



FAIRVIEW

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Summary Action Minutes

Tuesday, April 6, 2021

6:00 p.m.

Councilmembers: Dale Silva, Chair, April Chan, Vice Chair, Chris Higgins, Sally Philbin, Shane Henderson

Webinar via Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/99689056977>

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Silva.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Councilmembers present: Silva, Chan, Higgins, Philbin, Henderson

Public Announcements/Open Forum

Cathy Langley expressed concerns over fireworks in Fairview. She urged community members to report fireworks immediately to the Sheriff's Office. She has also spoken with the California Highway Patrol (CHP) regarding dangerous speeding in Fairview.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Councilmember Higgins and seconded by Councilmember Chan to approve the minutes of Tuesday, March 2, 2021, as submitted.

Ayes: Silva, Higgins, Chan, Philbin, Henderson

Noes:

Motion passed 5/0

A motion was made by Councilmember Silva and seconded by Councilmember Higgins to correct the Minutes of Tuesday, August 4, 2020, pertaining to the vote of the Fairview Specific Plan and the Initial Study-Mitigated Negative Declaration.

The minutes should be corrected to record approval of the Fairview Specific Plan and the Initial Study Mitigated Negative Declaration as two separate votes as follows:

Fairview Specific Plan vote: **Ayes:** Silva, Higgins, Chan, Philbin, Spalding; **Motion passed 5/0**

Initial Study-Mitigated Negative Declaration vote: **Ayes:** Silva, Higgins, Chan, Philbin; **Noes:** Spalding
Motion passed 4/1

Ayes: Silva, Higgins, Chan, Philbin

Noes:

Abstain: Henderson

Motion passed 4/0

Regular Calendar

1. Curve Warning Sign - Fairview Avenue – Action Item

[Attachment](#)

Rick Yeung, County Traffic Engineer, Public Works Agency, presented a PowerPoint presentation on Curve Warning Signs on Fairview Avenue.

Curve Warning Signs were installed along Fairview Avenue in September 2020, to warn drivers of a condition that may not be readily apparent, in addition to providing adequate time for drivers to react and slow down if needed. The Chevron signs (arrows) were installed to maximize available pathway for pedestrians and equestrian safety.

Speakers

Jewell Spalding stated that the chevron signs do not belong in the pedestrian pathways and should be removed as it is not safe for horses and people. She supports having a guard rail.

Cathy Langley thanked Rick Yeung of the Public Works Agency for his responsiveness to issues in the Fairview area. She supports the signs as they help drivers that may be unfamiliar with the road.

Brenda Clark supports removing the signs in favor of a guard rail.

Patrick Turney stated that the signs intrude into the pathway and the signs and supports the comments of Ms. Spalding and Councilmember Philbin.

Kelly Abreu expressed he is supportive of the signs for safety reasons.

Fairview MAC Action

A motion was made by Councilmember Higgins and seconded by Councilmember Philbin to form a subcommittee with Councilmembers Philbin and Silva to meet with the Public Works Agency to discuss alternatives to the chevron signs.

Ayes: Silva, Higgins, Chan, Philbin, Henderson

Noes:

Motion passed 5/0

2. An Overview of Public Works Agency Programs & Services – Informational Item

[Attachment](#)

Edric Kwan, Deputy Director, Public Work Agency, presented a PowerPoint presentation on an Overview of Public Works Agency Programs and Services.

The presentation included information on Maintenance and Operations, Building Permits, Capital Improvements, Safe Routes to Schools, Traffic Calming measures and Traffic Safety in addition to Transportation Grants and Funding.

Speakers

Bruce King expressed concern over the lack of an organizational chart for the Public Works Agency. PWA is always a challenge to figure out the organizational structure.

Brenda Clark expressed concern about the lack of enforcement for illegal construction and asked about the methods for reporting. In addition, Mrs. Clark asked about bot dots for traffic safety measures.

Kelly Abreu stated that there are a lot of problems with permitting issues with the Public Works Agency, with selective and arbitrary rules. There will be a lot of driveways eliminated on D Street; construction of unpermitted airstrip is a Public Works Agency issue, not being enforced.

Frances Sagapolu expressed concerns about speeding on East Avenue and would like some traffic calming measures implemented.

Jewell Spalding urged the Fairview MAC to make a motion to adopt the Class 3 within the existing right of way for minimal impacts.

This item was informational only and required no Council action.

3. The Cost of Water, Understanding EBMUD's Budget and Rates - Informational Item [Attachment](#)

Frank Mellon, member Board of Directors, Ward 7, Clifford Chan, General Manager, EBMUD, EBMUD, Sophia Skoda, Finance Director, EBMUD and Mona Favorite-Hill, Sr. Communications Rep. EBMUD presented a PowerPoint presentation on Understanding East Bay Municipal Utility District's Budget and Rates.

Speaker

Kelly Abreu asked about the EBMUD pipeline and EBMUD's interest in the Los Vaqueros Reservoir.

This item was informational only and requires no Council action.

Chair's Report

The Alameda County Board of Supervisors began the public hearing process for Redistricting today. There will be five public hearings in each supervisorial district. An ad hoc committee will be convened and there will be provisions for language access and persons with disabilities to participate. There will be a recording of the meeting available in the future.

The MAC Workshop is scheduled for Thursday, April 29, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

Council Announcements, Comments and Reports

Councilmember Philbin requested a report on Fireworks in Fairview and a report on dangerous and reckless driving.

Councilmember Higgins requested a report from the California Highway Patrol and the Sheriff's Office on traffic.

Staff Announcements, Comments and Reports

None.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned to May 4, 2021.

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