



HCBF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Friday, February 28th, 2020, 10:00 A.M.

San Pedro Regional Library, Community Room

931 S. Gaffey Street, San Pedro, CA 90731

BOARD MEMBERS:

PRESENT: Gisele Fong, Chair; Ed Avol, Vice Chair; Jayme Wilson, CFO/Treasurer; Cristin Mondy, Secretary; Angelo Logan, Director; Richard Havenick, Director; and Gabriela Medina, Director

HCBF: Meghan Reese, Executive Director; Tamanna Rahman, Program Director

LEGAL COUNSEL: Michael Jenkins; Best Best & Krieger.

Meeting called to order at 10:05 AM

ITEM A. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- Pesach Chananiah (Breathe LA) discussed the proposed truck fee, which Breathe LA and other environmental groups criticize for being too low to effectively curb emissions from drayage trucks accessing the ports of LB and LA. Also discussed the End Diesel Now campaign. Looks forward to future collaboration.

ITEM B. STAFF REMARKS

- The Request for Letters of Interest for Community Benefit Round 7 has been released. Deadline to submit applications is March 27th. Staff also released a recorded webinar with information on how to apply and LOI criteria for this round.
- Staff will be attending Congresswoman Nanette Barragan’s grant workshop in Wilmington to share information about HCBF and the current CB Round 7 grant cycle. Staff have shared information about the CBR7 with community and will be distributing flyers at this community workshop as well.
- Thank you to Jayme for attending the Board of Harbor Commissioners meeting. HCBF’s operational budget has been approved by the Board of Harbor Commissioners.
- Staff is preparing the Request for LOI for Round 2 of the Air Quality Mitigation Program which will be reviewed with the ad hoc committee in the coming month. Staff requested additional recommendations for the external review panel for AQMF Round 2 RFPs.

ITEM C. BOARD MEMBER REMARKS

- EPA’s Clean trucks initiative – at the national level, they are trying to establish a federal level standard so that it is sweeping across the country.
- Council on Environmental Quality released their rollbacks on NEPA, which is important to the work environmental advocates do. Closing date for comments on those rollbacks is on Mar. 10th
- Congresswoman Barragan will be introducing the Smart Port Act at the federal level for clean and sustainable ports.
- Chair Grijalva of the Natural Resources Committee and Rep. McEachin introduced the Environmental Justice for All Act in February. Support is needed to move through Congress.

CONSENT ITEM(S)

ITEM 1. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF HCBF BOARD MEETING MINUTES DATED JANUARY 24, 2020.

Board voted to approve the HCBF Board meeting minutes dated January, 24th, 2020.
Motion by Richard Havenick. Seconded by Ed Avol. Carried unanimously.

REGULAR ITEM(S)

ITEM 2. PHASE TWO OF IDENTIFYING COMMUNITY PRIORITY FOCUS AREA

Staff presented the outcomes from the January 24th Board meeting exercise that identified HCBF’s lens (community resilience, public health, and environmental justice) to help inform board discussion on a possible HCBF-driven/partnered projects and next steps. Board provided input on the topic areas, define topic areas to better align with HCBF’s approach, and interest in a project-based approach to start the process. Board requested that Staff provide a general timeline for this initiative, a potential logic model, and some concrete recommendations or materials for board to review. This includes a potential agenda for the convening, objectives and descriptions, and list of potential partners. Staff will bring back materials to share at next board meeting.

ITEM 3. SAN PEDRO NOISE STUDY

The updated draft of the San Pedro Noise Study is ready, and staff is seeking final approval from the Board to finalize the report for release. Staff also presented a draft “Letter from the Board” which was drafted with input from the SP Noise Study ad hoc committee, and which is to be included with the final study report. Board reviewed the draft and suggested edits.

Board voted to approve the draft with revisions. Motion by Cristin Mondy. Seconded by Gaby Medina. Carried unanimously.

Board voted to approve Staff to proceed to finalize the San Pedro Noise study. Motion by Ed Avol. Seconded by Cristin Mondy. Carried unanimously.

ITEM 4. MARCH AND APRIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING DATES

Based on quorum, the next HCBF Board meeting will be on April 3rd.

ITEM 5. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 12:01 pm

I have reviewed the above minutes for accuracy and approve them:

Cristin Mondy, Secretary Date