

City of Lafayette
Regular Meeting Agenda
Creeks Committee

Monday May 21, 2012 (7:00 pm)
Lafayette City Offices, Conference Room 265
3675 Mt. Diablo Boulevard, Lafayette, California

1. Call to Order and Roll Call (7:00 pm)
2. Consent Calendar (7:00)
 - a. Approval of agenda
 - b. Approval of minutes from April 16, 2012 meeting.
3. Public Comments (7:05)
4. New Business (7:10)
 - a. Creek information updates (7:10)
 - b. Task group updates (7:15)
 - c. Contra Costa County Clean Water Program update (7:20)
 - d. Vote on FY 2012 budget expenditures (7:30)
 - e. Review interpretive signage for Mt. Diablo Blvd. pervious path (7:40)
 - f. Review Creeks Committee banner layout (8:00)
 - g. Discuss Creeks Committee support of Walnut Creek Watershed Council (8:10)
 - h. Create Task Group to develop plans for improved riparian buffer protection (8:20)
5. Old Business (8:25)
 - a. Report on Downtown Design Guidelines subcommittee meeting (8:25)
 - b. Update on Planning Commission meeting and Downtown Specific Plan (8:35)
 - c. Update on Resource Design Group consultation (8:45)
6. Agenda for June 18, 2012 meeting (8:55 pm)
7. Adjourn (9:00 pm)

I, David Terhune, declare under penalty of perjury that this agenda has been posted at least 72 hours in advance at the Lafayette City Offices, 3675 Mt. Diablo Boulevard, Lafayette, CA.

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Board Discussion: In accordance with State Law, the Board is generally prohibited from discussing and making decisions regarding items not posted on the agenda. Exceptions include items of urgency that become known to the Board after the posting of the agenda; discussion of such items requires a 4/5ths affirmative vote by the Board.

Persons Wishing to Speak: Any person may address the Board on any item listed on this agenda. Persons wishing to address the Board should complete a speaker slip and submit it to the City staff. In addressing the Board, speakers should step to the podium and state their names and addresses for the record.

Public Comments on Agenda Items: Persons wishing to speak on items listed on the agenda will be heard when called by the meeting chair. After the public has commented, the item will be closed to public comment and brought to the Board for discussion and action. There is no further comment permitted from the audience unless invited by the meeting chair.

Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items: Persons wishing to speak on matters not posted on this agenda are encouraged to submit the matter in writing to the City Clerk or staff aide at least ten days prior to the next regularly scheduled Board meeting date. Persons unable to do this may address the Board under the PUBLIC COMMENTS section of this agenda. Note, however, that such matters may be referred to staff for action or posted on a future agenda.

Time Limit on Comments: Persons will be permitted to speak for up to three minutes.

Posted Times: Posted times are estimated and actual times will vary. Public hearings may start later but never earlier than the posted time.

Reconsideration of Items: After the Board has acted on an agenda item, it may reconsider the same item later in the meeting in accordance with Council Rules of Proceedings II.D.4 in Resolution 2010-29.

Consent Calendar: All matters listed under consent calendar are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested by a member of the Board or a member of the public prior to the time that the Board votes on the motion to adopt.

Notice Requirements: Lafayette Municipal Code Section 6-211 requires that the City provide public notice of the first public hearing for any meeting that requires public notice. If there are additional meetings, they are **not re-noticed**. Be advised that it is the responsibility of any interested party to follow the continuance date or dates, as well as to be apprised of whether project revisions have been submitted.

¹ “Board” is used here as a generic term for the City Council, commissions, committees, task forces, and other public decision-making boards.

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Regular Meeting Action Agenda
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Monday April 16, 2012 (7:00 pm)
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1. Call to Order and Roll Call (7:00 pm)
 - Present: Jeffrey Gilman, Will Elder, Scott Honegger, Laura Ponder, Peter Gutzwiller, Abigail Fateman, Peter Read (Park Trails & Rec Commission), Mary Grim (Contra Costa Resource Conservation District), and David Terhune, City Staff
 - Absent: Austin Payne
2. Consent Calendar (7:00)
 - a. Approval of agenda
 - Scott moves to approve. Second by Peter. *Motion approved unanimously.*
 - b. Approval of minutes from March 19, 2012 meeting.
 - Peter moves to approve. Second by Scott. *Motion approved unanimously.*
3. Public Comments (7:05)
 - Discussion only.*
4. New Business (7:25)
 - a. Creek information updates (7:25)
 - Discussion only.*
 - b. Task group updates (7:35)
 - Discussion only.*
 - c. Contra Costa County Clean Water Program update (7:35)
 - Discussion only.*
 - d. Review revisions to Homeowners Creek Guide (7:50)
 - Discussion only.*
 - e. Discuss FY 2012 budget expenditures (8:15)
 - Discussion only.*
 - f. Discuss interpretive signage for Mt. Diablo Blvd. pervious path (8:25)
 - Discussion only.*
 - g. Discuss need for improved riparian buffer protection (8:25)
 - Discussion only.*
5. Old Business (8:30)
 - a. Report on Downtown Design Guidelines subcommittee meeting (8:30)
 - Discussion only.*
 - b. Update on Planning Commission meeting and Downtown Specific Plan (8:45)
 - Discussion only.*
 - c. Update on Resource Design Group consultation (9:05)
 - Discussion only.*
 - d. Finalize Creeks Committee participation in April 22 Lafayette Earth Day Festival (9:10)
 - Discussion only.*
6. Agenda for May 21, 2012 meeting (9:15 pm)
 - Discussion only.*
7. Adjourn (9:00 pm)
 - Scott moves to adjourn. Second by Abby. *Motion approved unanimously.*

Sample Resolution

In the Matter of support for a Walnut)
Creek Watershed Council in the Walnut)
Creek Watershed, Contra Costa County)

RESOLUTION NO. 2012/___

WHEREAS the Walnut Creek Watershed is the largest watershed in Contra Costa County totaling 150 square miles in size yet does not benefit from a watershed council like other watersheds in the county such as Marsh Creek, Alhambra Creek, Rodeo Creek, Pinole Creek, Wildcat Creek and San Pablo Creek; and

WHEREAS the Walnut Creek Watershed encompasses the boundaries of several unincorporated County communities, the cities of Concord, Lafayette, Martinez, Orinda, Pleasant Hill, San Ramon, and Walnut Creek and the towns of Danville and Moraga; and

WHEREAS there is value in supporting a Watershed Council to foster coordination and cooperation among the watershed stakeholders; and

WHEREAS more than 25,000 acres of the total 96,000 acres in the watershed are owned and managed by various entities for open space purposes that protect and preserve habitat value, riparian vegetation, wildlife corridors, aesthetic vistas, stormwater quality and storage, and recreational opportunities, and that also define the communities in the watershed; and

WHEREAS the Walnut Creek Watershed Council is proposed as a voluntary, non-regulatory stakeholder group that supports a healthy and sustainable Walnut Creek Watershed. The Council would work to protect and enhance the watershed and is envisioned to facilitate actions that increase awareness of the watershed, implement watershed projects and to be a forum for sharing information and activities that affect the watershed; and

WHEREAS the Flood Control District has its largest flood protection system in the Walnut Creek Watershed totaling 22 miles of channels and several detention basins and there currently is no coordinating body for watershed assessment or comment on proposed projects to existing or planned flood protection facilities; and

WHEREAS the NPDES Stormwater Permit requirements (Municipal Regional Permit) for each of the municipalities and the County in the watershed requires coordination on a watershed basis that could be facilitated by a Watershed Council, such as creek clean ups, water quality sampling and trash assessments; and

WHEREAS this resolution is effective upon passage by the parties interested in the watershed such as the Cities, Towns, County, Contra Costa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, Contra Costa Resource Conservation District, community based organizations or agencies, creek groups and other interested parties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the ((Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors/City/Town Council/Stakeholder Board)), adopts this resolution for the purpose of supporting a Walnut Creek Watershed Council.