



Midpeninsula Regional  
Open Space District

## **MIDPENINSULA REGIONAL OPEN SPACE DISTRICT**

### **LEGISLATIVE, FUNDING, AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

Administrative Office  
330 Distel Circle  
Los Altos, CA 94022

**Tuesday, March 15, 2016**

### **DRAFT MINUTES**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Director Cyr called the meeting of the Legislative, Funding and Public Affairs Committee to order at 2:01 p.m.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Members present: Jed Cyr, Nonette Hanko, and Curt Riffle

Members absent: None

Staff present: General Manager Steve Abbors, Assistant General Manager Kevin Woodhouse, Assistant General Manager Ana Ruiz, General Counsel Sheryl Schaffner, Public Affairs Manager Shelly Lewis, Planning Manager Jane Mark, and District Clerk Jennifer Woodworth

#### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

No speakers present.

#### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Motion:** Director Hanko moved and Director Riffle seconded to adopt the agenda.

**VOTE: 3-0-0**

#### **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**1. Draft Board Policy Titled “Positions on Ballot Measures and Legislative Advocacy” (R-16-12)**

Director Riffle inquired regarding the problems the policy seeks to address.

Public Affairs Manager Shelly Lewis and General Manager Steve Abbors explained that the policy will authorize the General Manager to direct staff to respond quickly to active legislation to meet the fast paced deadlines associated with legislation. The General Manager will continue to consult with the Board President and provide updates to the Board regarding action regarding legislation.

Additionally, Assistant General Manager Kevin Woodhouse explained the policy would require a Board majority to direct staff to research the issue and determine the effects of legislation on the District's fulfillment of its mission.

The committee members made several suggestions for amendments to the policy.

Public comment opened at 2:57 p.m.

No speakers present.

Public comment closed at 2:57 p.m.

**Motion:** Director Hanko moved, and Director Riffle seconded the motion to recommend approval of the "Positions on Ballot Measures and Legislative Advocacy" policy, as amended to the full Board of Directors.

**VOTE: 3-0-0**

## **2. Draft Board Policy Titled "Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion" (R-16-30)**

Director Hanko provided several suggestions for implementing the draft policy, including providing better access to District's preserves through District, private, or community shuttles.

The committee members made several suggestions for amendments to the policy.

Public comment opened at 3:21 p.m.

No speakers present.

Public comment closed at 3:21 p.m.

**Motion:** Director Riffle moved, and Director Hanko seconded the motion to recommend approval of the "Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion Policy" policy, as amended to the full Board of Directors.

**VOTE: 3-0-0**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Director Cyr adjourned the Regular Meeting of the Legislative, Funding and Public Affairs Committee at 3:37 p.m.

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Jennifer Woodworth, MMC  
District Clerk