MONTEREY PENINSULA REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING: July 10, 2019

SUBJECT: Administration Update

PRESENTER: Rafael Payan, General Manager

REPORT: 2020-2024 Strategic Plan

On Saturday, June 29, 2019, MPRPD's Board and Staff hosted a special meeting at Seaside's Oldemeyer Center. The meeting was facilitated by Mr. Steve Dennis, and focused on MPRPD's 2020-2024 Strategic Plan.

As a prelude to the day's discussion, the 2016-2020 Strategic Plan was briefly summarized, identifying its progress and setbacks, to date.

Mr. Dennis opened the floor, soliciting public comment. Several meeting participants spoke favorably about MPRPD's progress. Four citizens also spoke about the challenges and stressors caused by the growing homeless encampment at Laguna Grande Community Park. MPRPD owns this park. The park has been operated by the cities of Monterey and Seaside for several decades under two separate agreements with MPRPD.

After the meeting's initial Public Comment segment, Mr. Dennis solicited the Board's input, requesting it identify the goals that MPRPD may consider in the 2020-2024 Strategic Plan. Several recommendations were made. President Sorenson and Mr. Dennis recommended these be added to the list of goals the Board and Staff had previously identified.

The compiled list will be presented to the Board in August, in public session. During the forthcoming meeting, the Board will review the compiled list and identify the most compelling goals. These goals will guide the 2020-2024 Strategic Plan's initial draft development. The initial draft will be presented to the Board for review, comment and revision. Staff will revise the draft document, reflecting the Board's revisions, and subsequently present the revised 2020-2024 Strategic Plan to the Board for its review and ratification.

Laguna Grande Community Park

Mr. Dennis reassured the attendees that MPRPD has mentioned this property, at least twice, as an item to be considered in the 2020-2024 Strategic Plan.

Mr. Dennis, the Board, and Staff also briefly discussed the potential use of Laguna Grande Community Park to Beta Test the feasibility of an advocate-based effort that includes the local community, MPRPD's staff, and the cities of Monterey and Seaside to explore potential solutions through a Laguna Grande Community Park-specific planning process.

The Board did not take action on any items during this meeting.

FISCAL IMPACT: Not Applicable.

FUNDING SOURCE: Not Applicable.

FUNDING BALANCE: Not Applicable.

RECOMMENDATION: Informational Only.