



Public Works Commission

Regular Meeting
PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION
Action Minutes
Thursday, January 4, 2018
Corporation Yard, 1326 Allston Way, Berkeley, CA
Willow Room

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 PM

Present: Schueler, Yep, Hitchen, Dominguez, Coates, Kelley, and Henry

Absent: Smith and Freiberg

Staff: Nisha Patel (Manager of Engineering/ City Engineer- PWC Secretary), Joe Enke, and John Hurtado

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. Marvin Snow provided a copy of San Francisco's comments on the CPUC's Rule 20 review and asked that Berkeley be involved in the process.
2. Bill Springer attended and did not comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes from the November 2, 2017 meeting were approved. (1st motion- Yep, 2nd motion- Hitchen 7/0/0)

CHAIR REPORT:

Margo Schueler reported on the paving plan recommendations to Council in December 2017.

STAFF REPORT:

1. John Hurtado reported that people in the Belrose neighborhood want street sweeping. He described the past process for approval which included the PWC recommendation.
2. Nisha Patel reported that Health, Housing, and Community Services is requesting T1 funds to upgrade a mental health facility.
3. Street striping at Alameda and Hopkins is almost completed. Rose and green color striping had not yet been completed.
4. Joe Enke gave a report of the Shattuck/ University Permeable Bus Pad and Rose/ Hopkins bioswale project. The permeable pavement bus stop at University and Shattuck construction was to start soon.
5. Nisha Patel reported on a green infrastructure meeting staff attended on November 14.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. The commission reviewed the 2018 workplan and agreed to establish five subcommittees. (1st motion- Schueler, 2nd motion, Henry 7/0/0)

2. Subcommittee Assignments were made as read. (1st motion- Kelley, 2nd motion- Dominguez 6/0/0)
3. The commission approved the attached schedule. The July 2018 commission meeting will be changed to July 12th. (1st motion- Kelley, 2nd motion- Yep 7/0/0)
4. Ray Yep was nominated for chair and John Hitchen for vice chair of the PWC in 2018. The vote will be carried over to February 2018. (1st motion- Kelley, 2nd motion- Coates 7/0/0).
5. Nisha Patel reported on the upcoming 218 process the city was to embark on to increase taxes for storm drain and street lighting improvements For the upcoming prop 218 process to increase storm drain and street lighting fees, the Public Works Department is asking if they can use the February 1 PWC meeting as one of their public meetings. After some discussion, a motion was made for the PWC to hold its regular meeting on February 1 and to schedule a briefing on the prop 218 process. The Public Works Department shall hold a public meeting on a separate date. (1st motion- Yep, 2nd motion- Henry, abstain- Dominguez, Kelley- no 4/1/1)

INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Standing Information Item: Subcommittee Reports
 - a) Street paving – no report.
 - b) T1 implementation – no report.
 - c) Utility Undergrounding – Ray Yep presented the Conceptual Study to Underground Utility Wires in Berkeley and asked for the PWC’s approval to forward it to Council. The PWC made a motion to accept the report and to allow for minor corrections as the report is finalized. (1st motion- Kelley, 2nd motion- Coates 7/0/0)
 - d) Watershed management and sanitary sewers – no report.
 - e) Sidewalks, street lighting, street sweeping – no report.

FUTURE AGENDAS: Items for the future

Motion to ADJOURN - (1st motion- Kelley, 2nd motion- Coates 7/0/0) 10:15 pm

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