

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA WATERFRONT DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

Date: January 19, 2012
To: Harbor Commission
From: Scott Riedman, Waterfront Director
Subject: **Director's Report**

DEPARTMENT OF BOATING AND WATERWAYS MEETING IN SANTA BARBARA

The California Department of Boating and Waterways (DBW) is holding its bimonthly meeting in Santa Barbara at the Harbor View Inn on January 18. Prior to the meeting, DBW Commissioners and staff will make a site visit to the harbor launch ramp, where two projects are being funded with DBW grants, and to the Marina 1 project area, which is being funded by a DBW loan.

Governor Brown's proposed budget, released on January 5, 2012, would eliminate the Department of Boating and Waterways and move its duties to the Department of Parks and Recreation. Obviously, this is of concern to Waterfront Department staff. As the Commission is aware, the Department benefits from many DBW programs each year. Through DBW's grants and loan program, the City of Santa Barbara has been able to rebuild its launch ramp, build five sewage pump-out stations, remove hundreds of abandoned boats from East Beach, and build the first three phases of the Marina 1 Replacement Project.

DBW also provides a valuable education program aimed at boating safety, plus training for Harbor Patrol Officers in boating rescue, marine firefighting and marine law enforcement.

Staff has drafted a letter for the Mayor's signature opposing the elimination of DBW. Boating associations throughout the state, including the Recreational Boaters of California and the California Harbor Masters and Port Captains Association, are doing the same. Staff will keep the Commission informed about any upcoming changes at DBW.

COUNCIL ACTIONS

Approved a five-year license agreement with Santa Barbara Water Taxi, LLC, for a water taxi service, shoreboat service and limited charter operation from Santa Barbara Harbor.

Adopted an ordinance approving a five-year lease agreement with one five-year option with Reggie Drew, doing business as Stearns Wharf Bait & Tackle, for the lease space at 232 Stearns Wharf, effective December 15, 2011.

Approved a five-year lease agreement with Stearns Wharf, Inc. doing business as Old Wharf Trading Company, at an average base rent of \$12,463 per month or 10% of gross sales, whichever is greater, for a 2,369 square foot retail space located at 217-A, B and D Stearns Wharf.

Adopted an ordinance approving a five-year lease agreement with one five-year option with Kyung and Sarah Wang, doing business as Sushi Go Go, for the restaurant located at 119-B Harbor Way, effective January 13, 2012.

Adopted a resolution relating to the annual destruction of records held by the Waterfront Department in the Administration office in accordance with the City's adopted records retention schedule.

Awarded a contract with Shaw Contracting, Inc., in their low bid amount of \$375,625 for construction of the Launch Ramp Boating Trails Project, Bid No. 3633.

TENTATIVE AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE FEBRUARY MEETING

- UCSB Sailing Program Facility Lease
- Lease with Mike Pyzel, Marine surveyor