

MINUTES
of the
FORT ORD REUSE AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
Fort Ord Reuse Authority Conference Facility/Bridge Center
January 8, 2010

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Ralph Rubio called the January 9, 2010 meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 3:30 p.m. and requested a roll call.

Voting members present:

Chair/Mayor Rubio (City of Seaside)	Supervisor Parker (County of Monterey)
Councilmember Clark (City of Del Rey Oaks)	Supervisor Potter (County of Monterey)
Councilmember Gray (City of Marina)	Councilmember Mancini (City of Seaside)
Councilmember Kampe (City of Pacific Grove)	Mayor McCloud (City of Carmel-by-the-Sea)
Councilmember McCall (City of Marina)	Jim Cook (County of Monterey)
Mayor Pendergrass (City of Sand City)	

Absent was Councilmember Barnes (City of Salinas). Mayor Della Sala (City of Monterey) arrived after the roll call had finished. Alternate Jim Cook represented Supervisor Calcagno and alternate Kristen Clark represented Mayor Edelen.

Ex-Officio members present:

Don Bachman (TAMC)	Gail Youngblood (BRAC)
Kenneth Nishi (Marina Coast Water District)	Dan Albert, Jr. (MPUSD)
COL Darcy Brewer (U.S. Army)	Graham Bice (UC Santa Cruz)
Vicki Nakamura (Monterey Peninsula College)	James Main (CSUMB)
Hunter Harvath (Monterey-Salinas Transit)	

Congressman Sam Farr (17th Congressional District) and Rito Guerra (15th State Senate District) arrived after the roll call had finished. Absent was a representative from the 27th State Assembly District.

With a quorum present Chair Rubio opened the meeting.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Rubio asked Supervisor Parker, who agreed, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Rubio announced that work had started on the General Jim Moore Boulevard road improvement project.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD - none

5. CONSENT AGENDA

There was one item on the Consent Agenda: Item 5a (December 11, 2009 board meeting minutes). There were no board or public comments. **Motion to approve the December 11, 2009 board meeting minutes was made by Councilmember Kampe, seconded by Supervisor Potter, and carried.**

6. OLD BUSINESS - none

7. NEW BUSINESS

Item 7a – Errata/corrections to the Fort Ord Reuse Authority Master Resolution: Executive Officer introduced this item by calling attention to Exhibit 1 of draft Resolution #10-01, where the corrections/edits were listed. A lengthy discussion by board members identified words and/or sentences in the document that needed either clarification, correcting or another review by staff. Councilmember Gray suggested that staff consider bringing back a clean copy next month. There were objections to this suggestion from the members.

8. EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

There were three items in this report: Item 8a (Administrative Committee report), Item 8b (Executive Officer's travel report), and Item 8c (Status update of outstanding receivables). **Re Item 8c:** Executive Officer Houlemard reported that he had consulted with Del Rey Oaks City Manager Daniel Dawson about the city's outstanding Pollution Legal Liability loan payment and been assured that a check would be issued no later than January 20, 2010.

Councilmember Gray asked for updates on the Office of Economic Adjustment ("OEA") grant and the General Jim Moore Boulevard loan. Mr. Houlemard confirmed that construction had started; and he had met with Mary Rudokas from the Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration ("EDA") Seattle regional office and Dianne Church, the EDA district director for this area, to discuss the grant match rate and possible enhancement of the project's scope. He said these kinds of changes require considerable additional work and thus more time for EDA to process. He will provide updates to the Administrative Committee members, which will send a recommendation to the Board when appropriate. Mr. Gray asked about a revised match for the loan, noting the December 17, 2009 deadline for final EDA approval. Director of Planning and Finance Steve Endsley said that the bank was moving forward with the processing of FORA's loan and given a verbal loan commitment, which met EDA's requirements for FORA to begin construction no later than December 17, 2009. He said FORA can access its existing line of credit to pay construction bills until the final loan papers arrive, which he expected in a few days. Mr. Houlemard noted some risk in moving forward without a formal written loan commitment and said he would forward the bank's emails and the final loan documents to the City of Marina when they are received.

9. ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2010

Mayor McCloud, who served as chair of the 2010 nominating committee, announced the slate of candidates as follows: Mayor Rubio (Chair), Supervisor Potter (1st Vice Chair), Councilmember McCall (2nd Vice Chair), and two representatives at large, since there was no past chair. They are Mayor Pendergrass and Councilmember Barnes. **A motion to elect the three officers and confirm the two representatives-at-large was made by Councilmember Mancini and seconded by Councilmember Kampe.** There were no public comments, **and the motion carried.**

Congressman Sam Farr asked to speak to the Board. There were no objections. He summarized his legislation during the last congressional session that has or will benefit former Fort Ord and other closed military installations. He said he had obtained another \$38.4 million for cleanup on legacy bases, which brought the total to \$497 million. Having been involved in the no-cost Economic Development Conveyance (“EDC”) fight, he remarked that Fort Ord had probably been the only base in the country that had benefited from a 100% no-cost EDC. He reported that legislative approval to fund the joint Veterans Administration/ Department of Defense medical clinic for active duty military and veterans had been achieved. The clinic will be built privately but Congress will reimburse the developers. He urged the FORA land recipient jurisdictions not to encourage resales of certain educational EDC properties, which would allow former Fort Ord properties to be turned into a privately developed area geared primarily for profit, thus losing the land for public benefit. Mr. Farr said he was pleased with the progress of the veterans’ cemetery project. He said he had been working with Assemblymember Monning, who had submitted a bill to lower the threshold of funding in the endowment before the state can submit an application to the federal government for reimbursement of many of the costs. Chair Rubio thanked Congressman Farr for advocating for this area, the former base and its communities.

Executive Officer Houlemard announced that the Office of Economic Adjustment had awarded the grant for the veterans’ cemetery infrastructure.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Their being no further business, Chair Rubio adjourned the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Linda Stiehl, Deputy Clerk

Approved by _____
Michael A. Houlemard, Jr., Executive Officer/Clerk