

BOLINAS COMMUNITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

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COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting of the Resident Permit Parking Plan Committee of the Board of Directors

02.08.22 3 p.m.

Location: Via Zoom

Committee Members: Bruce Bowser (Chair), Sherry Hirsch (Secretary), Chuck McParland, Al Minvielle, Judith Shaw, Will Bartlett

AGENDA

1. Call to Order. At 3:00 pm using zoom

2. Roll. All members present.

3. Update on BCPUD board feedback and County permit parking plans

The presentation at the 1/19 BCPUD board meeting was favorably received. Members expressed an appreciation for our work. They did make a commitment to act as issuing agency when and if the permit program went forward. They also added that it would need to be self-supporting and not an added burden to administrative staff.

At the county meeting on 1/26 with Supervisor Rodoni and county staff we reviewed the outcome of our 2/13 meeting with the staff person from the Coastal Commission. It appeared that staff were favorable to our ideas but more data would be needed. We also reviewed this info with the BCPUD board and relayed that BCPUD agreed to issue permits. Discussion in that meeting also centered on data collection, DPW assessment of # of permits needed, target area (all of Measure X?) and what impact on Measure X. There was no clear answer on Measure X. DPW data collection will first look at street configurations – off street parking, etc. It also seemed clear that we need to survey Brighton residents to get their input.

The cost of the program and eligibility were touched upon but need to be followed up to find out specifics. Another meeting with County staff and Supervisor Rodoni was scheduled for 2/9 where we expect to find more answers to these questions.

Member Hirsch brought up the idea of asking that a permit include an exemption from the California vehicle code that makes it illegal to park in front of your own driveway. This is a little known and rarely enforced law, however a permit(required for this exemption) creates 25 legal parking spaces on Brighton. This idea has been presented to the county for follow up.

The new Assistant CDA director, Sarah Jones, expressed interest in visiting Bolinas to get a better sense of the physical layout. Several potential dates were chosen as options.

4. Survey of residents

Member Hirsch agreed to work on a draft. Key questions are: Do you support a permit program that exempts you (resident of property on Brighton) from the 2 a.m. to 5 a.m. parking restriction proposed the county? Vehicles are able to park on the side of the street (the non-residential side) where a permit is not required. Is this an acceptable option?

A request to the BCPUD board to survey residents would be made at their 2/16 meeting.

5. Designate a committee representative to County's Alternative Parking working group. A number of months ago, Supervisor Rodoni initiated an informal meeting with a few representatives from Bolinas community organizations to look into whether developing alternative parking could mitigate the influx of visitors to the town. Member Hirsch and member Bartlett participated in the last 2 meetings. At the 1/27 meeting, representatives from the County Park and the National Park Service also participated. As a result of the interest expressed by participants as well as the potential availability of site options Supervisor Rodoni asked that the community representatives go back to their groups and ask for a representative. Member Bartlett is designated representative and the Chair is back up. [m/Sherry s/Bruce/Yea 5, Nay 0] – one member left earlier.
6. Review current focus of the committee. Tabled.
7. Approve Minutes of January 14, 2022 meeting. Approved unanimously.
8. Community Expression (for items germane to this committee but not on the agenda).
9. Next Meeting Date and future meeting dates. Tuesday at March 8 at 4 p.m.
10. Adjournment. At 4:45 p.m.