

CAPISTRANO BAY DISTRICT
AGENDA REPORT
March 31, 2009

ITEM D.X

Progress Report on RR Grade Crossing Safety Enhancements (Quiet Zone)

The City of Dana Point has scheduled the hearing of this item before the City Council on Monday, April 13th at 6:00 PM. At this meeting property owners will have their last opportunity to voice support for final approval of the project. The District has sent several letters to the city expressing support and now urges individual property owners to contact their council members as well.

According to reports from the City Manager's office, the city has been negotiating with OCTA and Metrolink to sort out and clarify elements of the agreement pertaining to liability. City Manager Doug Chotkevys has explained that the city is in favor of the proposed safety enhancements but simply wants to have their level of risk exposure clearly defined and agreed upon.

A group of concerned property owners from the Palisades neighborhood has organized into the *Rail Safety First Committee* and now has an informative website that provides background to bring the reader up to speed with the developments. That website is:

www.savecapistranobeach.com

The City Council meeting place is located at Dana Point City Hall, 33282 Golden Lantern, Dana Point 92629, at the corner of Golden Lantern and Acapulco, park in the rear and take the stairs to the second floor.