

**MINUTES**  
**STUDY SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL**  
**CITY OF MONTEREY**  
**WEDNESDAY, February 22, 2006**  
**4:00 – 6:00 P.M.**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBER, FEW MEMORIAL HALL**  
**MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Albert called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

**Council Members**

**Present:** Councilmembers Della Sala, Downey, Haferman, Roberson, Mayor Albert

**Absent:** None

**City Staff:**

**Present:** City Manager, City Attorney, City Clerk, Assistant City Manager, Community Development Director, Finance Director, Public Facilities Director. Deputy Public Works Director

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mayor Albert opened the floor for Public Comments on items not on the agenda. Having no requests to speak, he closed Public Comment.

**STUDY SESSION**

1. Proposals for Networks of Marine Protected Areas in the Marine Life Protection Act Process (Harbor)

City Manager Meurer introduced the item. Harbormaster Scheiblaue introduced John Ugoretz, Nearshore Ecosystem Coordinator for the California Department of Fish and Game, who gave a history of legislation and an overview of the Marine Life Protection Act Central Coast process. Harbormaster Scheiblaue reviewed the City Council's existing policy.

Mr. Scheiblaue introduced Package #1 proponents from the Fishermen's Network, Howard Egan and David Crabbe. Mr. Egan presented an overview of their proposal, and Mr. Crabbe discussed the specifics. Mr. Scheiblaue introduced Milos Radakovich, Marine Biologist, who presented package #2, and then Dr. John Pearse, who presented Package #3, "The Hybrid Proposal."

On question, Harbormaster Scheiblaue said that he was involved in all of the plans, but was a leader with regard to Package #1. Mr. Ugoretz clarified that the Blue Ribbon Task Force sent all plans back to their respective proponents for further work. He clarified that the guidelines are only guidelines, not hard and fast rules. He said that the law is vague and open to interpretation. On question, Mr. Ugoretz said that Fish and Game would not implement any plan without adequate funds to pay for it. City Manager Meurer voiced a concern that the responsibility for monitoring this plan and all of the costs would be off-loaded to the cities, particularly with regard to stormwater.

Councilmember Haferman asked for additional information where each proponent would summarize their package by comparing and contrasting it with the other two packages in as simple way as possible. On question, Mr. Ugoretz said that the Blue Ribbon Task Force would take action and make recommendation to the State on March 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, after which the Department of Fish and Game staff will take a recommendation to the Commission in May. He stated that the Fish and Game Commission should make a decision in November.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Albert adjourned the meeting at 6:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Approved,

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Bonnie L. Gawf, City Clerk

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Dan Albert, Mayor