



Public Works Commission

**Regular Meeting
PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION
Minutes**

Thursday, June 7, 2012

North Berkeley Senior Center, 1901 Hearst Avenue

CALL TO ORDER: 7:10 pm

Present: Henry, Holland, Ingram, Kidd, Schueler, Yep

Absent: Alward, Diaz, Neal

Vacant: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 3, 2012 were adopted as submitted (MSC Yep/Holland with a vote of 6-0-0).

CHAIR REPORT: Commissioner Henry went to Public Works Week at the Ratcliff building and would like to move the PWC meetings there to save the fees paid to use North Berkeley; it has sufficient parking and wifi is available.

STAFF REPORT: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Potential Upcoming Tour of Corporation Yard – Tuesday and Wednesday mornings are the best times of the week for most commissioners. The Commissioners asked the secretary to schedule a date and let them know. They would like the tour before the next meeting.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. **5-Year Paving Plan:** After a staff presentation of policy and procedures, in particular overall Pavement Condition Index data, a discussion was held that the PWC can be of further assistance beyond approving the 5-Year Plan. The goal would be to delay pavement deterioration. It was also suggested that the annual plans be displayed in on-line maps. Alternative paving strategies can deal with storm water better than traditional asphalt pavement. Commissioner Schueler was authorized to write up additional discussion to this effect to be added to the draft council report. The 5-Year Plan report was then adopted as amended (MSC Yep/Kidd, with a vote of 6-0-0).

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INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Rule 20A Undergrounding -- Review of Past Recommendations to Council: Past recommendations were reviewed, and discussion was held. It was noted that the Council took no action previously.

2. San Pablo Green Spine Project: Staff explained that this Caltrans sponsored project is spread out throughout the east bay cities and will include only one location in Berkeley (not yet selected) that will probably be a single bio-swale bulb-out.

3. Work Plan for Second Half of 2012:

- a. Utility undergrounding could be resurrected.
- b. Sanitary Sewers
 - 1. Capacity/new hook-ups
 - 2. Infiltration/Inflow – wet weather flows
- c. Electric Vehicle – policy re use of City streets for charging
- d. Climate Change/Carbon Footprint
- e. Asset Management – Staff 1st Phase slated for Fall 2012
- f. Street Lights
 - 1. Compliance with safety standards
 - 2. Energy efficiency
- g. What staff would recommend for PWC to help with

FUTURE AGENDAS: As above.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:30 pm