

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

**DATE:** January 14, 2021

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

**PLACE:** Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3432860852>

Meeting ID: 343 286 0852  
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**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 LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Agency designated representatives: Larry Oetker, Executive Director. Employee organization: Management Employees.

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

**5. Pledge of Allegiance**

**6. Election of Board President, Vice President and Secretary**

*Summary:* District Ordinance No. 6, Article II Officers, Section 6 states: “The President, Vice-President and Secretary shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the District from among the members of said Board of Commissioners, and shall hold office for one year or until their successors are elected and qualified. All Officers shall serve during the pleasure of the Board of Commissioners of the District.”

**7. Report on Closed Session**

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### **8. 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.*

### **9. Consent Calendar**

- a) Adopt Minutes for December 10, 2020 Regular Board Meeting
- b) Receive District Financial Reports for November 2020

### **10. 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

### **11. Unfinished Business**

#### **a) Consider Adopting Amendment NO. 2 Ordinance NO. 7 An Ordinance Implementing Certain Portions of the Humboldt Bay Master Plan**

*Recommendation:* Staff recommends that the Board: Adopt Amendment NO. 2 Ordinance NO. 7 An Ordinance Implementing Certain Portions of the Humboldt Bay Master Plan and consent to read by title only.

*Summary:* On December 10, 2020 the Board introduced the Ordinance. The Ordinance makes amendments to the Humboldt Bay Master Plan to clarify the District's existing regulations prohibiting billboards from the tidal and submerged lands. The Ordinance will be effective 30 days after Adoption.

#### **b) Review of the Report to the Legislature 2020 Regarding the "Assessment of the North Coast Railroad Authority and Viability of a Great Redwood Trail"**

*Recommendation:* Staff recommends that the Board: Review the assessment and provide direction to staff as may be appropriate.

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*Summary:* The North Coast Railroad Authority Closure and Transition to Trails Act was approved in September 2018. The Act directs the California State Transportation Agency, in consultation with the Natural Resources Agency, to “conduct an assessment of the North Coast Railroad Authority to provide information necessary to determine the most appropriate way to dissolve North Coast Railroad Authority and dispense with its assets and liabilities,” as well as “a preliminary assessment of the viability of constructing a trail on the entirety of, or a portion of, the property, rights-of-way, or easements owned by North Coast Railroad Authority, and recommendations relating to the possible construction of a trail.”

### **c) Receive a Report of the Historic Shipping Volumes from Humboldt Bay**

*Recommendation:* Staff recommends that the Board: Receive a report from Staff.

*Summary:* Staff has collected a log of all the shipping from Humboldt Bay from 2000 to present. Staff will provide a summary report of the historic ship traffic and projections for future years. The ship tonnage is utilized to calculate the Harbor Usage Fees which are utilized to help pay off the debt incurred by the Harbor deepening project.

### **d) Review of Subcommittees**

*Recommendation:* Staff recommends that the Board: Review the list of current subcommittees for accuracy and propose changes to current subcommittee members.

*Summary:* Subcommittees are formed regularly throughout the year. Staff would like to review the active subcommittees annually to ensure they are still necessary and meeting, as well as giving members the opportunity to reevaluate their membership.

## **12. New Business**

### **a) Consideration of Accepting Permit Application 2020-02 (Hog Island Oyster Company: Arcata Bay Shellfish Farm) for Filing and Beginning the Public Review Process**

*Recommendation:* Staff recommends that the Board: Accept Permit Application 2020-02 for filing and direct Staff to initiate a public review process for the proposed project’s Harbor District permit application and California Environmental Quality Act Initial Study.

*Summary:* Hog Island Oyster Company submitted Permit Application 2020-02 for a 30-acre oyster farm adjacent to the Mad River Slough Channel in Arcata Bay. Under the proposed project, Pacific oysters (*Crassostrea gigas*), Kumamoto oysters (*C. sikimeia*) and native Olympia oysters (*Ostrea lurida*) would be cultured using off-bottom culture methods. In Humboldt Bay, Pacific oysters and Kumamoto oysters are currently cultured and Olympia oysters were historically cultured.

## **13. Future Agenda Items**

- a) Suction Dredging (Long Fin Smelt Mitigation)**
- b) Bar Pilot Recruitment**
- c) Personnel Policy Revisions**

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- d)** Brown Act Training
- e)** FLBY Contract Amendment
- f)** Green Diamond Shared Services Agreement

**14. Adjournment**