Measure DD Community Coalition Meeting Notes for May 18, 2015

The meeting was called to order in the Ebell Room at Lakeside Garden Center at 7:10 p.m.

Mike Udkow and James Vann jointly chaired the meeting.
Sandy Threlfall served as recorder.

1. Measure DD Coalition Attendance List:
- CALM – James Vann
- East Bay Regional Parks – John Sutter
- Friends of Sausal Creek – Dee Rosario
- Lake Merritt Institute – Charles Brooks III
- Laney College – Amy Bohorquez
- Oakland Heritage Alliance – Annalee Allen, Naomi Schiff
- Oakland Parks & Recreation Foundation – Judy Johnson, Barbara Schaaf, Mike Udkow
- Waterfront Action – George Duncan, Sandy Threlfall
- Interested Citizens – Joanna Adler, Sam Burd, Joel Peter,
- City of Oakland
  - Council District 2 – Jennie Gerard
  - Measure DD Program Manager – Lesley Estes

2. The draft agenda was approved by consensus.

3. Minutes of 3/16/2015 were approved by consensus.

4. Measure DD Project Update – Lesley Estes

Measure DD Project Status Summary Spreadsheet
Lesley prepared and distributed a March 12, 2015 revision of this document, which now focuses on projects that are active or upcoming. This document has been posted to the Coalition's web page in the City of Oakland Resources section.

Lesley very briefly highlighted the status of the following ongoing or upcoming projects as described on the Project Status Summary spreadsheet:
- Sailboat House – will finish and reopen by June 1st
- Sausal Creek Restoration – construction to start this summer
- Bellevue Avenue Reconfiguration – will go out to bid this summer
- Grand Avenue Entry – will go out to bid this summer
- Lakeside Green Street Project – environmental documentation complete, should go out to bid end of this year

10th Street Bridge Update
The AT&T and other utility relocation issues, which have delayed the project, are now expected to be resolved in about 6 months. Lesley provided before and after photographs of the concrete pour.

BAY TRAIL UPDATES: all items were moved to the July Agenda
Lesley announced that the Harbor Master and marina owner will be meeting with her to discuss access to the Bay Trail.
ConAgra/Cemex/Outboard Motors
Dianne Tannenwald is working with new management with the approach that with permission the City (DD) can do the trail. Later the business will have to do the trail at their cost.

Henry J. Kaiser Auditorium
Lesley advised that the RFP award will be announced at the May 26th 2015 Council CED meeting. Staff chose the proposal without the hotel.

Lake Merritt "Needs" Survey
If there are funds left, it will happen.

Notes of Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission meeting note
James Vann circulated a sheet of his notes.

Planning & Development Initiatives in Vicinity of Estuary Channel
Presentation from Susana Konishi of OUSD
There are plans to build a Dr. Marcus Foster Educational Leadership Campus at the present location of Dewey High School and the Administration building. Only conceptual designs are available. May 27th at the regular School Board meeting there will be a presentation that includes the Superintendent’s recommendations. These can be seen at https://ousd.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=2287905&GUID=C89EEBEE-FEB8-482D-88C1-3FE6E5667859

5. Discussion Matters

Lake Merritt Boulevard Walking Tour co-chairs: Annalee Allen and Judy Johnson
The committee: Ed Clausen, James Vann, Barbara Schaaf, and Amy Bohorquez, who offered to liaise with and recruit Constance Taylor. Tour will be focused on South End of the Lake and a trial Tour will be early June on a Sunday morning.


No one spoke for the 25% for maintenance of DD projects at the open budget meeting held the same night as this meeting. Councilman Guillen arrived at our meeting following the budget meeting. He will ask for a set aside of 25% in a targeted fund for DD projects. Council needs more calls and emails.

7. Maintenance and Announcements

Weed Warriors will be meeting the last Saturday in May – May 30th location tba

Eastlake Music Festival June 23 at the Amphitheater
DD Coalition tent is green and says Bicycle Trails Council of the East Bay

8. Agenda Suggestions for July 20th, 2015 meeting:

Item on Port land parcels and the Bay Trail

The next Coalition meeting will be Monday, July 20, 2015 at 7:10 p.m. at the Garden Center.

Adjourned at 9:00 p.m.