4.F. SUBJECT MATTER ADVOCATE REPORTS:

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file.

Commissioner Cohen commented on the upcoming presentation by COD

President and the Library, suggesting that Jeannie Kaye come speak at a future Measure J meeting.

Commissioner Cohen left meeting at 6:17 p.m.

Commissioner Hammond commented on the Community projects being worked on by the Engineering Dept., the contract with an on-call Engineering firm approved by the City Council, grant from Caltrans for funding sidewalks, research for traffic warrants, street and restriping, Bryan Snyder's proposal, Measure J ATC and Streets projects overlap, bike lanes funded earlier through Measure J, Public Safety, crosswalk buttons, and the recently hired Police Laterals. Commissioner Rosenberg commented on the High School Auditorium tour and funding.

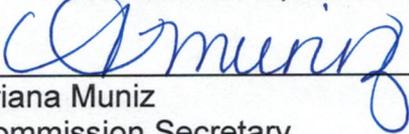
PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

STAFF MEMBER COMMENTS: None.

COMMISSION MEMBER ITEMS AND REQUESTS: Chair Marshall stated that he will not seek reelection; commented on the upcoming reelections for Chair and Vice-Chair and suggest that the Commission develop policy, so the current Chair continues through the June meeting and new Chair to begin term starting the July meeting. Commissioner Vogel, suggest moving up the July meeting earlier.

ADJOURNMENT: The Regular Meeting of the Measure J Commission of the City of Palm Springs adjourned at 6:27 p.m. to Thursday, June 16, 2016, at 4:00 p.m., Palm Springs City Hall, 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way. **Motion Commissioner Vogel, seconded by Commissioner Hammond and unanimously carried noting the absence of Commissioner Cohen, Dada and Williams.**

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE MEASURE J COMMISSION THIS 16TH DAY OF JUNE, 2016.



Ariana Muniz
Commission Secretary