

OPEN SPACE AND ECOLOGY COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, November 20, 2013 6:30 PM
Community Meeting Room
Brisbane City Hall
50 Park Place, Brisbane, CA 94005

Call to order

- Chair Salmon called to order at 6:31 PM

Committee members present:

- Court, Ebel, Fieldman, Hayuk, Salmon and Sweeney

Committee members absent:

- N/A

Staff members present:

- Finance Director Schillinger
- Management Analyst Muñoz

1. Adoption of the agenda.

- Agenda amended to include discussion of schedule for next meetings.

2. Schedule of next meetings.

- On December 4 comments will be reviewed.
- Hayuk will not be able to make the December 4th meeting.
- December 11 will be a regular meeting in which comments will be discussed.

3. Mary's retirement

- Fieldman will see Gutekanst and will ask her what she would like.
- A plant identification book is a possibility.

4. Review of comments

- Clarification from Sweeney on some of his comments on the Geology, Soils and Seismicity section of 4.E.
- Clarification on comments included:
 - Rock slides from Tulare and Icehouse Hill
 - pH level (corrosiveness) effects on the stability of infrastructure during a seismic event
 - Absence of conducting a C.A Seismic Hazard Mapping Act, results in making judgments on unknowns.
 - Heavy tamping comment moved to section 4.J.
- Continuation with new comments starting with section 4.E:

- Ebel has removed her groundwater zones comment, Mary has written a comment stating the map is incorrect.
- Ebel original comment has been reinserted about a topographical map.
- Reference to a report by Gutekanst is unclear, this will be searched for.
- Bay mud failure will cause contamination.
- Impacts of water flow and hydrology on site due to development.
- A figure on sea level rise was unclear and will be changed.
- Master drainage plan before issuing permits.
- Who has jurisdiction after BCDs 100-ft shoreline.
- Mitigation measures that include increased vegetation will be above asphalt.
- Comments ended at section 4.P

5. Review of Chapter 7

- Fieldman had suggested mitigation measures to reduce NOx, GHGs and energy use:
 - Building commissioning with reference to the California Commissioning Collaborative. Commissioning will ensure proper functioning systems and prevent over redundancy causing unnecessary energy use.
 - Smart meters will real-time data will cause behavioral change and thus decrease individual's energy use.
 - District wide heating systems with the possible use of cogeneration heating. This is more energy efficient for heating dwellings and water and will reduce emissions.
- Ebel would like for the project to consider the use of cogeneration.
- Salmon asks: Who will pay for the transit passes that will be free to employees?
- Ebel would like for the City of Brisbane to be notified when a Burrowing Owl survey will be done by a biologist.
- Buildings over 100 ft tall may require a consultation with a biologist; a more reasonable number could be 50 ft per Ebel and Fieldman.

6. Miscellaneous

- Schillinger announced that there will be two Zip Car designated areas in town: one in the Park and Ride off Bayshore Rd., the second outside the police parking lot gate.
- Committee members agree that written comments will be submitted to Rivasplata as originally written. Only verbal comments expressed in a meeting are subject to wording by the staff. Changes to comments will be decided during meetings by committee members.
- Fieldman announced a conference in San Mateo, "Meeting the Challenge in Sea Level Rise in San Mateo County". The event is December 9th from 8 AM- 12:30 PM.
- Committee members were unable to attend. Muñoz will attend.
- CEQA and planning comments will be emailed to the committee and definitions list.

7. Approval of the minutes

- Amended agenda from 11/6 meeting approved.
- Minutes from 11/13 meeting had some spelling errors.

8. Adjournment

-Meeting adjourned at 8:32 PM