

MINUTES
FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE/PUBLIC REVIEW
July 16, 2014

Committee Members Present: Paul Baughman, Scott Leska, Ken Perry, David Pfordt, Ian Sharp, Linwood Smith, Mike Todnem, Jim Vogelsberg

Flood Control District Staff Present: Suzanne Shields, Director; Eric Shepp, Floodplain Administrator; Bill Zimmerman, Deputy Director; Tammy Jorde, Special Staff Assistant; Greg Saxe, Environmental Planning Manager

Others Present: None

The meeting was held at 97 E. Congress Street, Tucson, Arizona, 3rd Floor Conference Room.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The committee approved the June 18, 2014 minutes.

QUERY TO THE AUDIENCE

No business.

NEW BUSINESS

Cancellation of August Meeting

The committee unanimously voted to cancel the August 20, 2014 meeting.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

Regulatory Updates

Eric Shepp stated we are nearing the end of our CRS audit. We were the third community in Arizona to be audited using the 2013 CRS Manual. A few issues have arisen as a result of the new manual, some good, and some bad.

- 1) **Flood Threat Recognition and Flood Warning**
In the past, we received some credit for this activity for the Alert System, among other activities. The new manual requires that a few pre-requisites be met prior to ANY credit being given. We do not meet all pre-requisites so no credit was given. Pre-requisites include a requirement for flood warnings being provided 24 hours per day, 7 days a week, a flood response plan for the entire County, the preparation of inundation maps for many return periods, and an early warning dissemination system. All of these are not in place in Pima County. AFMA is writing a letter to the CRS Technical Committee requesting modifications to these requirements. This discussion will not occur until after our audit is complete.
- 2) **Open Space Credit**
Considerable credit is given for open space acquisition in the new manual, including an impact adjustment that allows jurisdictions to include open space for all regulatory floodplains, and compare that value to only the area inundated by FEMA Special Flood Hazard Area. Pima County benefited greatly from this change.
- 3) **Drainageway Maintenance**
This is the last outstanding issue, and the District is working with the Technical Review Committee to receive credit for maintenance of watercourses even though we inventory the drainageways by area instead of by length. We believe there is flexibility in the manual for the

reviewer to accept our approach even though the guidance in the manual requests information by length.

Rating System for the Capital Improvement Program

The CIP Rating System information was distributed to the committee. Suzanne Shields stated that system was created in 2005 as a way to evaluate jurisdictional projects for the 2006 Bond Election and for future bond elections. Currently, there have been requests from the City of South Tucson and the Town of Marana. She asked that the committee review the information so we could reinstate the system again, if needed; she also stated that she would be happy to work with the individual communities if requested. Ms. Shields stated she would send out the 2006 Bond materials to each jurisdiction for their review.

This item will remain on future agendas for discussion and review.

REPORT FROM FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT STAFF

BOS Action

Suzanne Shields stated that Board passed the Enforcement of Floodplain Management Regulations Ordinance on the July 1, 2014.

✓ **June 17, 2014**

Kinder-Morgan Sierrita Pipeline Project

A) Approve the Mitigation Agreement and Agreement for Easements between Pima County, the **Pima County Regional Flood Control District**, and Sierrita Gas Pipeline, L.L.C., which incorporates the Long-term Monitoring Plan, Permanent Easements from Pima County and the **Pima County Regional Flood Control District**, and Temporary Construction Easements from the County and **Regional Flood Control District**, and

B) Grant a public utility license to Sierrita Gas Pipeline, L.L.C. (CTN-PW-14-176)

Approve as Amended

✓ **July 1, 2014**

Resolution No. 2014 - **FC4**, of the Pima County Flood Control District Board of Directors, establishing the Flood Control District Board of Hearing Review and defining membership, and appointing the District Hearing Officers.

Approve

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

No business.

AGENDA ITEMS – SEPTEMBER 17, 2014 MEETING

No new business.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 a.m.