



MINUTES

CLEAN BEACHES & OCEAN PARCEL TAX CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING

CIVIC CENTER PARKING STRUCTURE, 330 OLYMPIC DRIVE, 2ND FLOOR, SANTA
MONICA INSTITUTE (SMI) ROOM, SANTA MONICA

6:30 P.M., WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2024

Call to Order

Chair Oelsen called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

Roll Call

The following persons were recorded in attendance by the Committee Secretary:

Present: Committee Members Jim Kennedy, Vice-Chair Ashley Oelsen
and Chair Benjamin Kay

Absent: Committee Member Mary Marlow and Sami Rasromani

Also present: Joshua Carvalho, Staff Liaison and Principal Civil Engineer
Maria Dacanay-Wisner, Committee Secretary
Alex Nazarchuk, City Engineer
Steven Hull, Engineering Support Services Administrator

Per City Council direction at the September 26, 20203 Council meeting, the Secretary reviewed the Committee's new agenda format to consolidate public input time, hear speakers earlier in the meeting and follow the City Council's agenda format.

1. Public Input: This is a special meeting and public input was limited to agenda items only.
2. Public Input (Agenda Items Under SPECIAL AGENDA ITEMS, CONSENT CALENDAR Only)

There were no public members present to speak on Special Agenda and Consent Calendar items.

3. Special Agenda Items - NONE
4. Consent Calendar - All items were considered and approved in one motion unless removed by a member for discussion.

The Consent Calendar consisted of the following items:

a) Approval of minutes for the November 8, 2023, meeting, was presented.

MOTION - Committee Member Kay moved and Vice-Chair Kennedy seconded to amend the minutes with Committee Member Kay's inquiry on the delays of the Feasibility Study and return the item to the next meeting.

AYES: Committee Member Kay, Vice-Chair Kennedy and Chair Olsen

NOES: None

ABSENT: Committee Member Marlow and Rasromani

5. Public Input On Remaining Agenda Items

Member of the public Maya Williams spoke on Item 8.b.iii.3.

Vice-Chair Kennedy asked a question on the studies and results that Team Marine conducted on the Pico-Kenter Storm drain.

6. Study Session - NONE
7. Continued Items - NONE
8. Staff Administrative Items

- a. Staff Presentation of Quarterly Budget, was presented along with 8.c.
 - i. Budget Highlights
 - ii. Budget - Capital Improvement Projects (CIP)
 - iii. Budget - Operations
 - iv. Projected Budget (5-year)

Staff reported that: a total of \$92K was expended for Capital Improvements (CIP) and over \$15.8M are available to date; expenditures continue to include the Surface Drainage Improvements Project that received Urban Forest Task Force approval to remove six trees and proceeded to finalize design for the proposed Module Wetlands System, and the Pico-Kenter Outfall & Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Improvements and Feasibility Study that is anticipated to be completed by April 2024; the Sustainable Water Infrastructure Project (SWIP) will be transferred to the Completed Projects List, \$1M of the budget will be reserved for contingencies, and \$6.9M of the budget will be returned to fund balance; \$208K were spent on Operating Expenditures with the majority of costs going to maintenance of catch basins; the majority of the Fund Balance will be budgeted for larger MS4 projects in the next 5-years; staff will conduct a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Permeable Surface Alleys services for Fiscal Year (FY) 2024/2025; and the Feasibility Study anticipates that design on the Memorial Park Project will begin around August 2024 and a Green Streets Master Plan to be developed by October/November 2024.

Questions asked and answered of staff included but were not limited to: improvements in water quality for the Pier Bird Netting Project and concerns with birds continuing to access the area under the pier; if the Green Streets Master Plan will equally distribute projects throughout the City; and effects on the SWIP and other infrastructure after the recent storm. Additionally, Committee Members reported flooding along Airport and Montana Avenue. Staff will look into these flooding areas during the next annual drainage improvement design.

Staff answered the Committee's questions, and the Quarterly Report was received and filed on order of the Chair.

- b. Staff Presentation of Project Status Reports (thru December 31, 2023) including presentation from Craftwater Engineering on status of Pico-Kenter Outfall Project, was presented.

Projects in progress (per Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4)/ National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)/Enhanced Watershed Management Plan (EWMP) Requirements):

- i. Permeable Surface Alleys (Planning Stage)
- ii. Citywide Drainage Improvements (Design Stage)
- iii. MS4 Compliance Projects (Feasibility Stage)
 - 1. Storm Drain Diversion to Memorial Park

2. Green Streets Master Plan
3. Pico-Kenter Outfall (Craftwater Presentation)

Craftwater Engineering reported that: the Pico-Kenter Outfall is made up of the Kenter Canyon Drain owned by Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD) and the Caltrans Relief Drain owned by the City; projects are typically designed to capture the 85th percentile peak however the flow rate of the outfall can be 95% more; designing an end-of-pipe solution for a higher flow rate would be too oversized and continuing to design for the 85th percentile is not reflective of long-term flows, therefore Craftwater proposes to design a system to capture 95% of flow based on a 10-year modeled time series to track rain events; solutions being considered are an in channel system such as outfall nets and/or an offline system such as three hydrodynamic separators; two at Kenter Canyon drain and one at Caltrans Relief Drain; other technologies considered but deemed unfeasible are bar screens, linear radial devices and boom nets; challenges to project are flooding concerns, securing grant funding, balancing trash capture and flooding concerns, and maintenance; and the study was scheduled to be finalized around June 2024.

Craftwater will assist the City in applying for grant funding once design has been developed. Design is anticipated to begin in 2025 and construction in 2027. Design will be funded with local funds and construction will be funded with a combination of local and grant funding.

The Committee asked questions including but not limited to: cost estimates of both solutions; the effectiveness of both solutions when the sand is pushed out by the flow; locations being considered for the hydrodynamic separators; the need to widen the channel's mouth for the net solution; whether the nets can be encased to maintain the aesthetics of the beach; if the StormX vendor have installed their solutions in sandy beaches like Santa Monica; and if the City maintain the solution without County assistance.

Craftwater answers the Committee's questions, considered their input and the presentation was received and filed on order of the Chair.

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- c. Discussion of Quarterly Budget and Project Status Reports and response to questions and comments about the report and watershed activities, was heard with item 8.a.

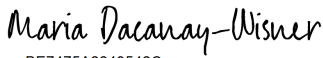
- 9. Public Hearing - NONE
- 10. Resolution - NONE
- 11. Written Communication - NONE
- 12. Committee Member Discussion Items - NONE

Announcements and Next Meeting

The Committee's next meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 8, 2024 at the Civic Center Parking Structure's Santa Monica Institute (SMI) Room.

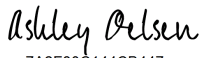
Adjournment -Chair Oelsen adjourned the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

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Maria Dacanay-Wisner
Secretary

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