



Midpeninsula Regional
Open Space District

SPECIAL MEETING
REAL PROPERTY COMMITTEE

DRAFT MINUTES

January 21, 2014

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Siemens called the meeting of the Real Property Committee to order at 2:02 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Pete Siemens, Yoriko Kishimoto, Nonette Hanco

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Assistant General Manager Ana Ruiz, General Counsel Sheryl Schaffner, Acting Operations Manager Brian Malone, Real Property Manager Mike Williams, Real Property Specialist Allen Ishibashi, and District Clerk Jennifer Woodworth

III. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

No speakers present.

IV. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion: Director Kishimoto moved, and Director Hanco seconded a motion to adopt the agenda.

VOTE: 3-0-0

V. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

1. Consideration of the Purchase of the Rogers' Property as an addition to Monte Bello Open Space Preserve (Santa Clara County Assessor Parcel Number 351-12-006 and San Mateo County Assessor Parcel Numbers 080-312-010 and 080-411-010).

Real Property Specialist Allen Ishibashi described the location, size, and physical features of the property and property improvements, including a barn, house, and spring. Mr. Ishibashi stated that the house would not be demolished and would be a potential rental or District employee residence. Finally, Mr. Ishibashi explained that if purchased by the District the Rogers' property would be an addition to the Monte Bello Open Space Preserve.

The Real Property Committee, District staff, and members of the public conducted a walking tour of the property.

Public hearing opened at 2:39 p.m.

Georgia Stigall spoke in favor of the District's potential purchase of the property.

Bryan Osborne spoke regarding the bats living in the barn and expressed his concerns that the barn not being torn down without considering the bats currently nesting there.

Gary Gechlick spoke in favor of trail connections being made on the property and potentially creating a campground there.

Rich Voss spoke regarding environmental preservation of the land as opposed to public access to the property.

Extensive discussion ensued related to maintenance and patrol requirements. Real Property manager Mike Williams explained that the use and management of the property will be a future decision to be made by the Board of Directors.

Public hearing closed at 2:54 p.m.

Motion: Director Hanko moved, and Director Kishimoto seconded a motion to recommend to the full Board purchase of the Rogers' Property as an addition to Monte Bello Open Space Preserve.

VOTE: 3-0-0

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Siemens adjourned the meeting of the Real Property Committee at 3:03 p.m.

Jennifer Woodworth, CMC
District Clerk