

Public Comments
Agenda Item 22 –
North Coast County Water District
Headquarters Appeal

Written Comments Received By 12pm on 08/14/2023



August 14, 2023
City Council Meeting

From: James Kremer [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, August 13, 2023 4:49 PM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Planning Comm. mtg Aug 14, 2023

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Planning Commission, Aug 14. 2023
NCCWD HQ Project Appeal
James Kremer

My biggest personal concern is the drive-through water recycling upgrade. It is a creative idea for facilitating increased use of this precious resource. Restricting them to one driveway compromises the whole plan, perhaps fatally? The objections I have heard seem flawed. Might Caltrans be willing to move their bus stop to a different location? in the past I believe the bus stop has been other places? Did we ask Caltrans? Traffic? This really seems like a tenuous objection, especially with our seemingly casual regard for traffic with other major projects proposed around the city. Clarendon is not a busy street here. Even if usage expands – & this would be a good thing – I predict the number of recycling water users will never make this a dangerous or busy intersection. And in this era of overworked city staff, surely we appreciate that watching me hold a hose puming water into barrels it is not a good use of Water District personnel! If the public can pump gasoline, we can pump water!
>>> Please: Let the drive-through layout stand.

Most importantly, encouraging responsible water use should be a high priority not just for the Water District but for Planning, and for the whole city. Our government should work together. It is confusing to me that the city is making this remodeling project and recycling upgrade so difficult for the Water District. I find it really hard to believe that satisfactory compromises could not be found if both sides bargained in good faith. But here we are in an appeal where both are forced into adversarial positions. Really? Is that the way we want government to work in our small town?

I have similar concerns about the angled parking proposed for part of Francisco Blvd. I looked at the report by the traffic consultants, and they make a good case for the workability and safety – and they are the professionals. If the city is worried that angled parking per se is accident prone – I ask to see evidence we know applies, not some study from some other time and place.

Have we tabulated the number of local incidents reported in our Police records for angled areas like Walgreens vs. parallel parking? If we can't show an effect with evidence from Pacifica, the effect may not be significant. And is it true that there is no stipulation against angled parking in the General Plan, or other city guidelines?

I am sad it has come to this. I urge the Planning Commissioners to grant the appeal of the five conditions that the Water District is objecting to. We owe it to them to support their vision and facilitate their goals for improving their customer services, using their staff time more effectively, and stimulating usage of our very expensive tertiary treated water – NOT STYMIEING IT!

Thank you all for your hard work.

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From: Coffey, Sarah
Sent: Monday, August 14, 2023 9:03 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: FW: North Coast County Water District appeal - SUPPORT

From: Woodhouse, Kevin <kwoodhouse@pacifica.gov>
Sent: Friday, August 11, 2023 2:47 PM
To: Coffey, Sarah <scoffey@pacifica.gov>; Murdock, Christian <cmurdock@pacifica.gov>; Michelle Kenyon [BWS Law] <mkenyon@bwsllaw.com>; Sharma, Deepa <DSharma@bwsllaw.com>; Petersen, Lisa <lpetersen@pacifica.gov>
Subject: FW: North Coast County Water District appeal - SUPPORT

FYI.

From: Bier, Mary <mbier@pacifica.gov>
Sent: Friday, August 11, 2023 1:55 PM
To: Woodhouse, Kevin <kwoodhouse@pacifica.gov>
Subject: Fwd: North Coast County Water District appeal - SUPPORT

Mary K. Bier
Councilmember
City of Pacifica
Mbier@pacifica.gov

Begin forwarded message:

From: Julie Lind <julie@sanmateolabor.org>
Date: August 11, 2023 at 11:16:13 AM PDT
To: "Bigstych, Tygarjas" <tbigstych@pacifica.gov>, "Beckmeyer, Sue" <sbeckmeyer@pacifica.gov>, "Vaterlaus, Sue" <svaterlaus@pacifica.gov>, "Bier, Mary" <mbier@pacifica.gov>, "Boles, Christine" <CBoles@pacifica.gov>
Cc: bart@sanmateobctc.org
Subject: North Coast County Water District appeal - SUPPORT

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Dear Honorable Pacifica City Council Members,

The San Mateo County Central Labor Council supports and strongly urges you to uphold the North Coast County Water District appeal and approve their Headquarters/Emergency Operating Center project without conditions. The District's Project in its entirety, specifically the angled parking along Francisco Blvd and the third recycled water entrance on Clarendon Road, is designed to protect, preserve and enhance public health and safety. Their current design will bring much needed jobs to our community and will make a vital investment in our public infrastructure. We are excited about this project and the District's commitment to using skilled and trained trade union members.

We especially recognize the critical nature of the District's angled parking on Francisco Blvd. to this project, which will allow adequate parking for both those who visit the District and those who wish to visit the beach or the adjacent businesses thus enhancing the vitality of the Sharp Park neighborhood. We also wish to highlight the importance of the third entrance on Clarendon Road to providing free recycled water to residents and improving the environment.

We hope you will approve the District's Headquarters/ Emergency Operating Center Project as designed, and ensure it moves forward for the benefit of our community.

Respectfully,

Julie Lind

*Julie Lind, Executive Secretary-Treasurer
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From: Adrienne Carr <acarr@nccwd.com>
Sent: Monday, August 14, 2023 11:26 AM
To: Bigstyc, Tygarjas; Bier, Mary; Vaterlaus, Sue; Beckmeyer, Sue; Boles, Christine; Public Comment
Cc: Patrick T. Miyaki; Woodhouse, Kevin; Murdock, Christian; Cervantes, Stefanie; Petersen, Lisa
Subject: Comment on Agenda item #22 at August 14, 2023 Council meeting
Attachments: NCCWD_to_City Council_August 14_with enclosures.pdf

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Dear Honorable Councilmembers,

Please see attached letter.

Very best regards,
Adrienne

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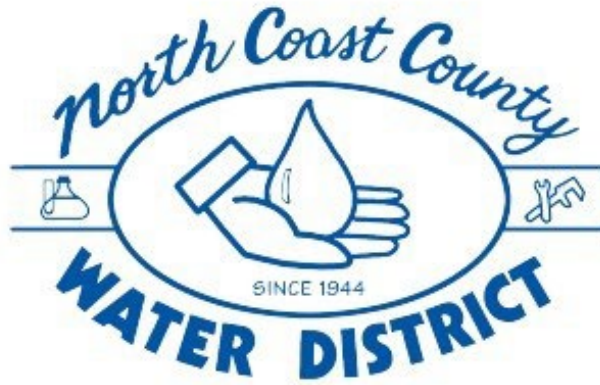


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August 14, 2023

via email

City Council
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Pacifica, CA 94044

RE: Agenda Item No. 22: File No. 2022-007 – Consideration of an Appeal of the Planning Commission's Approval with Conditions of Site Development Permit PSD-857-22, Coastal Development Permit CDP-435-22, Use Permit UP-130-22, and Parking Exception PE-194-22

Dear Honorable Councilmembers,

I want to extend my sincere gratitude to each of you for coming to the District Headquarters prior to tonight's hearing to get an understanding of the Headquarters Project and the items that we are appealing. The District's entire team, which includes Board members, myself, legal counsel, its architects, and its traffic consultant looks forward to participating in the August 14 public hearing and will be available to respond to any questions you may have.

Unfortunately, the City staff report for this item was frustrating to read because the City staff simply dug into its positions, and has not listened to or considered any of the points the District has been making for over a year in its discussions with City staff. This is demonstrated by the fact that City staff cannot even admit it made a mistake in characterizing Francisco Boulevard as an arterial road during the Planning Commission hearing, when the City's own documents/plans characterize it as a collector or local road. Instead, City staff brushed this off and said it does not matter how the road is characterized and continues to come up with other reasons to try to justify the staff conclusion that angled parking is not safe.

Similarly, City staff has been rigid in its position about the additional driveway on Clarendon Road. This additional driveway would enable the District to provide much more free recycled water to Pacifica residents as it would vastly increase the time that the recycled water fill station can be available. At the same time it creates a safer and more secure facility for District equipment, supplies, and personnel. The City's concern about sightlines can be easily eliminated by reversing the flow of traffic through the new recycled fill station driveway, which the District is happy to do. The District is committed to leading the effort to move the bus stop east on Clarendon to a more protected and logical location

under the Highway 1 overpass, which would free up additional parking spots along Clarendon Rd. But City staff continues to inexplicably resist the addition of this driveway.

Attached are two visual renderings of the proposed drive-through fill station and a site plan drawing marked up to show the reversed flow of traffic through the fill station, in addition to possible additional parking spots along Clarendon for the project with and without relocating the bus stop.

The District asks the City Council to focus on the two items that are foundational to the District's Headquarters Upgrade project – angled parking and the additional driveway for the recycled water fill station. The District has provided much information about the safety, benefits, and rationale for these two critical elements of the project.

There is substantial evidence in the record to support the City Council granting the appeal, and the District respectfully requests that the City Council grant the appeal.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at acarr@nccwd.com, or 650-355-3462.

Sincerely,



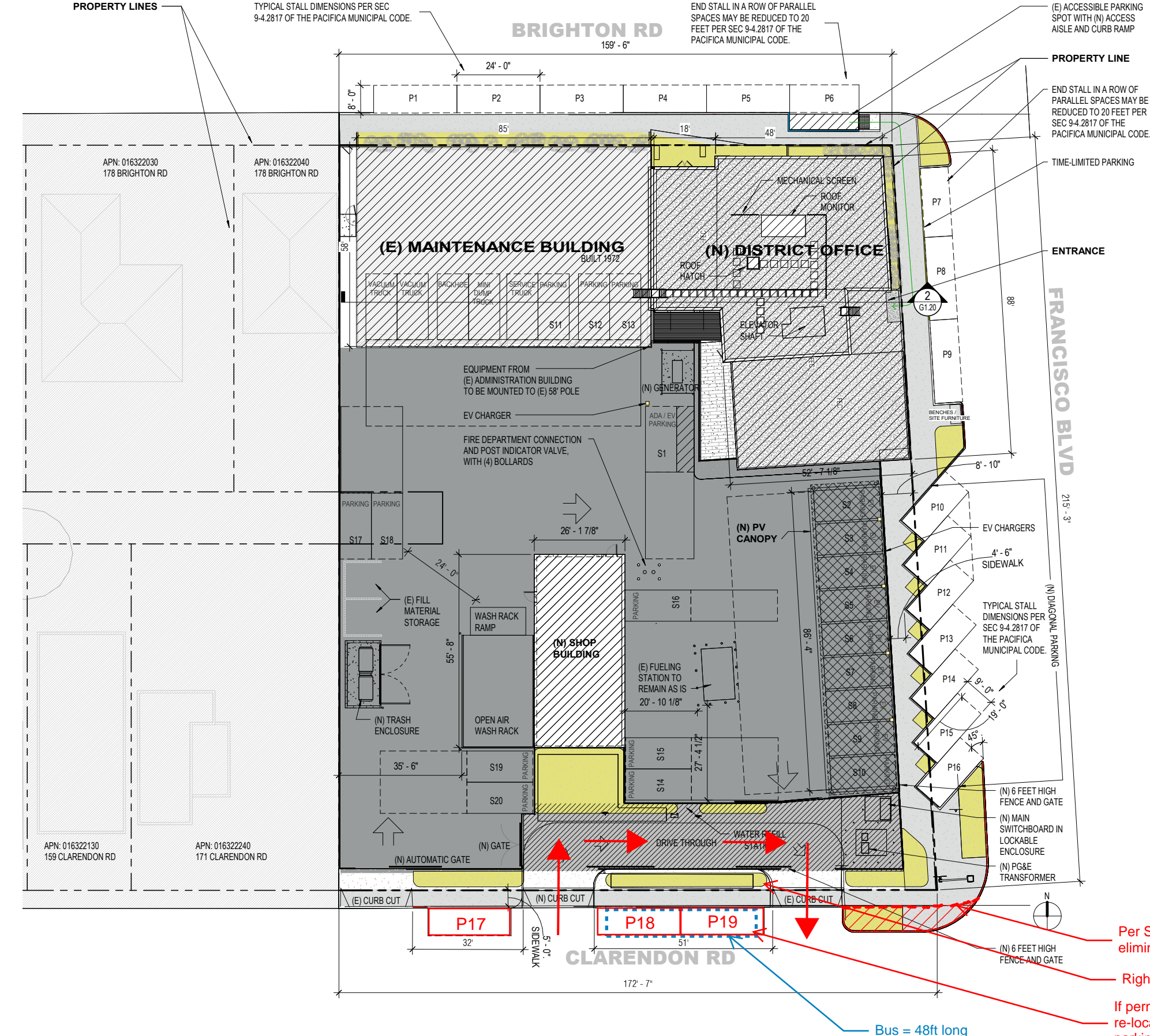
Adrienne Carr
General Manager

Encl.

cc: Kevin Woodhouse, City Manager
Christian Murdock, Planning Director
Stefanie Cervantes, Senior Planner
Lisa Petersen, Public Works Director
NCCWD Board of Directors
Patrick Miyaki, District Counsel







ON SITE PARKING TABULATION - REQUIRED

OCCUPANT TYPE		OCCUPANTS		PARKING SPACES REQUIRED	PARKING SPACES PROPOSED
NCCWD EMPLOYEES	OPERATION STAFF	12		20	20
	ADMINISTRATION STAFF	8			
MEETING AND CONFERENCE ROOM	SMALL CONFERENCE	6	92	10	0
	MEDIUM CONFERENCE	8			
	MULTI PURPOSE ROOM	78			
NOTE: IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN SAFE OPERATIONS WITHIN THE CORPORATION YARD, PUBLIC PARKING CANNOT BE PROVIDED ON-SITE.					

PER SECTION 9-4.2817(n)(8) OF THE PACIFICA MUNICIPAL CODE: One parking space for each employee on a maximum shift, plus parking spaces equal in number to ten (10%) percent of the capacity in persons of any conference and meeting room.

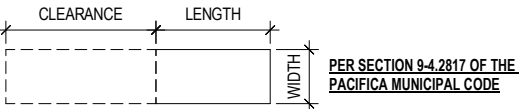
ON SITE PARKING TABULATION - EXISTING

OCCUPANT TYPE		OCCUPANTS	PARKING SPACES NEEDED	PARKING SPACES EXISTING
NCCWD EMPLOYEES	OPERATION STAFF	12	20	15
	ADMINISTRATION STAFF	8		
MEETING AND CONFERENCE ROOM	MEETING ROOM	16	5	0
	BOARD ROOM	32		

SITE SUMMARY - PROPOSED		% OF LOT AREA (35223 SQFT)	CHANGE FROM EXISTING (DIAGONAL)	CHANGE FROM EXISTING (PARALLEL)
	LANDSCAPING	2391 SQFT	6.8%	+651 SQFT
	SIDEWALK	3950 SQFT	N/A	+960 SQFT
	CORP YARD	19590 SQFT	55.6%	-4670 SQFT
	BUILDINGS (FOOTPRINT)	11620 SQFT	33%	+2211 SQFT
	WATER FILL DRIVE	1968 SQFT	N/A	+2039 SQFT
	STAFF PARKING	20	N/A	+5 SPACES
	PUBLIC PARKING	19/14	N/A	+1 SPACES
	CLEARANCE REQUIRED PER PACIFICA MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 9-4.2817			

DESIGN STANDARDS FOR PARKING AREAS

90 DEGREE ANGLE PARKING STALL		DRIVE AISLE CLEARANCE	
WIDTH	9'	ONE WAY	25'
LENGTH	19'	TWO WAY	25'



Per SamTrans Request, elimination of bulb-out

Right Turn Exit Only Sign

If permanent bus stop re-location, 2 additional parking spaces available

Bus = 48ft long

01 - SITE PROGRAM - DIAGONAL PARKING - PLANNING

NOLL & TAM ARCHITECTS

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Berkeley, CA 94710
tel 510.542.2200
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DRAFT!
NOT FOR
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APPROVALS

PROJECT TITLE

North Coast
County Water
District

2400 Francisco Blvd
Pacifica, CA 94044

100% CONSTRUCTION
DOCUMENTS

ISSUE DATE	05/26/23
N&T JOB NUMBER	22007.00
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DATE	DESCRIPTION

SHEET TITLE
SITE PLAN - PROPOSED

SHEET NUMBER

PL.A2.01

Public Comments
Agenda Item 24 –
Meeting Minutes Format

Written Comments Received By 12pm on 08/14/2023



August 14, 2023
City Council Meeting

From: James Kremer [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2023 9:55 PM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Aug. 14 meeting

[CAUTION: External Email]

RE: "Action minutes"

I strongly OPPOSE the use of ACTION MINUTES in any formal meetings of city officials.
I URGE all city officials and elected representatives to REJECT this abbreviated form of meeting records.

It is scary that this is even being proposed!

Most citizens do not attend meetings. Important issues are discussed, and the statements of our representatives must be available to all who want them, at any later time – near term and as historical archive. Minutes are the essential way this information is retained –

**What was said, with reasonable detail,
who said them, AND in what context.**

This accurate and complete recording is simply the cost of good government. *Don't ever curtail this.*

And, no, even if meetings are video-recorded, that does not replace the practical and perhaps legal benefits of full minutes. (There is no comparison of the two as official records: Vids are not easily scanned, and are much more time consuming to assimilated. NOT A SUBSTITUTE.)

Please reject the use of "action minutes."

-- Jim

James Kremer
Pacifica, CA
[REDACTED]

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From: Pat Kremer [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2023 9:55 PM
To: Public Comment
Cc: Pat Kremer
Subject: NO to Action Minutes

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>>> Please REJECT ever using so-called "action minutes" in City meetings.

-The public has an essential right to know.

-Most of us cannot attend all meetings we care about.

-ONLY complete minutes record ALL necessary and sufficient info. (Video records are unsatisfactory!)

-Perhaps this short-cut is proposed for only some parts of some meetings? This is unacceptable as how the decision is made and who makes it is unreliable.

-Citizens deserve good government records!

Please, please! This is important!

-Pat Kremer

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From: Sue Digre [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, August 14, 2023 8:43 AM
To: Public Comment
Cc: Sue Digre (Contact)
Subject: Comment Aug 14 Item 24 Action minutes.

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From: Sue Digre [REDACTED]
To: Publiccomment@pacificagov

Subject: Aug 14 Item 24
Sue Digre.

Action Minutes do not empower the Public to be a "government of ,BY, for the People". Minutes must be full.

Honest ,specific,full data that occurs in a live meeting is dismissed in the name of efficiency.

Freedom is not free. It is very expensive.

Many Veterans have suffered and died to protect our right to experience the freedom to engage fully in the self governing processes provided by the US Constitution.

Action minutes also block the ability of the Public to have on-going ability to examine deliberations for accountability.

Transparency should be exceptional.

You The Voice of the Public is more important than to merely have the names of individuals "listed". How dismissive.

Our US Constitution did not create a business. It created "government Of, By For the PEOPLE."

Electeds should be empowering the Public not treating them like "problem children" or "stupid sheep".

Sue Digre

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From: Jeffrey Bruno [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, August 14, 2023 11:30 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Public comment for August 14th item 24

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I'm not sure what this is all about, but I respect Sue Digre who emailed me to participate.

My main thoughts on Self-Governing is about allowing individual's their full rights under the constitution, especially religious and medical freedom.

There is a rising global and national trend, as witnessed during the recent pandemic, to shut down individual's religious and medical rights for the sake of the "common good." This can be a powerful tool for a fascist regime.

I believe our township may help to reduce the possibilities of extreme censorship; mandated medical corrosion; and marginalization of people or closing of businesses when the next pandemic occurs or something "global crisis" akin to that.

Jeffrey J. Bruno, Ph.D.
Pacific Psychological Care
[REDACTED]

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From: Remi Tan [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, August 14, 2023 12:26 PM
To: Public Comment; _City Council; Boles, Christine
Subject: Comment on Item 24 2023-08-14

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Want to comment that the proposed action meeting minutes of city council (and commission/committee) meetings is reduces transparency and access to our local government, as members of the public who missed a live meeting cannot go back and read minutes to fully understand the presentation, discussions, public input, and debate over each of the meeting agenda items. Comprehensive meeting minutes are easier and takes less time to review than re-watching the video. Please vote no on this issue.

Thank you and Best Regards,

Remi Tan, AIA, LEED AP BD+C
Architecture, Green/Sustainability Consulting, and Real Estate Investment
Pacific Manor/Edgemar

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Public Comments on Items Not on Posted Agenda

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August 14, 2023

City Council Meeting

From: Kate Chinca [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, August 2, 2023 5:06 PM
To: Public Comment
Subject: National Night Out

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Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

My husband and I attended a National Night Out event at the Wright home on Aspen Drive last night.

What a pleasure it was to meet the new Police Chief, Administrative Staff and a number of Pacifica Officers. It was a great turn out from the community, as well. We never anticipated seeing so many of the Police Staff and having the opportunity to visit with all of them.

We are certain that our Mayor and Councilmembers would be so pleased to know of the efforts put out by this Department to do a meet and greet with our neighbors as well as us.

Kudos to the new Chief as well as all of the PD staff.

Best wishes,

Gary and Kate Chinca
Aspen Drive

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