

FORT ORD REUSE AUTHORITY

BASE REUSE PLAN POST-REASSESSMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PRAC) MEETING MINUTES

1:00 p.m., Thursday, February 26, 2015 | FORA Conference Room 920 2nd Avenue, Suite A, Marina, CA 93933

1. CALL TO ORDER

Confirming a quorum, Fort Ord Reuse Authority (FORA) PRAC Chair Victoria Beach called the meeting to order at 1:02 pm. The following people were in attendance:

Committee Members

Victoria Beach (Chair), City of Carmel Gail Morton, City of Marina Jane Parker, Monterey County Allan Haffa, City of Monterey Andre Lewis, CSUMB

Staff

Michael Houlemard, FORA Steve Endsley, FORA Jonathan Garcia, FORA Josh Metz, FORA

Other Attendees

Tom Moore, MCWD
Steve Matarazzo, UCSC
Tim O'Halloran, City of Seaside
Phyllis Meurer, member of the public
Scott Waltz, member of the public
Bob Schaffer, member of the public
Jaine Haines, member of the public

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Chair Beach acknowledged FORA staff's effort on the recently concluded trails symposium and design charrette.

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: Gail Morton moved, seconded by Jane Parker, to approve the January 8, 2015 meeting minutes, as presented.

MOTION PASSED: Unanimous.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Jane Haines commented on her recent Opinion article in the Monterey Herald, reporting that a significant piece of the article was not included. She emphasized findings from the Economic & Planning Systems (EPS) study that state that if current patterns persist, more than 60% of future Peninsula area households will be unable to afford homes costing over \$325k. She also reported that according to her research, the average wage for a Pacific Grove Unified School District teacher is \$47/hr including benefits and the prevailing wage rate for a carpenter working on Fort Ord is \$62/hr. including benefits.

5. BUSINESS ITEMS

a.) Fort Ord Regional Trail Symposium Planning Review

Members discussed their experience at the Fort Ord Trails Symposium. Chair Beach and Gail Morton commended the FORA staff for quality execution. Allan Haffa remarked on the educational value of the Symposium. Gail Morton remarked on importance of historical signage on the former Fort Ord. Members asked for a report from FORA staff on the activities of the TAMC Way finding signage committee. Members discussed potential for bike license fees to support trail activities.

Staff reported that Laura Thompson, San Francisco Bay Trail Program Manager, had written to offer a follow-up presentation after missing the Symposium due to illness. Members received this favorably and requested her presentation at the next meeting of the PRAC.

b.) Proposed 2015 Trails Workplan

Members discussed the potential of involving CSUMB students and faculty to support trail planning efforts. Members requested staff to follow-up on opportunities prior to March 31 deadline.

6. ITEMS FROM MEMBERS

None.

7. NEXT STEPS

- a. FORA staff include the following items on future PRAC agendas:
 - i. Economic Development
 - ii. Trails
 - iii. Blight Removal
 - iv. Regional Urban Design Guidelines
- b. Staff will coordinate arrangements for Laura Thompsons presentation at the next meeting

8. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the PRAC was set for Thursday March 26 at 12:45pm. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:55pm.

Minutes prepared by Josh Metz