

CEAC SPECIAL MEETING - MAY 24th 2000

DRAFT ACTION MINUTES

I. Roll Call

Absent: Caseber. First meeting for Commissioner Elmer Grossman, MD – District 6.

II. Report From Chair, John Selawsky

III. Announcements from Commissioners

- ◆ Chatterjee – experts from Green Resource Center should be considered for future meetings.
- ◆ Chatterjee - CEQA review of UC football stadium's new floodlights.
- ◆ Luten – Safety building radio tower is attractive.
- ◆ Pinderhughes – fires in west Berkeley and wanted input on number of facilities in compliance, the firewater run off and its impact on ecology and health. In addition, regulations from FD and Building that control fire suppression and grandfathering older buildings.

IV. Comments from the Public

- ◆ LA Wood – has provided council (5/23/2000) with a groundwater management plan component for consideration. Acknowledges the Commission's work and asks for support. Plan for consideration was deferred to later meeting. Scope is to authorize money to study the quality and yield of the shallow aquifer with goal of using the water more effectively and the deep aquifer with the goal of providing emergency water supply and fire suppression water.

V. TMD Staff Report

Budget – TMD has received communication from Budget Director to get GF fees from the GF subsidy to Planning Dept. TMD has submitted papers to hire HazMat Specialist for July 1, 2000.

VI. Minutes

5/24/2000 Minutes deferred to June meeting for approval.

IX. a. Underhill Parking for UC Berkeley Draft EIR

M/S/C Smith/Morgan/For: Chatterjee, Grossman, Morgan, Pinderhughes, Selawsky, Smith, Wozniak, Against: Luten

1. What impact would such a proposed parking structure have on air quality for students and residents living in adjacent dormitories and housing, for students eating at dining facilities, and residents in the immediate area? What increase in pollutants and particulate matter would be expected? CEAC requests that UC Berkeley provide adequate studies to show the potential health impacts of this project; the study should provide data from similar existing parking garages/structures and provide a screening health risk analysis
2. The University should consider and evaluate this proposal in relation to all policies and proposals for the area, such as the New Century Plan.

3. Recommend no net increase in parking at the proposed Underhill Area Project site; no more than current 425 spaces – unless any increase is linked to incentives to reduce emissions. Examples of incentives to reduce emissions would be additional mass transit modes of transportation, additional rebates, additional non-diesel shuttles, and a requirement that half of all new parking spaces to be provided above the existing number be allocated for zero emission vehicles and the other half for low emission vehicles.

VII. B. Ground Water Management Plan

M/S/C Luten/Grossman/Unanimous. For: Chattejee, Grossman, Luten, Morgan, Selawsky, Smith, Wozniak,

Support the Council item on June 13th, 2000, Well and Groundwater Evaluation. The scope of the action should be to authorize money to study a) the current use, quality and yield of the shallow aquifer with the goal of more effectively using this resource and b) the study of the quality and yield of the deep aquifer with the goal of providing emergency water supply and fire suppression water. The City should inform relevant agencies of the proposed work.