



LAGUNA GRANDE REGIONAL JOINT POWERS AGENCY

A G E N D A

REGULAR MEETING
Seaside Council Chamber
440 Harcourt Avenue
Monday, April 8, 2024
6:00 PM

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **ROLL CALL – ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

David R. Pacheco
Kevin Raskoff
Gino Garcia

Chair
Board Member
Board Member

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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under that item. For the public record, please state your name.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. APPROVE MINUTES FROM MARCH 11, 2024

5. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. RECEIVE PRESENTATION FROM THE TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY ON THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION

B. PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON THE PERMITTING PROCESS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TRAIL MAINTENANCE AND VEGETATION STRATEGY

6. REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

7. REPORTS FROM STAFF

8. ADJOURNMENT

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting:
July 8, 2024
6:00 p.m.

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DRAFT MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

Seaside Council Chamber

440 Harcourt Avenue

Monday, March 11, 2024

6:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Pacheco called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL – ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Present: Raskoff, Pacheco, Garcia

Absent: None

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Diane Nielson

4. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON THE PERMITTING PROCESS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TRAIL MAINTENANCE AND VEGETATION STRATEGY

Seaside Recreation Director, Dan Meewis, provided a presentation regarding status of the trail maintenance and vegetation permitting process.

Trail Maintenance and Vegetation Mitigation Strategy–2/11/2024 –The board approved contract amendment with BFS. City of Seaside will be taking the lead on the permitting for TM & VS. JPA staff met with BFS to work on an updated timeline. Contract amendment approved at the 3/7/24 City Council meeting. This amendment is now being routed in Laserfiche. Preliminary timeline presented by Mr. Meewis. Provided estimated completion of project—February, 2025.

Mr. Meewis responded to questions from the Board regarding how the timelines for this project were estimated, and how close to concrete they are at this point. Timelines were provided by BFS directly. In addition, the possibility of any additional permits was discussed, with Mr. Meewis stating that there could be, depending on site studies as the process moves forward. The manner that the

different permits are listed numerically, and the timelines for each, was discussed as well.

Beth from BFS described the breakdown for the preliminary permitting timeline Mr. Meewis presented. Permits are independent of one another in terms of scheduling & order of completion, as long as everything listed is completed by the finish date, according to BFS.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Esther

5. REPORTS/COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Garcia – N/A

Raskoff – Let's Go Outdoors magazine should be delivered to residents on/around 3/20. Described some of the items within. Requested that staff work on streamlining the process of news dissemination via email alerts and website updates. Mr. Meewis commented that there is a manner to receive alerts through the City website when new agendas are published for the meetings one chooses. Mr. Meewis also provided board member Raskoff with a breakdown of how future grants were being put into action.

Pacheco – N/A

Karen Larson (Parks & Recreation Director for the City of Monterey) – Monterey P&R will continue to work with the City to insure the upkeep of shared parks, as well as collaborating on strategies that could help share information with the public regarding the work of the JPA and connected bodies.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Ensley, Sr. Admin Assistant

Dave R. Pacheco, Chair



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AGENDA REPORT

ITEM: 5.A.

TO: Agency Members

FROM: Dan Meewis, Recreation Director

DATE: April 8, 2024

SUBJECT: **RECEIVE PRESENTATION FROM THE TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY ON THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION**

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION

Receive a presentation from the Transportation Agency for Monterey County

BACKGROUND

The Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) is applying for funding through the state Active Transportation Program to extend the trails in Laguna Grande Park between Del Monte Boulevard and Fremont Boulevard. The project will also build a segment of trail on Fremont Boulevard between Cassanova Avenue and Canyon Del Rey, to fill a gap in the bicycle network. This application will build off the City of Seaside's funded project to upgrade the trails in Laguna Grande Park.

This project will be a segment of the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway (FORTAG). FORTAG is a proposed 28-mile regional network of paved recreational trails and greenways connecting communities to open space. If funded, the Laguna Grande segment will connect to the Canyon Del Rey segment, which will start construction in spring 2024.

TAMC is requesting a letter of support from the JPA for the application and invites the JPA to sign onto the application as a co-applicant. TAMC has entered into a Master Agreement with the cities of Seaside and Monterey and the Monterey Peninsula

Regional Parks District for construction and maintenance of the FORTAG trail.

ATTACHMENTS

None



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AGENDA REPORT

ITEM: 5.B.

TO: Agency Members

FROM: Dan Meewis, Recreation Director

DATE: April 8, 2024

SUBJECT: **PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON THE PERMITTING PROCESS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TRAIL MAINTENANCE AND VEGETATION STRATEGY**

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION

Receive the update on the permitting process.

BACKGROUND

At the February 12, 2024, Laguna Grande Joint Powers Agency meeting, the Board requested to have a special meeting on March 11, 2024, to receive an update on the permitting process. During that meeting, JPA staff presented the process where the City of Seaside would be taking the lead in obtaining the permits. Staff recommended amending the contract with Belliniger Foster Stiemz (BFS) for the trail maintenance and vegetation strategy to include obtaining all the necessary permits to implement the plan. The JPA board did approve a recommendation to amend the contract with the additional costs for the permitting services.

Since the City of Seaside will be taking the lead on this portion of the project, the amended contract needed to go to the City of Seaside City Council for approval of the contract amendment. The item was placed on the March 7, 2024, City Council Agenda and was approved. The amendment was signed by (BFS) on March 18, 2024, and submitted to the City of Seaside for execution, and was then submitted through the City of Seaside's routing system. The contract was executed on March 28, 2024, and submitted to (BFS).

City fo Seaside staff has issued invoices to the City of Monterey and The Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District for the additional funds needed for the permitting process, and once the funds are received they will start making payments for project.

Prior to the approval of the contract amendment, JPA staff met with BFS, and their consultant EMC to review a preliminary timeline for the permitting process. Each permit has its own specific timeline. However, the estimated completion of this process is February 2025.

ATTACHMENTS

1. DRAFT Laguna Grande Permitting Schedule (Abbreviated) 030524
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Laguna Grande Trail Maintenance
DRAFT Biological Permitting Assistance Schedule

	Activity Name	Start Date	Finish Date	2023			2024												2025		
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1	Contract Authorization	11/1/23	3/29/24																		
2	Project Description Development and Impact Area Mapping (BFS)	2/19/24	5/31/24																		
3	Coastal Development Permit Applications (Monterey and Seaside)	3/11/24	10/30/24																		
7	Wetland Delineation	3/18/24	10/14/24																		
11	Regulatory Agency Coordination	6/3/24	10/31/24																		
15	USACE Nationwide Permit	6/3/24	2/28/25																		
19	Streambed Alteration Agreement (CDFW 1600 SAA)	6/3/24	2/28/25																		
24	Water Quality Certification (RWQCB)	6/3/24	2/28/25																		
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* Please note that agency review times are estimates only.

March 5, 2024