

REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
CORTE MADERA TOWN COUNCIL AND SANITARY DISTRICT #2 BOARD

In the Town Hall Council Chambers on Thursday, May 24, 2007, at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Gill
Councilmembers Condon, Dupar, Lappert

PRESENT: Town Manager David Bracken
Director of Administrative Services George Warman
Public Works Superintendent David Montero

Salute to the Flag

1. OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION

There were no comments.

2. TOWN COUNCIL AND TOWN MANAGER REPORTS

- Town Manager Report

The Town Manager reported he placed an informational item regarding the proposed Twin Cities Police Facility in the Council's boxes.

- Council Reports

Mayor Gill stated she is the representative to the Transportation Authority of Marin (TAM) and she would be submitting the Novato Narrows and the Highway 580/Highway 101 project summaries for the Council and the public to review.

Mayor Gill reported she attended the recent Safe Routes to Schools meeting and the Town of Corte Madera would be submitting requests for funding for several pathway projects.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Work Session to Discuss and Prioritize the Five-Year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for the Town of Corte Madera for Fiscal Year 2007/08

The Town Manager presented a powerpoint presentation and overview of the 2006/07 Capital Projects (CIP). He noted there were 11 projects completed, with approximately \$2,500,000 expended, and 22 project valued at approximately \$6,900,000 currently under design and/or study. He discussed five categories of projects: Planning and Building, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Accessibility Projects, Flood Control and Storm Drain, Parks and Landscaping, and Streets. Mayor Gill noted that ADA issues have been reviewed by the

Accessibility Advisory Commission and the flood control issues and projects have been reviewed by the Flood Control Board. The Director of Administrative Services discussed the work that is being done to make the Town Website ADA accessible. Councilmember Lappert referred to several of the sanitary sewer projects and asked if any of those projects could run concurrently with some of the flood control projects. He would like to avoid digging up the streets more than once. The Town Manager stated it would be difficult to combine some of the projects, but he will look into this matter.

The Town Manager presented a review of the Proposed 2007/08 CIP, including discussing the General Plan Update. The Director of Administrative Services discussed solar power efficiency grants that could be used for the Town Hall building, the Fire Station, and the Recreation Center.

The Town Manager discussed the following ADA Accessibility Projects: Tamalpais Dr. at Town Hall Path of Travel Improvements; Town Park Bleachers, Town Website Accessibility; San Clemente Sidewalk Accessibility Improvements; and Higgins Landing Accessibility Improvements. Clyde Marquart referred to the San Clemente Sidewalk Accessibility Improvement Project and asked if it included the area near the CHP office. The Town Manager responded yes.

The Town Manager discussed the following Flood Control and Storm Drainage Projects: Major Emergency Repairs; Corrugated Metal Pipe; 405 Corte Madera Ave. Drainage Improvements; Corporation Yard Pump Station and Force Main Upgrade; High Canal Levee Repair; Town-wide Storm Drainage and Flood Control Study- Phase 2; Town-wide Storm Drainage Master Plan- Phase 1; Big G Pump Station Replacement; Golden Hind at Ebbitide Gate/Drainage Improvements; Golden Hind near Cay Passage Gate/Drainage Improvements; Staghound/Spindrift Drainage Improvements; Marquart Lagoon Pump Station Replacement; Gutowsky Ditch Drainage Improvements; and Paradise Drive at San Clemente Creek Levee Repair. A member of the public referred to the High Canal Levee Repair project and asked if it would help alleviate the flooding at Redwood High School parking lot. The Town Manager stated no and added that this problem was the responsibility of the City of Larkspur. Clyde Marquart referred to the Big G Pump Station Replacement Project and asked if construction would occur before winter. The Town Manager Bracken stated yes. Councilmembers Lappert and Dupar had questions about several of the drainage improvement pilot projects. Councilmember Dupar referred to the Marquart Lagoon Pump and asked where the water was pumped. The Town Manager stated it drains the lagoon into the High Canal. He also said AN West Engineers has studied the efficiency of the entire system. Councilmember Lappert asked if the lagoons act as retention basins during storms. The Town Manager stated yes. Councilmember Lappert noted some of the lagoons have quite a bit of siltation and wondered if the property owners could help with dredging costs. Mayor Gill stated this would be looked at that during the next phase of the study. The Director of Administrative Services stated dredging was very costly.

The Town Manager discussed the following Parks and Landscaping Projects: Town Park/Recreation Center Master Plan; and San Francisco Bay Trail at San Clemente Drive. Councilmember Dupar referred to the San Francisco Bay Trail Project and stated the self-storage yard and the Ecumenical Association of Housing were supposed to pay for the landscaping

between the path and the roadway. The Director of Administrative Services stated they have already paid \$324,000. The Town Manager stated he would check with the Planning Director on the status of this issue. Councilmember Condon stated there was an agreement to construct a landscape median strip. Mayor Gill stated the Greenbrae Corridor Project might cause some changes to this plan due to the Tamalpais over crossing. Councilmember Condon stated she would like to keep this on the “front burner”. The Town Manager stated he would add it to the 5-year plan.

The Town Manager discussed the following Street Projects: Major Emergency Repairs; Slurry Seal; Street Overlay; Pavement Management Plan; Infrastructure Management Enterprise GIS; Tamalpais/Village Square Utility Undergrounding; Safe Routes to Schools; Madera/Mohawk Crosswalk Improvements; 405 Corte Madera Sidewalk Replacement; and the Fifer/Tamal Vista Traffic Controller Relocation. Mayor Gill referred to the Tamalpais Street Overlay Project and asked staff to look at the crosswalks; she noted that the funding for the Safe Routes to Schools Project comes from Measure A; and asked if they could pave the path from Lakeside north to the Sandra Marker Trail. Councilmember Lappert asked if they could look at installing lights in some of the crosswalks. The Town Manager stated staff would look at these issues. Clyde Marquart referred to the 405 Corte Madera Sidewalk Replacement Project and asked if the sidewalks would be leveled. The Town Manager stated yes and add that it would have a 2% cross slope.

The Town Manager discussed the following Sanitary Sewer Projects: Major Emergency Repairs; South Madera Gardens Main and Lateral Replacement; Force Main Shutoff Valve Replacement; Lucky Drive Pump Station Upgrade; Paradise Pump Station Upgrade; Seawolf Pump Station and Force Main Upgrade; Tamalpais Pump Station Upgrade; Trinidad II Pump Station Upgrade; and the Infrastructure Management Enterprise GIS. He noted these projects are all funded by the Sanitary Sewer Fund.

The Town Manager discussed the 2007/08 Five-Year Budget Plan. Councilmember Condon asked if they could be more aggressive regarding the widening of Paradise Drive by Marin Country Day School. The Town Manager responded yes. Councilmember Condon stated Marin Montessori School would probably be willing to partner with the Town. The Town Manager stated staff has applied for several grants but have been turned down. He recognized the issues and would continue to seek funding.

The Town Council thanked staff for their good work.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.