

CITY/PORT LIAISON COMMITTEE
MEETING SUMMARY
March 15, 2002

The City/Port Liaison Committee meeting was called to order by Co-Chair & Councilman Spees at 8:05 a.m. in the Port of Oakland's Board Room located at 530 Water Street in Oakland, California.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Councilmember & Co-Chair Dick Spees, Councilmember Nancy Nadel, Councilmember Ignacio De La Fuente, Assistant City Manager Dolores Blanchard, and Deputy City Attorney Curtis Kidder

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT: Councilman Larry Reid

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Commissioner and Co-Chair Phillip Tagami, Commissioner Frank Kiang, Deputy Executive Director John Glover, Port Attorney Ralph Wheeler and Port Board Secretary Chris Marshall

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Commissioner David Kramer and Commissioner Darlene Ayers-Johnson

ITEM 1: DETERMINATION OF SCHEDULE FOR OUTSTANDING COMMITTEE ITEMS

1-A: APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARY: The City/Port Liaison Committee, by consensus, approved the February 15, 2002 meeting summary.

1-B: DETERMINATION OF SCHEDULE FOR OUTSTANDING COMMITTEE ITEMS: The City/Port Liaison Committee, by consensus, approved making the following changes to the April 19 and May 17 meeting agendas: The report on the Artship will be presented at the April 19 meeting rather than the May 17 meeting. Also, the report on estuary development will be combined with the report on the Port's Commercial Real Estate Division. The combined report will be presented at the May 17 meeting. Below is the revised schedule for the April and May meetings, as well as the pending list.

April 19 Meeting:

- A report by the City of Oakland on their efforts to bring a ballpark to Oakland
- A report by the City of Oakland and the Port of Oakland on development/improvement of public facilities including a convention center
- A report by the City of Oakland and the Port of Oakland on coordination of festivals and other family entertainment
- A report by the Artship Foundation on the Artship

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May 17 Meeting:

- A report by the City of Oakland on the Jack London Aquatic Center
- A report by the Port of Oakland on Union Point Park
- A report by the Port of Oakland on the Port's Commercial Real Estate Division's activities

Pending List:

- A report and recommendations by the City of Oakland and the Port of Oakland to relocate City and Port corporation yards
- A report by the City of Oakland on its plans for the relocation of the Police station
- A report by the City of Oakland on the Military Academy
- A report by the Port of Oakland and the City of Oakland on the transfer/construction of Galbraith Golf Course

ITEM 2: A REPORT BY THE CITY OF OAKLAND ON THE OAKLAND ARMY BASE

Aliza Gallo, OBRA Executive Director/Base Reuse Manager, presented the report, which updated the committee on Base conveyance from the Army, as well as on activities related to the Base reuse plan. As part of her presentation, Ms. Gallo discussed the Finding of Suitability for Early Transfer (FOSET); the Economic Development Conveyance (EDC) Program; the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Base; the Army Reserve Relocation Transaction; the Army Base Interim Leasing Program; and the Army Base Reuse Plan Implementation Activities.

The committee discussed Caltrans' intention to occupy a parcel on the Army Base located at Pier 7/Burma Road to be used as a staging/lay-down area for the Bay Bridge East Span construction project.

Councilman De La Fuente stated that it was important for the City and Port to work together in responding to Caltrans. He stated that if lawsuits were to be filed in court against Caltrans it is important that the City and Port file such suits jointly.

At 9:00 a.m. the committee adjourned into closed session to further discuss the Caltrans issue. At 9:45 a.m. the committee reconvened in open session and directed City and Port legal staff to file a lawsuit jointly in state court against Caltrans.

Public Comment:

There were two public speakers:

1. Robin Bartoo, Waterfront Activist
2. Sanjiv Handa, East Bay News Service

Report accepted consensus.

ITEM 3: *A REPORT BY THE CITY OF OAKLAND ON THE LAKE MERRITT MASTER PLAN*

Kerry Jo Ricketts-Ferris of the City of Oakland Community and Economic Development Agency introduced John Gibbs of Wallace, Roberts and Todd (WRT), a consulting firm that helped develop the draft Lake Merritt Master Plan. Mr. Gibbs gave a PowerPoint presentation, which described the key components of the master plan proposal. These include: expanding park area around the lake; restoring park areas and enhancing park amenities; connecting the lake to the waterfront; enhancing unique park/lake programs; and maintaining the lake and park as the "crown jewel" of Oakland.

Mr. Gibbs stated that the next steps include: completing the public input process and then finalizing the master plan; bringing a water-related bond measure to the voters in November of 2002; establishing a Lake Merritt Conservancy; and then implementing the plan.

Commissioner Kiang stated that the Lake Merritt Master Plan represents an exciting vision, but asked how much it will cost to implement and what are possible funding sources.

Kerry Jo Ricketts-Ferris responded by stating that the total Lake Merritt Project is estimated to cost \$85 million. She said that possible funding sources to implement the plan include a local bond measure, the solicitation of private funds through the creation of a conservancy, and seeking of state funds, including funds from Proposition 40 approved by the voters on March 5, 2002.

Public Comment:

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Robin Bartoo, Waterfront Activist

Report accepted by consensus.

ITEM 4: OPEN FORUM

There was one public speaker:

Sanjiv Handa, East Bay News Service

Meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.