

**Proposition O Citizens Oversight Advisory Committee (COAC)
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 21, 2008**

Committee Members

Adi Liberman (Vice-Chair)	Mark Gold
Mary Nichols	Francine Diamond
Craig Perkins	Tiger Kang
Gideon Kracov	Teresa Villegas
Cynthia McClain-Hill	

City

Charles Modica (CLA)
Mark Tullai (CAO)
Shahram Kharaghani (BOS)
Kendrick Okuda (BOE)
Chris Westhoff (City Attorney)

Bold indicates members present.

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 P.M.

I. Approval of Minutes:

The minutes for the January 16, 2008 and March 19, 2008 meetings were approved.

II. City Administrative Officer/Chief Legislative Analyst/Citizens Oversight Advisory Committee (COAC) representative update on Proposition O (Prop O) issues and Administrative Oversight Committee (AOC) meetings

The CAO provided a summary of actions taken by the Administrative Oversight Committee at their March 27, 2008 and April 24, 2008 meetings.

The AOC approved the use of \$1.5M in Prop O funds as an in-kind match to the State's California Cultural and Historical Endowment grant for Echo Park Lake Boathouse improvements.

The AOC authorized the removal of the Parking Grove in El Sereno Project from further consideration for Prop O funding.

The AOC approved \$1.2M and \$4.1M in transfers between project accounts at their March 27th and April 24th meetings, respectively. These actions will ensure the timely expenditure of Prop O funds from the first bond sale.

III. Discussion:

La Cienega/Fairfax Stormwater BMP Project update:

The project scope includes a stormwater diversion structure, hydrodynamic separator, pump station, underground detention tank and a bioretention area. The community expressed concerns about the existence of the bioretention areas as well as the pump station, noise, odors and mosquito issues. Currently, work has been placed on hold pending discussions with Council District 10.

Action items:

- The COAC will assign one or two members to attend community meetings with the Bureau of Engineering.
- The COAC will send a letter to Councilmember Herb Wesson highlighting the importance of the project, and that an effort will be made to address and resolve the concerns voiced by the community.

IV. Discussion and Possible Action:

Inner Cabrillo Beach Bacterial Water Quality Improvement Project:

Harbor Department staff briefed the COAC members on the progress of the project.

V. Discussion:

Bureau of Engineering Monthly Report - March and April 2008

Bureau of Sanitation provided an update on reimbursable grants/issues

The BOE highlighted the development of the Echo Park Lake Rehabilitation project.

A notice from the State of California, Department of Water Resources, Division of Safety and Dams (DOSD), indicated that the south end of Echo Park Lake is classified as a dam, which falls within their jurisdiction. Options are being considered to remove the lake from DOSD jurisdiction, to include a potential reduction of the lake volume to below 50 acre feet.

A public meeting for the Echo Park Lake Project will be held in coordination with Council District 13 at Logan Elementary School on Monday, June 9th, 2008, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

VI. Discussion and Possible Actions:

Update of field meetings and potential project sites for 2008:

- This item was continued to the June 18th meeting.

City staffing regarding field meetings:

- Evening field meetings may require the use of overtime for non-salaried City employees. Restrictions have been placed on the use of overtime, Citywide. However, provisions can be made for essential non-salaried staff to attend evening meetings, if necessary. Salaried staff can attend evening meetings without incurring overtime charges.

VII. Discussion and Possible Action:

Annual Report to City Council

- Establish "Red flag" criteria

Visual presentation on status of Proposition O

- This item was continued to the June 18th meeting.

VIII. Future Agenda items:

Dr. Shelley Luce from the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission will be invited to give a presentation on green solutions for water improvement at the next COAC meeting.

IX. Public Comments:

There were no public comments.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:03 pm.