

# McKinleyville Incorporation Exploration Sub-Committee (MIESC) Meeting

January 17, 2024– 4:00 p.m.

## Committee Members Present:

Tom Boyer, Mary Burke, Lisa Dugan, Pat Kaspari, and Tom Sheets

## Committee Members Absent:

Kevin Jenkins

## Guests Present:

Joey Blaine (MCSD Board Secretary)

Jesse Miles (McKinleyville Chamber of Commerce)

Colette Santsche (Humboldt LAFCO)

Call to order at 4:00 p.m.

### A.1 Roll Call

### A.2 Approval of agenda:

**Motion:** Sheets **Second:** Boyer

**Ayes:** Boyer, Burke, Dugan, Kaspari and Sheets

**Nays:** None.

### A.3 Approval of Minutes

**Motion :** Kaspari **Second :** Boyer

**Ayes :** Boyer, Burke, Dugan, Kaspari, and Sheets

## B. Public Comment

- There was no public comment.

### C.1 Discussion of Next Steps and Direction Given by MMAC

- Dugan revisited the topic of meeting times and noted that Josh Zender reported that Thursday would work much better for him than Wednesdays. The topic will be revisited next month when Kevin is back.
- Boyer inquired about the status of the conversation at the Board of Supervisors level. Supervisor Madrone was not present and Dugan replied that she does not have news to report.
- Several committee members recommended a check in with Josh Zender regarding the status of funding and grant opportunities for the initial feasibility analysis.
- The committee discussed the possibility and necessity of using a consultant for the analysis.

- Kaspari suggested using Cal Poly in tandem with a consultant to perhaps gain cost savings.
- Dugan summarized the discussion that the next move forward is to have further discussion with Josh Zender.
- Ms. Sanstche recommended that even if there is grant funding available, it is important to still engage the county in a meaningful way.
- Burke suggested dividing up tasks, similar to that of a grant proposal process.
- Boyer suggested a special meeting of the whole committee to meet with Josh Zender.
- Dugan proposed a meeting on February 1 at 4:00 p.m. She will talk with Kevin and Josh and report back.
- Burke shifted the conversation to discussing community engagement in terms of thinking of engaging the community's values and interests.
- Boyer reminded the group that it is necessary for the committee to stay neutral.
- Burke agreed and posed the question of: How do you engage the community in a neutral, but exciting way?
- Kaspari suggested polling, i.e. as MCSD used Godbe Research for Measure B.
- Boyer suggested the continued development of an FAQ.
- Ms. Santsche suggested the MIESC have a better landing page on the County website.

#### **C.2 Report out of Meeting with Nick Swartz**

- Nothing to report as meeting did not occur.

#### **D. Future Agenda Items**

- There were no suggestions for future items made.

#### **E. Member Announcements**

- There were no announcements.

#### **F. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.