

**MINUTES OF THE
NAPA COUNTY TECHNICAL ADVISORY PANEL
REGULAR MEETING**

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Wednesday, May 25, 2005

5:30 p.m.

I. Roll Call; Call to Order.

The Napa County Technical Advisory Panel met during regular session on May 25, 2005 with the following members present: Bob Zlomke; Tony Norris; Phill Blake; Barbara Stafford; Rolf Ohlemutz; and Chairperson Larry Bahr. Dennis Rinehart and Dennis Scherzinger were excused, and Jo Ann Busenbark was absent.

II. Public Comment.

Bernhard Krevet, Friends of the Napa River, provided an update on the process of reviewing a different design of the river trail around the Hatt Building. He reported of a meeting at the District office with several interested parties to discuss alternatives, and he stated Harry Price's engineers submitted plans to the District and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for comment and review. Mr. Krevet passed out an e-mail with a summary of this update and believed the following will be answered in the future: 1) Can the redesign be technically accepted by the FPP; 2) Are there additional costs and who would pay for it; 3) Will this have an impact on the schedule, if so, is it tolerable; and 4) Who will actually construct the modified section.

Muriel Fagiani inquired if the Panel members were exchanging e-mails in between meetings and if staff was keeping copies of those e-mails to provide to the public. Heather Stanton, Project Manager, stated the Panel was not exchanging e-mails. Ms. Fagiani also inquired where she could find design information on the Napa Creek from Jefferson Street to First Street, as she has read the Corps was involved but that the Creek fell under the jurisdiction of the City and then followed by FEMA. Ms. Stanton stated the Napa Creek work is part of the Flood Project. The Corps brings all plans to the Panel three times during different design phases for review and approval, at which time the public has the opportunity to provide input. Ms. Stanton added the plans for Napa Creek will not be before the Panel for some time.

III. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of April 27, 2005.

Minutes approved.

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- IV. Status Report on Land Use Restrictions.
Rick Thomasser, Senior Flood Project Analyst, went over the policy in which development projects within the reach of the Flood Project area in the City of Napa are required to obtain a request for waiver. The waiver can be approved if there is no impact to the Project, but it must be brought to the Panel if there is a potential effect. Four examples of waivers with conditions imposed with District follow-up were reviewed along with the hard copy policy of public and private development requests and a tracking spreadsheet noting the Panel's actions on previously-reviewed matters. The item was opened for discussion.
- V. Flood Project Status Report and Update.
Rick Thomasser, Senior Flood Project Analyst, went over the latest Project schedule, noting key areas of interest. The item was opened for discussion.
- VI. Agenda Items for Future Meetings.
None were mentioned at the time.
- VII. General Comments from the Panel. (This is an opportunity for Panel members to informally discuss items and ask questions.)
Member Zlomke announced he is regretfully resigning from the Panel effective June 30, 2005 and thanked the Panel and staff for a worthwhile experience.
- Member Ohlemutz shared that he had a chance to see the proposed plans that were submitted to the Corps for the redesign of the river trail behind the Hatt Building. He felt the design was straightforward and doable, the cost would not be that much more, and he commended Harry Price for allowing this design to go forward, as it has a definite impact to some of the hotel rooms. Member Ohlemutz added that he hoped the cost and delays aren't going to eliminate it again and that it was a good idea and compromise.**
- VIII. Confirm Next Meeting Date.
The next Regular Meeting date of June 29, 2005 was confirmed.
- IX. Adjourn.
Adjourned to the next Regular Meeting of the Technical Advisory Panel on Wednesday, June 29, 2005, at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Flood Control District Conference Room.

LARRY BAHR
Chairperson

ATTEST:

HEATHER STANTON
Secretary

By: _____
GREG MORGAN
Supervising Office Assistant

KEY

Vote: DR = Dennis Rinehart; PB = Phil Blake; RO = Rudolf Ohlemutz; BS = Barbara Stafford;
DS = Dennis Scherzinger; BZ = Bob Zlomke; TN = Tony Norris; JB = Jo Ann Busenbark; LB = Larry Bahr

Notations Under Vote: N = No; X = Excused; A = Abstained