1. CALL TO ORDER
Chair O’Connell called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Chair O’Connell led the pledge of allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL
Mayor Rubio (City of Seaside)  Supervisor Potter (County of Monterey) AR
Mayor Pendergrass (City of Sand City)  Supervisor Phillips (County of Monterey)
Mayor Gunter (City of Salinas)  Nick Chiulos, County Monterey AR
Mayor Pro-Tem Oglesby (City of Seaside)  Council member Haffa (City of Monterey) AR
Mayor Pro-Tem O’Connell (City of Marina)  Councilmember Lucius (City of Pacific Grove)
Mayor Edelen (City of Del Rey Oaks)  Council member Morton (City of Marina)
Council member Beach (City of Carmel) AR

Ex-officio (Non-Voting) Board Members Present: Dr. Ochoa (CSUMB) AR, Vickie Nakamura (MPC), Donna Blitzer (UCSC), Bill Collins (Ft Ord BRAC Office), Nicole Charles (CA Senator Monning) AR, Lisa Reinheimer (MST), PK Difffenbaugh, (MPSUD), and Howard Gustafson (MCWD) AR, Erica Parker (CA Assembly member Stone) AR, Debbie Hale, (TAMC).

Absent: Supervisor Parker (County of Monterey), Alec Arago (20th Congressional Dist.), Hunter Harvath (MST).

4. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND CORRESPONDENCE

a. Adopt Resolution Acknowledging Victoria Beach
At the time this item was reviewed, Ms. Beach had not arrived, therefore, Chair O’Connell requested this item be presented upon her arrival after Item 6a.

Mr. Houlemard recognized Board member Victoria Beach for her contributions to FORA and read the resolution. Councilmember Beach expressed her gratitude and said she appreciated the open and collaborative spirit while working with FORA staff. Several Board members including Chair O’Connell thanked Ms. Beach for her contributions. Mr. Houlemard then handed Ms. Beach the Resolution on behalf of FORA Board.

MOTION: Councilmember Haffa moved, seconded by Councilmember Morton to approve the Resolution as presented.
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
5. CONSENT AGENDA
Chair O’Connell introduced all the Items on the Consent Agenda.

MOTION: Mayor Rubio moved, seconded by Mayor Edelen to approve the full Consent Agenda (Items 5a-5f) as presented.
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Chair O’Connell asked for public comment. No public comment was received.

6. BUSINESS ITEM
a. Economic Development Quarterly Status Report
   i. Economic Development Activity Update
   ii. FORA/County of Monterey/UCSC MBEST Update
   iii. Monterey Bay Economic Partnership

Mr. Houlemard presented this item and Josh Metz summarized the work done to-date in the economic recovery process. He said the activity was a compendium of all activities with other partners: emergence of partnerships, entrepreneurshipships, and community engagement. He showed metrics on Housing and Job surveys and provided an update on the Regional Urban Design Guidelines Task Force. He added the relationship with CSUMB and UCSC MBEST will continue. Mr. Metz then introduced Kate Roberts from Monterey Bay Economic Partnership. She introduced her organization, function, goals and objectives and their proposed housing trust fund for the County. She announced the 2nd State of the Region economic summit to be held on April 26, and focus on initiatives and the tech ecosystem (ag-tech) internships being formed.

Board members offered comments and questions and Mr. Metz answered them.

The Board received comments/questions from members. Chair O’Connell opened this item for public comment. The Board received comments from public.

MOTION: Mayor Edelen moved, seconded by Board member Morton to receive and accept the presentation.
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

b. Fort Ord Reuse Authority 2020 Sunset and Transition Plan

Chair O’Connell introduced this item and Mr. Houlemard provided a brief summary on FORA’s Transition Plan. He said a report is due to Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) and Legislative offices in Sacramento. The Finance Committee received two reports and this feedback was then incorporated into a Memo subsequently provided to Finance and Executive Committees. Both recommended the Board be apprised. Mr. Houlemard mentioned articles on Weekly and Monterey Herald about the possibility of FORA not existing past 2020 and added the power point presentation shows the relationships with regulator agencies (Department of Toxic Substances Control and Environmental Protection Agency, to name a few) and introduced Barry Steinberg, special FORA Counsel. Mr. Houlemard also referenced the prior meetings with US ARMY HQ prior to Board meeting.
Steve Endsley provided a power point presentation and answered board members questions. He reviewed slides on FORA's obligations and contractual issues; the assets and revenues and revenue streams; post 2020 considerations (staffing, pension and health benefits); CIP items (transportation/transit; water augmentation; habitat management/HCP); and Board determined obligations (FORA/USARMY ESCA such as base wide building removal). In addition, there are contractual closure obligations such as water rights, agreements, BRP, Pollution legal liability PLL insurance (2025) and retirement / health exp. 2020). He also added the timeline and role of Board to approve the transition plan, LAFCO then confirms Board’s decision; the State Legislature receives a report from FORA and approves required (local) legislation. The jurisdictions impacted will then review and comment and other potential legislative actions needed.

A Board member asked for clarification as to Board's role. Mr. Houlemard responded Staff is looking for direction as some items presented still need additional work, that Staff will work with a subset of the Board and then begin work with that group. Debbie Hale (TAMC) thanked FORA for bringing this item to Board and added her Board will also take it under consideration.

Chair O'Connell then appointed members Potter, Morton, Haffa, Oglesby, Edelen, Lewis to serve on a Transition Ad Hoc Group to begin review of these items and then provide a recommendation to Board.

Chair O'Connell opened this item for public comment. The Board received public comment.

**MOTION:** Board member Morton moved, seconded by Board member Oglesby, to approve staff's recommendation.
**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

c. Oak Woodland conservation – Selection of Consultant
Mr. Brinkmann reported on this item via a power point presentation and added the budgeted amount was $200,000. Members asked about the composition of the selection panel; the selection process followed; need to hire a local group who has already experience in FORA work such as Habitat Conservation Plan; and if minimum requirements were met by all three proposers. Staff addressed the questions and said the panel representatives were Anya Spear (CSUMB); Ana Kanga from Monterey County and Jason Campbell from City of Seaside along with Staff and elaborated on Panel's recommendation for Dudek.

The Board received public comments.

**MOTION:** Mayor Edelen moved, seconded by Mayor Gunter to not approve staff’s recommendation, but to give the contract to Denise Duffy & Associates.
**MOTION DID NOT PASS.** This item will return to next meeting for second vote.

7. **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**
The Board received public comment.

8. **EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT**
Chair O’Connell introduced these items as information items only.
a. Habitat Conservation Plan Update  
b. Administrative Committee  
c. Finance Committee  
d. Post Reassessment Advisory Committee  
e. Regional Urban Design Guidelines Task Force  
f. Water/Wastewater Oversight Committee  
g. Veterans Issues Advisory Committee  
h. Travel Report  
i. Public Correspondence to the Board

Chair O’Connell opened this item for public comment. The Board did not receive public comments.

9. ITEMS FROM MEMBERS  
The Board received comments from members.

10. ADJOURNMENT  
The meeting adjourned at 4:01 p.m.