



Public Works Commission

CONSENT CALENDAR
July 25, 2017

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
 From: Public Works Commission
 Submitted by: Margo Schueler, Chair, Public Works Commission
 Subject: Approval of Six Additional Meetings of the Public Works Commission in Calendar Year 2017

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution approving six additional meetings of the Public Works Commission in calendar year 2017.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

There is no fiscal impact in adding six additional meetings to the Public Works Commission calendar.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

The Public Works Commission (PWC), in collaboration with the Parks & Waterfront Commission, ten other commissions and subcommittees, and City staff, worked to host three robust public workshops in March and April focused on how the City should prioritize voter-approved Measure T1 bond revenues. T1 bond revenues are dedicated for improvements to existing city infrastructure and facilities, including streets, sidewalks, storm drains, parks and recreation centers, green infrastructure, and senior centers. The overall objective was to engage the public and collect input from both public workshops and other commissions; summarize said input along with that received from other community sources including email, the City's web site and other channels; and to then provide City Council with recommendations for how to allocate the first phase of the T1 Bond funds. This was a complex task that required six additional meetings of the PWC in the spring.

BACKGROUND

At a regular meeting January 12, 2017, the Public Works Commission took action to recommend to the City Council to allow the Commission six additional meetings to its regular schedule for calendar year 2017.

Action: Motion to request the City Council to authorize the Public Works Commission to hold up to six additional special meetings to address planning and T1 Bond Measure needs."

M/S/C, (Schueler/Freiberg). Ayes: Schueler, Frieberg, Henry, Yep, Kelley, and Dominguez; Noes: None; Absent: None.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

There are no identifiable environmental effects or opportunities associated with the subject of this report.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

The T1 Implementation process developed by staff depended on public meetings hosted by the Public Works and Parks and Waterfront Commissions. Three regular meetings of the PWC were rescheduled and consumed by those public meetings. One additional meeting is requested in order to develop the PWC Workplan for 2018, as has been done in the past. In addition, completing the work required focus during regular meetings to the exclusion of other commission priorities resulting in a need for two additional meetings to address PWC work in progress.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

None

CITY MANAGER

The City Manager concurs with the content and recommendations of the Commission's Report.

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachments:

1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

APPROVAL OF SIX ADDITIONAL MEETINGS FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS
COMMISSION IN CALENDAR YEAR 2017

WHEREAS, the Public Works Commission was charged with working with the Parks & Waterfront Commission, ten other various city commissions and subcommittees, and City staff to host three robust public workshops focused on how the City should prioritize voter-approved Measure T1 bond revenues; and

WHEREAS, T1 bond revenues are dedicated for improvements to existing city infrastructure and facilities, including streets, sidewalks, storm drains, parks and recreation centers, green infrastructure and senior centers; and

WHEREAS, on January 12, 2017 the Public Works Commission approved the following motion: "Moved to request the City to authorize the Public Works Commission to hold up to six additional special meetings to address planning and T1 Bond Measure needs."

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Berkeley authorizes the approval of six additional meetings for the Public Works Commission in calendar year 2017.

