Tidelands Management Committee

Committee Action Minutes – DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED
Meeting Date: Wednesday, June 19, 2013 – 4:00 p.m., Civic Center Community Room

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1. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Council Member Henn.

2. **Roll Call:** Council Members: Mike Henn, Nancy Gardner and Ed Selich
City Staff: Dave Kiff, Dave Webb, Michael Torres and Chris Miller

3. **Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items**
Jim Mosher noted that the Calendar on the City's website was not updated with the Tidelands Management Committee ("TMC"). He also noted that the Minutes should be improved, and noted that the Harbor Commission's newly proposed Purpose and Responsibilities hadn't been to the City Council yet for final approval.

4. **Minutes**
This being the first meeting of the newly formed Tidelands Management Committee, there were no Minutes to approve.

5. **Current Business**
(All presentations and handouts are available on the Tidelands Management Committee's webpage here: http://www.newportbeachca.gov/index.aspx?page=2279)

   A. **Tidelands Management Committee – Review Goals, Purpose and Responsibilities**
   Chair Henn outlined the goals for the newly formed Tidelands Management Committee as established by Resolution 2013-35. Jim Mosher noted that the map of the harbor does not denote the Upper Bay. He asked if the Committee wants to think about all of the tidelands including County, private waters etc…

   B. **Establishment of the Citizen's Advisory Panel ("CAP")**
   Chair Henn and the Committee reviewed the process for the future CAP. Jim Mosher asked about the qualifications. Linda Beimfohr asked whether one would need to live or work in Newport Beach to qualify for the CAP. Len Bose stated that he works in Newport but lives in Huntington Beach, and would like to be considered. Chair Henn suggested that the CAP be open to anyone who resides or works in Newport Beach. Staff noted that the application will be posted online within the next week, and for all interested parties to apply. Motion carried – all ayes.

   C. **Tidelands Capital Fund – Current Status**
   Staff briefly reviewed the Tidelands Capital Fund line by line, and the Committee requested a detailed review of the proposed 2014 Plan at the next meeting. Chair Henn reminded the group that the Plan is intended to be flexible, and to guide budget decisions on a rolling 5 year basis. The Plan should be refreshed every year with review by the Committee and the City Council.

   D. **Tidelands Harbor Fund – Update**
   This item was heard after item B. There was some discussion about an upcoming State Lands meeting where it was proposed that loans from the General Fund to the Tidelands Fund for under $1.0 M would simply be noted, but that loans over $1.0 M, approval would be required by State Lands. John Corrough asked whether there was a precedent for the $1.0 M threshold, and staff replied that there wasn't.

   E. **Federal Harbor Lines – A Proposal to Reconfigure the Lines to Match Existing Conditions.**
   Harbor Commissioner Ralph Rodheim gave a presentation about the Harbor Lines along with their history and significance in the harbor. Primarily, they are federal lines that note the limit line (generally) where docks can be built, as well as where the federal government is responsible for dredging in the main channel. Commissioner Rodheim suggested that the Harbor Commission proceed with a

thorough review of the Harbor Lines with the goal of proposing some up-to-date rules for these lines with respect to limit lines for the docks and vessel overhang. Staff noted that it could be possible to change the Bulkhead and Pierhead Lines with minimal effort through the local Corps of Engineers office, but that the Project Line would probably require Congressional approval. The Committee recommended the Harbor Commission proceed with their review of the lines, but only focus on the Bulkhead and Pierhead Lines, and not the Project Line.

6. **Roundtable or Additional Public Comments**

Sandy Wilford recommended that the Linda Isle lagoon dredging project be kept on the Committee's radar for future discussion.

7. **Committee Announcements / Future Agenda Items**
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8. **Adjournment around 5:30 PM.**

The agenda for June 19, 2013 Regular Meeting was posted on Wednesday, June 12 on the Civic Center Electronic Bulletin Board and Binder, and on the City's website.

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Tidelands Management Committee Chair