

# PIERPONT BAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Location: VIA ZOOM Conference (29 participants)

Date: September 15, 2020

Time: 7:00 PM

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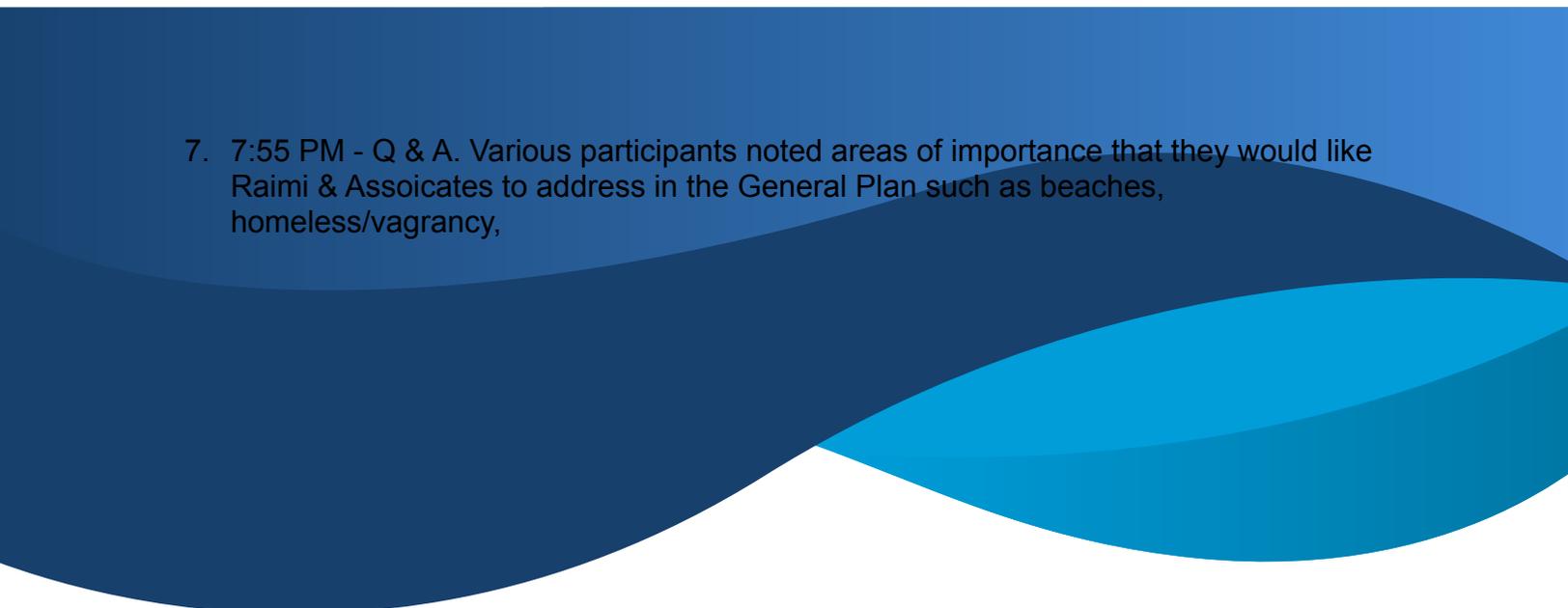
## Agenda Items

1. 7:00 PM - Meeting was Called to Order by Council Chair Michael Almeida. Michael explained the procedures and proper Zoom protocol for our first PBCC General Meeting since COVID-19. He apologized for the lapse of meetings in the interim but assured the participants that the PBCC would get back to a regular schedule for General Meetings. Michael also confirmed the PBCC positions with him retaining Chair position, Kate Hovey at Vice President, Terry Foley as Treasurer, and Howard Stern as Secretary.
2. 7:05 PM – State Parks by Tyson Butzke. Tyson reported that State Parks survived the busy Labor Day weekend which witnessed record attendance. All Special Events have been cancelled until further notice and the lifeguard stations will be pulled and stored within the next few weeks.
3. 7:07 PM – Police Report by Assistant Chief David Dickey. David first thanked City of Ventura Councilmember Cheryl Heitman for her long standing service on the City Council as her tenure comes to an end in the coming months. David then reported on a few trends - a 2.0% decline in crime citywide since the beginning of the pandemic however, he also noted an increase in “quality of life” crime and call volume. Changes in California laws have had a negative impact on arrests and certain crime rates. Cheryl Heitman wanted to let the Community know that Commander Dickey had recently been promoted to Assistant Chief position and that he is going to continue representing District 7.
4. 7:15 PM – Treasurer’s Report Terry Foley. Our operating account balance remains at \$2,689.
5. 7:16 PM - Committee Reports
  - a. STVR- Terry Foley stated that he continues to work 5-6 hours per week on this issue. With recent ordinances made in cities such as Carpinteria and Oxnard, Terry feels encouraged that PBCC can make progress as we incorporate the STVR issue with the Local Coastal Plan and General Plan. He requested that residents contact him at 805-701-2864 to discuss.

Terry also discussed the status of Black Bear Diner, which has signed a lease in the Von's shopping center in the former Carrows space. The design review on the exterior of the building will be revisited by the City Council after some hasty review by the Design Review Committee so any community comments will be welcomed. Lastly, Terry reminded the participants that there will be a City Council Candidates Town Hall meeting via Zoom on September 17 at 7:00 PM.

- b. Seaward Beautification- Dan Roundtree reported that a \$10,000 grant from Measure O was approved to fund signage and potential lighting upgrades for lower Seaward. Specifics of how the money will be spent will be determined but the goal is to have these upgrades implemented to lower Seaward by Christmas time.
  - c. Beach- Robin Birney had no material update to report.
6. 7:30 PM - Guest Speaker – Raimi & Associates. Matt Raimi presented an Overview of the City of Ventura General Plan process which his firm is working on with the City of Ventura. They are at the beginning of the process, due to delays from COVID -19 of working on the General Plan, which cities update every 10-15 years. Topics discussed included:
- a. Purpose of a General Plan
  - b. Why Update the General Plan?
  - c. Key Outcome Goals
  - d. Approach and Methodology to the General Plan
  - e. Community Engagement Philosophy & Objectives
  - f. Community Engagement Activities

After the slide presentation, Matt noted that follow up such as workshops, stakeholder interviews and focus groups will be scheduled to garner community input. The public can find out more about the General Plan Advisory Committee at <https://cityofventura.ca.gov/485/General-Plan>

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7. 7:55 PM - Q & A. Various participants noted areas of importance that they would like Raimi & Associates to address in the General Plan such as beaches, homeless/vagrancy,

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traffic, lower Seaward enhancements, and short-term vacation rentals. Matt mentioned that the goal is to have the Local Coastal Plan done concurrent with General Plan. Cheryl Heitman urged all participants to provide feedback and voice the items that they would like to be included in the General Plan.

Finally, one resident expressed that she would like PBCC to consider continuing General Meetings in the future via Zoom so she could continue to participate as in-person meetings are not possible to attend.

8:26 PM – Meeting was adjourned by Michael Almeida.



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