City of Richmond – POINT MOLATE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Multi-Purpose Room
440 Civic Center Plaza

MINUTES
MONDAY, February 24, 2014, 6:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER
Vice Chair Carman called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL
Present: Committee Members Carman, Garrett, Gilbert, Hite, Kortz, Martinez (6:34), Smith, Stello, Stephenson (6:36), Sundance.
Absent: Puleo
Staff Present: Craig K. Murray, Staff Liaison, Development Project Manager II

3. WELCOME AND MEETING PROCEDURES
Carman welcomed audience. Carman then explained meeting procedures, and discussed the Speaker Card process.

4. AGENDA REVIEW AND ADOPTION
Carman reviewed Agenda items and briefed PMCAC on the Agenda order and speakers. Garrett moved to adopt the Agenda, seconded by Gilbert. Item passed unanimously.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS THROUGH THE CHAIR
No announcements.

6. OPEN FORUM
Cordell Hindler spoke that Pt Molate could be a location to house World War II artifacts and have period events such as a showing of movies like Casablanca.

7. PRESENTATIONS, DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS

1. Presentation of Osprey Observations
Tony Brake of Pt Richmond spoke about Wildlife Conservation at Pt Molate. Brake presented power point information of Ospreys throughout the San Francisco Bay Area in urban and natural locations. Information was provided where Ospreys nest, a history of fledged birds over a period of years, unique nesting locations. Brake received questions from Committee.

2. Discussion of proposed final FS/RAP for IR Site 3
Item moved to include report with Item 13 A with the Clean Up and Restoration SubCommittee item. Carson of Terraphase reported to Committee and received questions.

3. Discussion of DP Security Protocols and Recommendations on how to conduct Security
Garrett reported on how to conduct Security protocols. Concern was expressed about Richmond Police Department engagement, contact with guests at the beach and would like to establish protocols to welcome guests at the beach. Mike Davenport Jr. of DP Security responded to questions and provided information on how security functions at Pt Molate. Discussion to have list of employees for companies working at Pt Molate and have contact phone numbers for company supervisors if there is a question on an entry. Davenport noted
that gate combinations have not been changed for approximately 10 years and that his officers could work with the Caretaker to see this improvement. Garrett suggested that a list is developed on who needs to have the gate combination. Garrett expressed concern of two intruders that represented themselves as Terraphase environmental employees. Garrett recommended that DP Security should establish an identification system such as asking for picture ID cards for positive identification and establishing documentation of their purpose of entry to Pt. Molate. Mike Davenport Jr. indicated that he is available anytime if someone needs to contact him and provided his cell phone number of 510-385-6938. Committee thanked Mike Davenport Jr. and DP Security for again attending and presenting to the Committee.

4. Presentation of Broom Removal Work Party

David Amme and Jim Hanson discussed with Committee development of volunteers and locations at Pt Molate that could use concentrated efforts to eradicate invasive broom.

5. Discussion of monitoring entries to Pt Molate Beach Park and taking Head Counts

Sundance presented information regarding headcounting for the Beach Park. Garrett thought about 30 to 50 visits occur on the weekend and that Caretaker Agnew keeps an informal count. Discussion that a Docent can assist and a certain threshold is necessary for certain improvements. Garrett noted that CFSPM has a volunteer to Docent. Smith asked why visitors can’t fish there. Discussion on need for signs that describe the condition of fish in SF Bay. Comparable discussion regarding why people are not encouraged to swim at the Beach Park.

6. Discussion of noxious smells coming over Ridge from Chevron

Kortz described her experience at the Beach Park and a prior visit whereas DP Security Staff did not know who to contact. Smith indicated that if smell is Sulphur Dioxide, rotten egg smell, that this is typical of petroleum refineries. Discussion about air monitors at beach and air monitors in Richmond. Kortz made motion to forward letter to Chevron regarding smells detected at the Pt Molate Beach Park, Smith seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Amme discussed Chevron use of tractor to spread broom. Discussion about use of goats. Smith motioned, seconded by Carman to recommend to not allow Goats in Pt Molate until PMCAC and outside experts have had a chance to review and comment. Item passed unanimously. Garrett absent.

7. Action Item – Cal Trans I-580 Scofield Ave. and RSR Bridge Deck Replacement Project

No report.

8. STAFF REPORTS
A. PROJECT MANAGER’S STAFF REPORT INCLUDING

1. Expenditures and balance from the Navy Escrow Fund
2. Expenditures and balance from the General Fund
3. Insurance Report filings
4. Lease/occupation status for all Pt Molate users
5. Monthly summary of security incidents

Murray noted that there's a summary in writing in the packet under item 8. Murray reported.

9. CONSENT CALENDAR

a. APPROVE – PMCAC meeting minutes of November 18, 2013
b. APPROVE – PMCAC meeting minutes of January 27, 2014

Murray noted that minutes of November 18, 2013 are included and January 27, 2014 minutes will be in a future Committee packet.
Martinez motioned to approve the November 18, 2013 minutes,
Smith seconded. Passed unanimously.

10. PMCAC QUARTERLY REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

NO REPORT.

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Carman called for future items and discussed that there will be the Hungry Owl Project and Dr. Boyer’s presentation on Eelgrass.

12. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS

a. Report by Councilmember/Mayor McLaughlin regarding recent issues in Richmond relevant to the Advisory Committee

Carman read Mayor’s report and the Court will reconsider pleadings and a hearing will be held on March 18.

b. PMCAC appointment status

No report.

13. CHAIR AND SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT

a. Clean-Up and Restoration:
   1. Report on 3Q 2013 QMR Site 1 Landfill
   2. Report on 3Q 2013 QMR USTs
   3. Report on 3Q SMR PGWTP

Carson reported on item. Carson noted that there is 3 feet of soil on top of each underground tank.

b. Community Outreach:
   1. Review of previous month’s activities and plans for next month
   2. Review of current draft of PMCAC brochure
3. Review of schedule for Neighborhood Council presentations

Hite reported on status of surveys and goal is for each member to give out. Hite also reported that he ran out of the 300 new brochures and will need more and he, others on Committee are still going to Neighborhood Councils.

c. Grant Development:

Stello reported on a National Fish and Wildlife supported grant on Coastal Prairie restoration and a $5,000 grant to the Citizens for Sustainable Pt Molate.

d. Pt Molate Beach:

Stello reported that Beach Park Opening celebration will be on April 19. Tony Brake suggested that the trash cans have lids. Carman reported that there will be a new Subcommittee on Vegetation, an Item 13 F on future Committee Agendas, and Smith will head it up. Smith discussed that there are issues with goats and effort to start to eradicate beach park of broom.

e. Chair: Identification of pending schedule conflicts

Carman inquired if any conflicts.
No conflicts reported.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Stephenson made statement that he will need to drop out of this Committee but is interested in seeing that efforts to improve Pt Molate continue and then moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 pm, seconded by Kortz. Passed unanimously.

15. Assemblage of PMCAC Standing Sub-Committees

Adjourned to Sub-Committee Meetings.

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Committee Meeting –
Monday, March 17, 2013, 6:30 p.m., Multi-Purpose Room, 440 Civic Center Plaza

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Craig K. Murray, PMCAC Staff Liaison