

# Dana Point Harbor Oversight Advisory Committee

Wednesday January 10, 2024 | 5:32 p.m. – 7:05 p.m.

## MINUTES

Bob Langan, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. All Committee members were present with the exception of; Wendy Marshall, Darcie Harris & Shala Okeef

### PRESENTATIONS/UPDATES:

- Orange County Supervisor Foley Update: Supervisor Foley opened by bringing the committee up to speed with respect to the anticipated start of the Phase I parking garage. The Supervisor reported that Board of Supervisors have signed off on the financing estoppel and that final permits for the electrical work have been obtained and that the water district permits should be granted this coming week clearing the way for construction to begin. In addition, she indicated that the updated report to the Coastal Commission regarding the proposed hotels was being finalized for presentation. Supervisor Foley then introduced Christian Gagne as the Dana Point Harbor Project Oversight Manager. Mr. Gagne has worked in the County of Orange Real Estate Department and the private sector. He will be responsible for making sure the Dana Point Harbor makeover proceeds according to the development contract/timeline and to provide transparency to the public and the harbor stakeholders about the process.
- Mission Statement: Colin Harris presented two updated versions of the proposed committee Mission Statement. A call for a vote was made and seconded. The following version was passed unanimously by the committee: “The DPHOAC's mission is to review, analyze, and evaluate the challenges and resources present for the redevelopment and modernization of Dana Point Harbor. The committee prepares recommendations to advise Supervisor Foley for implementation of policy by the stakeholders and governmental agencies while safeguarding the needs of the facilities, environment, customers, and community that is Dana Point Harbor”.
- O.C. Parks: Reimagining the Sailing and Events Center: Diane Wenzel committee member and Executive Director of Westwinds Sailing gave a PowerPoint presentation focused on three primary areas regarding the OC Sailing and Event Center. First, she illustrated the existing building space and dock utilization by the current users of the facility. Second, she outlined short term solutions to better utilize the existing space to accommodate more storage for users such as the Outrigger Club that will be impacted by marina construction in 2024. And third, she provided suggestions on how to rework the Center's east and west docks to be more efficient for the center's stakeholders as well as becoming ADA compliant. In addition, she presented ideas on how the future OC Sailing and Event Center could be utilized to better benefit the residents of Orange County. Ms. Wenzel was then asked by Supervisor Foley to organize a team of the dock's users to meet with Michael Wilson of the County of Orange Parks Department to develop specific plans for the use of anticipated state grant money earmarked to reconstruct the facility's east and west docks. Supervisor Foley and the committee will be briefed on these plans at future meetings.
- Dana Point Harbor Partners Update: Alyssa Napuri, Supervisor Foley's Deputy Chief of Staff, presented to the committee a series of new graphic boards created by the DPHP that greatly simplify understanding the construction phasing. They included schematics showing each phase within the revitalization plan. Digital versions have been sent to the committee and will be available for public viewing on the OC GOV web site, in Supervisor Foley's Dana Point Harbor office and in the DPHP marina office.
- O.C. Parks Update: Michael Wilson, OC County Parks, brought the committee up to speed on continuing maintenance and upgrade projects in the harbor area and also advised about a third Park Ranger being added to the harbor area staff.
- Orange County Department of Real Estate Update: Matt Miller, OC Real Estate, clarified a question asked about whether the proposed hotels would be completed within the contracted timeline due to the delays in Coastal Commission approval. Mr. Miller indicated that the completion window was still intact unless there are additional approval delays beyond 2024 at which time the contracted time line would be re-addressed.
- Additional Updates: Mike Frost, past Dana Point mayor and committee member, introduced Dana Point mayor pro tem Mathew Pagano and indicated that going forward, he would alternate with Mr. Pagano attending DPHOAC monthly meetings.

Bob Langan adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

### ACTION ITEMS:

1. OC Sailing Center's Dock Plan advisory group, led by Diane Wenzel, presentation to Supervisor Foley and the committee at meeting TBD (April?).

### FEBRUARY AGENDA ITEMS: (meeting scheduled for February 7th)

1. Update on the Parking Structure construction start.