

MILITARY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
24 MAY 2010 ✂ 1500-1630
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE ROOM

Present: Councilwoman Rita Sweet Bellitto, RADM Mark Gemmill, RADM Phillip R. Olson, Paul Pierce, RADM Fenton Priest, CAPT Robert Rieve, RADM Fred Ruehe, Councilman John Uhrin, CAPT Daniel R. Walters, Dr. Roger Whiteway Ph. D

Staff: Michelle Chapleau, Sali Gear, Scott Hall, Steve Herbert, Jerry Stewart

Guests: John Panneton (Congressman Nye's Office) Frank Roberts (HRMFFA), CAPT Skip Zobel (Senator Warner's Office)

Absent: VADM Ed Clextan, LCDR Adalberto M. Diaz, VADM Joseph S. Donnell, RADM Richard Dunleavy, RADM William J. Ecker, Joseph Gianascoli, Warren Harris, Don Jellig, RADM Bud Jewitt, Vice-Mayor Louis Jones, Bob Matthias, Jerry Miller

APPROVAL OF 26 APRIL NOTES

Notes approved as written.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

RADM Olson welcomed CAPT Rich

NAS OCEANA UPDATE

CAPT Rich gave a short briefing on Oceana. Oceana's Operational mission is to provide the facilities, equipment and personnel to support shored-based readiness, total force readiness and maintain operational access of Oceana-based forces. A summary of the brief follows:

Shore-based Flight Requirements

- Multi-mission training flights
- Readiness cycle includes four separate events requiring Field Carrier Landing Practice (FCLP) refresher training
- 5 Carrier Air Wings each = 4 Strike/Fighter squadrons + 1 E-2 squadron
- F/A-18 and E-2 Fleet Replacement Squadrons (FRS) each conduct \approx 6 initial CV qualification detachments annually

Non-traditional Readiness Support

- Helicopter Operations: *Increasing* as Helo Master Plan is executed
 - Confined area landing practice
 - Other training syllabus requirements, e.g., NVG

- Special Ops: Increasing
 - Navy Special Operations
 - 160th Special Ops Airborne Regiment
 - 20th and 90th Special Ops Wings
 - EOD para-drop training
 - ARG/MEW (SOC) heli-borne assault training
- Others:
 - MARDET convoy training
 - UCAV/UAS training
 - Battalion-level airborne assault training

Support Challenges

- Facility and Infrastructure
- Weather
- Coordination with Oceana Operations

APZ/Clear Zone Compatibility Program

- Acquire incompatible properties and property interests in APZ-1/Clear Zones
 - \$45.25M for 433 units from 165 owners thus far
- Prohibits all new incompatible development
- Creates incentives to attract compatible businesses into APZs
- Program expanded to include ITA:
 - \$8.8M applied to 278 acres from seven owners
 - April 10: All willing sellers in CZ and all willing sellers in specific areas of APZ-1 (regardless of current zoning)

We may need another \$50M to finish buying properties in the APZ.

Please see the attached presentation for more information.

HRMFFA UPDATES *(Frank Roberts)*

- House Armed Services Committee (HASC) completed its mark up of the Armed Services Report. It still needs to go to the House floor for a vote. \$2M was removed for the Mayport improvements in the Committee's mark up. The House Report also includes recognition of the City and Oceana for their collaborative efforts in controlling encroachment. Pages from the House Report are attached.
- The Autonomous Surface Vehicle Competition is on track with 14 teams signed up. The event is 10-13 June at Founder's Inn. If you want to attend let Frank know and he will coordinate a VIP tour. Scott will e-mail the schedule to MEDAC members. Scott will coordinate City Council members attendance.

CITY UPDATE *(Sali Gear/ Steve Herbert)*

Military Liaison Update

- Attended the 21 May NETWARCOM Change of Command with Mayor Sessions
- Requested an office visit with new Admirals of Cyber Forces Command (RADM Meek) and Network Warfare Command (RADM Deets)
- Attended the 10-12 May Joint Warfighting conference held at the VBCC

- Working with the Mayor's Veteran's Committee on the Memorial Day program – Sali will send the Memorial Day information to the MEDAC members. Congressman Nye is the speaker.
- Sali will post the Midway celebration information on the Website
- Met with CAPT Stuppard of JEB on 7 May
- Had lunch with CO, XO, and CAG wives of all Oceana squadrons on 19 May to discuss family issues and fly in turnover
- Navy Expeditionary Combat Command Ombudsman conference will be held here 2-4 June at the Founders Inn. Sali will attend.

FAA *(Steve Herbert)*

Jim Spore, Steve Herbert and Bob Matthias met with DoD staff, Senator Warner and Webb staffs, and Congressman Nye's staff in Washington, DC regarding our radar issue. The City expects follow-up from the DoD staff in 30 days.

LESNER BRIDGE REPLACEMENT *(Dave Hansen/Dave Jarman)*

Dave Hansen and Dave Jarman provided a short briefing on the Lesner Bridge project. Dave Hansen was seeking the support/endorsement from MEDAC. Please see the attached presentation for details.

MEDAC endorses the memorandum which Dave Hansen will send to RADM Boensel at MIDLANT.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE *(Scott Hall/Michelle Chapleau)*

Joint Warfighting Conference – great attendance at the May Joint Warfighting Conference Economic Development discussed partnering with the sponsors for next year's conference. It continues to grow in size.

Association of Defense Communities Conference (ADC) - The City of Virginia Beach will be recognized at the 8-11 August ADC annual conference in San Francisco as the ADC Base Community of the Year, in recognition of the success of the City's APZ-1 program and partnership with the Navy. Michelle, Becky Kubin and Warren will attend. Bobby Rountree (Oceana) and RJ Nutter (Troutman Sanders) will also attend.

The Economic Development Department is sponsoring a seminar on 22 June with the law firm of Williams Mullen, focused on ITAR and Export Control regulations for US defense companies. Invitations have already been sent to 350 Virginia Beach companies as well as the Economic Development departments of other Hampton Roads cities. Fenton Priest will be sharing with the membership of TASC and TIGC.

Burton Station *(Roger Whiteway)*

Roger attended the HRMFFA Leadership Conference and both Congressman Whitman and Nye spoke.

Whitman's remarks caught his attention when he talked about the Federal Government being shut down for several days last winter and his efforts to push for more "Telework" (formerly called Telecommute). Whitman mentioned introducing a bill to perform 20% of work per week from home every two weeks.

One of the challenges that keeps military and other agencies from more telework is lack of secure networks at the homes of their employee/members.

Perhaps we could get GSA in office space at Burton Station and have it become the "Pentagon South" with buildings that can be used by Pentagon, and service agency staffs. It could be used for:

- Geo-bachelors - they use the facility on Mondays and Fridays to move their commute off Sundays and Fridays to offload vehicle traffic on I-64 and I-95.
- An alternate command post for a variety of commands currently within the beltway.

Congressman Whitman is looking for ideas to further Telework - but his current emphasis seems to be on the I-95 and I-395 corridor because of increased footprints on Ft Belvoir. This idea just looks farther out to address problems today with I-64/95 traffic on Friday's and Sunday's.

First Steps:

What groups might use a secure facility that had secure networks for each of the services
Get Congressman Nye and Representative Whitman to put study money in the defense bill (500k - 800k) to determine the number of service people that:

- Geo-bachelors
 - live in Hampton Roads and work in NOVA
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- Day trippers
 - Number of people per month per command (Military and government civilians) who commute for the day(s)
- Determine the number of classified networks required to enable the four services, Joint Staff, and DoD staff to do their business. Include Homeland security as well.

The results of the study could be used to determine the opportunity to reduce trips during peak times (Sunday, Friday, and Monday) through the development of a Hampton Roads Regional Telework facility and may show that it is cheaper for the state and federal governments to build a few buildings in Burton Station than keep adding lanes to I-64/95/395 interstates.

Whitman and other Virginia Congressmen have introduced legislation that supports telework. Perhaps MEDAC members could schedule a meeting to discuss this idea and hopefully recommend that Congressman Nye direct a small survey study in the Defense Bill that would provide this data. Roger will speak with John Panneton and schedule a meeting with Congressman Nye.

Another action item would be to invite Jennifer Alcott, the statewide telecom coordinator to a MEDAC meeting. It's not near term, but we can use "green" or other initiatives to justify. There are regional sites already in place.

Meeting Adjourned: 1648

Next Meeting: 28 June 2010, 1500