



**CITY OF PACIFICA**  
**OPEN SPACE & PARKLAND ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**May 15, 2024, 6:00 – 7:30 P.M.**  
**Auditorium, Pacifica Community Center, 540 Crespi Drive, Pacifica**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

**ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:** *(5 minutes)*

**Roll Call.**

**Approval of Order of Agenda**

**Approval of Minutes of April 17, 2024 (distributed to OSPAC with Agenda)**

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS:**

**Public Comment** - *This portion of the agenda is available to the public to address the Committee on any issue within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee that is not on the agenda (3 minutes per speaker).*

**Committee Communications –**

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:** *(5 minutes)*

1. **Update by GGNRA/GGNPC –**
2. **Update by City Council –**

**STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:** *(5 minutes)*

3. **Development project updates –**

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

4. **Reorganization of Chair and Vice Chair** *(15 minutes)*
5. **Reorganization of OSPAC Subcommittees** *(15 minutes)*
6. **Recap of the Ahni Trail Workday and PG&E Claim Update.** *(15 minutes)*

**ADJOURNMENT.**

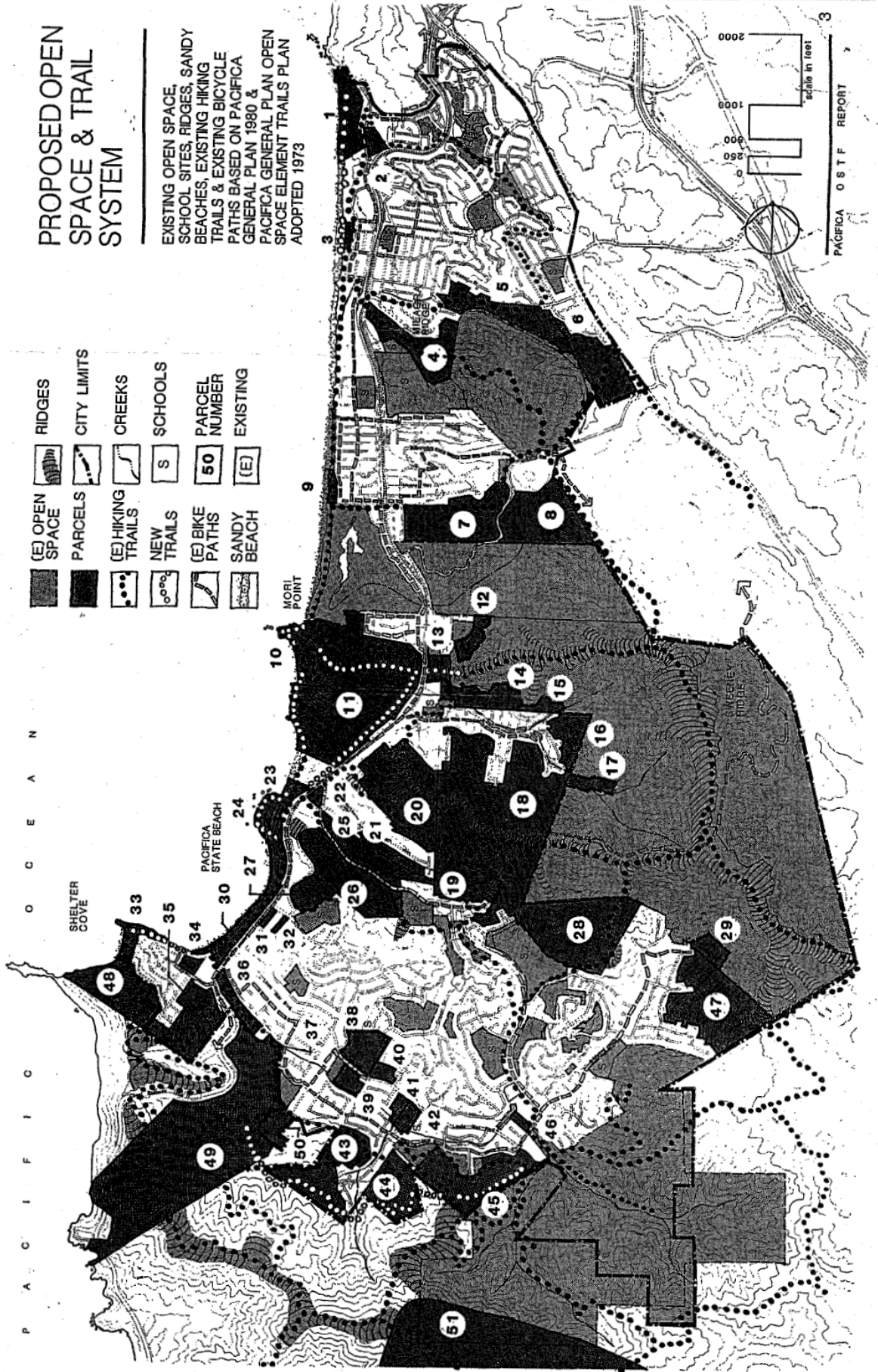
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# PROPOSED OPEN SPACE & TRAIL SYSTEM

EXISTING OPEN SPACE, SCHOOL SITES, RIDGES, SANDY BEACHES, EXISTING HIKING TRAILS & EXISTING BICYCLE PATHS BASED ON PACIFICA GENERAL PLAN 1980 & PACIFICA GENERAL PLAN OPEN SPACE ELEMENT TRAILS PLAN ADOPTED 1973

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|  | (E) OPEN SPACE    |  | RIDGES           |
|  | PARCELS           |  | CITY LIMITS      |
|  | (E) HIKING TRAILS |  | CREEKS           |
|  | NEW TRAILS        |  | SCHOOLS          |
|  | (E) BIKE PATHS    |  | PARCEL NUMBER 50 |
|  | SANDY BEACH       |  | EXISTING         |





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**April 17, 2024, 6:00 – 7:30 P.M.**

**Senior Services Card Room, Pacifica Community Center, 540 Crespi Drive, Pacifica**  
*In attendance were Patton, Arnos, Cardona, McDermod, Goodmiller, Kahn, Reif, Tan, Senior Planner Cervantes, and Councilmember Beckmeyer. Natesan was absent.*

**CALL TO ORDER:**

**ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS: (5 minutes)**

**Roll Call.**

**Approval of Order of Agenda.** Unanimously approved.

**Approval of Minutes of March 20, 2024 (distributed to OSPAC with Agenda)**

Unanimously approved.

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS:**

**Public Comment** - *This portion of the agenda is available to the public to address the Committee on any issue within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee that is not on the agenda (3 minutes per speaker).*

*Ron Maykel (Pacifica)* commented that he is a former OSPAC committee member, and that there is an area of the Quarry site that should have the Coastal Trail to go through it. He plans to attend the next Planning Commission Quarry meeting.

**Committee Communications –**

*Cardona* announced that as her term nears, she will not be reapplying but has been happy to see all of the new Committee members.

*Patton* welcomed all of those in attendance this evening.

*Patton* introduced two new OSPAC members, Aaron Reif and Mike Kahn, both of whom have been involved in the committee's trail work.

*Reif* introduced himself as someone who grew up in Pacifica and currently lives in Rockaway Beach. He comments that the outside hills is what makes Pacifica special, and the reason for joining OSPAC.

*Kahn* introduced himself as a resident of Pacifica for the last five years, and currently lives in the Crespi/Linda Mar area. He grew up exploring the Santa Cruz mountains, and have been involved in environmental matters throughout his life.

*Patton* announced that the revised resolution for the OSPAC charter was passed at the recent City Council meeting, however, it was pulled from the Consent Calendar.

*Goodmiller* asked why the resolution was pulled from the Consent Calendar.

*Patton* responded that one of the councilmember had many questions on the item.

*Arnos* commented it was mostly about the Quarry.

*Patton* commented that it was odd because it was not a part of the resolution.

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS: (5**

*minutes)*

**1. Update by GGNRA/GGNPC –**

**2. Update by City Council –**

## **STAFF COMMUNICATIONS: (5 minutes)**

**3. Development project updates – Senior Planner Cervantes** provided development project status updates.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

**4. Presentation and Discussion by GGNRA on the Mori Point Access Improvements (35 minutes)**

*Patton* introduced Darren Brown with the National Park Services.

*Brown* provided a presentation regarding the Mori Point Access Improvements.

*Reif* asked if the trail still connected to the highway for those who come to the trail on foot.

*Brown* confirmed that it would be, and that the design also includes more bike parking.

*Reif* stated that it would be better to utilize the bike parking for something else.

*O'Neill (Pacifica)* commented that the public likes to take barbeques into Mori Point, and inquired if it is possible to add more signage for fire warning?

*Brown* stated that fire warning signage is possible and could possibly include benches.

*Brown* responded that there are issues on San Francisco properties, where the bikes are locked to anything, so the proposed bike racks will allow for better organization.

*Tan* asked if the proposed sixty-four spaces would be enough.

*Brown* responded that it is a dynamic number. For an event like the super bloom, the demand could be 200, and that the identified preferable design would be a summer weekend peak day, which is around sixty-four.

*Jeff Guielle (Pacifica)* comments taht he uses the trail to go down to the berm. The existing condition is that this is a two-way street that can only accommodate one way traffic.

*Tan* stated that if it is made one-way, then people will need to go south.

*Reif* stated that the south parking lot is always full, even the ones by the hotel.

*Brown* explains that the situation is like a fountain, when one fills, it goes to the next one. He stated that these are conceptual plans at this time, and more details will come as the plan progresses.

*Goodmiller* asked about how the construction would be phased.

*Brown* asked if the Pollywog Trail should remain open.

*Ron Maykel (Pacifica)* comments about the Pollywog Trail, where one of the residents was responsible for the name, and that additional consideration will need to be taken before the closure of the trail.

*Jeff Guillet (Pacifica)* comments that he likes the idea of adding additional parking spaces that is needed in the neighborhood. He would not be in favor of the closure of the Pollywog trail. He states that signage, speed, and parking will be important to consider.

*Brenda Story (Pacifica)* states that she is a resident of Fairway Park, and states that she prefers alternative design #3. She states that she is also in favor of keeping the Pollywog Trail open and is in favor of adding more bathrooms.

*Laurie Gaggero (Pacifica)* states that she is a resident for thirty-years, and has been protecting sensitive species before GGNRA. She states that everyone loves the trail and the habitat should be cared for. She states that Pollywog Trail should be closed or only open to residential only.

*David Halliburton (Pacifica)* states that the ongoing issue is affecting the quality of life, and that a lot of people don't want to see Pollywog Trail. He states that he is an avid user but willing to give it up because the problem is so bad.

*Reif* asks if there's a way to find more parking by the freeway.

*Kahn* asks what is the latest biological assessment?

*Brown* responds that the park does not have a strong position, and it is what the people want. He states that there are options about Pollywog, and GGNRA can come back with alternatives.

*Kahn* asks if parking permits have been considered, or some sort of group to enforce rules during the busy weekends?

*McDermod* asks if there are any plan for enforcement, and if there are staffing to issue tickets.

*Brown* responds that the biggest problems are on City property, and the City does not have the resources.

*Cardona* asks if there is a policy that they need to provide free parking and asks if parking meters could be used.

*Tan* supports alternative #3, and recommends bollards on the street so that there are no thru-traffic into the neighborhood, and have time limit parking signage.

*Brown* provided his email for further comments.

*Patton* thanks *Brown* for his presentation this evening and asks to extend the meeting to 7:45 PM.

## **5. Review of the 2024 Annual Report to the Pacifica City Council (15 minutes)**

*Patton* asks for constructive criticism on the report, and asks for approval to make minor revisions, including adding more pictures and amend the slide to correct *Tan's* terms.

*Kahn* states that mid-peninsula is not hyphenated.

*Cardona* asks that on the OSPAC activities slide, revisions be made to add context related to parking and trail alternatives.

*Reif* asks for more work with *McDermod* to add more points onto the map.

*Patton* asks that updates be provided by Friday.

*Tan* comments that with the LCLUP meeting on Monday, the committee should be involved regarding subject on coastal access.

*Patton* states that on the next meeting, the committee should do goalsetting for projects that OSPAC should take up.

*Councilmember Beckmeyer* asks for the wording to be updated on the OSPAC's Purpose slide, and slide with Resolution continued should correct "projects".

*Tan* asks that for the OSPAC purpose slide, on bullet #3, perhaps each number should be a line.

Motion to approve this draft and authorization seconded. Approved unanimously.

**6. Discussion on the recent Ahni Trail Damage and Recap of the April Workday (15 minutes)**

*Patton* states that PG&E likely has an easement on Cattle Hill, and that a contractor working for PG&E got through the gate that caused damage. OSPAC has never filed a claim against an entity that has caused damage.

*Reif* states that it was a 4x4 vehicle that was struggling due to the steepness and as a result caused damage to the trail.

*Goodmiller* asked how PG&E was able to access through the gates.

*Patton* responds that she does not know how they were able to gain access.

*Goodmiller* asks who manages the gate.

*Patton* responds that it is City property with access available for NCCWD, and she isn't sure if PG&E has a key or if the City/NCCWD granted them access.

*Reif* states that the trail is not wide enough for vehicles, so there were damages to the vegetation.

*Patton* states that if there is an easement, it was likely from the 1950s.

*Tan* asks for advice from the City Attorney's Office to abandon the easement.

*Patton* states that if there is an actual line, then they will not be abandoned.

Motion to have the Chair or Committee member to work with the City on this matter.

Motion to further investigate and create an ad-hoc committee. Goodmiller, Reif, Arnos, and Patton.

**ADJOURNMENT.** Meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM.

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