



CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH

TIDELANDS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

AGENDA

Newport Beach City Hall
Council Chambers
Wednesday, March 30, 2011
4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Mike Henn – Chair
Nancy Gardner, Ed Selich – Council Members

1. Welcome, Committee Purpose and Introductions (Mayor Henn)
2. Organizational Issues (Henn)
 - a. What's the best day and time for the Committee to meet?
 - b. What's the best location?
 - c. Advisory Group/Panel – how many, method of selection?
3. Review of the Committee's Workplan (Kiff, Miller)
 - a. Are there any potential changes to the early draft of the scope that Council approved? See the pages that follow for the *Purpose and Responsibilities* and *Recommended Implementation Steps*. Key items are:
 - i. "Vision" for City's Tidelands
 - ii. Tidelands Infrastructure Master Plan (TIMP), including revenue requirements.
 1. Dredging
 - a. Lower Bay Dredging (including Fed project line and Maintenance Dredging)
 - b. Upper Bay Maintenance Dredging
 - c. Rhine Channel
 - d. Newport Channel/Seminouk Slough
 - e. Eelgrass
 2. Oil Wells
 3. Sea Level Change, Sea Walls
 4. Beach replenishment – Bay, Ocean Beaches
 5. Beach Maintenance, Other Maintenance (trash booms, etc)

6. Harbor Amenities & Services
 - a. Amenities for mooring permit holders
 - b. Water taxi
 - c. Visitor serving docks, marinas, anchorages
 - d. Maintaining critical marine-related businesses
 - e. Big boat docking locations
 - f. Law enforcement, more
7. On-Land Tidelands-Supportive Facilities
 - a. Jr Guards' permanent home
 - b. Lifeguard HQ
8. Water Quality
 - a. Selenium
 - b. Other TMDLs
9. Habitat Restoration, Education
 - a. Upper Newport Bay relationships – County, DFG, Newport Bay Conservancy, more
 - b. Back Bay Science Center, Muth Center
 - c. West Newport – Banning Ranch restoration activities, Orange Coast River Park activities
10. Appropriate Funding Mechanism for the TIMP

iii. Other Issues

1. Party boats
2. Vessel overhang
3. Federal project, pierhead and bulkhead lines,
4. Coordination of uplands and tidelands land use planning
5. Identification of funding participation opportunities from Federal, State, local agencies and private parties, and associated lobbying and other strategies to maximum them.

iv. Governance

- b. What areas should be addressed in what order? And by whom – which should be assigned to the Harbor Commission and which to the Coastal-Bay Committee?
- c. What is the appropriate timing and deliverables for each item?
- d. What resources are available (HAMP, General Plan's Harbor and Bay Element) and what additional information is necessary – documents, studies, plans, etc?
- e. What additional resources (staff or consultant) are needed for each item?
- f. What City Council "Check-In" times are appropriate within the workplan?
- g. What is the anticipated conclusion date for the Committee or individual phases of work?

4. Roundtable or Additional Public Comments

5. Set Next Meeting – *Monday, April 25th, 2011 at 4:00 p.m., City Council Chambers*

6. Adjournment

TIDELANDS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

PURPOSE & RESPONSIBILITIES:

The Committee shall:

- A. Establish long term visions for the major tidelands components, including the upper bay, lower bay, beaches and other major components.
- B. Study and adopt a Tidelands Infrastructure Master Plan (TIMP);
- C. Research, consider, and recommend appropriate governance structures; and
- D. Identify and establish a Citizens Advisory Panel (CAP) to assist the Committee, encouraging public input throughout the process. The CAP may be different for each specific area. Meetings of the Committee that involve the CAP shall be noticed, open to the public, and shall be collaborative with all persons attending the meeting and contributing in a positive way.

RECOMMENDED IMPLEMENTATION STEPS:

The Committee shall generally be guided by these Implementation Steps, which were reviewed by the City Council on February 22, 2011:

1. Review existing General Plan policies, the Harbor Area Management Plan (HAMP), and other relevant existing documents, and finalize a vision for the ultimate goals of the management process for each of the major Tidelands components.
2. Revenue issues:
 - a. Review and finalize for recommendation to the Council as a whole, an action plan to maximize the productivity of the City's oil reserves in the most economically and environmentally advantageous manner;
 - b. Determine a strategy to maximize the participation of the federal government and other governmental agencies and private stakeholders in the funding burdens associated with the Tidelands Infrastructure Master Plan.
3. Tidelands Infrastructure Master Plan. Using the Harbor Area Management Plan (HAMP) and other resources, develop a Tidelands Infrastructure Master Plan identifying projects, timing, and costs associated with items like:
 - a. Dredging (Lower Newport Bay, Newport Slough, Newport Island, Upper Newport Bay [in 20 years], more);
 - b. Beach replenishment (ocean beaches, in-bay beaches, more);
 - c. Habitat protection and restoration (eelgrass, habitat restoration such as John Wayne Gulch, Santa Isabel Channel);
 - d. Sea level rise (sea walls - private and public, street ends, ocean beach infrastructure, more);
 - e. Harbor amenities (mooring support services areas, public docks, more);

- f. Water quality (selenium removal upstream and in Big Canyon wash, bacteria, trash booms, etc); and
 - g. Harbor services (law enforcement, Harbor Resources Division, more).
- 4. Recommend and implement a long-term governance structure to ensure that all tidelands are managed appropriately and reflective of the City's obligations under the tidelands trust; and
- 5. Depending upon the area of interest and the prioritization, select a Citizens Advisory Panel (CAP) of up to five (5) people specifically invited to attend Committee meetings and to provide their expertise on key subject areas, including but not limited to tidelands uses, harbor activities, oil field operations, water quality, governance structures, capital program development, and more. The advisory panel may change depending on the Committee's specific focus at any one time.