

**BOARD OF HARBOR COMMISSIONERS
CITY OF SANTA BARBARA
MINUTES**

Regular Monthly Meeting
May 16, 2013

City Council Chambers - City Hall 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: 6:30 p.m.

Commissioners Present

Betsy Cramer, Chair
Bill Spicer, Vice Chair
Cory Bantilan
Eric Friedman
Frank Kelly
Jim Sloan
Helene Webb

Staff Present

Scott Riedman, Waterfront Director
Brian Bosse, Business Manager
Mick Kronman, Harbor Operations Manager
Karl Treiberg, Facilities Manager
Jeanette Prusinski, Harbor Commission Secretary

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Katheryn Keller

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 18, 2013
Frank Kelly/Bill Spicer 6-0
(Abstained – Sloan)

DEPARTMENT UPDATE

2. Director's Report
 - Council Actions
 - Tentative Agenda Items for the June Meeting
3. Business Report
 - Cruise Ship Passenger Data
4. Facilities Management Report
 - Waterfront Custodial Services
 - Fish Market Trench Drain Diversion

5. Harbor Operations Report
 - Operation Clean Sweep Removed 8,200 Pounds of Debris

NEW BUSINESS

6. **Presentation From Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District and Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary On A Voluntary Marine Vessel Speed Reduction Incentive Initiative**

Speakers:

- Mary Bird, Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District
- Sean Hastings, Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary
- Kristi Birney, Environmental Defense Center

Discussion:

The Vessel Speed Reduction Incentive Initiative is voluntary, incentive-based program for marine shipping vessels to reduce speed while transiting the Santa Barbara channel. The Vessel Speed Reduction Initiative has co-benefits of pollution reduction and whale protection.

Transiting at a slower speed increases fuel efficiency. Additionally, shipping companies are encouraged to transit inside the channel that puts them in a zone which requires ships to consume cleaner fuel which also reduces pollution.

The shipping lanes are located in the Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary, which gives shelter to the blue whale's feeding ground. A ship travelling at a slower speed reduces the chance of a whale strike, and reduces the lethality should a strike occur. The "Seasonal Management" zone is established during the feeding season early November through springtime when higher numbers of whale are in the channel. During Seasonal Management, shipping lanes will relocate to reduce the chance of a whale strike. The relocation happens by the northbound and southbound lanes' 2 mile separation decreasing to 1 mile of separation, by way of the south lane moving north by 1 mile.

Visit www.sbcapcd.org for the full implementation plan and further information regarding Marine Shipping Initiatives.

The Commission would like to submit a letter of support. Waterfront Staff agreed to bring back an outreach plan to the harbor community regarding the shipping lane passage and traffic separation scheme.

7. **Amendments to Parking Ordinance, 72-Hour Limit**

Mick Kronman gave the staff report with proposed Ordinance amendments to clarify the Municipal Code relative to parking enforcement in all Waterfront Lots, especially as they relate to the 72-hour time limit.

Public Speakers:

- Stephen Lee Byrd
- Jane Doe
- Linda Lowell
- Mark Williamson
- Mark Cooper

Moved RECOMMENDATION: That Harbor Commission consider proposed changes to Ordinances governing 72-hour parking in Waterfront lots and recommend approval of those changes to City Council.

Jim Sloan/ Frank Kelly 7-0

8. **Office Lease Agreement with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

Brian Bosse gave the staff report on a new NOAA Office Lease Agreement. NOAA will be relocating the majority of their local Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary offices, reducing office space from 1,472 square feet to 452 square feet.

Moved RECOMMENDATION: That Harbor Commission recommend City Council approve a five-year lease agreement with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for office space located at 113 Harbor Way, at a rent of \$1,396.68 per month.

Frank Kelly/ Eric Friedman 7-0

9. **Special Event Camping Permit - Wine and Roses Charity Regatta**

Brian Bosse gave the staff report presenting details of Steve Leo's request for a special permit to allow camping in the Harbor West Lot for the Wine and Roses Regatta.

Moved B. Approve Wine and Roses Event Chairman Steve Leo's request for participant camping for the upcoming event, as allowed per Santa Barbara Municipal Code Section 15.16.090.

Cory Bantilan/ Frank Kelly 7-0

COMMISSION/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Director Riedman informed the Commission that the 2014/15 Budget was presented to Council on Monday, 5/13/13; and to the Finance Committee on Tuesday, 5/14/13. The Waterfront Budget was presented with the provision that landscaping services put out to competitive bid.

Mr. Kronman informed Commission that next week is "Safe Boating Week".

Commissioner Kelly requested Staff to report on the history of Waterfront landscaping at a future meeting.

Commissioner Bantilan said it was great to see the Amgen Tour come through the Waterfront.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved ADJOURNMENT at 8:30 p.m.
Frank Kelly/ Jim Sloan 7-0