

Hillside Open Space Education Coalition
Steering Committee

MINUTES

Wednesday, January 8, 2006
7:00 p.m.

City of Brea, Community Room A, 1 Civic Center Circle, Brea, CA

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chair Henderson called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Committee Members Present

Bob Henderson, Council Member, Whittier
Mike Hughes, Hacienda Heights Improvement Association (alternate)
Russ Bell, Rowland Heights Community Coordinating Council (alternate)
Steve Simonian, Council Member, La Habra

Committee Members Absent

John Beauman, Council Member, Brea
Mike Popovec, Rowland Heights Community Coordinating Council
Bruce Douglas, Council Member, La Habra Heights
Owen Newcomer, Mayor, Whittier (alternate)
Fred Kline, La Habra Heights Council Member (alternate)
Rose Espinoza, Council Member, La Habra (alternate)

Staff

Stephen W. Helvey, City Manager, Whittier
Tim O'Donnell, City Manager, Brea
Ron Bates, City Manager, La Habra Heights
Charlie View, Development Services Director, Brea
Cindie Ryan, Communication & Marketing Manager, Brea
Melinda Kwan, Senior Management Analyst, Brea

2. Matters From the Audience: None

3. Approve August 10, 2005 Minutes

The Committee approved the August 10, 2005 minutes. Committee Member Simonian moved, seconded by Committee Member Hughes. Motion unanimously passed.

4. Consider Affiliate Membership Application

Committee Member Hughes moved, seconded by Committee Member Simonian to adopt the following Affiliate Member Resolutions:

- Whittier Conservancy
- Whittier Historical Neighborhood Association

Motion unanimously passed.

5. Review and Approve Steering Committee Meeting Dates and Locations

Received and File

6. Project Consultant Update

Charlie View provided the status of the contract with Faubel Public Affairs. Currently, due to minimal activity, there is not a need for consultant services. Brea will provide base line service including maintaining the website and finances. When the need arises for additional support, we will advise the steering committee and consultant options will be presented for approval.

7. HOSEC Website Update

Charlie View provided the update to the Committee. Brea will continue to maintain the website keeping the information current. Developing the footage of a fly-over of the undeveloped hillsides will be put on hold.

8. Bond Act (SB 153)

Ms. Schlotterbeck provided the Committee with the latest update on the Bond Act. Currently in assembly.

9. Aera Update

Chairman Henderson provided an update on Aera. There is no scheduled release date for the draft EIR. However, Aera submitted a biota report to SEATAC which deals with biological issues. SEATAC will analyze the potential impact of this project on the SEA. Ron Bates asked if SCAG has been notified of this project. Tim O'Donnell will find out.

10. Harbor Blvd. Underpass

Chairman Henderson shared some pictures of this project and an update. Expected completion date is scheduled for January 20, 2006. An opening celebration is planned for late February.

11. Budget Report and Annual Report

Charlie View provided the Committee with an update on the revenues and expenditures for the Quarter Ending December 31, 2005 and for the Fiscal Year 2004-05. Steve Helvey suggest that all financial report be filed and kept current. Committee Member Hughes moved, seconded by Chairman Henderson. Motion unanimously passed.

Also, Charlie passed around the undeliverable email addresses for correction.

12. Member Comments

Charlie View provided an update on the Tonner Hills Project. Brea City Council adopted a resolution approving the Cooperative Agreement. The project will be processed through the County as requested by Shea. Brea has control of the open space.

Steve Helvey mentioned that they have a Council election in April. He asked if the City Manager's should communicate and update new Council Members regarding the HOSEC project. Chairman Henderson left it up to each city.

Tim O'Donnell mentioned that the City of Brea updates their Council after each meeting through a weekly memo. It was suggested that Brea provide this information to the other cities and each cities can decide what they wish to do with it.

13. Adjournment

Chair Henderson adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.