



**Date:** March 19, 2015  
**To:** Marine Advisory Commission  
**From:** Elvira Hallinan, Manager, Marina Bureau  
**Subject:** MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 12, 2015  
MARINE ADVISORY COMMISSION (MAC)

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Commissioners Present

Rick DuRee, Chair  
David Thornburg, Vice Chair  
Eric Peterson  
Tom Mayes  
Ted Kuhn  
Jerry Avila  
Peter Schnack  
Mark Turpin  
Jerry Avila

Marine Bureau Personnel

Elvira Hallinan, Manager, Marine Bureau  
Vivian Crook, Secretary

City Staff

Alan Powder, Capt., Marine Safety/LBFD  
LBPD Sgt. Diana Hohman, LBPD/Marine Patrol Unit  
MP Sgt. Jody Schlobohm, LBPD/Marine Patrol Unit  
Cory Forrester, Superintendent, Marine Maint. Ops.

Commissioners Absent

Mike Schachter

Guests

Alfredo Fernandez, LBMBOA  
Bob Vatz, LBMBOA  
Larry Goodhue

Chairman DuRee convened the meeting at 2:30 p.m., at the Long Beach Yacht Club.

**ROLL CALL**

Elvira Hallinan called the roll of commissioners.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

The February, 2015, MAC minutes were reviewed and approved with a change on page one to show Commissioner Mayes present and Commissioner Kuhn absent.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Larry Goodhue asked about the Municipal Code regarding people wading in Marine Stadium. Chairman DuRee stated that he spoke to a rescue boat operator in Alamitos Bay and asked specifically about the issue of people wading in Marine Stadium and was told that this is not a significant enough, issue nor has it been a problem for decades. Also, the occurrence is so minuscule and infrequent that going through the process of changing an ordinance probably would not be warranted. The Marine Bureau will take it under advisement.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- Elvira Hallinan reported on the ABM Rebuild stating that the piling installation and dredging has been completed in Basin 2, the floats have been delivered, and Phase 5 is on schedule. Basin 2 is to be completed June 1, 2015. The contractors are working with Verizon on the telephone lines and with Edison on the transformers. Phase 6 (Basin 2 docks 16 through 20) will go before the City Council March 17. Elvira has been working with the City Auditor to ensure that the Marina Fund will be able to pay back the loans. The bonds will be used to pay off all the DBW Loans and the “new money” will be used to complete the rest of Basins 3, 6 and 7. Part of what is going into the Council Letter applies to Phase 7 (partial demolition and destruction of docks in Basin 3 to allow for dredging). She explained that in order to ensure that she can dredge as much as possible in Basin 3, there is a plan to bring in the equipment from around the seawall. This will take care of two-thirds of what will need to be dredged between now and the expiration of the dredging permit, which is October 31, 2015. The cost for dredging will be \$1 million, and will be coming out of the fund balance from the end of last year. This has been a logistical challenge because 293 vessels need to be moved for this portion of the rebuild. Regarding the bonds, Elvira and Director George Chapjian gave a presentation to Fitch Ratings (bond rating agency) and are now waiting for them to come up with their preliminary rating. Once they come up with their preliminary rating, Financial Management will prepare a report to go before the City Council.
- Elvira Hallinan gave an update on the ABM Fuel Dock. She stated that they have run into some problems with the electrical. The inspector has informed her that the switchgear may need to be changed out because it is 50 years old and rusty. If this has to be done it will require a Change Order of \$60,000, which will require going back before the City Council.
- Elvira Hallinan reminded the MAC that information from the MAC sub-committees (ExMAC, Operations, and Finance) for the MAC Annual Report is needed to complete the 2013 and 2014 reports.
- Elvira Hallinan said that the Dock 10 handicap issue is under review. She explained that the bull rail will be cut, new cleats installed, and the area isolated to indicate “Handicapped Only.” The work should be done by the end of this month.
- Commissioner Avila extended his thanks to Elvira Hallinan, Sgt. Hohman, Laurie Little, and Maintenance Superintendent Cory Forrester and his staff for their quick response to his many concerns; i.e., his bikes being stolen from his vessel, enhanced lighting by LBSM D-7 restroom (big improvement), beefing up of security (very helpful), repainting of D-7, and the removal of the old ice machine (an eyesore).

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Elvira Hallinan gave a report on the Leeway Sailing Center. She stated that the gangway portion that goes down to the lower dock was red tagged last week and is closed to the public as a safety issue. The City (CIP – Eric Lopez) is in the process of pricing the installation of new hinge brackets. This repair will be completed in approximately four to six weeks.

## **MARINE BUREAU MANAGER'S REPORT**

### **Marina Operations Report**

- Elvira Hallinan stated that a slip report was not in this month's package because at this time she has everything (all slips) on lockdown due to the rebuild. Every available slip is being used to house current permittees temporarily displaced due to the rebuild of Basin 2.
- Elvira Hallinan stated that she will be away on vacation during the second week of April and asked if the MAC would like to move the meeting to another week. Chairman DuRee suggested that the MAC remain dark in April. The MAC unanimously agreed not to meet in April. The next meeting is set for May 14.
- Elvira Hallinan stated that she received a request from Tidelands Capital Projects for a special evening public meeting to present the Belmont Beach Aquatics Center plans. They are requesting to bring this item before the MAC in May. Chairman DuRee and the other commissioners agreed to place this item on the May agenda.

### **Marine Maintenance**

- Elvira Hallinan introduced Cory Forrester as the new Superintendent of Marine Maintenance. Cory stated that he has been with the City since 1996. He said that he invests heavily in his staff and the day to day operations of his division. He said that there are staffing challenges, however with the vacancies this frees up some savings and he will be applying these savings to a number of projects throughout the area that have been deferred maintenance for a number of years. He will be looking at getting costs for projects and prioritizing needs; i.e., re-roof boatowner restrooms in ABM. Cory reported that the 72<sup>nd</sup> Place restroom plumbing has been replaced/repared and is up and running.

### **Marine Safety Operations**

- Captain Alan Powder reported that last month Marine Safety Lifeguards assisted 51 vessels, investigated 1 fire, pumped out 2 vessels, dealt with 15 medical aids that required transport to the hospital, took delivery of 4 gas powered response trucks, and is the process of hiring 2 Marine Safety Officers.

### LBPD - Marine Patrol Unit

- LBPD Sergeant Hohman reported Marine Patrol dealt with 8 arrests, responded to 50 calls for service, issued 44 parking citations, handled 14 car reports (thefts, burglaries), and 1,700 officer initiated calls. Marine Patrol is investigating illegal dumping by area residents/contractors of hazardous materials in the ABM Marina dumpsters.

### Executive MAC

- All items covered.

### Operations Committee

- All items covered.

### Facilities Committee

- Elvira Hallinan said that Eric Lopez reported on the Pine Avenue Pier public dock and repairs to Leeway. There will be a community meeting to cover the changes to the Pine Avenue Pier public dock on March 30 at the Aquarium of the Pacific. Eric also reported on the Rainbow Harbor Evac System repair of one of the pumps. This is being fast-tracked by Tidelands Capital Projects. Eric handed out a project list to the commissioners and asked that they give their priority request to Elvira for discussion at the next meeting.

### Finance Committee

- No meeting held

### **COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

- Alfredo Fernandez asked Elvira Hallinan about the Haynes Power Plant and water circulation for Alamitos Bay. Elvira responded that Developmental Services has engaged Moffatt and Nichol to do a modeling study.

### **COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS**

- Chairman DuRee talked about setting up a MAC orientation day. The commissioners agreed this would be very valuable.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m. **The April MAC meeting is CANCELLED. There will be a Special Meeting set for April 28, 2015, at 6 p.m. at the Long Beach Yacht Club, to review the Kite Surfing Concession Permit.** The May 14 MAC meeting will be held at 2:30pm at the Seal Beach Yacht Club.

cc: George Chapjian, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine  
City Clerk