CAPISTRANO BAY DISTRICT AGENDA REPORT October 29, 2024

Advisory Committee

ITEM 7a

Miller CDP Application Status

The CDP application for Miller was submitted to City of Dana Point Planning on Friday, June 14th. We were expecting to be ready to resubmit corrections back to the City last week which has not happened.

The delay is related to the engineering design being changed. There is some thought that a poured-in-place concrete footing to underpin the proposed gravity block seawall might function more effectively than the original design that called out for a sand-filled GeoTube. This is basically a giant sandbag, shaped somewhat like a pillow when filled.

As the thinking evolved, there was also a suggestion to maybe not do either a concrete footing or GeoTube but instead, make use of a giant gabion cage filled with baseball-size rocks, kind of like a giant mattress.

The engineer is considering all three options but for ease of installation and practical function, the gabion cage concept is probably the most cost-effective and maintains the property and attribute of a long-term but still more temporary footing than a more permanent concrete footing, and it therefore more likely to be approved by the Coastal Commission.

The resubmittal is expected to be ready by the end of next week.