

CITY/PORT LIAISON COMMITTEE  
**MEETING SUMMARY**  
June 28, 2002

The City/Port Liaison Committee meeting was called to order by Co-Chair & Councilman Spees at 8:04 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, Assistant City Manager Dolores Blanchard, and Deputy City Attorney Curtis Kidder

**COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT:** Councilman Ignacio De La Fuente, Vice-Mayor Larry Reid

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Commissioner and Co-Chair Phillip Tagami, Commissioner Darlene Ayers-Johnson, Commissioner Frank Kiang, Executive Director Tay Yoshitani, Port Attorney Vivian O'Neal and serving as secretary, Port Government Affairs Manager Eve Grossman-Bukowski

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** Commissioner David Kramer

**ITEM 1: DETERMINATION OF SCHEDULE FOR OUTSTANDING COMMITTEE ITEMS**

**1-A: APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARY:** The City/Port Liaison Committee, by consensus, approved the May 17, 2002 meeting summary.

**1-B: DETERMINATION OF SCHEDULE FOR OUTSTANDING COMMITTEE ITEMS:** The Port Executive Director presented the Committee with suggested meeting themes and agenda topics for the July, September, October and November 2002 meetings. The Committee accepted the below agenda for the July 19 meeting. The Committee will finalize agendas for the September through November meetings at the July 19 meeting. Lastly, the Committee agreed to cancel the August meeting due to the City Council summer recess and the December meeting due to the winter holiday.

**July 19, 2002 Meeting: (Carry-Overs)**

- An informational update report by the City of Oakland on the Oakland Army Base conveyance
- A report by the City of Oakland on the status of the proposed transit village projects in Oakland
- A report by the City of Oakland on commercial real estate development in Oakland
- An update report by the Port of Oakland on commercial real estate development activities
- A report by the Artship Foundation on the Artship's financial status
- An update report by the City of Oakland and the Port of Oakland on state and federal legislation

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- A report by the Port of Oakland on the Port's implementation of Measure I, the Living Wage Charter Amendment

**August 16, 2002 Meeting: cancelled due to City Council summer recess**

**September 20, 2002 Meeting: (Theme: Recreation & Arts)**

- A report by the City of Oakland on their efforts to bring a ballpark to Oakland
- A report by the City of Oakland on the Jack London Aquatic Center
- A report by the City of Oakland on the Lake Merritt/Waterfront Bond Initiative Campaign
- A report by the Port of Oakland on Middle Harbor Shoreline Park
- A report by the Port of Oakland on street artists at Jack London Square
- A report by the Port of Oakland and the City of Oakland on strategies for pursuing grants for arts related projects
- An update report by the Port of Oakland on the Port's new Arts Policy

**October 18, 2002 Meeting: (Theme: Local Infrastructure Projects)**

- A report by the City of Oakland on the Amtrak/UP Embarcadero rail improvements
- A report by the Port of Oakland on the Joint-Intermodal Terminal
- A report by the Port of Oakland and the City of Oakland on efforts to construct new on-ramps and off-ramps on I-880 near 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue in conjunction with Caltrans seismic retrofit project
- 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
- An informational follow-up report by the City of Oakland on the Oakland Army Base conveyance
- A report by the Water Transit Authority on initiatives relating to ferry service and progress on funding requests

**November 22, 2002 Meeting: (Theme: Planning and Development)**

- A report by the City of Oakland on the City's redevelopment plans for west of Maritime Street on the Oakland Army Base, including discussion on possible future locations for the Military Academy
- A report by the Port of Oakland on the Port's development plans for east of Maritime Street on the Oakland Army Base
- A report by the City of Oakland on the City's General Plan Zoning Update, including efforts relating to Port ancillary uses
- A report by the Port of Oakland on regional transportation planning initiatives with MTC
- An update report by the Port of Oakland on the Port Services Location Study
- A report by the City of Oakland on the fees levied on developers

**December 20, 2002 Meeting: cancelled due to winter holiday**

**Pending List:**

- A report by the City of Oakland on city-wide security and emergency response plans

**ITEM 2:     *A REPORT BY THE CITY OF OAKLAND ON PLANS FOR VARIOUS REDEVELOPMENT AREAS***

City of Oakland staff presented the report, which updated the Committee on the Central City East Redevelopment Area and the West Oakland Redevelopment Area. Staff gave the Committee key milestone dates such as when Project Area Committees were formed and anticipated dates for adoption of redevelopment plans.

Councilman Spees asked if any Port of Oakland areas are in the Central City East redevelopment area. Staff indicated that the Port's Oak to 9<sup>th</sup> area is part of Central City East area.

**Public Comment:**

There was one public speaker:  
Steve Lowe, West Oakland Commerce Association

Report accepted by consensus.

**ITEM 3:     *A FOLLOW-UP REPPORT BY THE PORT OF OAKLAND AND THE CITY OF OAKLAND ON UNION POINT PARK***

Port staff updated the Committee on key milestones relating to the execution of a ground lease, including anticipated Regional Board approval of Port's Remedial Action Plan and presenting the lease to the Port Board of Commissioners for approval. Staff indicated that although they are behind schedule by one month, progress is being made and it is expected that the ground lease will be executed later this summer.

**Public Comment:**

There were no public speakers.

Report accepted by consensus.

**ITEM 4: A REPORT BY THE PORT OF OAKLAND ON THE PORT'S AUDIT OF THE ARTSHIP**

The Port Auditor presented the report by highlighting key aspects of the Port's recent audit of the Artship. The Port Auditor briefly described key milestones that have been met, as well as those that have not been met. This included fundraising goals, as well as the status of obtaining BCDC permits.

Commissioner Tagami stated that although the Artship Foundation has had some success in bringing their project to fruition, several important milestones have not been met. He said that we need to look at the practicality of the project and make a group community decision as to whether to proceed with realistic targets and goals for the project.

Councilwoman Nadel asked if there are grants available to the City, whereby, the City could make financial contributions to the Artship. She also suggested that civic, business, and community leaders explore fundraising activities on behalf of the Artship.

The Committee also heard from representatives from the Artship Foundation on their view of progress made and challenges ahead. The Artship Foundation is scheduled to present a report on their financial status at the July 19 City/Port Liaison Committee meeting.

**Public Comment:**

There were five public speakers:

1. Tom Baily, URS Corporation
2. Raymond Bobbitt, Artship Foundation
3. Frank Giunta, Artship Foundation
4. Steve Lowe, West Oakland Commerce Association
5. E.W. Wainwright, African Roots of Jazz

Report accepted by consensus.

**ITEM 5: A REPORT BY THE PORT OF OAKLAND ON LOCAL AND SMALL BUSINESS PARTICIPATION IN THE OAKLAND AIRPORT EXPANSION**

Port staff presented the report, which described the Port's new enhanced Local Business Utilization Policy. The new policy sets minimum local business utilization thresholds. Staff stated that the policy distributed to the Committee in their packet is slightly different than the one approved by the Port Board of Commissions in that the Board approved a policy with mandatory penalties for businesses not complying with the policy. Staff also indicated that the Port Board of Commissioners recently approved the creation of three new positions in the Social Responsibility Division to, in part, administer this new policy.

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**Public Comment:**

There was one public speaker:

1. Sanjiv Handa, East Bay News Service

Report accepted by consensus.

***ITEM 6: AN INFORMATIONAL UPDATE REPORT BY THE CITY OF OAKLAND ON THE OAKLAND ARMY BASE CONVEYANCE***

The Committee asked to postpone this last scheduled report until the July 19 meeting due to the lateness of the hour and in order to give the Committee ample time to hear and discuss this report.

**Public Comment:**

There was one public speaker:

1. Sanjiv Handa, East Bay News Service

Report accepted by consensus.

***ITEM 7: OPEN FORUM***

There was one public speaker:

Sanjiv Handa, East Bay News service

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.