



AGENDA

CITY OF SEASIDE
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING
SEASIDE CREATES
656 Broadway Avenue
Tuesday, July 10, 2018
5:30 PM

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL - ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

Lacey Raak	Chair
Kristin Molle	Vice Chair
Paul Oelfke	Committee Member
John Wizard	Committee Member
Laura Murphy	Committee Member
Kay Cline	Committee Member
Kera Abraham Panni	Committee Member
Christine Revelas	Committee Member
Bob Coble	Committee Member

3. **REVIEW OF AGENDA**

If there are any items that arose after the 72-hour posting deadline, this is the point in the meeting where a vote may be taken to add the item to the agenda. (A 2/3-majority vote is required).

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Members of the public wishing to address the City Council on matters within the jurisdiction of the City of Seaside, but not on this agenda, may do so during the Public Comment period for up to three minutes. Public Comments on specific agenda items are heard under that item. For the public record, please state your name.

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. APPROVE MINUTES OF JUNE 12, 2018

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the minutes be reviewed and approved.

6. **BUSINESS ITEMS**

A. **A GENERAL OVERVIEW OF BIKESHARE AND THE LAUNCH OF OFO BIKESHARE IN SEASIDE**

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION: The purpose of this item is to share general information on the evolution of bikeshare and the launch of ofo bikeshare in Seaside. It's recommended the committee provide suggestions on initial launch locations throughout the City of Seaside.

B. **CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 72, RAINWATER CAPTURE SYSTEMS EXCLUDED FROM PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENTS AMENDMENT AND PROPOSED SEASIDE MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENT UPDATE**

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION: The purpose of this item is to inform the committee of the passing of Proposition 72, to exclude rainwater capture systems added to properties after January 1, 2019, from counting as new construction, and therefore, exempt from the taxable value of the property. Additionally, staff will provide applicable zoning code information and Board of Architectural Review (BAR) considerations that need to be revised and created for allowing rainwater capture systems in Seaside. Staff recommends the committee make suggestions on both zoning code content, potential BAR design considerations, and potential permit requirements.

C. **CITY COUNCIL CLIMATE CHANGE LETTER TO GOVERNOR BROWN AND THE GLOBAL CLIMATE ACTION SUMMIT**

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION: The purpose of this item is to provide the Committee with a copy of the letter Seaside City Council sent to Governor Brown regarding climate change resulting from fossil fuels. Additionally, staff requests the committee discuss the potential of the City hosting streaming sessions of The Global Climate Action Summit (Sept. 12-14th) at Seaside Creates and the committee members potential participation at these sessions.

D. **GRANT TRACKING AND APPLICATIONS**

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION: The purpose of this item is to have the committee discuss methods of finding grant opportunities and keeping track of application periods. Staff recommends discussion on this topic to inform tracking methods and grant types.

7. **REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS**

A. **COMMITTEE MEMBER JON WIZARD TO INTRODUCE THE TOPIC OF PLANTING FRUIT TREES IN THE CITY**

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION: The purpose of this item is for the sharing of an idea in order to generate discussion around the possibilities regarding fruit tree planting in Seaside.

8. **REPORTS FROM STAFF**

A. **ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE OUTREACH LETTER EMAILED**

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION: The purpose of this item is to inform the committee that the outreach letter was sent last week.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

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August 14, 2018
Seaside City Hall
5:30pm

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DRAFT MINUTES

CITY OF SEASIDE
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBER

Tuesday, June 12th, 2018
5:30PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm.

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

PRESENT: Raak, ,Murphy, Oelfke, Panni, Revelas

ABSENT:

LATE ARRIVAL: Molle at 5:41, Wizard 5:32

EARLY DEPARTURE: Panni and Murphy at 7:19

3. **REVIEW OF AGENDA**

Chair Raak stated that the agenda was full and some members had commitments later in the day and the agenda would be adjusted if needed.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. **APPROVE MINUTES FROM May 8, 2018**

On motion by Committee Member Wizard, seconded by Committee Member Revelas passed by the following vote, the minutes for the May 8th, 2018 meeting were approved.

Aye: Raak, Murphy, Oelfke, Panni, Revelas

Nay:

Not Voting: Molle

6. **BUSINESS ITEMS**

A. **ENERGY EFFICIENCY & CLIMATE PLANNING PROGRAMS**
PRESENTATION BY STEVE CAMPBELL, ASSOCIATE PROGRAM
MANAGER, AND AMAURY BERTEAUD, SPECIAL PROJECTS ASSOCIATE,
OF AMBAG ENERGY WATCH

Steve Campbell, Associate program manager, spoke about an opportunity by AMBAG to improve City of Seaside energy efficiency and provided information regarding financing of this project.

The Commission inquired and discussed AMBAG's current work in and around seaside, potential conflicts with other organizations and the AMBAG's proposal, research, and its outcomes.

Amaury Berteaud, special project associate, told the committee that the city will be recognized for its achievements in greenhouse gas reductions, receiving a 2018 Beacon Award at the GOLD level for reduction of energy use at the city facilities. He gave information regarding the greenhouse gas inventory of Seaside.

The Commission inquired about incentives that AMBAG offers for residents.

B. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PRESENTATION BY RICK RIEDL, CITY ENGINEER, CITY OF SEASIDE

Staff reviewed the Capital Improvement Projects occurring in the City of Seaside, and potential improvements with funding.

The Committee Members inquired about the current capital improvement projects, potential capital improvements projects, and suggested further improvements.

The committee suggested the city inquire about Children Nature Network, childrenandnature.org, as a potential resource for capital improvement projects. The committee inquired about the timeline for telephone line work in the city of seaside. Staff stated that it would be completed after the city would obtain funding. The committee inquired if Sand City appropriated rights to groundwater that was inside of the city of Seaside. Staff stated they did not.

C. ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE OUTREACH LETTER

Staff explained the progress of the environmental committee outreach letter, and the loss of group names due to minute recordings being erased.

The committee notified staff of groups to submit the environmental committee outreach letter to: Friends of Seaside Park, Return of the Natives, Sustainable Seaside, Sustainable City Year Program the NAACP, LULAC, Surfrider's, Save our Shores, restaurant and hospitality organizations.

D. STAFF PRESENTATION TO INTRODUCE THE TOPIC OF COMMERCIAL RECYCLING, LITTER, AND SEASIDE MINUICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 8.28: SOLID WASTE

Staff provided the Committee with information regarding the current regulatory requirements for recycling and waste, and waste statistics in Seaside. Staff requested direction in regards to potential changes to the code.

The committee discussed and inquired about organic waste streams, its potential effects and outreach needs. The committee discussed adopting a resolution to send to city council regarding potential changes to the code regarding single use plastic utensils.

On motion by committee member Wizard, seconded by Committee Member Murphy and passed by the following vote, the remainder of the organic composting and recycling discussion was tabled until the august meeting.

Aye: Raak, Murphy, Oelfke, Panni, Revelas, Molle

Nay:
Not Voting:

Staff provided the committee with information regarding the current regulatory requirements and permits for litter cans.

Public Comment:

- Mike Spaletta, resident of seaside, mentioned that he was glad for the environmental committee discussing this topic and the current provider being unresponsive to some of his inquiries.

E. TREE PRERMIT FEE OVERVIEW AND BUDGET INFORMATION

Staff provided information regarding the City of Seaside's tree policies and budget. Committee members inquired about the city tree code. Committee requested staff discuss lowering of fee for certain trees and requested information regarding current outreach programs to local nurseries.

Public Comment:

- Mike Spaletta suggested that fees be lowered for trees that are hazards to encourage removal.
- Jaime Guzman, city employee, mentioned a potential flaw in the code that does not require people to have prior city approval to plant a tree in the city. He suggested requiring individuals to have the arborist approve new trees being planted in the city.

F. ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE WORK PLAN OVERVIEW AND PRIORITY SETTING EXERCISE

On motion by Chair Raak, seconded by Committee Member Wizard, and passed by the following vote, Item 6.F. was tabled until august.

Aye: Raak, Murphy, Oelfke, Panni, Revelas, Molle

Nay:

Not Voting:

7. REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

A. COMMITTEE MEMBER LAURA MURPHY TO SHARE INFORMATION ON THE COASTAL CONSERVANCY CLIMATE READY GRANT: NATURE BASED SOLUTIONS FOR CLIMATE ADAPTATION

Committee member Murphy spoke about a grant opportunity and notified the committee members of the deadline. She inquired if city staff had already looked into a facilitating partnership with the Resource Conservation District.

8. REPORTS FROM STAFF

A. **SYNOPSIS OF THE CENTRAL COAST REGION *BUILDING RESILIENCE* WORKSHOP**

Staff spoke about their attendance and the information learned at the workshop.
The Committee inquired about information learned and current city plans for resiliency and ways to implement the information learned.

B. **ANNOUNCEMENT: NATIONAL POLLINATOR WEEK**

Staff Liason Beth Rocha announced national pollinator week, June 18-June 24.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Raak indicated the next meeting of the Committee will be at July 10th and in her absence it will be chaired by Vice Chair Molle.
Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35pm.



**CITY OF SEASIDE
STAFF REPORT**

Item No.: 6.A.

TO: Environmental Committee

FROM: Craig Malin, City Manager

BY: Beth Rocha, Associate Planner

DATE: July 10, 2018

**SUBJECT: A GENERAL OVERVIEW OF BIKESHARE AND THE LAUNCH OF
OFO BIKESHARE IN SEASIDE**

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION

The purpose of this item is to share general information on the evolution of bikeshare and the launch of ofo bikeshare in Seaside. It's recommended the committee provide suggestions on initial launch locations throughout the City of Seaside.

BACKGROUND

The concept of bikesharing is to expand and integrate cycling into transportation systems to provide convenient and affordable access for individuals to use bicycles on a short-duration for commuting and recreation, while also having the potential to contribute to the following:

- Economic benefits for local businesses
- Health benefits associated with incorporating active transportation into one's life
- Increased transit usage and linkage with other transportation modes, such as walking
- Greenhouse gas reduction by replacing trips taken by automobile

These, and many other, benefits have influenced the rapid expansion and popularity of bikeshare in the United States. According to the National Association of City Transportation Officials, from 2010-2016 docked bikeshare systems grew exponentially, with 1,600 bikes in 2010 to 42,000 bikes in 55 cities by 2016. It was during this period of growth that the Transportation Agency of Monterey County (TAMC) became interested in analyzing bikeshare feasibility in the region.

In 2013, TAMC completed the Monterey County Bicycle Sharing Feasibility Analysis Plan (see Attachment 1), which evaluated the potential for establishing a bicycle sharing program in Monterey County. The City of Seaside was analyzed in the study and received favorable bikesharing suitability screening scores and ridership suitability scores. Following the TAMC plan, some regional partners were granted permission to begin researching bikeshare for their communities.

At the time of the TAMC study, docked bikeshare was the only model analyzed and being implemented across the United States. Docked systems often require grants, city funding, and corporate sponsorship for installation and maintenance of stations and fleet, as well requiring the user pick up and drop off bicycles at designated stations. There have been both failures and successes of docked systems, with Pronto in Seattle failing after two years and millions of dollars lost by the city and Citi Bike in New York successfully doubling the size of its bikeshare fleet. Naturally, the issues with docked bikeshare led to the emergence of a new model: dockless bikeshare.

In 2017, dockless bikeshare companies emerged in the US as an alternative model to docked bikeshare. Dockless systems often operate at no-cost to the cities in which they operate and don't require the infrastructure of the fixed station, allowing for riders

to pick up and drop off bicycles in appropriate areas of the public right of way. The main issue dockless bikeshare presents is the placement of bicycles in unwanted or unpermitted locations, making the bicycle an obstruction or nuisance (see Attachment 2: Citylab article, *What People Mean When They Call Dockless Bikeshare a 'Nuisance'*). However, the “service area” of dockless bikeshare is city-wide, which allows for more equitable distribution of an affordable transportation method than that provided by docked bicycle systems. As a result, many cities are complementing their existing docked bikeshare with dockless bikeshare to reach bikeshare equity goals in an affordable manner. Additionally, even more cities are not even considering docked bikeshare, mostly due to associated costs, but are allowing for dockless bikeshare companies to operate in cities as a private, competitive marketplace.

In March 2018, Seaside planning staff was directed to resume conversations regarding the establishment of a bikeshare system with regional partners in the Monterey County. Meetings were held with the TAMC, Cal State University Monterey Bay (CSUMB), and the cities of Monterey and Pacific Grove. These successful conversations established a consensus in pursuing bikeshare in the region and Seaside planning staff contacted ofo (<https://www.fo.com/us/en>), a dockless bikeshare company, to invite them to discuss their business model (Attachment 3). On February 16th, Seaside planning staff hosted a meeting at Seaside Creates with CSUMB, the cities of Monterey and Pacific Grove, and the following staff from ofo: Chandra Morando, General Manager for the West; Katie Stevens, Head of Public Policy for the West; and Maggie Yang, Regional University Partnerships Manager. The following day, ofo representatives Katie Stevens and Maggie Yang met with City Manager Craig Malin. Planning staff was directed to continue conversations with ofo, who provided Seaside with a draft Operating Agreement. Seaside's Deputy City Manager reviewed the draft Operating Agreement and suggested some revisions, to which ofo responded (see Attachment 4). In addition to the Operating Agreement, the Seaside Municipal Code contains three sections that would apply to a commercial bikeshare operation in the City:

1. Chapter 12.12 Street Obstructions, section 12.12.010 Merchandise Displays Prohibited, which states: "*Signs, boxes, vehicles or any items of private ownership shall not be placed on a public street, sidewalk, sidewalk area or right-of-way without prior permission in writing from the city manager and/or the chief of police. Such permission shall not ordinarily be granted in the absence of a showing of hardship or need.*"
2. Chapter 17.38 Sidewalk Use and Connectivity, section 17.38.020 Encroachment Permit Required, which states: "*The commercial use of public sidewalks requires the issuance of an Encroachment Permit issued by the City.*"
3. Chapter 17.38 Sidewalk Use and Connectivity, section 17.38.030.A General Sidewalk Use Provisions, which states: "*The following applies to the use of all sidewalk areas: A. Clear path of travel required. At least five feet clear area should be provided to allow for unimpeded pedestrian traffic around any obstruction.*"

On May 3rd, 2018 the City Council granted the City Manager the authority to execute an agreement with ofo, a dockless bikeshare company, to operate in the City of Seaside. The Operating Agreement was fully executed in June and the launch in Seaside is expected to happen prior to August.

FISCAL IMPACT

There are no fiscal impacts to the City.

ATTACHMENTS

None



**CITY OF SEASIDE
STAFF REPORT**

Item No.: 6.B.

TO: Environmental Committee

FROM: Craig Malin, City Manager

BY: Beth Rocha, Associate Planner

DATE: July 10, 2018

**SUBJECT: CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 72, RAINWATER CAPTURE
SYSTEMS EXCLUDED FROM PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENTS
AMENDMENT AND PROPOSED SEASIDE MUNICIPAL CODE
AMENDMENT UPDATE**

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION

The purpose of this item is to inform the committee of the passing of Proposition 72, to exclude rainwater capture systems added to properties after January 1, 2019, from counting as new construction, and therefore, exempt from the taxable value of the property. Additionally, staff will provide applicable zoning code information and Board of Architectural Review (BAR) considerations that need to be revised and created for allowing rainwater capture systems in Seaside. Staff recommends the committee make suggestions on both zoning code content, potential BAR design considerations, and potential permit requirements.

BACKGROUND

Proposition 72

Proposition 72 allowed the California State Legislature to exclude rainwater capture systems added to properties after January 1, 2019, from counting as new construction. When a property owner adds new construction to their property, the new construction is assessed for taxable value. Prior to Proposition 72, adding a rainwater capture system to one's property counted as a new construction. As the ballot measure excluded rainwater capture systems from the definition of new construction, the taxable value of a property would not increase because the property owner added a rainwater capture system. Legislation associated with Proposition 72 defined rainwater capture systems as facilities designed to capture, retain, and store rainwater flowing off rooftops or other above-ground hard surfaces for onsite use.

Seaside Municipal Code

The Seaside Municipal Code (SMC) does not currently have specific regulations for rainwater capture systems. However, the SMC *Accessory Structure* regulations are currently applied to rainwater capture systems. The definition of "Accessory Structure" is: *a structure attached to or detached from a primary structure located on the same premises that is customarily incidental and subordinate to the primary structure or use.* The definition of "Structure" is: *Anything constructed or erected, the use of which requires attachment to the ground or attachment to something located on the ground. For the purposes of this Zoning Ordinance, the term "structure" includes "buildings," but does not include swimming pools. "Buildings" is not defined in the SMC.* Dependent on size and capacity some systems will be required to be secured to the primary structure beyond the primary attachment from the gutter. The Building Official will look into establishing these

requirements based on the California Building Code.

SMC 17.52.220 *Residential Accessory Buildings, Structures, and Uses* regulations are applied to rainwater capture systems because they are considered “attached structures.” Section J.1. specifies: *Attached structures. An accessory structure attached to the primary structure shall comply with all zoning requirements applicable to the primary structure, including height limits, site coverage, and setbacks, and shall also comply with any applicable requirements in Subsection J.2 of this section.* J.2. specifies: *Standards for specific accessory uses and structures. The following requirements apply to the specific types of accessory structures listed, in addition to the other applicable requirements of this section for:* above-ground-level decks, patio covers, swimming pools, hot tubs, or spas, and tennis and other recreational courts. These structure and use-specific regulations regulate: placement, setbacks, and site coverage. It is in this section that a code amendment will be proposed by staff, adding regulations specific to rainwater capture systems. Setback regulations will be informed by emergency access requirements to the side and rear yards, attachment methods will be informed by the Building Official, and the complementary design of the attachment materials and associated regulations need to be determined by planning and with possible input from the Board of Architectural Review. It is unlikely that a permit fee will be required for the installation of such a system, unless it is required to be attached to the structure or proposed to be installed underground, as compliance will have to be inspected and grading permits may be required.

FISCAL IMPACT

ATTACHMENTS

None



**CITY OF SEASIDE
STAFF REPORT**

Item No.: 6.C.

TO: Environmental Committee

FROM: Craig Malin, City Manager

BY: Beth Rocha, Associate Planner

DATE: July 10, 2018

SUBJECT: CITY COUNCIL CLIMATE CHANGE LETTER TO GOVERNOR BROWN AND THE GLOBAL CLIMATE ACTION SUMMIT

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION

The purpose of this item is to provide the Committee with a copy of the letter Seaside City Council sent to Governor Brown regarding climate change resulting from fossil fuels. Additionally, staff requests the committee discuss the potential of the City hosting streaming sessions of The Global Climate Action Summit (Sept. 12-14th) at Seaside Creates and the committee members potential participation at these sessions.

BACKGROUND

What is the purpose of the Global Climate Action Summit?

The Summit will bring together leaders from state and local governments, business, and citizens from around the world, to demonstrate how the tide has turned in the race against climate change, showcase climate action taking place around the world, and inspire deeper commitments from each other and from national governments.

What are the desired outcomes of the Global Climate Action Summit?

The Summit will help demonstrate how much progress has been made on climate action since 2015 and how more is needed. It will mobilize bold new commitments by non-state actors that will contribute to meeting the Paris Agreement. It will also demonstrate to national governments in the run-up to COP24 that stronger commitments are necessary, desirable and achievable. Summit participants are expected to make substantial climate commitments to support climate action in five key areas: Healthy Energy Systems, Inclusive Economic Growth, Sustainable Communities, Land and Ocean Stewardship and Transformative Climate Investments.

How do I attend the Global Climate Action Summit?

People everywhere are encouraged to participate in the hundreds of [affiliate events](#) taking place in the San Francisco Bay Area and throughout the world during the week of September 10-14th, including climate action panels, workshops, tours, exhibits and other special events. The full affiliate event schedule will be posted here this summer.

From September 12-14, you can virtually attend the Summit by streaming it live on [YouTube](#), [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#). In person, Summit attendance for the plenary and other high-level sessions is by invitation and will require accreditation.

FISCAL IMPACT

ATTACHMENTS

1. Attachment 1 - Letter to Governor Brown
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July 5, 2018

The Honorable Edmund G. Brown, Jr.,
Governor of California
State Capitol, Room 1173
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Governor Brown,

We, the undersigned local elected officials, are deeply concerned about the impacts of climate change and pollution caused by the extraction, processing, and burning of fossil fuels on the people we represent. We applaud your leadership in affirming our state's commitment to the Paris Agreement and supporting groundbreaking policies like the Clean Energy and Pollution Reduction Act. Yet, these measures have failed to address fossil fuel production, the core culprit of climate change and a major source of life-threatening pollution.

On behalf of our community, and the estimated 5.4 million Californians who live within a mile of one or more oil and gas wells, we ask you to take the next step in bold climate leadership: phase out fossil fuel production in California by ending the issuance of permits for new fossil fuel projects, instituting a 2,500-foot public health setback for oil and gas facilities, and committing the state to 100% renewable energy.

We can no longer ignore the true costs of oil and gas production. The disastrous impacts of fossil fuel use, including air pollution, droughts, fires, mudslides, storms, and sea level rise, is dramatically impacting California. Exposure to toxic air contaminants and other pollution caused by oil and gas wells is a threat to public health, and disproportionately affects disadvantaged communities and people of color. According to the California Council on Science and Technology, the greatest health risks occur within one-half mile from active oil and gas development, yet nearly 8,500 active California oil and gas wells are within 2,500 feet of homes, schools, and hospitals. Meanwhile, California has no statewide policy limiting the proximity of oil and gas wells to homes and vulnerable areas like schools, parks, and hospitals.

The Global Climate Action Summit you are convening in San Francisco this September is an opportunity for California to lead and set our nation and the world on a crucial and pivotal path

forward. Recognizing that we are in a climate emergency, as you have rightly done, and given the grave public health and environmental justice consequences of fossil fuel production in California, we respectfully urge you to make a new statewide commitment and lay out a plan for California to achieve the following:

- End the issuance of permits for new fossil fuel projects, including permits for new oil and gas wells, infrastructure for fossil fuels, and petrochemical projects in California.
- Design a swift, managed decline of all fossil fuel production, starting with a 2,500-foot human health buffer zone around all occupied structures, public parks and farms to protect public health and vulnerable communities.
- Commit the state to 100% clean, renewable energy, starting with significant investments in disadvantaged communities and areas that are already suffering the most from the negative impacts of fossil fuel extraction.

This is the bold climate leadership we urgently need to protect our public health, communities, economies, and our future. Phasing out fossil fuel production is paramount to address climate change, and will make California healthier and cleaner while reducing water use. It will also create hundreds of thousands of jobs throughout the state as we increase investment in renewable energy, clean vehicles and buildings, energy efficiency, public transportation, and other innovative solutions.

For a safe, healthy, and prosperous California, the time for transformative action is now.

Sincerely,

Ralph Rubio
Mayor

Dennis Alexander
Mayor Pro Tem

Jason Campbell
Councilmember

Kayla Jones
Councilmember

David Pacheco
Councilmember



**CITY OF SEASIDE
STAFF REPORT**

Item No.: 6.D.

TO: Environmental Committee

FROM: Craig Malin, City Manager

BY: Beth Rocha, Associate Planner

DATE: July 10, 2018

SUBJECT: GRANT TRACKING AND APPLICATIONS

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION

The purpose of this item is to have the committee discuss methods of finding grant opportunities and keeping track of application periods. Staff recommends discussion on this topic to inform tracking methods and grant types.

BACKGROUND

Committee Member Laura Murphy shared a grant opportunity with the committee at the end of May for the California Coastal Conservancy Climate Ready Grant Program, but the due date was a few weeks out, so we weren't able to file an application.

Committee Member Jon Wizard recently shared the following with Staff Liason Beth Rocha: Community Foundation for MoCo Community Impact Small Grant: \$5-12k http://www.cfmco.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/GrantGuidelines_April2018_Myriad.pdf.

FISCAL IMPACT

ATTACHMENTS

None

Meeting Date: July 10, 2018



**CITY OF SEASIDE
STAFF REPORT**

Item No.: 7.A.

TO: Environmental Committee

FROM: Craig Malin, City Manager

BY: Beth Rocha, Associate Planner

DATE: July 10, 2018

**SUBJECT: COMMITTEE MEMBER JON WIZARD TO INTRODUCE THE
TOPIC OF PLANTING FRUIT TREES IN THE CITY**

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION

The purpose of this item is for the sharing of an idea in order to generate discussion around the possibilities regarding fruit tree planting in Seaside.

BACKGROUND

Examples of groups that have implemented fruit tree plantings in cities as a way of connecting communities...and beyond.

<http://beaconfoodforest.org/>, <https://vimeo.com/43583846> :

The goal of the Beacon Food Forest is to design, plant and grow an edible urban forest garden that inspires our community to gather together, grow our own food and rehabilitate our local ecosystem.

Join us to improve public health by regenerating our public land into an edible forest ecosystem. We work to reduce agricultural climate impact, improve our local food security, provide educational opportunities, and celebrate growing food for the benefit of all species.

A food forest is a gardening technique or land management system, which mimics a woodland ecosystem by substituting edible trees, shrubs, perennials and annuals. Fruit and nut trees make up the upper level, while berry shrubs, edible perennials and annuals make up the lower levels. The Beacon Food Forest will combine aspects of native habitat rehabilitation with edible forest gardening.

The goal of the Beacon Food Forest is to bring the richly diverse community together by fostering a Permaculture Tree Guild approach to urban farming and land stewardship. By building a community around sharing food with the public we hope to be inclusive to all in need of food.

The Food Forest is set to include an Edible Arboretum with fruits gathered from regions around the world, a Berry Patch for canning, gleaning and picking, a Nut Grove with trees providing shade and sustenance, a Community Garden using the p-patch model for families to grow their own food, a Gathering Plaza for celebration and education, a Kid's Area for education and play and a Living Gateway to connect and serve as portals as you meander through the forest.

The Beacon Food Forest started in 2009 as a final design project for a permaculture design course. The 5+ acre site is located in the Beacon Hill neighborhood to the west of Jefferson Park, 2.5 miles from downtown Seattle. Phase One (1.75 acres) is complete, and we are now planning for Phase Two (1.75 acres).

<https://www.cityfruit.org/>:

City Fruit promotes the cultivation of urban fruit in order to nourish people, build community, and protect the climate.

Urban fruit trees are a valuable community resource, yet often fruit goes unused because people are not sure when to harvest it, how to best use it, or they are put off by damage caused by preventable disease and pests. We are reclaiming the urban orchard, showing people how to harvest what they need, and to share the rest with others. We help tree owners grow healthy fruit, provide assistance in harvesting and preserving fruit, promote the sharing of extra fruit, and work to protect urban fruit trees.

Our Goals

Conservation: Conserve fruit trees on public and private properties, and document historical orchards.

Preservation: Preserve and protect the urban tree canopy, plant more fruit trees on public and private properties, and map existing fruit trees.

Stewardship: Improve the care of fruit trees, and reduce the impact of fruit pests and diseases using non-toxic methods.

Harvest: Increase the amount of fruit harvested by supporting harvesting groups, develop the capacity of neighborhoods to harvest, and encourage tree owners to harvest their fruit.

Use and share fruit: Educate local groups and individuals on how to preserve fruit, explore the income-generating potential of urban fruit, and effectively link those who have fruit with those who need it.

Build community: Build and strengthen connections within community groups through the planting, stewardship, harvest, and preservation of fruit.

<http://fallenfruit.org/>:

Fallen Fruit is an art collaboration originally conceived in 2004 by David Burns, Matias Viegner and Austin Young. Since 2013, David and Austin have continued the collaborative work. Fallen Fruit began by mapping fruit trees growing on or over public property in Los Angeles. The collaboration has expanded to include serialized public projects and site-specific installations and happenings in various cities around the world. By always working with fruit as a material or media, the catalogue of projects and works reimagine public interactions with the margins of urban space, systems of community and narrative real-time experience. Public Fruit Jams invites a broad public to transform homegrown or public fruit and join in communal jam-making as experimentation in personal narrative and sublime collaboration; Nocturnal Fruit Forages, nighttime neighborhood fruit tours explores the boundaries of public and private space at the edge of darkness; Public Fruit Meditations renegotiates our relationship of ourselves through guided visualizations and dynamic group participation. Fallen Fruit's visual work includes an ongoing series of narrative photographs, wallpapers, everyday objects and video works that explore the social and political implications of our relationship to fruit and world around us. Recent curatorial projects reindex the social and historical complexities of museums and archives by re-installing permanent collections through syntactical relationships of fruit as subject.

Fallen Fruit uses fruit as a common denominator to change the way you see the world.

FISCAL IMPACT

ATTACHMENTS

None

Meeting Date: July 10, 2018



**CITY OF SEASIDE
STAFF REPORT**

Item No.: 8.A.

TO: Environmental Committee

FROM: Craig Malin, City Manager

BY: Beth Rocha, Associate Planner

DATE: July 10, 2018

SUBJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE OUTREACH LETTER EMAILED

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION

The purpose of this item is to inform the committee that the outreach letter was sent last week.

BACKGROUND

Names in **bold** have yet to be sent the letter due to contact issues:

Big Sur Land Trust
Communities for Sustainable Monterey County
Helping Our Peninsula's Environment
Friends of the Sea Otter
Ventana Wildlife Society
Point Lobos Foundation
Save the Whales
Seirra Club (Ventana Chapter)
Protect Monterey County
Sustainable Seaside (Communities for Sustainable Monterey County)
Return of the Natives
California Native Plant Society
Surfrider Foundation
Mearth
Ford Ord Environmental Justice Network
Monterey Bay Area Green Business Network
Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary
NAACP

Lulac

Save our Shores

Sustainable City Year Program

Friends of Seaside Park

Central Coast Chambers of Commerce

Monterey County Hospitality Association

FISCAL IMPACT

ATTACHMENTS

None
