

FORT ORD REUSE AUTHORITY

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

4:30 p.m., Tuesday, November 3, 2015 FORA Executive Officer's Conference Room 920 2nd Avenue, SuiteA, Marina CA 93933

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Potter declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 4:47 p.m.

Voting Members Present:

Chair/Supervisor Potter (County of Monterey)
Mayor Rubio (City of Seaside)
Mayor Edelen (City of Del Rey Oaks

Voting Members Absent:

Mayor Pendergrass (City of Sand City) Chair, O'Connell (City of Marina)

Others Present:

Nicole Charles (Sen. Monning's office) John Arriaga (JEA & Associates-by phone) Michael Houlemard Robert Norris Maria Buell

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of allegiance was led by Chair Potter.

3. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Houlemard said correspondence from Congressman Sam Farr's office was received this date highlighting funding for cleanup and BRAC-related expenses will hold steady for the next two years as well as other issues of local concern.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None

5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

a. July 20, 2015 Legislative Committee Minutes

MOTION: Mayor Rubio moved, seconded by Mayor Edelen, to approve the July 20, 2015 minutes, as presented.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. 2016 Annual Fort Ord Reuse Authority Legislative Agenda

John Arriaga and Michael Houlemard provided a summary of the legislative agenda summary and recommend these are items to be included in the 2016 Legislative Agenda. Mr. Houlemard made reference to building removal and how it failed prior and funding being not timely available; hence the building removal is not the Leg Agenda. John Arriaga stated that if funding should become available it could be taken to the Committee. Other agencies' legislative agendas were cross-checked and reviewed (TAMC and County) to insure no conflicts exist with FORA's Legislative Agenda. No meeting coordinating has been had with these agencies, but it needs to be follow-up.

Mayor Rubio asked about the status of Team Monterey and Base Retention efforts. He recommended adding Base retention efforts with Army and possible pairing back with Post Reassessment Advisory Committee. Mr. Houlemard said Staff will bring it back supporting Team Monterey. Chair Potter said a reduction of programs has begun at the Naval Post Graduate School. Mayor Rubio said a meeting was held with Department of Defense personnel and commanders and that the Community was outside in reception area only.

Chair Potter asked if we need anything on cleanup effort and shared that Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) was trying to change definition of "lethal." Mr. Houlemard responded not from a legislative point. Mayor Rubio said that recognition of what constitutes a hazard on Ft. Ord is needed and that munitions and explosives are not formally recognized as a hazard which created conflict with EPA & Army. He suggested next spring these items need to be negotiated before FORA sunsets. Chair Potter said a placeholder is needed for this. Mr. Houlemard said FORA is required to provide the State Legislature a Report in 2018 and that FORA must start coordination with LAFCO next year. Mayor Rubio said a meeting with Senator Monning on these issues exploring viable options on whether a Joint Powers Authority (JPA) or special legislation would be needed. Mr. Arriaga said in early January he would meet with Senator Monning and ask what is needed. Supervisor Parker said to do it in Sacramento. Mayor Rubio said adding this item to List about a report for 2018 and begin process. Mr. Houlemard stated this is a policy issue that might need a JPA or an amendment to Legislation to alter membership and structure and that a preliminary discussion was held with Jerry Steinberg because it affects contracting issues.

Mr. Arriaga said regarding water supply issues, he will be busy. He met with Dave Stoldt as to current status for a water bond grant. Chair Potter asked why did we not qualify for water funds. Mayor Rubio said it is hard for people to separate FORA from Cal-Am issues and they assume erroneously that any budget monies FORA gives goes towards funding litigation.

Ms. Charles requested her office be apprised when water money is applied for and asked if there any other funds available to assist with this issue. Mr. Arriaga said he is looking into getting other cities agencies involved in these projects together and fund out what is appropriate regionally. Ms. Charles stated a lot of applications for water funding are being delivered to their office and urged FORA to apply.

Chair Potter asked to carry this urgency for water bond money to Mr. Sciuto.

Requests to Staff were made to: 1). revise Legislative Agenda list; 2. Add clean up issues – hazards and how it affects property transfers; 3. Coordination with Senator Monning re transitions of FORA; and, 4. Add more emphasis with water bond money.

Mr. Houlemard stated the 2016 legislative agenda list will be revised and will be brought back to Legislative Committee for a final review. He added a proposed meeting in December 2 at 4:00 p.m. or as soon as the Executive Committee meeting ends their meeting.

7. ITEMS FROM MEMBERS

None.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Potter adjourned the meeting at 5:12 p.m.