



## MINUTES

### CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION MARCH 16, 2016

**Call to Order/  
Pledge of Allegiance:** The meeting was called to order at 5:00 P.M. by Chairperson Strook, who led Commissioners and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Commissioners Absent:** Commissioner Capps

**Commissioners Present:** Commissioners Carr, Lake (arrived at 5:05 PM), Scandura, Strook, and Troxell were in attendance.

**Others Present:** Travis Hopkins, Director of Public Works  
Tom Herbel, City Engineer  
Jim Wagner, Senior Civil Engineer  
Joe Fuentes, Civil Engineering Assistant  
Ken Dills, Project Manager  
Kirsty Wapner, Administrative Assistant

#### B. PRESENTATIONS-COMMENDATIONS

#### C. MINUTES

C-1. Motion by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Commissioner Troxell, to approve the minutes of February 17, 2016 as presented.

VOTE: The motion carried.

AYES: 5

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 1 (Capps)

ABSTENTIONS: 1 (Stanford)

#### D. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

#### E. DIRECTOR'S ITEMS

None.

**F. INFORMATION ITEMS**

- F-1. Upcoming City Council Study Sessions – Travis Hopkins noted the mid-year budget update is going to Study Session on May 2 and the CIP is going on August 1. He added the CIP tour for the PWC will be in May this year, during the same week as National Public Works Week (May 15-21). A “save-the-date” email will go out soon.
  
- F-2. Active Capital Project Report – Tom Herbel provided the following updates on active capital projects:
  - Atlanta Avenue Widening- ongoing; slowly progressing.
  - Gothard Street/ Center Ave Rehabilitation- soon to be under construction.
  - Nichols Street Rehabilitation- going out to bid soon; working with Rainbow.
  - Edinger Widening near Beach Blvd- Just wrapped up negotiations with Wells Fargo and Arby’s. Moving forward
  - Heil Pump Station- going out to bid in couple months.
  - Fire Station 8- Heil Renovation- on schedule.
  - Senior Center- The Grand Opening is July 9, with a weekend full of events. Everything is on scheduled.
  - Trinidad Lift Station- working on trees to go back in. Lift Station works great.

**G. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

- G-1. Rehabilitation of Nichols Avenue- Joe Fuentes reported \$735,000 have been budgeted in gas tax funds for this project. This project includes the removal and replacement of failed concrete sidewalks, curb and gutter, and an asphalt sidewalk. Rainbow contributes, which helps offset some costs due to damage caused by trash trucks on City streets.

Motion by Commissioner Carr, seconded by Commissioner Lake, to approve that the rehabilitation of Nichols Ave is in general conformance with the previously approved CIP.

VOTE:           The motion carried.  
AYES:           6  
NOES:           0  
ABSENT:         1 (Capps)  
ABSTENTIONS: 0

G-2. FY 15/16 Tree Petition Street Project- Joe Fuentes reported that this project will affect 17 residents that have extensive concrete and asphalt damage from existing trees on Brookhurst Street frontage road. This project is estimated at \$300,000 and funds are available in gas tax funds. The tree petition program was evaluated in the 2006. All trees in this area will come out; some of which have already been removed. Commissioner Scandura asked of any other trees to be removed this fiscal year. Hopkins responded not for this fiscal year, but maybe early next fiscal year. Travis Hopkins added staff will look into how many trees have been removed from the tree petition list and report back to the Commission.

Motion by Commissioner Troxell, seconded by Commissioner Lake, to approve that the FY 15/16 Tree Petition Street Project is in general conformance with the previously approved CIP.

VOTE:           The motion carried.  
AYES:           6  
NOES:           0  
ABSENT:         1 (Capps)  
ABSTENTIONS: 0

G-3. Arterial Rehabilitation Projects- Jim Wagner reported the bidding process will start mid-April. Commissioner Carr had asked how reliable FRAC is. Wagner reported there has been plenty of research on the material. Herbel added we are somewhat confident in the material but one of the first to test it out. Chair Strook asked about the trees being removed on Adams. Wagner reported 31 trees will be removed and 41 trees will go in. Wagner added staff will look into the questionable removal of a tree in the median on Adams. Commissioner Scandura asked about the Heil, Main, and Talbert. Those will be happening at a later date. Commissioner Troxell inquired about the trees going in by the Seabridge Apartments and the possibility of increasing their HOA fees in order to get better trees nearby. Wagner will look into this with their HOA.

Motion by Commissioner Scandura, seconded by Commissioner Carr, to approve that the Arterial Rehabilitation Projects are in general conformance with the approved CIP.

VOTE:           The motion carried.  
AYES:           6  
NOES:           0  
ABSENT:         1 (Capps)  
ABSTENTIONS: 0

## H. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None.

**I. COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMENTS**

Commissioner Scandura commended staff for the Senior Center Tour. He also stated he had emailed Travis regarding the affordable housing ban and the effect on funding and the potential ramifications.

**J. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 5:48 p.m. to April 20, 2016 at 5:00 PM at the Utilities Yard.

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Donn Strook  
Chairperson

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Kirsty Wapner  
Administrative Assistant