



Public Works Commission

**Regular Meeting
PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION
Minutes**

Thursday, September 6, 2012

North Berkeley Senior Center, 1901 Hearst Avenue

CALL TO ORDER: 7:05 pm

Present: Henry, Haramati, Holland, Neal, Schueler, Yep

Absent: Alward, Kidd

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting of July 5, 2012

CHAIR REPORT: None.

STAFF REPORT: Status of Permeable Paving Trial Project: One proposal was received from URS Corporation. A meeting is scheduled for September 10, 2012 to discuss the proposal with them, after which a decision will be made as to whether to rebid the project.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Upcoming Tour of Corporation Yard: A date/time of September 26, 2012 at either 8:00 am or 1:00 pm was suggested. Commissioners Yep, Neal and Haramati will attend. Staff will confirm.

ACTION ITEMS: None.

8:50 pm INFORMATION ITEMS: None.

(Action may be taken on any information item at this meeting if a majority of Commissioners votes to move it to an action item. This vote may take place at or before the time the item is scheduled to come up).

- 1. Renaming of Harold Way to Dharma Way:** A preliminary discussion was held prior to the Public Hearing planned before the next regular meeting on October 4, 2012. There was discussion on which of several past policies applies, but it was concluded that it was the last one adopted in January 2012. The Commission's focus will be on Section 3 of that policy. Three possible outcomes were identified: 1) a recommendation to Council to approve, 2) a recommendation not to approve, or 3) no recommendation based on

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specified reasons. The hearing will be scheduled to start at 5:30, with the regular meeting starting at 7:00. The secretary is requested to provide direct notices to all commissions and societies that have sent communications on this topic.

- 2. Street Paving/Watershed Bond Measure:** A discussion of the draft “Talking Points” was held. There needs to be more emphasis on the PWC focus; now it’s more on the environmental aspects, per CEAC. There needs to be a separation of the bond measure so that it doesn’t impact the traditional street paving program. For example, regarding sea level rise, there is concern about protecting our infrastructure assets. Care should be taken that this does not sound like it’s coming from a “campaign committee,” which the PWC is not. The Joint Subcommittee shall meet again to finalize the wording, and it will be set for final adoption at the October 4 meeting.

FUTURE AGENDAS: As above.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:15