

# **VETERANS ISSUES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (VIAC)**

3:00 P.M. THURSDAY, MARCH 26 , 2015

920 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Suite A, Marina CA 93933 (FORA Conference Room)

# AGENDA

- 1. CALL TO ORDER AT 3:00 PM
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

#### 4. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Members of the audience wishing to address the Fort Ord Reuse Authority (FORA) VIAC on matters within the jurisdiction of FORA, but not on this agenda, may do so during the Public Comment Period. Public comments are limited to three minutes. Public comments on specific agenda items will be heard under that item.

#### 5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

a. February 26, 2015 VIAC Minutes

### 6. BUSINESS ITEMS

- a. California Central Coast Veterans Cemetery Status Reporti. Groundbreaking Celebration After Action Report
- b. Ongoing Local Military Issue Media Coverage
- c. VA/DoD Veterans Clinic Status Report
  - ii. Historic Flag Pole Variance Update

#### 7. ITEMS FROM MEMBERS

8. ADJOURNMENT

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: APRIL 23, 2015

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# FORT ORD REUSE AUTHORITY VETERANS ISSUES ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING NOTES

3:00 p.m., Thursday, February 26, 2015 | FORA Conference Room 920 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Suite A, Marina, CA 93933

# 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Acting Chair Jerry Edelen called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. The following were present, as indicated by signatures on the roll sheet:

VIAC Members: Jerry Edelen, Acting Chair Rich Garza, CCCVFC COL Paul Fellinger, USAG POM Jack Stewart, CAC James Bogan, UVC Sid Williams, Mo. Co. Military/Vets Edith Johnsen, Veterans Families

FORA Staff: Michael Houlemard Crissy Maras Others: Eric Morgan, BLM Terry Bare, VTC

## 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Acting Chair Edelen asked Jack Stewart to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 3. <u>ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE</u> None.

#### 4. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Eric Morgan announced a nation-wide effort to install signs at national monuments, including the Fort Ord National Monument, which would include a soldier in the banner. Terry Bare announced that the Marina City Council had named a piece of a trail beginning at 8<sup>th</sup> Street, to the horse stables, and ending at former Fritzche Air Field, the 'Veterans Memorial Trail'.

#### 5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- a. September 25, 2014 VIAC Minutes
- b. October 23, 2014 VIAC Minutes

<u>MOTION</u>: Sid Williams moved, seconded by James Bogan, to approve the minutes as presented. <u>ABSTAINED</u>: Peter Le; he was not a member at that time. <u>MOTION PASSED</u>: Unanimous

## 6. OLD BUSINESS

#### a. California Central Coast Veterans Cemetery Status Report

#### i. Groundbreaking Celebration

Groundbreaking events include a 9:30 a.m. photo opportunity at the cemetery site followed by a 10:30 a.m. community celebration at the Stilwell Community Center. The committee thanked COL Fellinger for his extraordinary effort in coordinating Presidio resources.

# ii. Recommend authorization to expend up to \$12,000 (\$11,000 to be reimbursed by other sources) to FORA Executive Committee

<u>MOTION</u>: Mr. Stewart moved, seconded by Mr. Bogan, to recommend that the FORA Executive Committee request Board authorization for FORA staff to expend up to \$12,000 (with \$11,000 reimbursable from other sources) on groundbreaking event related items. <u>MOTION PASSED</u>: Unanimous

#### b. VA/DoD Veterans Clinic Status Report

Ongoing site work includes high-tech 22<sup>nd</sup> century thinking about the way medical services will be provided in the future. Landscaping designs are on file with the City of Marina.

#### 7. <u>NEW BUSINESS – none</u>

#### 8. ITEMS FROM MEMBERS

Mr. Williams is meeting with City of Marina to discuss a historical variance for the parade ground flag pole. A Viet Nam War 50-year Commemoration is scheduled in May 2015.

#### 9. ADJOURNMENT

Acting Chair Edelen adjourned the meeting at 3:35 p.m.