

AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
HUMBOLDT BAY HARBOR, RECREATION AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT

DATE: May 13, 2021

TIME: Closed Session – 5:00 P.M.
Regular Session – 6:00 P.M.

PLACE: Join Zoom Meeting
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Consistent with Executive Orders N-25-20 and N-29-20, the Board of Commissioners meeting location will not be physically open to the public. Members of the public may observe and participate in the meeting via Zoom or teleconference using the information set forth above.

1. Call to Order Closed Session at 5:00 P.M.

2. Public Comment

Note: This portion of the Agenda allows the public to speak to the Board on the closed session items. Each speaker is limited to speak for a period of three (3) minutes regarding each item on the Closed Session Agenda. The three (3) minute time limit may not be transferred to other speakers. The three (3) minute time limit for each speaker may be extended by the President of the Board of Commissioners or the Presiding Member of the Board of Commissioners.

3. Move to Closed Session

a) CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS. Terms of lease of real property in Samoa Peninsula, Humboldt County, with Assessor's Parcel Numbers, 401-031-055-000, 401-031-070-000, 401-031-054-000, 401-031-061-000, 401-112-013-000, 401-031-071-000, and 401-112-029-000, California pursuant to California Government Code § 54956.8. District negotiators: Larry Oetker, Executive Director and Ryan Plotz, District Counsel. Negotiating party: Town of Samoa, Green Diamond, Sniper Properties. Under negotiation: price and payment terms.

b) PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION pursuant to Government Code section 54957(b)(1). Title: Executive Director – Larry Oetker

4. Call to Order Regular Session at 6:00 P.M. and Roll Call

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5. Pledge of Allegiance

6. Report on Closed Session

7. Public Comment

*Note: This portion of the Agenda allows the public to speak to the Board on the **various issues NOT itemized on this Agenda.** A member of the public may also request that a matter appearing on the Consent Calendar be pulled and discussed separately. Pursuant to the Brown Act, the Board may not take action on any item that does not appear on the Agenda. Each speaker is limited to speak for a period of three (3) minutes regarding each item on the Agenda. Each speaker is limited to speak for a period of three (3) minutes during the PUBLIC COMMENT portion of the Agenda regarding items of special interest to the public NOT appearing on the Agenda that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board of Commissioners. The three (3) minute time limit may not be transferred to other speakers. The three (3) minute time limit for each speaker may be extended by the President of the Board of Commissioners or the Presiding Member of the Board of Commissioners at the regular meeting of the District. Callers can “raise their hand” by pressing *9 and unmute themselves by pressing *6.*

8. Consent Calendar

- a) Adopt Minutes for April 8, 2021 Regular Board Meeting
- b) Receive District Financial Reports for March 2021

9. Communications, Reports and Correspondence Received

- a) Executive Director’s Report
- b) Staff Reports
- c) District Counsel and District Treasurer Reports
- d) Commissioner and Committee Reports
- e) Correspondence Received

10. Unfinished Business

- a) **Review Conceptual Master Plan for Development of a New Multipurpose Terminal to Support the Emerging West Coast Offshore Wind Industry and Consider Approving Contract to Prepare Grant Application**

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Board: Receive a presentation from Staff, award a contract to prepare a grant application, and consider authorizing Executive Director to retain outside counsel to provide advice and counsel regarding municipal financing options and opportunities for the wind energy project.

Summary: The Harbor District owns all the shoreline property from the Samoa Bridge to the former LP Pulp Mill where Nordic Aquafarms is in the process of developing and the new Trans-Pacific broadband cable landing site is located. In March, the Board authorized a contract to prepare three conceptual master plans for the entire area which

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includes a new multipurpose terminal and offshore wind assembly terminal. This week the Biden Administration announced their plans to “Jumpstart Offshore Wind Energy Projects to Create Jobs.” As part of this effort \$230 million in funding was made available through the Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP) under the Department of Transportation Maritime Administration.

b) Humboldt Bay Sediment Management Program Environmental Impact Report Certification

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Board: Approve Resolution 2021-06 adopting California Environmental Quality Act Findings of Fact, adopting a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan, and certifying the Final Program Environmental Impact Report for the Humboldt Bay Sediment Management Program (SCH #2018012052).

Summary: The Harbor District developed a California Environmental Quality Act Program Environmental Impact Report that assesses the environmental impact of (1) dredging locally maintained sites in Humboldt Bay, and (2) transporting, processing and placing dredged material at beneficial use sites. The Harbor District Board of Commissioners is to consider certifying the Program Environmental Impact Report.

c) Consider Approving Resolution 2021-07 Adopting an Initial Study/ Mitigated Negative Declaration and Establishing Relevant Findings and Approve Permit 2021-02 for the Samoa Boat Launch Improvement Project

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Board:

- 1) Approve Resolution No. 2021-07 Adopting an Initial Study/ Mitigated Negative Declaration and Establishing Findings Relative to the Permit Application for the Samoa Boat Launch Improvement Project.
- 2) Approve Permit 2021-02 for the Samoa Boat Launch Improvement Project.

Summary: The City of Eureka applied for a Harbor District permit for the Samoa Boat Launch Improvement Project. The Harbor District Board is to consider issuing a permit.

11. New Business

a) Review of Preliminary Budget and Goals for Woodley Island Marina, Fields Landing Boat Yard and Dredging

Recommendation: Staff recommends the Board: Review and provide direction regarding the Preliminary budget and goals for Woodley Island Marina, Fields Landing Boat Yard and Dredging.

Summary: The budget is prepared annually under direction of the Executive Director. In accordance with CA Harbors and Navigation Code Section 6093, on or before June 15, the District Board shall estimate and determine the amount of money required by the Harbor District and shall adopt a preliminary budget. Per Section 6093.3, the final budget shall be reported to the Board of Supervisors no later than August 1st.

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b) Review of Samoa Peninsula Infrastructure Potential Funding Mechanism

Recommendation: Review and provide direction as appropriate.

Summary: Staff from the Harbor District, Humboldt County, Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District, Samoa Peninsula Community Services District, City of Eureka, and City of Arcata have been meeting to discuss how we can work together to complete upgrades and maintenance to the public infrastructure on the Samoa Peninsula. Since the infrastructure is owned and managed by several different governmental agencies, there is a need to coordinate our efforts in order to effectively manage and plan for future development opportunities.

12. Future Agenda Items

- a) Bar Pilot Recruitment
- b) Brown Act Training
- c) Green Diamond Shared Services Agreement
- d) AB 534 Whale Entanglement Prevention Act
- e) Coast Guard Utilities Contract
- f) Personnel Policies Revision

13. Adjournment