



CITY OF SEASIDE
CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBER
440 Harcourt Avenue
Thursday, January 17, 2019
7:00 PM

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

Ian N. Oglesby	Mayor
David R. Pacheco	Council Member
Jason Campbell	Council Member
Jon Wizard	Council Member
Vacant	Council Member

3. **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

4. **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).

5. **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.

6. **PUBLIC AGENCY COMMUNICATIONS**

This is a time specifically set aside for representatives of public agencies to make brief comments of general interest to the City Council and the community.

7. **PRESENTATIONS**

A. **REPORT FROM CITY ENGINEER REGARDING WATER MONITORING REQUIREMENTS**

B. PRESENTATION FROM SEASIDE HIGH ROBOTICS CLUB - BAY BOTS

C. MONTEREY PENINSULA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT STATE OF FACILITIES PRESENTATION

8. CONSENT AGENDA

A. APPROVE MINUTES FROM JANUARY 3, 2019 AND JANUARY 10, 2019

B. APPROVE AND FILE CITY CHECKS

RECOMMENDATION: Approve and file the accounts payable and wired payments made during the period of December 22, 2018 through January 4, 2019 including the payroll and benefits checks, direct deposits and wired payments related to the pay period of January 3, 2019. Total Accounts Payable and Payroll for the above referenced period is \$939,476.39.

C. APPROVE MAYOR'S YOUTH FUND CONTRIBUTION REQUEST FROM KIWANIS CLUB OF SEASIDE

RECOMMENDATION: The purpose of this agenda item is for the City Council to consider a Three Thousand Dollar (\$3,000) request from the Kiwanis Club of Seaside to fund the Seaside Children's Center library.

D. APPROVE A FEE WAIVER REQUEST FROM THE LULAC COUNCIL NO. 2895 FOR THE USE OF A MEETING ROOM AT THE OLDEMAYER CENTER

RECOMMENDATION: Approve a request for a fee waiver by LULAC Council No. 2895 in the amount of Three Hundred Forty Nine Dollars and Twenty Five Cents (\$349.25) for the room rental fees at the Oldemeyer Center for their monthly organizational meetings.

9. PUBLIC HEARING

A. PROPOSED TEXT AMENDMENTS TO SEASIDE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTIONS 6.04.165, PERMIT REQUIRED FOR BEES AND 17.52.020 ANIMAL KEEPING. (SECOND READING, ROLL CALL VOTE)

RECOMMENDATION: Second reading of a draft Ordinance to approve proposed text amendments to Seaside Municipal Code (SMC) sections 6.04.165 Permit Required for Bees and 17.52.020 Animal Keeping, subject to the findings and evidence contained therein enacting beekeeping as permitted by-right citywide.

10. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. CONSIDER A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A FACILITY USE AGREEMENT WITH SEASIDE PONY BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL FOR THE 2019 SEASON AND AUTHORIZE WAIVING \$64,382 IN FEES

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council approve the Facility Use Agreement for the use of Soper and Rubio baseball fields with Pony Baseball/Softball for the 2019 season, including the waiver of the field use and lighting fees.

B. DISCUSS APPLICANT PRESENTATIONS FROM JANUARY 10, 2018 SPECIAL MEETING AND VOTE TO SELECT A CITIZEN TO FILL VACANT CITY COUNCIL SEAT

RECOMMENDATION: To discuss the presentations and using the adopted voting process established during the January 3, 2018 meeting select an applicant to fill the vacant City Council seat created with the resignation of Kayla Jones.

11. MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL, CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY COMMENTS AND REPORTS ON COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

This is a time specifically set aside for members of the City Council, the City Manager and City Attorney to make brief comments of general interest to the community, make requests that items be added to future City Council meeting agendas as necessary and report on committee assignments.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting:
February 7, 2018
7:00 PM

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SEASIDE MUNICIPAL WATER

440 Harcourt Avenue
Seaside, CA 93955

Telephone (831) 899-6825
FAX (831) 899-6311

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.

Por favor hable con alguien que lo pueda traducir.

1,2,3-Trichloropropane Monitoring Requirements Not Met for the Seaside Municipal Water System During 3rd Quarter of 2018.

Our Water System recently failed to monitor as required for a drinking water standard during 3rd Quarter 2018 and, therefore, was in violation of the regulations. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we did to correct the situation.

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During the 3rd Quarter 2018, we did not collect a 1,2,3-trichloropropane (1,2,3-TCP) sample from our source designated Well 04-Raw.

What should I do?

- There is nothing you need to do at this time.
- If you have health issues concerning the consumption of this water, you may wish to consult your doctor.

What happened? What is being done?

The Seaside Municipal Water System will complete initial 1,2,3-TCP monitoring as required by regulation.

For more information, please contact:

Rick Riedl, *Public Works Director / City Engineer*
(831) 899-6884
440 Harcourt Ave.
Seaside, CA 93955

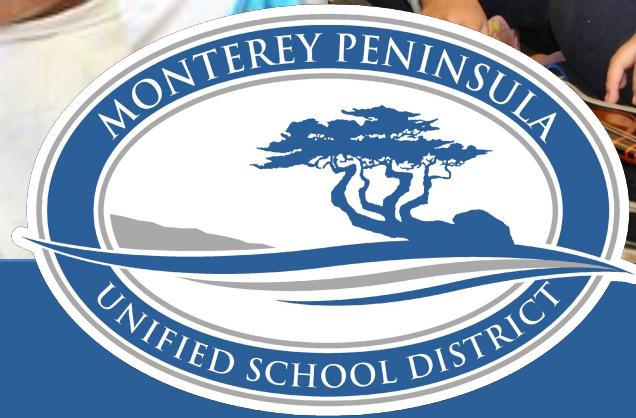
Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

Secondary Notification Requirements

Upon Receipt of notification from a person operating a public water system, the following notification must be given within 10 days [Health and Safety Code Section 116450(g)]:

- **SCHOOLS:** Must notify school employees, students, and parents (if the students are minors)
- **RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY OWNERS OR MANAGERS** (including nursing homes and care facilities): Must notify tenants.
- **BUSINESS PROPERTY OWNERS, MANAGERS, OR OPERATORS:** Must notify employees of business businesses located on the property.

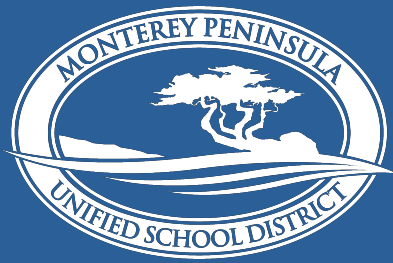
This notice is being sent to you by Seaside Municipal Water System in compliance with the California Drinking Water Quality and Monitoring Regulations as a means of keeping the public informed.



State of MPUSD Facilities

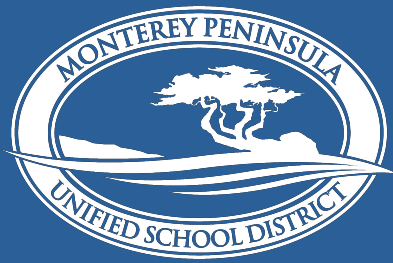
Presentation to the Community

Winter 2019



What we'll cover

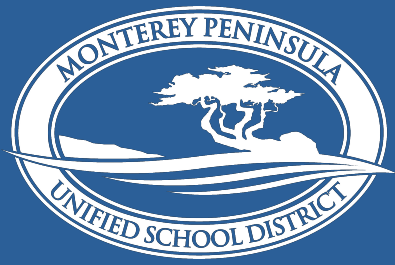
- ☐ Review Progress to Date on Measure P
- ☐ Present Measure I Series A Draft Plan
- ☐ Next Steps



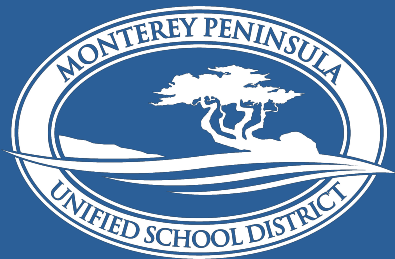
Background

- ❑ Measure P - \$110 million
 - Passed November 2, 2010 by 72%

- ❑ Measure I - \$213 million
 - Passed June 5, 2018 by 70%

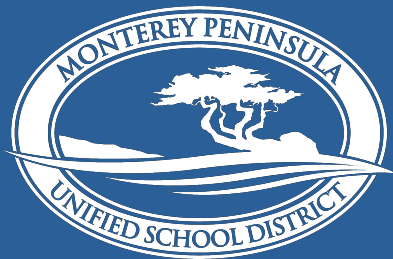


Current Measure P Projects



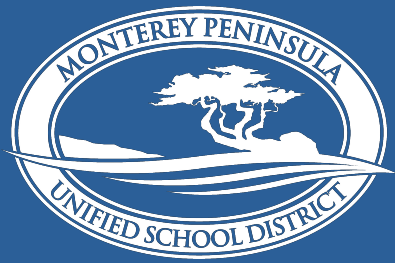
Seaside High 21st Century Classrooms





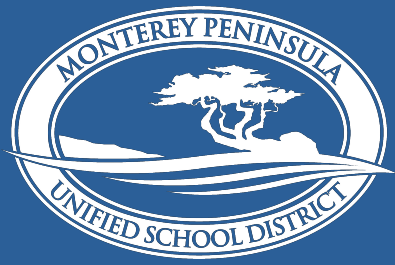
Seaside High School Media Center/Library





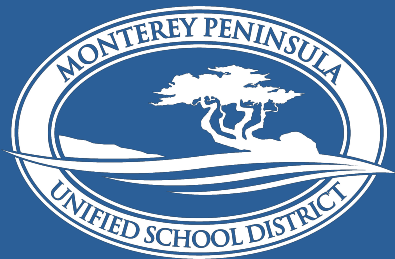
Seaside Middle School Modernized Classrooms



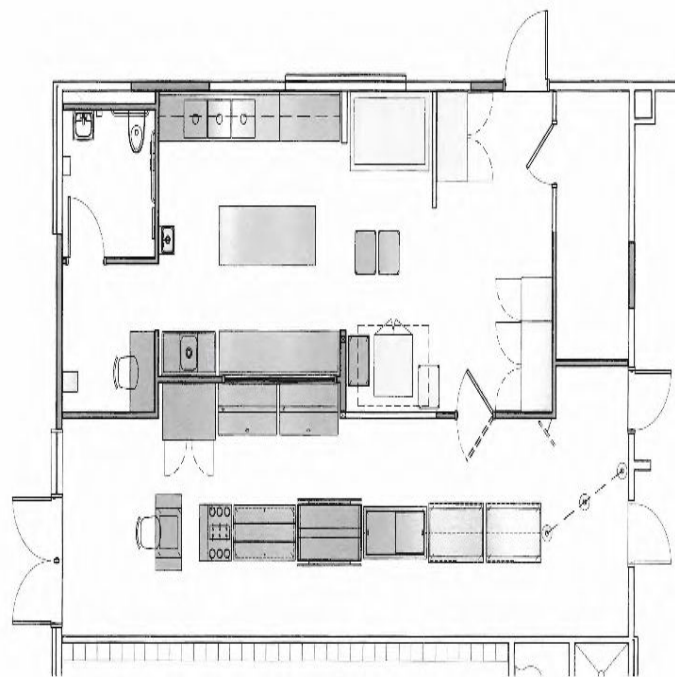
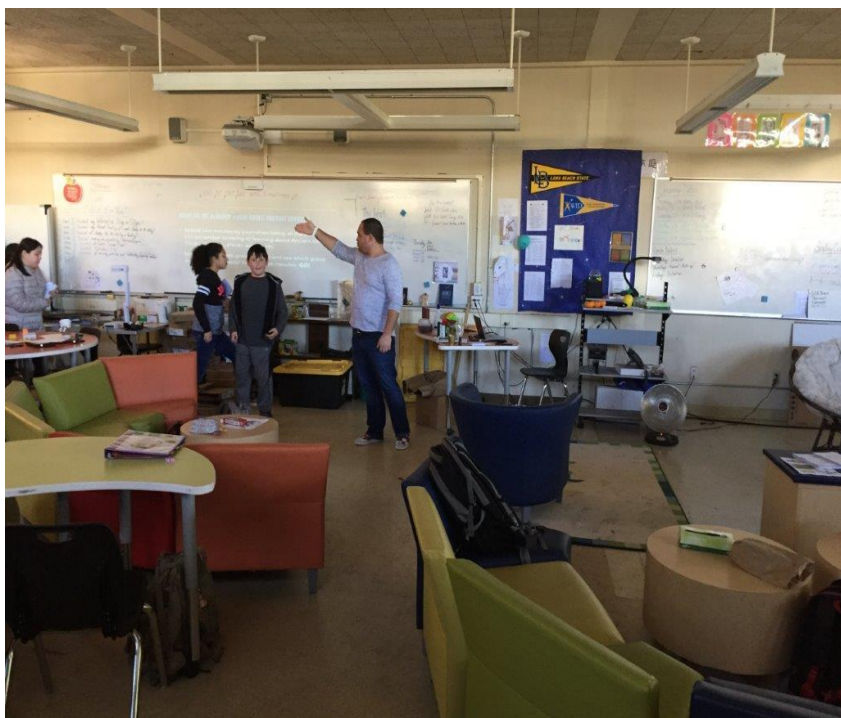


Marina High School Gymnasium



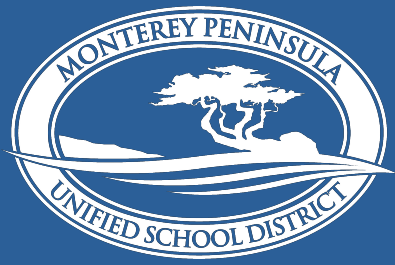


Los Arboles Middle School Modernization/Kitchen Renovation



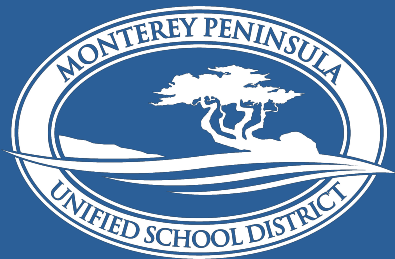
KITCHEN RENOVATION
LOS ARBOLES MIDDLE SCHOOL





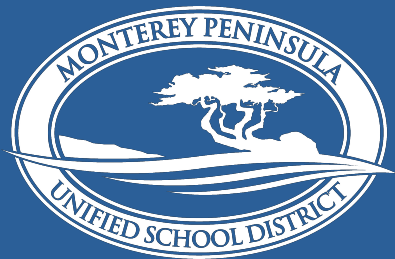
Monterey High School Science Innovation Center



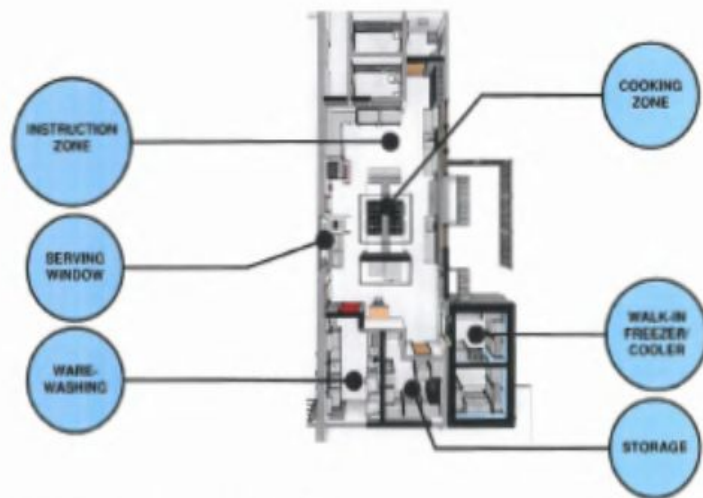


Monterey High School Field Turf Replacement



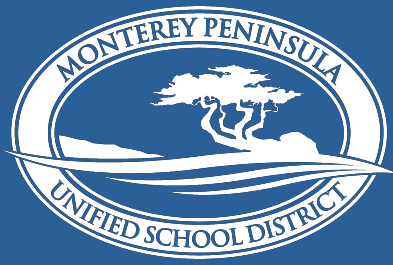


Central Coast High School Culinary Kitchen



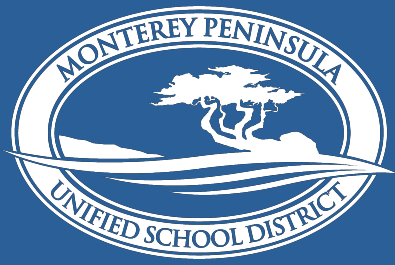
HAYES/CENTRAL COAST HIGH SCHOOL

DUAL-PURPOSE KITCHEN



Measure I

Project Needs/Criteria for Priority Projects



Health and Safety Needs

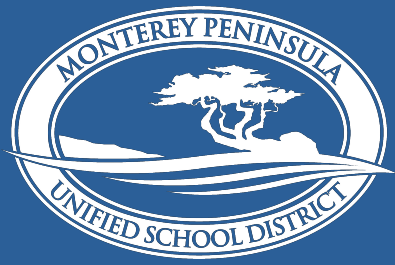


The Newest School in MPUSD was Built in 1965

**Roof replacement,
structural repair,
bathroom**

**modernization, carpet
replacement, asbestos
removal**



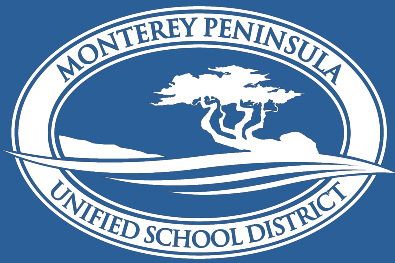


Infrastructure Needs



Replace Aging Infrastructure

**Electrical, Gas, Water, Sewer
Lines
Security Fencing**

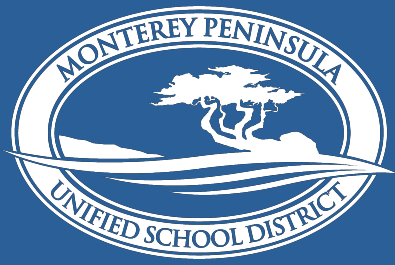


21st Century Classrooms



Modernize Schools for the 21st Century

Science labs, career technical education, STEM and arts classrooms, libraries, and technology



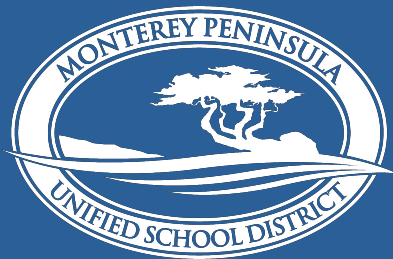
Athletic Upgrades



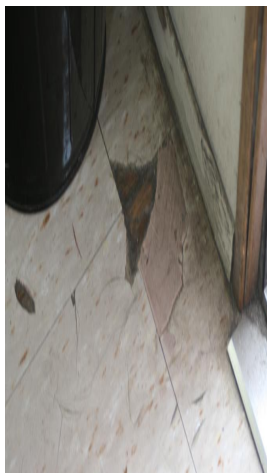
Upgrade Athletic Facilities

**Locker rooms,
athletic fields,
community joint
use projects**



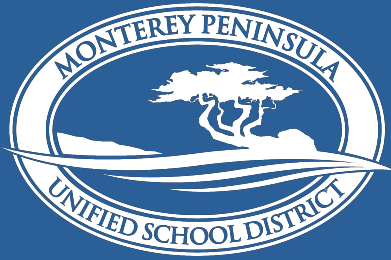


Portable Replacement



**Over 100 portables exist
District Wide**

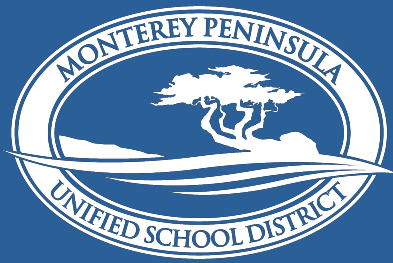
**Replace/Repair old portables
with permanent structures
that enhance student
learning**



Board Criteria for Measure I

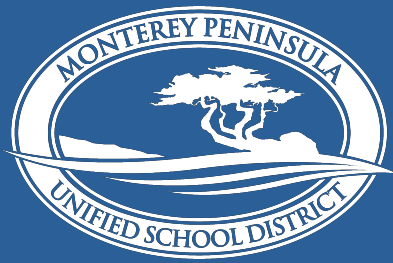
Criteria for prioritization of future bond projects

- ☐ **Health and safety** – Immediate high priority needs
- ☐ **Equity** – Cover the district's communities in an equitable manner
- ☐ **Long term benefit to the community** – Positive impacts to the community as a whole
- ☐ **Student achievement and well-being** – Positive and sustainable impacts on student achievement
- ☐ **Leverage Outside Resources**-Projects that can obtain outside state or local funding



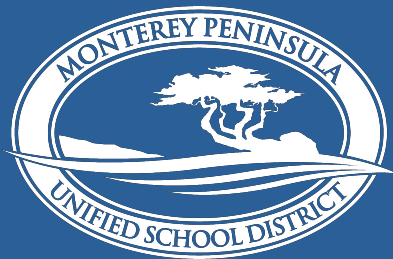
Review of Measure I Series A Draft Projects

Area	Projected Total Costs	Expected Start Date
Finish HVAC Across the District	15,750,000	Some ready for June '19 start others Fall '19
Modernization/Capture Remaining State Mod. Eligibility	12,050,000	Children's Centers Spring/Summer '19; Colton Summer '19; SMS Fall '19; MaHS and District wide electrical require longer planning
Major Infrastructure	25,300,000	Spring and Summer '19
IT Infrastructure	11,700,000	Summer '19
Transportation Infrastructure	1,850,000	Spring '19
Major Projects	45,000,000	MHS Fall 19; SHS Winter '19, MaHS Spring '19
Project Total	111,650,000	
Reserve for Uncertainty/Future Planning	5,900,000	
Grand Total	117,550,000	



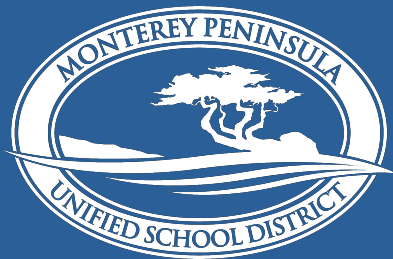
District Wide Health and Safety Major Infrastructure

Site	Project	Cost Estimate
District Wide	Gas, Water, Sewer Lines Replacements and Asbestos/Lead Paint Removal/Paint at flooring replacement at various sites across the district)	9,000,000
District Wide	Paving Various Sites for Safety/long term life etc.	4,000,000
District Wide	Complete next round of Tier 1 play structure replacements and improvements across the district	2,500,000
District Wide	Replace Water fountains with Filter Filler Stations District Wide	300,000
District Wide	Moderate investment in portable upgrades will extend life as the district moves toward replacement/removal of all portables	1,500,000
District Wide	While some projects will include electrical updates, main service upgrades are needed at 10 sites, classroom outlets at all sites	8,000,000
	Total:	25,300,000



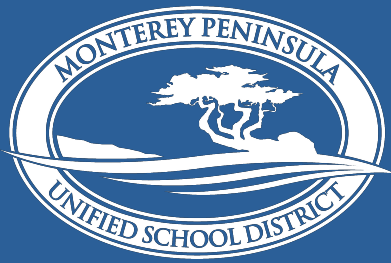
District Wide Health and Safety HVAC/Modernization

Site	Project	Rational	Cost Estimate
Central Coast High School	Final HVAC, Electrical,, misc. modernization	The site has an old HVAC system that needs replacing. Electrical upgrades and paint needed. Eligible for \$950,000 in State Mod funding.	2,700,000
DLAMP	Final HVAC, Electrical, misc. modernization	The site has an old HVAC system that needs replacing. Electrical upgrades and paint needed. Eligible for \$760,000 in State Mod funding.	2,700,000
Seaside Children's Center	Final HVAC, Electrical, misc. modernization	The site has old HVAC system that needs replacing.	1,600,000
Monte Vista Elem	Final HVAC, Electrical, Bathroom upgrades, misc. modernization	The site has an old HVAC system that needs replacing. Electrical upgrades needed. Eligible for \$2,000,000 in State Mod funding.	3,300,000
La Mesa Elem	Final HVAC, Electrical, Bathroom upgrades, misc. modernization	The site has an old HVAC system that needs replacing. Electrical upgrades and paint needed. Eligible for \$250,000 in State Mod funding.	2,300,000
King Elem	Final HVAC, misc. modernization	The site has two large and complex remaining HVAC system replacements.	2,150,000
Internal Non DSA HVAC	HVAC replacements needed at Cabrillo, ISM, Olson, Marina Vista, Foothill, Marshall, DSC, BVA	The district has identified a number of sites that can replace "like for like" HVAC units and avoid DSA process.	1,000,000
		Total	15,750,000 Packet Page 26



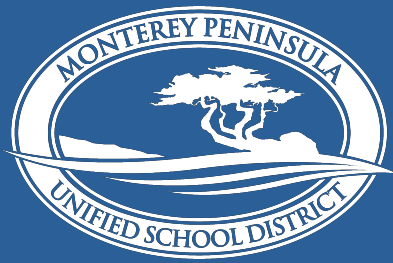
District Wide Modernization

Site	Project	Rational	Cost Estimate
Seaside Children's Center/Marina Del Mar	Finish modernization at both sites (windows, doors, electrical, paint)	Measure P started the modernization process but there is still all lot of work	2,510,000
Seaside Middle School	Locker room, bathroom, and small gym upgrades.	SMS has a number of modernization needs. Qualifies for \$1,400,000 of potential modernization funding.	2,400,000
Marshall Elementary	Permanent Wall/Misc. Modernization	Qualifies for \$650,000 State Mod. Funding	1,200,000
Highland Elementary	Electrical/Misc. Modernization	Qualifies for \$520,000 State Funding	870,000
Marina Vista	Electrical/Misc. Modernization	Qualifies for \$340,000 State Funding	570,000
Foothill Elementary	Electrical/Misc. Modernization	Qualifies for \$632,000 State Funding	1,000,000
Colton Middle	Central Courtyard/Cafeteria	Project postponed due to change in leadership and disruption on campus	1,100,000
DLAMP	Roof Replacement	Roof identified for full replacement during roof assessments	2,400,000
		Total	12,050,000



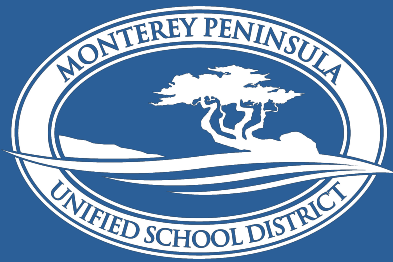
Short Term Financing District Wide Essential IT

Technology	Cost Estimate
Data Center Upgrades	800,000
School Network Switches	2,800,000
School Network Wireless	1,000,000
Staff Laptops	3,000,000
Classroom Audio Visual	1,600,000
Student Laptops	2,400,000
Campus Security Cameras	100,000
	Total: 11,700,000



Short Term Financing District Wide Essential Transportation

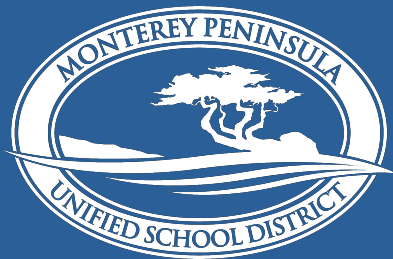
Transportation	Cost Estimate
M & O Vehicles	500,000
Replace Lift	95,000
Fuel System Replacement	40,000
6 New Special Needs Buses	430,000
New Passenger Van	30,000
Cameras/Tracking	30,000
Fleet Maintenance Software	80,000
Shop Truck	30,000
Fork Lift	45,000
3 New Regular Ed Buses	570,000
	Total: 1,850,000



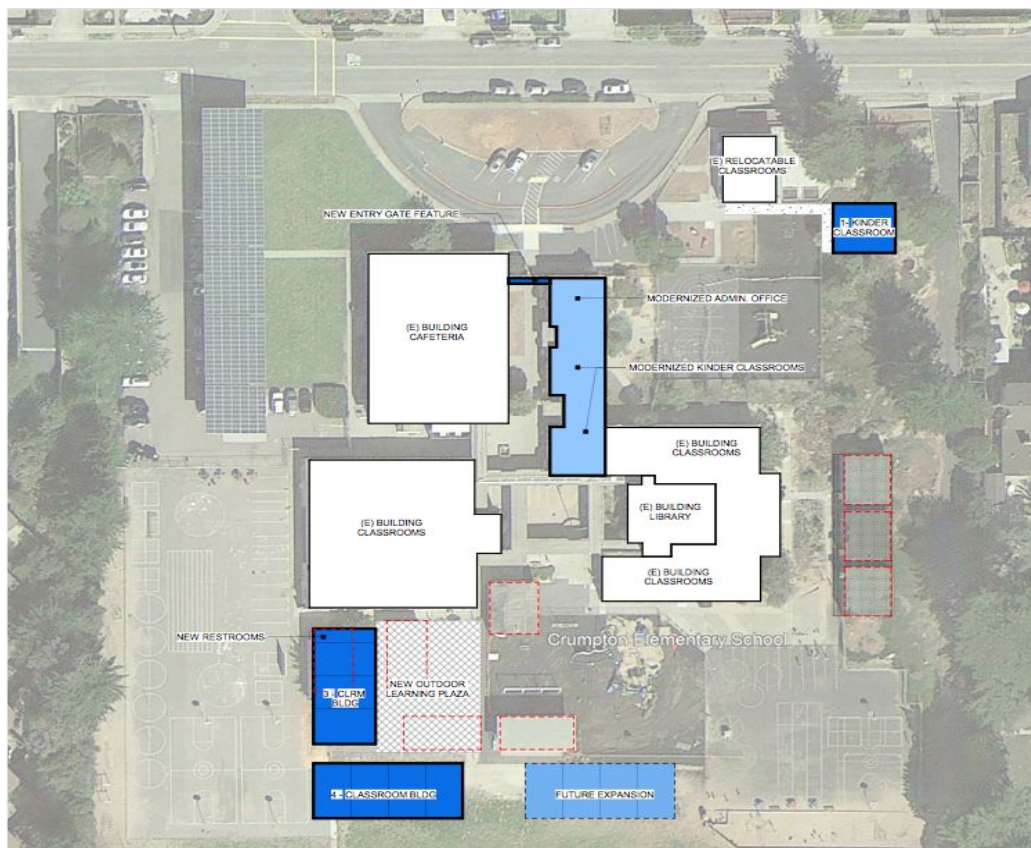
Measure I Series A

Major Projects

Site	Project	Rational	Cost Estimate
Crumpton Elementary	Replace 5 Portables with permanent classrooms and complete modernization	Crumpton is expanding enrollment and is at capacity. Current site in need of modernization	10,000,000
Marina High School	Science lab, Medical Classroom, modernization of old locker rooms	Needs are a result new culinary, and medical pathway and movement of locker rooms to new GYM.	5,000,000
Los Arboles Middle	Replace 12 portables permanent classrooms and complete site modernization	LAMS is the only middle school site with portables and they are among the poorest condition in the district.	12,000,000
Seaside High School	Create multi use turf field and competitive track, field house/team room.	SHS is the last high school in the region without a turf field and track. Number one community concern.	8,000,000
Monterey High School	Reestablish Lower Multi purpose field, weight room/team room, visitor bleachers and add permanent stadium lights.	MHS only has one usable practice field; currently lacks of permanent lights, visitor seating, weight room.	10,000,000
		Total:	45,000,000



Crumpton Elementary Modernization & Portable Replacement



PROPOSED PREDESIGN - SITE PLAN



LEGEND

- NEWLY PROPOSED BUILDINGS
- PROPOSED BUILDINGS
- EXISTING BUILDINGS
- OUTDOOR LEARNING PLAZA
- NEW LANDSCAPING AREA
- FUTURE EXPANSION
- NEW CONCRETE
- NEW PLAYSTRUCTURE AREA
- EXPANDED ASPHALT PLAYGROUND
- RELOCATABLE CLASSROOM TO BE DEMOLISHED

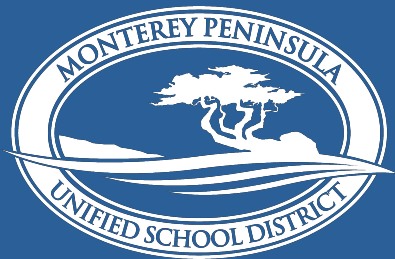


S. J. CRUMPTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - NEW CLASSROOMS

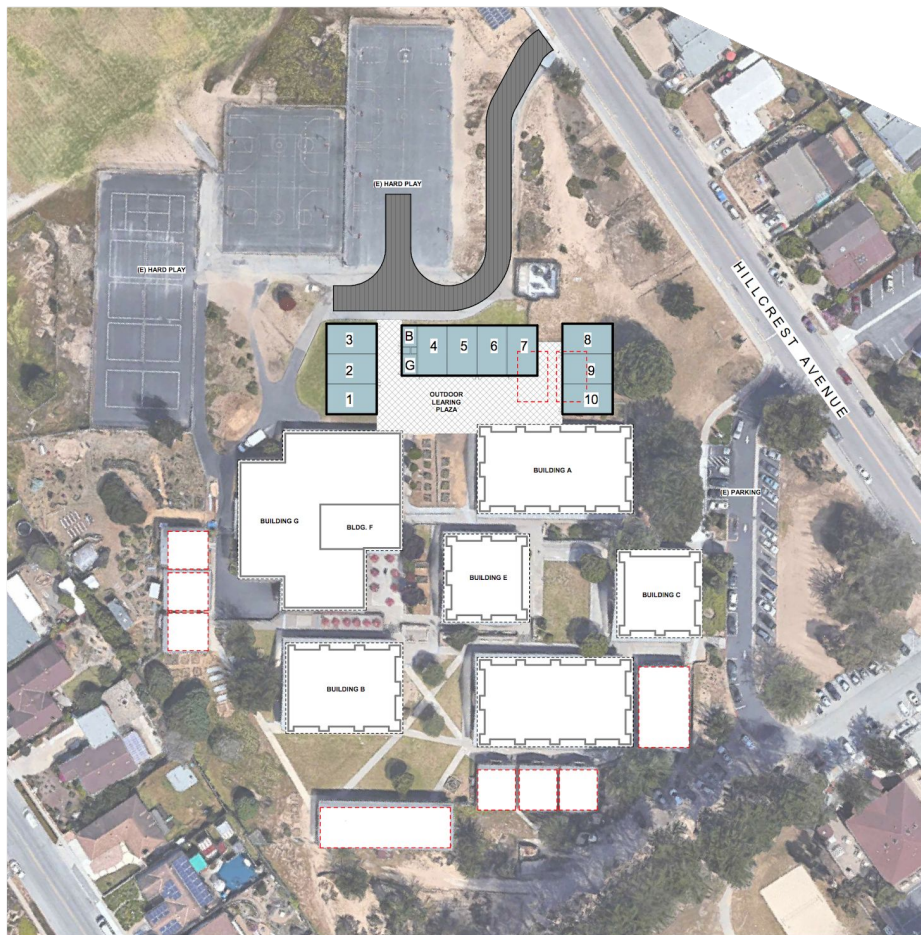
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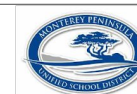
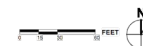


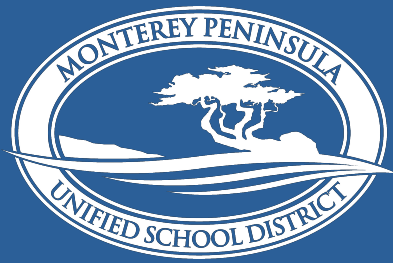
Los Arboles Middle Modernization & Portable Replacement



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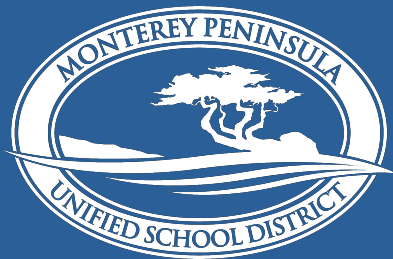
- 1 NEWLY PROPOSED CLASSROOMS
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- (E) BUILDING
- (E) BUILDING TO BE DEMOLISHED
- FIRE LANE



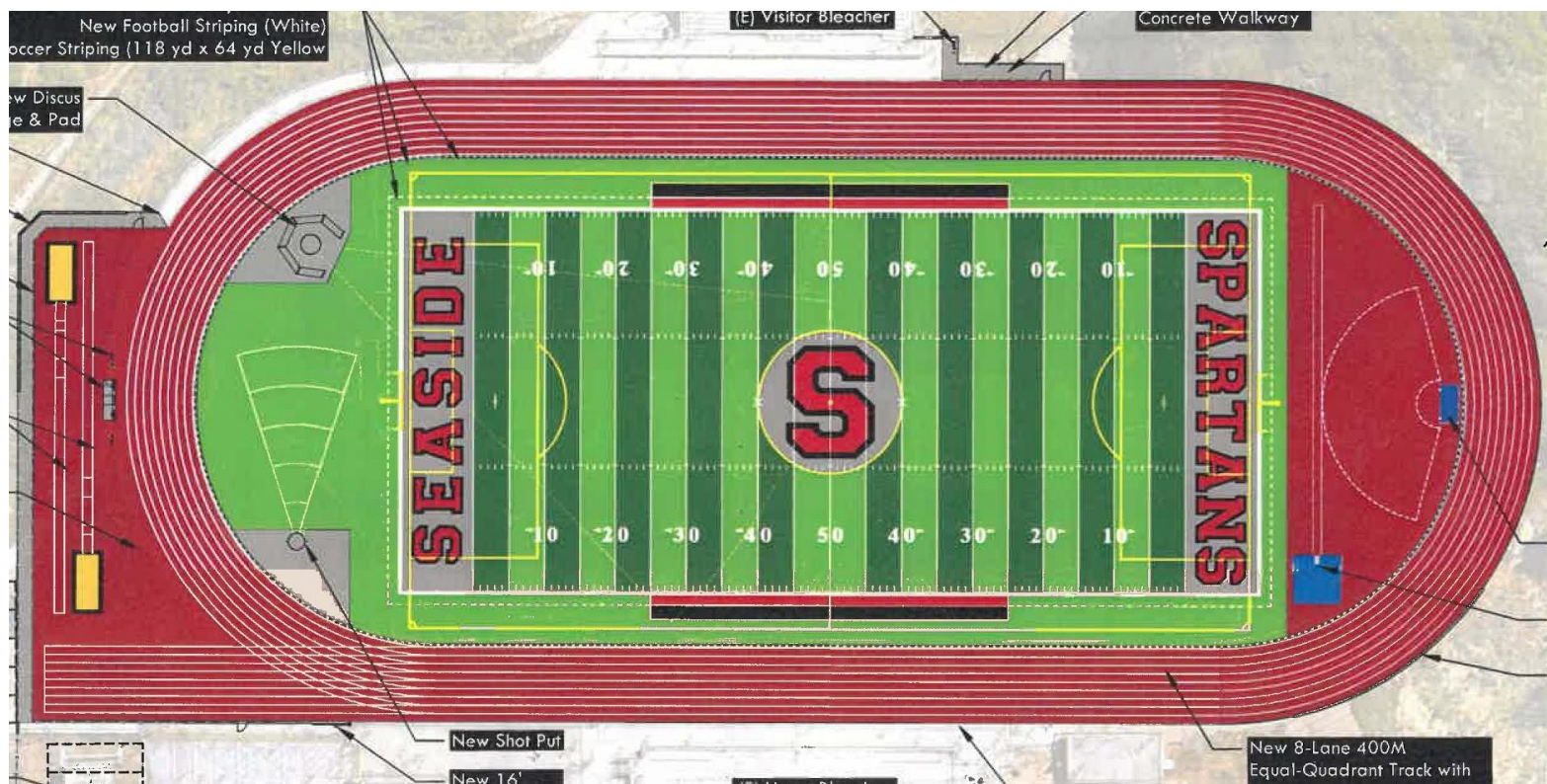


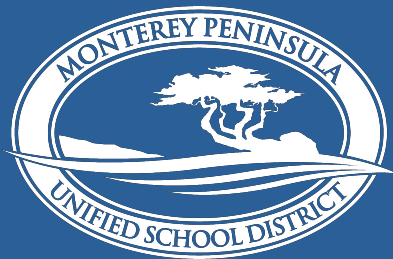
Marina High School Medical and Science Classrooms



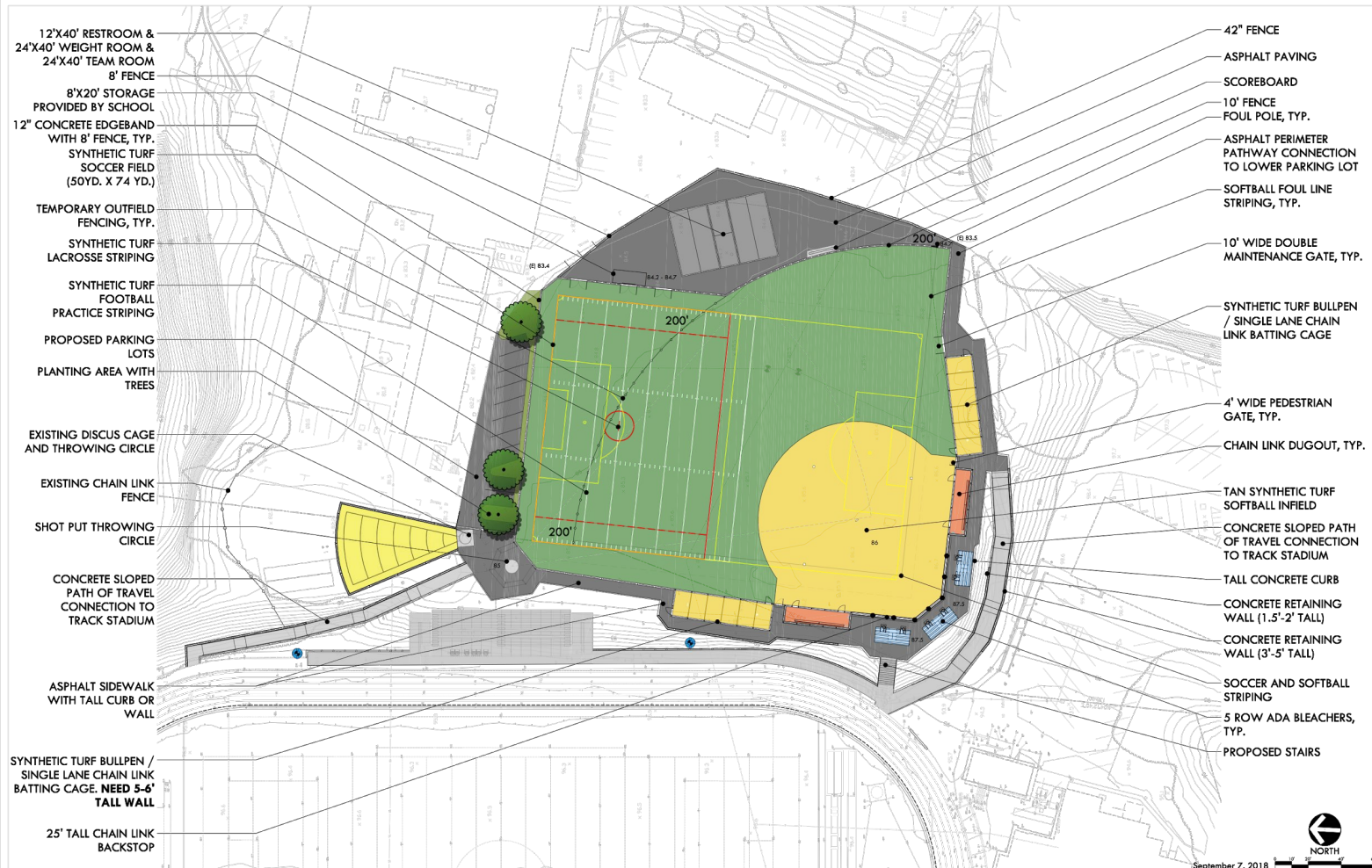


Seaside High School Field Turf and Athletic Track

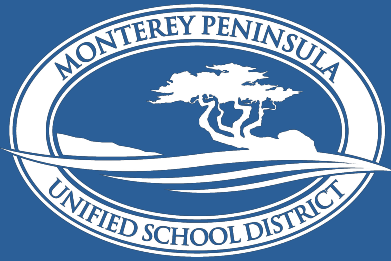




Monterey High School Lower Field Revitalization & Stadium Upgrades



Multi-Use Field Schematic Plan - Option 3A
Monterey High School
Monterey, California



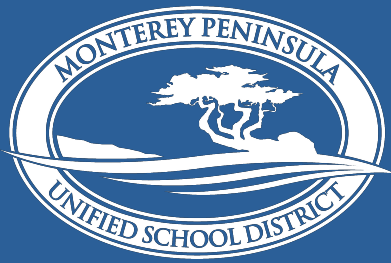
Measure I Series A: Discussion

Highlights

- ☐ **Completes significant infrastructure projects (HVAC, Electrical, Sewer/Water Lines, Roof replacement)**
- ☐ **Makes progress toward modernization and replacing/removing portables (**
- ☐ **Mixes infrastructure/modernization with projects for long term community**
- ☐ **Structures projects to start quickly (Summer/Fall '19) to avoid cost escalation**
- ☐ **Maximizes potential for State modernization funding match for eligible projects/State Career Tech Facility Grants**

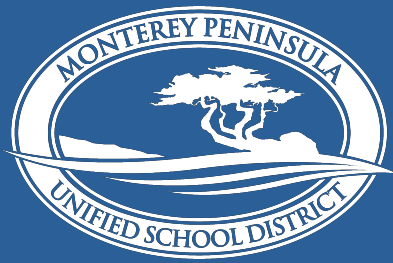
Future Considerations

- ☐ **Projects such as new pools, performing arts, Central Kitchen, MURs, Gyms & Fields left for future consideration in Series B, C, or D**
- ☐ **While making significant impact on electrical, HVAC, flooring etc., full modernization at other sites remains for future Series**
- ☐ **Though essential sewer/water/gas lines are addressed, more remain for future consideration**
- ☐ **Progress made but portable replacement remains priority for future series**



Next Steps

- ❑ Community Engagement Meetings
 - Marina High: January 14 @ 6:00 pm.
 - Monterey High: January 15 @ 6:00 p.m.
 - Seaside: January 17 @ 5:30 p.m.
- ❑ City Council Meetings
 - Marina: February 5 @ 4:00 p.m.
 - Monterey: February 5 @ 6:30 p.m.
 - Seaside: January 17 @ 7:00 p.m.
- ❑ Survey found at www.mpusd.net under What's New is "live" until February 8
- ❑ Board of Education Meeting February 12 Anticipated Date of Final Project List Approval



Questions and Answers





DRAFT MINUTES

CITY OF SEASIDE
CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBER
Thursday, January 3, 2019
7:00 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Oglesby called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

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

PRESENT: Campbell, Pacheco, Wizard, Oglesby

ABSENT: None

3. **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

4. **REVIEW OF AGENDA**

Council Member Wizard requested to delete item 8D citing he won't be able to attend because he wants to be present for the City Council meeting.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Oglesby invited comments from the public.

- Catherine Crockett invited the Council and the public to the Monterey Peace and Justice Center January 15th for the documentary "King" about Martin Luther King.
- Ruthie Watts announced that the Coalition of Scholarship Organizations will hold their event on January 19th and invited the Council and public to attend or support the organization.

6. **PUBLIC AGENCY COMMUNICATIONS**

- Alvin Edwards spoke to the Water Management District listening sessions which will have a meeting at Seaside City Hall January 7th at 6:00 PM to talk about the implementation of Measure J and the benefits of a public water system.
- Economic Development Director Stearns spoke to the Farmer's Market events in January, the Seastars next park clean up on January 26th at Beta Park and short term rental enforcement will be beginning for anyone unlicensed in the near future. She also invited the public to the next Seaside Chat session about short term rentals February 4th at 6 PM at Seaside Creates, 650 Broadway Avenue.
- Fire Chief Dempsey spoke to the Fire Department Strategic Plan outreach and encouraged the public to take the online survey to help us prioritize services
<https://www.ci.seaside.ca.us/673/Community-Driven-Strategic-Plan>

7. **PRESENTATIONS**

A. **REPORT ON HOMELESS SITUATION ON / ADJACENT TO THE CALTRANS RIGHT OF WAY**

City Manager Malin spoke to the growing issue on the Cal-Trans right of way as it relates to homeless encampments. They are largely in the City of Sand City. He reported that individuals have been given notice that they cannot leave personal belongings on the public right of way and the

cleanup is happening under Cal-Trans authority.

B. RECEIVE PRESENTATION AND PROVIDE DIRECTION TO STAFF REGARDING A MONTEREY COUNTY PROPOSED HOMELESS SHELTER

Nick Chulos Monterey County Assistant Chief Administrative Officer presented to the Council for discussion a proposal for locating a homeless shelter in Seaside, partnering with the County and potentially other jurisdictions to jointly seek homeless emergency assistance program grant funds that have become available through the state. He explained the top priority of the Board in the County is homelessness and they see this as a multi-jurisdictional issue that will take multiple jurisdictions to address adequately. He spoke to the possibility of developing a site at Broadway and Noche Buena and indicated that components of the shelter would include development of an operating plan (hours, food, transportation, etc.) as well a funding source. If the city is interested in moving forward, he requested a formal expression of interest be drafted to the Board of Supervisors.

The Council expressed interest in the proposal. Council Member Campbell suggested finding a way to link wages and affordable housing. Council Members Wizard and Pacheco invited the community to a community town hall event on February 13th at the Oldemeyer center on the topic of housing and homelessness.

The Council directed staff to agendize for action at the next meeting a letter of interest to the Board of Supervisors to dedicate staff time to work with the County to discuss and develop a plan for a multi-jurisdictional homeless shelter in Seaside.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

On motion by Council Member Jon Wizard and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Dave Pacheco and passed by the following vote the City Council approved the Consent Agenda as presented with the exception of Item D.

RESULT:	Approved
AYES:	Ian Oglesby, Dave Pacheco, Jason Campbell, Jon Wizard
NOES:	None

A. APPROVE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 20, 2018

Action: Approved

B. APPROVE AND FILE CITY CHECKS

Action: Approved

C. APPROVE A FEE WAIVER REQUEST FROM DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY FOR USE OF OLDEMEYER CENTER FOR TWO COMMUNITY EVENTS IN 2019

Action: Approved

D. AUTHORIZE THE REIMBURSEMENT OF COUNCIL MEMBER WIZARD'S TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR HIS ATTENDANCE AT THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES PUBLIC SAFETY POLICY COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Action: Removed from Consideration

E. APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM MEASURE X AND GENERAL FUND TO THE BICYCLE SAFE GRATE PROJECT AND AWARD A CONTRACT TO PHOENIX IRON WORKS/SOUTH BAY FOUNDRY FOR THE FABRICATION OF STORM DRAIN GRATES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED OF \$387,838

Action: Approved

9. **PUBLIC HEARING**

A. **PROPOSED TEXT AMENDMENTS TO SEASIDE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTIONS 6.04.165, PERMIT REQUIRED FOR BEES AND 17.52.020 ANIMAL KEEPING. (ROLL CALL VOTE)**

Planner Beth Rocha, Environmental Committee Member Beth Mole and Member of Sustainable Seaside Tom Hughes presented on the importance of Bees and backyard beekeeping specifics.

Kristen Mole spoke to the timing of this ordinance as bees are declining due to the industrialization of bees and also the benefits for commercial as well as residential garden agriculture and to the pollination of dune plants to prevent erosion. Colony collapse disorder has been a significant issue and bees being the most supportive pollinators do more work than the average pollinator. Tom Hughes spoke representing backyard beekeepers explained the behavior of backyard bees, the benefits, spoke to concerns that many people have and that the current City Code makes it very challenging to obtain approval for backyard beekeeping. Ms. Rocha explained the current ordinance adopted in 1986 and the process of modification which includes recommendation from the Planning Commission for a modified ordinance that allows beekeeping to be approved in a very progressive way. The proposed amendment would be to expand the beekeeping nuisance specific to bees in Chapter 6.04 and modify chapter 17.52 animal keeping ordinance incorporating the findings and requirements from the recently approved bee permit.

The Council questioned how many residences would likely take advantage of this change, if animal control was consulted and can assist, about the aggressive natures of specific variations of bees, and what to do about swarming.

Mayor Oglesby opened the public hearing on the item and had no requests to speak.

On motion by Council member Pacheco and seconded by Council Member Campbell and passed by the following vote the City Council approved the first reading of the draft ordinance approving modifications to allow bees in the City and directed staff to work to be certified as Bee City USA.

RESULT: **Approved**

AYES: Ian Oglesby, Dave Pacheco, Jason Campbell, Jon Wizard

NOES: None

10. **BUSINESS ITEMS**

A. **DISCUSS AND AUTHORIZE STAFF TO NEGOTIATE WITH MONTEREY PENINSULA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE PARK PROPERTY LOCATED AT SONOMA AND CONTRA COSTA**

City Engineer Rick Riedl requested direction to be allowed to negotiate with MPUSD for park property at Sonoma and Contra Costa. He spoke to the existing structure and condition of the park and proposed the idea to rehabilitate this location. City Manager Malin spoke to the interest in improving Seaside and our recreation assets and the potential possibility to acquire the property or lease it and begin to determine what type of improvements can be made to the park. Council Member Pacheco thinks there is currently liability to the district as the item condition exists. City Attorney Freeman noted he had a conflict and recused himself from the meeting.

Mayor Oglesby invited comments from the public.

- Marie Ann Pagan questioned the City's intention if we do own the property.
- Ramona Oleta-Read spoke to her personal experience as a child at the park and spoke in support of the idea of rehabilitating it as a basketball court for youth and adults.
- Ruthie Watts said that the Board of the Salvation Army was talking about the property as well and encouraged the City to reach out to them.
- Roelf WIjbrandus spoke in support of taking blight and rehabilitating to a community asset.
- Tom Mancini spoke to the history of the site and the past arguments for the acquisition of the property.

City Manager Malin spoke to the opportunity to partner and open a dialogue with the Salvation Army and the community about how the property can be utilized.

On motion by Mayor Pro Tem Dave Pacheco and seconded by Council Member Jason Campbell and passed by the following vote the City Council authorized staff to negotiate with MPUSD for the park property at Sonoma and Contra Costa.

RESULT: **Approved**

AYES: Ian Oglesby, Dave Pacheco, Jason Campbell, Jon Wizard

NOES: None

B. RECEIVE REPORT ON THE CURRENT APPLICATIONS, DISCUSS AND APPROVE SELECTION AND VOTING PROCESSES FOR THE COUNCIL MEMBER VACANCY

City Manager presented twenty questions for the Council to undertake regarding filling the vacancy. He reported that thirteen residents have submitted their interest to fill the vacancy. The City Council discussed the applicant selection process during the January 3, 2018 City Council meeting. The outline of the procedure established during the meeting is listed below:

The City Council will hold a special meeting on January 10th, 2019 at 5:30 PM to allow applicants to give a presentation on their qualifications. The meeting on January 10th would be presentations and public comment only. Voting and discussion will take place during the January 17th Regular meeting.

- Each applicant will have three minutes to make a presentation and answer the following three questions:
 1. Describe your ability to work in a team environment as a member of the City Council?
 2. What personal traits or qualities do you have to assist the team with improving the community's quality of life?
 3. What steps will you take to promote team effort, cooperation and productivity among the City Council?
- The presentation order will be alphabetical by last name, starting with A.
- Applicants will not be discouraged from being present during other presentations.
- If an applicant wishes to use the City's audio visual system during their presentation, they must submit their materials to the City Clerk by January 9th at 5:00 PM, consistent with City policy.
- If an applicant cannot be present in person, they will be allowed to call into the meeting to make their three minute presentation.

Public Comments:

- The total time allowed for citizens to make public comments will be determined by the

Mayor based on the number of citizens requesting to comment.

- Public Comment will not be limited in its duration.
- Any communication staff receives regarding the appointment process and/or the applicants will be collated and distributed to the Council and provided for the public record.

Voting:

- The meeting on January 10th would be presentations and public comment only. Voting and discussion will take place during the January 17th Regular meeting.
- The City Council will follow the voting system established during the December 12 City Council meeting with a Round Robin elimination voting. In the first round, Each Council member will be allowed to vote for 2 applicants. All subsequent rounds each Council member will have 1 vote each
- Vote sheet will be distributed to the Council Members and will contain all the names of the applicants. Council Members will sign their name next to the applicants they wish to select. Vote sheets will be provided to the City Clerk to be read into the record.
- Council discussion will occur prior to and after all rounds.
- Each Council Member may ask one questions of each candidate in odd numbered rounds and applicants are allowed 1 minute to respond to question posed.
- There will be no maximum number of rounds, and the City Council can choose to take breaks as necessary.
- The Council may utilize weighted voting to break a tie.

Oath of Office:

- If a selection is made, the Council Person-elect will be sworn in during the January 24th Regular meeting.

Mayor Oglesby invited public comment on the item.

- Gertrude Smith clarified the last day to appoint without going to a special election was January 30th.
- Tom Mancini spoke to the plurality concern and indicated that the Council should be able to make a decision within three rounds.
- Roelf Wijbrandus expressed concern about the questions asked to candidates, requesting the Council consider allowing all candidates to answer the same questions.
- Margaret Sura Pinetti spoke against all candidates getting the same question and in support of selecting someone with Seaside's best interest at heart.
- Miriam Smith questioned if the presentation from this evening would be made available for the public.

The City Council agreed to the above process for the selection of the next City Council member.

11. MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL, CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY COMMENTS AND REPORTS ON COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Council Member Pacheco requested that the meeting be closed in honor of Pat Cassyong. (ask Pacheco for the spelling of her name) Mayor Oglesby requested a presentation from Monterey One Water about their water supply project.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:48 PM in honor of Pat Cassyong.

Respectfully submitted,

Lesley Milton-Rerig, City Clerk

Ian N. Oglesby, Mayor



DRAFT MINUTES

CITY OF SEASIDE
CITY COUNCIL

SPECIAL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBER
Thursday, January 10, 2019
5:30 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Oglesby called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

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

PRESENT: Campbell, Pacheco, Wizard, Oglesby

ABSENT: None

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Oglesby invited comments from the public.

- Peter Keiser spoke to the Water Management District meetings regarding the implementation of Measure J and discouraged the use of eminent domain and requested if the costs are not reasonable please encourage it be taken to the voters.

4. **BUSINESS ITEMS**

A. **PRESENTATIONS FROM APPLICANTS TO FILL VACANT CITY COUNCIL MEMBER POSITION**

Mayor Oglesby outlined the order of operations for the meeting explaining all applicants will be allowed three minutes each to present and that Council Members can ask clarifying questions after an applicant's presentation. He laid the ground rules for the Council, the applicants and the public. After the presentations, the public will have the ability to make their comments.

Twelve of thirteen applicants presented to the City Council for the allowed three minutes. Ayman Adeeb, Felix Bachofner, Diana Ingrsoll, Alissa Kispersky, Thomas Mancini, Regina Mason, Alex Miller, Nathan Morrison, Lanny Olis, Lacey Raak, Gertrude Smith and Roelof Wijbrandus.

B. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON APPLICANT PRESENTATIONS**

Mayor Oglesby invited comments from the public on the applicant presentations.

- Mel Mason spoke in support of his wife Regina Mason and spoke to the number of votes that she retained in the November election. He noted her compassion and reputation for service to the Seaside Community.
- Jane spoke in support of Mr. Ayman Adeeb and why he was a good asset of the City and spoke to his determination, hard work and his ability to see and bring out the strengths of others.
- Sam Rashkin spoke to his view of the largest issues before the City including FORA

and housing and encouraged selecting a candidate that can address and move forward on these important topics.

- Bill Weigle spoke in support of Roelof WIjbrandus as one of the co-founding members of Sustainable Seaside. Thinks he is a well read, well informed, communicator with problem solving experiences.
- Sue Hawthorne she spoke to the wealth of candidates and encouraged considering every candidate carefully due to the depth and breadth of politics in the city and county.
- Ana Mahia spoke in support of Ms. Mason working with her through the campaign and spoke to the mantras that she has taught her. Please pick an applicant that has Seaside's interest first.
- Elaine Gareman spoke in support of Ms. Mason as she did go through the election process.
- Dominique Jones spoke to the need to choose someone that will represent both staff as well as the community and elected, speaking from experience being both staff and commission member.
- Debra Grams-Bacher spoke as an elected official for the Monterey Peninsula Board of Education and spoke in support of Ms. Mason due to her advocacy for education and youth.
- Jessie Perez spoke in support of Ms. Regina Mason and to her candidacy during the election.
- Alecia Paris spoke in support of Alissa Kisperskey speaking to her hard work mantra, professional knowledge as an engineers, her strong interest in systems and her enthusiasm for Seaside, as well as encouraging selection of a woman.
- Tara Lynn Reese spoke in support of Ms. Kisperskey's energy and passion for Seaside. Her spoke in support of her ideas of land and water use, housing affordability and access to open space.
- A resident advocated for Mr. Lanny Olis because of his involvement, historic knowledge, committee membership and that he leads by example.
- Guada Peres spoke in support of Ms. Mason and to her experience assisting her with the campaign. People understood the priority of listening regardless of political affiliation. She spoke to her being the third highest vote receiver in the election.
- A community member spoke in support of Ms. Kisperskey to her attendance at all Council meetings, park clean ups and community events meetings and with no motivation other than to be genuinely part of the Community. The measure of an individual is what people do when no one is looking.
- A resident spoke in support of Mr. Nathan Morrison citing though he is young he is driven and teachable and motivated to learn. He cares about the City and his future. He will continue to contribute regardless of selection.
- Harold Lusk Jr. spoke in support of Seaside, not one applicant. Please select someone who did not talk about themselves, but who spoke about how they can help Seaside. The person for the seat feels that their qualities will be impactful to the city. Seaside's agenda must be first as this City needs to progress, as we were behind the rest. The People and the heart of the city have not changed.
- Shanda Labouf she spoke in support of taking advantage of the knowledge of all the applicants. Please focus on what each candidate's vision is.
- Miriam Smith spoke in support of Gertrude Smith and spoke to her surprise of the knowledge and experience of all candidates. Her daughter was the advocate to keep her in Seaside due to her love of the City and that would serve Seaside well.

- Peter Keiser requested that the Council consider Diana Ingersoll for the position due to her temperament, common sense, pro-business, pro-rule of law, and personal fire characteristics to do the job. She is a historic staff member, a woman of faith with vision for Seaside and will provide balance and representation to minorities in Seaside.
- Kat Broz encouraged the Council to check their bias as you make this decision. Gender, race, sexism, age, etc. Please pick the best candidate.
- Susan spoke in support of Regina Mason and spoke to the campaign process citing her compassion, dedication to putting others first and to her diversity of opinion and understanding.
- Kenneth Murray spoke in support of Ms. Regina Mason but indicated that everyone has an opportunity to be successful.
- Margaret Cedra Binetty spoke in support of selecting a female candidate. She supported Ms. Mason citing that she received the third highest number of votes in the election.
- Natalia Molina who serves on the Seaside Homeless Commission spoke to the fact that there is only one vacancy here and those that may not be selected should consider bring Seaside's voice to a Monterey County board or commission. She also spoke to the fact that non-profit organizations need diversity on their boards and encouraged consideration for candidates not selected for this position.

Mayor Oglesby thanked all applicants and thanked the public for participating. He reiterated that it is a three-step process, determination of the applicant selection process, hearing the applicants, and then voting on January 17th. On January 17th the item will be opened inviting comments from the public for one minute, then the Council will commence voting. He encouraged that the public can continue to submit letters of support to the Council until then.

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Lesley Milton-Rerig, City Clerk

Ian N. Oglesby, Mayor



**CITY OF SEASIDE
STAFF REPORT**

Item No.: 8.B.

TO: City Council

FROM: Craig Malin, City Manager

BY: Lori Merwin, Finance Assistant
Kimberly Drabner, Finance Director

DATE: January 17, 2019

SUBJECT: APPROVE AND FILE CITY CHECKS

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION

Approve and file the accounts payable and wired payments made during the period of December 22, 2018 through January 4, 2019 including the payroll and benefits checks, direct deposits and wired payments related to the pay period of January 3, 2019. Total Accounts Payable and Payroll for the above referenced period is \$939,476.39.

BACKGROUND

In accordance with Government Code Section 37208, at each City Council meeting the Council is provided a listing of the payroll and general checks issued since the last report so that it can inspect and confirm these checks. Each purchase has been reviewed and approved by the department making the purchase at the time of procurement. The invoice has been reviewed by the Finance Department prior to payment to ensure that it conforms to the approved budget.

Therefore, in accordance with Government Code Section 37208, the above referenced, and linked list of checks conforms to the approved budget and has been paid. These checks are submitted to the City Council for inspection and confirmation.

A description of the checks and wires exceeding \$10,000 are as follows:

- \$517,512.92 for Payroll and benefits.
- \$18,968.03 to Wallace Group for November, 2018 professional services rendered for the Seaside County Sanitation District, Del Monte sewer upgrade project.
- \$42,756.21 to Pacific Gas & Electric for collective gas/electric charges for City street lights and highways, parks, traffic control. Billing period: 10/09/2018 - 11/26/2018.
- \$14,300.00 to Harris & Associates, Inc. for CIP management professional services for 10/28/2018 - 11/24/2018 including: Del Monte Blvd sewer line (CIP 5) plans and specs review, environmental permitting support; Canyon Del Rey sewer line (CIP 18) design

consultant oversight, coordination with district, plans and specs review, environmental permitting support; Highway 1 sewer cleaning (CIP 19) - bid process support, construction administration, inspection services; and Misc CIP oversight - program management.

- \$26,403.24 to Infrastructure Engineering Corp. for Canyon Del Rey CMP sewer line replacement professional services for 10/27/2018 - 11/30/2018 including: preparation of construction contract documents, utility potholing (Extaro) and Caltrans District 5.
- \$10,571.25 to Sage Renewables Energy Consulting, Inc. for solar project consulting for the period of 9/7/2018 - 11/30/2018.
- \$11,075.16 to Rodney Craig Goodman, Jr. for financial management services (assistance in preparing for the City audit) for the period of 12/3/2018 - 12/7/2018.
- \$10,825.16 to Rodney Craig Goodman, Jr. for financial management services (assistance in preparing for the City audit) for the period of 12/17/2018 - 12/21/2018.

The remaining checks, totaling \$287,064.42 include payments to vendors for operating expenditures.

The Checks report is available on the City's website here:

<http://www.ci.seaside.ca.us/194/Check-Draft-Register>

FISCAL IMPACT

There are no additional fiscal impacts.

ATTACHMENTS

None

Reviewed for Submission to the
City Council by:



Craig Malin, City Manager



**CITY OF SEASIDE
STAFF REPORT**

Item No.: 8.C.

TO: City Council

FROM: Craig Malin, City Manager

BY:

DATE: January 17, 2019

**SUBJECT: APPROVE MAYOR'S YOUTH FUND CONTRIBUTION REQUEST
FROM KIWANIS CLUB OF SEASIDE**

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION

The purpose of this agenda item is for the City Council to consider a Three Thousand Dollar (\$3,000) request from the Kiwanis Club of Seaside to fund the Seaside Children's Center library.

BACKGROUND

The Kiwanis Club is asking for a donation to help fund the Seaside Children's Center Library. They intend to purchase books and other educational resources and are partnering with the United Way on this project. This is the first known request for funding from the Mayor's Youth Fund by the Kiwanis Club.

FISCAL IMPACT

If approved this request would be funded by a donation from the Waste Management donation.

ATTACHMENTS

1. MYF APPLICATION KIWANIS 2019
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Reviewed for Submission to the
City Council by:

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Meeting Date: January 17, 2019

Craig Malin, City Manager

MAYOR'S YOUTH FUND POLICY

Purpose: The Mayor's Youth Fund was created to provide supplemental financial assistance to students and non-profit groups that provide services to improve the lives of young people living in the City of Seaside. A policy has been developed to standardize the evaluation of contribution requests and ensure that the funds are used appropriately to serve the City's youth.

Eligible Applicants: Contributions will only be made to, or on behalf of, students or organized groups, such as schools and non-profit organizations based in Seaside and/or serving a majority of Seaside residents (50%) that are 18 years old or younger or enrolled in high school. Faith based organizations may apply for contributions from the Mayor's Youth Fund if the funding is not used to support religious activities such as worship, Sunday School, or religious instruction. In addition, activities funded by the Mayor's Youth Fund must be open to all persons without regard to their religious affiliation.

Submittal of Contribution Requests: In order to request a contribution, the following information must be provided in writing:

- Name of the organization, person(s) benefiting, proposed use of the funds, total amount needed or fundraising goal.
- Description of other methods being used to raise funds and/or other contributors.
- An explanation of how the group, activity, or event will benefit Seaside youth.
- Written description of how the use of the funds will be specifically used for youth group activities/events and/or has a nexus to the goals related to recycle, cleanup, and "green" sustainability to ensure a healthy environment.
- How this request will provide a municipal benefit (ie., benefit the community).
- Proof of non-profit organizations status (not a taxpayer's I.D> number) and a current W-9 form.

Evaluation Process and Criteria: Contributions can only be made if approved by the City Council. Funding requests will be evaluated based on their consistency with this policy, including the following criteria.

- Scholastic, athletic, music, environmental and art activities will be considered for funding based on the quality of the proposed activity.
- Evidence of activities/events related to "reduce, reuse and recycle" to ensure a healthy environment.
- Contributions requests will be accepted from individuals and can be made to an organization on behalf of an individual member or student.
- Contributions are only paid to organizations, such as non-profit groups and schools.
- Contributions are intended to fund actual costs related to an event or activity. (Please see "Payment Process" information provided below.)

- Contributions from the Mayor's Youth Fund are not intended to be the sole source of funds for an organization or program and will only be made to supplement other fundraising activities.
- How this request will provide a municipal benefit (ie., benefit the community).

Contribution Limits: In order to equitably distribute funds available in the Mayor's Youth Fund, the following contribution guidelines have been developed, although all contributions are subject to the discretion of the City Council.

<u>Individuals*</u>	25% of total cost of activity (not to exceed \$1,000.00)
Groups up to 20	up to \$1,500.00
Groups 21+	up to \$3,000.00

In addition, funding will be limited to one contribution per year (every 12 months).

Payment Process: If a contribution is approved by the City Council, payment will be made to the authorized organization or directly to the vendor selected by the authorized organization after submittal of a receipt or the presentation of actual invoices. No funding can go directly to an individual. This process is required in order to provide documentation required to meet municipal auditing standards.

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Mayor's Youth Fund Contribution Request

Prior to completing this request please review the attached contribution policy. All requests will be considered before the City Council and you will be notified of the specific date your item is placed on the agenda. Please return this completed form with necessary attachments to N. Towne, Recreation Services, City of Seaside, 440 Harcourt Avenue, Seaside, CA 93955.

Name of Organization: Kiwanis Club of Seaside

Address: P.O. Box 341 Seaside, CA 93955

Email: dJordan@sonic.net

Phone Number: Home 831-899-3391 Work N/A Cell 404-310-8485

Name of Individual: Alice Jordan

% Residents or Students of Seaside: 85 %

of Participants: 200

Ages: 3-5 yrs old preschoolers

CRITERIA – Applicants must meet at least one of the following criteria to be eligible for funding. Please select one or more from the following list:

Scholastic ☒
Athletic ☐
Music ☐
Environmental ☐
Art ☐

Is funding a reward for one of these activities?

Not a reward but a resource

Description of event, activity or program funding pertains to: (Attach Additional Information as Necessary)

To Complete a library for the Seaside Children's Center by purchasing books and other resources

Description of how the funds will be specifically used for youth groups activities/events and/or has a nexus to the goals of recycling, cleanup and/or "green" sustainability to insure a healthy environment.

This is an event that will enhance the education of our youths over the years

What other fundraising activities are you participating in to fund your event, program or activity and what other funding sources will supplement your request?

We are partnering with United Way

*Total Amount Requested: (See Contribution limits) \$3,000.

Funding Requirements

- Funding is limited to one contribution per year (every 12 months).
- The Mayor's Youth Fund Closing Report Form must be submitted to staff at least 60 days upon completion of the event, activity or program. Applicants that do not furnish the form may not apply for funds for the following year.
- A representative from the organization is required to be at the Council meeting for their application to be heard. If no representative is present then the agenda item will be postponed to another City Council meeting upon notification by the applicant.

- Incomplete applications will not be forwarded for Council consideration; applications not answering the question related to reduce, reuse or recycle are considered incomplete.

Individual Requests: Please attach an itemized list of all expenses. Amount of donation may not exceed 25% of the total cost of the activity and not exceed \$1,000.00. Applications that are incomplete will be returned.

MYF Policy Revised March 2018



**CITY OF SEASIDE
STAFF REPORT**

Item No.: 8.D.

TO: City Council

FROM: Craig Malin, City Manager

BY: Nancy Towne, Recreation Services Director
Terry Navarro, Recreation Assistant

DATE: January 17, 2019

**SUBJECT: APPROVE A FEE WAIVER REQUEST FROM THE LULAC
COUNCIL NO. 2895 FOR THE USE OF A MEETING ROOM AT THE
OLDEMEYER CENTER**

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION

Approve a request for a fee waiver by LULAC Council No. 2895 in the amount of Three Hundred Forty Nine Dollars and Twenty Five Cents (\$349.25) for the room rental fees at the Oldemeyer Center for their monthly organizational meetings.

BACKGROUND

The LULAC Council No 2895 is requesting a fee waiver in the amount of Three Hundred Forty Nine Dollars and Twenty Five Cents (\$349.25) for the room rental fees at the Oldemeyer Center for their monthly organizational meetings. Their meeting will be once a month from February 2019 through December 2019.

The policy for a fee waiver for meeting room states "That due to limited space, organizations may not request fee waivers for any more than one meeting room per year. Fee waivers are not intended to provide for ongoing weekly or monthly meeting use."

Their last fee waiver request was submitted and approved at the February 01, 2018 City Council meeting.

FISCAL IMPACT

Fees that would have been credited to the General Fund will not be collected if the fee waiver is granted.

Based on the Adopted Fee schedule the yearly cost for a monthly meeting room rental use is:

Room Rental \$30.75 X 11 = \$ 349.25

ATTACHMENTS

1. Fee Waiver Request LULAC 2019

Reviewed for Submission to the
City Council by:



Craig Malin, City Manager



City of Seaside
FEE WAIVER REQUEST

Name of Applicant CARLOS RAMOS Organization LULAC Council 2895
Address PO. BOX 2180 SEASIDE CA 93955
Street City State Zip
Home Phone N/A Cell Phone 831-262-1959 Email Address LULAC.CARLOS@
yahoo.com
Room(s) Requested (1) BLACK HORSE - OLDEMEYER CENTER
Day(s) and Date(s) Requested FIRST SAT. of EACH MONTH, JAN-DEC. 2019
Hours Requested (include set-up time) 8A-11A Estimated Attendance 10-20
Description of Event BUSINESS/ORGANIZATIONAL MEETINGS
Special Instructions or Equipment to Be Brought In _____

Reason for Requesting Fee Waiver

A. UNIQUE SERVICE TO THE LATINO COMMUNITY AND SEASIDE RESIDENTS
B. INCREASED FUNDING CHALLENGES

Have you received a Fee Waiver in the past? Yes ☒ No ☐

If so, what was the date of your event? 2018

Is your organization based in Seaside? Yes ☒ No ☐

What percentage of your members or participants resides in Seaside? 70-75%

What is your organization's tax identification number? 91-1919663

Is organization able to provide liability insurance? AS NEEDED

Will alcohol be served or sold at your event? Yes ☐ No ☒

Applicant Signature [Signature] Date 11-28-18

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Approved: _____

Denied: _____

Appealed: _____

Security Required? Yes ☐ No ☐

Staff Approval: _____

Date: _____

Notes: _____

POLICY REGARDING ROOM RENTAL FEES AND WAIVERS

Fees may be waived for activities that benefit the majority of Seaside residents. Any new organizations requesting fee waivers are required to submit a letter of intent and complete the Fee Waiver Request form to the Recreation Services Department. The application will be submitted to the City Manager or his designee for review and approval. In the event that the fee waiver request is denied by the City Manager, the request can be appealed to the City Council. Applicants must demonstrate that the following criteria are satisfied:

1. At least 60% of the organization's membership must consist of Seaside residents. The organization must provide documentation verifying membership residency.
2. The organization must be a 501© 3 non-profit or public benefit organization and provide taxpayer identification number.
3. The organization must provide an in-kind service/donation to benefit and augment the City of Seaside. A written statement must be submitted with the application outlining specific donations and/or services provided by the organization to the City of Seaside.

FEE WAIVERS FOR MEETING ROOMS

1. Meetings are limited to four hours.
2. All organizations receiving fee waivers must give seven days notice of cancellation. If no notice is given of cancellation, the City reserves the right to deny further fee waiver requests.
3. Due to limited space, organizations may not request fee waivers for any more than one meeting room use per year; fee waivers are not intended to provide for ongoing weekly or monthly meeting use.
4. No faith based organizations may apply for fee waivers due to the separation of church and state.

AUDITORIUM RENTAL FEE WAIVER

Organizations requesting the use of the Auditorium must:

1. Pay the non-refundable portion of the deposit per event.
 2. An organization requesting use of the auditorium for a special event or meeting may receive no more than one fee waiver request within a 90-day period.
 3. Provide special event liability insurance. The following is required:
 - a. Provide an "Occurrence Made" liability insurance policy, naming the city as additionally insured, with limits of \$1 million per occurrence and \$2 million aggregate. A copy of that policy must be provided to the Recreation Services Department.
- OR
- b. Purchase Special Event Liability insurance through the Recreation Services Department at the time of fee waiver request. This insurance covers not only the city, but also those renting the facility.
4. Fundraising activities of any nature do not qualify for fee waivers.
 5. Special events may be required to provide security at renter's expense. A photocopy of the contract must be on file with the Recreation Services Department. The number of security guards required is determined by the nature of the event and the numbers in attendance.

***A City-sanctioned organization is defined as "any community based group or organization that in cooperation with the Recreation Services Department, provides an entertainment, recreation and/educational service benefiting the citizens of Seaside."**

****All deposits are placed in the maintenance and janitorial fund designated for the upkeep and repair of the Oldemeyer Center.**



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E-MAILED

*Waiting for
Payment
MR*

Blackhorse

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Organization: LULAC COUNCIL 2895

Name of Applicant: CARLOS RAMOS

Address: P.O. Box 2180 City: SEASIDE State: CA

Phone: 831-262-1959 Email: LULAC.CARLOS@yahoo.com

Day of Event Contact Name and Phone: FIRST SAT. of Each month 2019

☐ Resident ☐ Non-Resident

EVENT INFORMATION:

Event Title: MONTHLY LULAC COUNCIL MEETING

Event Description: BUSINESS / ORGANIZATIONAL MEETINGS

Event Date: _____ Approximate Number of Guests: 10-20

Start Time: 9:00 AM End Time: 10:30 AM Set Up/Break Down Time: 8-9 AM / 11 AM

Special Instructions: _____

Request to use the City's: ☐ Podium ☐ Microphone ☐ Projector Screen

**Subject to availability*

***Projectors and other electronic equipment will not be provided*

	Yes	No
Are you a non-profit organization?	☒	☐
Is the event open to the public?	☒	☐
Will admission be charged?	☐	☒
Will there be music?	☐	☒
Will there be live music and/or DJ?	☐	☒
Name of band or DJ:	_____	

	Yes	No
Will refreshments be served?	☒	☐
Will refreshments be sold?	☐	☒
Will you be using the kitchen?	☐	☒
Will alcohol be served?	☐	☒
Will alcohol be sold?	☐	☒

**Alcohol is prohibited at youth oriented events*

APPLICANT WILL PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS 30 DAYS PRIOR TO THE EVENT:

1. Full payment of all applicable fees
2. Copy of event security contract by licensed company (if applicable)
3. Proof of liability insurance
4. Copy of ABC license (if applicable)

EXCEPT 3/2 Seahorse
6/1 Bayonet



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RULES, REGULATIONS & CONDITIONS OF USE

1. **OVERTIME:** Use of the facilities in excess of the time set forth above may result in overtime fee being charged.
2. **CANCELATION BY PERMITTEE:** Permittee must submit written notice of cancellation to the calendaring agent in order to be eligible for a refund. Refund requests made forty-five (45) days in advance will receive a full refund less a seven dollar (\$7) surcharge. Refund requests made thirty (30) - forty-five (45) days in advance will receive a full refund less the non-refundable portion of the security deposit. Refund requests made less than thirty (30) days in advance will receive a full refund less the entire security deposit.
3. **CANCELATION BY CITY:** This permit may be canceled without liability to the City under any of the following conditions: a) It is found to contain false or misleading information, (b) The Department finds that the proposed use will be detrimental to the public's health, (c) Any individual or group (members or guests) willfully or through negligence mistreats the equipment or violates any of the regulations, terms, and conditions established for use of the facilities, (d) Average attendance of scheduled activities falls below the standard established for each use area with the Center, (e) For failure to notify Center of cancellation of any date or dates covered by this permit, (f) Permittee defaults on or has not completed all conditions and requirements for use of facilities, (g) In case the Center or any part thereof shall be destroyed or damaged by fire or any other cause, or if other unforeseen occurrence, including strikes, labor disputes, war, or acts of military authorities shall render fulfillment of the permit difficult or impossible of performance, (h) The facility is needed by public necessity or emergency use, (i) Upon thirty (30) calendar days written notice to Permittee. Refund of rental fees shall be made where City cancels permit at least thirty (30) days prior to the date reserved, except when cancellation occurs under items (g) or (h) above.
4. **TRANSFERRING PERMIT:** Permit cannot be transferred, assigned, or sublet unless approved by the City in writing.
5. **ADVERTISING, SOLICITATION AND SALES:** No advertising or signs shall be exhibited and no sales made at the Center without the written permission of the City.
6. **COMPLETION OF REQUIREMENTS FOR USE OF FACILITIES:** Permittee must complete all requirements relating to use of the facilities within the time requirements specified.
7. **COMPLIANCE TO CONDITIONS OF USE:** The Permittee shall observe, obey, and comply with all applicable City, County, and Federal laws; and the policies, rules, regulations, terms, and conditions governing use of Center facilities. Permittee will forfeit all rents or other fees paid if evicted from premises for violation of it. Eviction shall not release Permittee from any obligations for the payment of the rents or other fees required to be paid under this permit for the term thereof.
8. **CONCESSION SALES:** Permittee will not engage in concession operations unless authorized in writing by Director/authorized staff.
9. **CONDUCT OF PERSONS:** Permittee shall be solely responsible for the orderly conduct of all persons using the premises by its invitation, either express or implied, during all times covered by the permit. The Department reserves the right to eject or cause to be ejected from the premises any person or persons objectionable due to unlawful conduct.
10. **DAMAGE TO FACILITY OR EQUIPMENT:** All property, equipment, and furnishings must be kept clean and undamaged, fair wear and tear accepted. Permittee causing damage or loss will be required to pay for same at current costs.
11. **EXITS:** At no time shall exits be covered or obstructed.
12. **FACILITIES CAPACITY:** Permittee shall not admit a larger number of persons than can be safely and freely moved about therein as determined by Building and Fire Codes.
13. **FLAMMABLE MATERIALS:** No flammable materials will be permitted to be used for decorations. All materials used for decorative purposes must be treated with flame proofing and be approved by the Fire Department.
14. **INDEMNITY:** Permittee shall indemnify and hold harmless by the City, its officers, employees, and agents, against any and all claims, demands, causes of action, personal injuries or death, damages whatsoever, directly or proximately resulting or caused by the use and occupation of the facilities described in the permit, whether such use is authorized or not or from act or omission of Permittee or any of its officers, agents, employees, guests, patrons, or invitees, and the Permittee shall, at its sole risk and expense, defend any and all suits, actions, or other legal proceedings which may be brought or instituted against City, its officers and employees, on any such claim, demand, or cause of action, and the Permittee shall pay any judgment or decree which may be rendered against the city, its officers, employees, and agents in any suit, action or other legal proceedings, and Permittee shall pay for any and all damages to the property of the City or of others, the loss or theft of such property, done or caused by Permittee, its officers, agents, employees, guests, patrons, and invitees.
15. **PAYMENT OF TAXES:** Payment of all Federal, and City taxes in connection with the event shall be the liability and responsibility of the Permittee.
16. **PERMITTEE RESPONSIBLE FOR CLEANLINESS OF FACILITY:** Facilities used by Permittee must be left in a clean and orderly condition. If additional maintenance is required, other than normal cleaning process, the Permittee will be charged for same.
17. **PERMITTEE RESPONSIBLE FOR PERMITS AND LICENSES:** The Permittee shall procure at his own expense all the required licenses and permits necessary for the intended use or activity covered by this permit.
18. **ALCOHOL:** No alcohol can be served to minors or at any youth-related event at the Oldemeyer Center or Seaside Community Center and can result in immediate closure of the event and loss of deposit. ALL alcohol is prohibited at ALL youth oriented events.
19. **SMOKING:** Smoking is prohibited within twenty (20) feet of entrances, exits and windows.
20. **USE OF RESERVED FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT:** Permittee may use only those facilities and equipment specifically designated on this permit.
21. **CONSTRUCTION OF PERMIT:** In case of any doubts as to the interpretation of any provisions of this permit, the interpretation by the Recreation and Community Activities Director shall prevail. In addition, the Recreation and Community Activities Director shall have the sole power to decide and resolve matters not covered by this permit.



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FACILITY SELECTION

☐ LAGUNA GRANDE HALL

Capacity: Dining: 225 / Theatre: 300

Dimensions: 128' X 120'

	Resident	Non-Res
Hourly Rate	\$105.75	\$131.50
Deposit	\$591.25	\$738.75
(Non Refundable)	(\$147.81)	(\$184.68)
Alcohol Deposit	\$575.50	\$719.50
(Non Refundable)	(\$143.87)	(\$179.87)

Liability Insurance: \$81-\$207

Security Guards: required 1 per 50 guests

- ☐ I will be using Hall only
- ☐ I will be using Hall & Kitchen only
- ☐ I will be using Hall, Kitchen & Dance Studio

☐ BAYONET MEETING ROOM

Capacity: Classroom: 30 / Theatre: 40

Dimensions: 24' X 20'

	Resident	Non-Res
Rate 0-3 hr	\$43.75 /hr	\$55 /hr
After 3 hrs	\$20 /hr	\$24.50 /hr

☒ BLACKHORSE MEETING ROOM

Capacity: Classroom: 40 / Theatre: 50

Dimensions: 28' X 26'

	Resident	Non-Res
Rate 0-3 hrs	\$54.50 /hr	\$68 /hr
After 3 hrs	\$24 /hr	\$29.75 /hr

☐ DANCE STUDIO

Capacity: Classroom: 35 / Theatre: 70

Dimensions: 26' X 24'

	Resident	Non-Res
Rate 0-3 hr	\$68 /hr	\$84.75 /hr
After 3 hrs	\$31.25 /hr	\$39.25 /hr

☐ SEAHORSE MEETING ROOM

Capacity: 20 / Dimensions: 28' X 16'

	Resident	Non-Res
Rate 0-3 hrs	\$43.75 /hr	\$55 /hr
After 3 hrs	\$20 /hr	\$24.50 /hr

☐ SEASIDE MEETING ROOM

Capacity: Classroom: 40 / Theatre: 60

Dimensions: 32' X 26'

	Resident	Non-Res
Rate 0-3 hr	\$43.75 /hr	\$55 /hr
After 3 hrs	\$20 /hr	\$24.50 /hr

☐ SEASIDE COMMUNITY CENTER

Capacity: Dining: 85 / Theatre: 100

Dimensions: 128' X 120'

	Resident	Non-Res
Hourly Rate	\$56	\$70.25
Deposit	\$314	\$392.50
(Non Refundable)	(\$78.50)	(\$98.25)
Alcohol Deposit	\$575.50	\$719.50
(Non Refundable)	(\$143.87)	(\$179.87)

Liability Insurance: \$81-\$207

Security Guards: required 1 per 50 guests

- ☐ I will be using the Large Room only
- ☐ I will be using the Kitchen only
- ☐ I will be using the Large Room & Kitchen

☐ YOUTH EDUCATION CENTER

Two hour rentals: available Fridays and Saturdays 7:30-9:30 PM, and Sundays for any two hours between 8 AM - 9 PM.

	Resident	Non-Res
Deposit	\$83	\$103.50
(Non Refundable)	(\$61)	(26)
0-25 Guests	\$172	\$215
26-50 Guests	\$188.50	\$235
51-75 Guests	\$223	\$278.50
Mini Golf	\$25	\$31
Extra ½ Hour	\$38	\$47.50

Non-Profit Rate: For Laguna Grande Hall, Seaside Community Center, and the Youth Education & Resource Center, non-profits may use the resident rate. For all other meeting rooms, non-profits may have up to 4 hours for \$31.75. Proof of 501(c)(3) required.



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SEATING CONFIGURATION

Review and select a seating configuration below. If you would like a different layout, please sketch your preferred layout in the box marked "other" or on the back of this sheet.

☐ Classroom 	☐ Conference 	☒ U-Shaped 	☐ Pods
☐ Theater 	☐ Banquet 	☐ Empty Room 	☐ Other

I have read and agree to all pages in the rental agreement forms

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: 11-28-18

(For Office Use Only)

Permit Fee: _____

Authorized Agent: _____

Date: _____

Note: - Original to Resource Management/Recreation Department
- Copy to Police Department - Copy to Parks Division



**CITY OF SEASIDE
STAFF REPORT**

Item No.: 9.A.

TO: City Council

FROM: Craig Malin, City Manager

BY: Beth Rocha, Associate Planner

DATE: January 17, 2019

**SUBJECT: PROPOSED TEXT AMENDMENTS TO SEASIDE MUNICIPAL CODE
SECTIONS 6.04.165, PERMIT REQUIRED FOR BEES AND 17.52.020
ANIMAL KEEPING. (SECOND READING, ROLL CALL VOTE)**

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION

Second reading of a draft Ordinance to approve proposed text amendments to Seaside Municipal Code (SMC) sections 6.04.165 Permit Required for Bees and 17.52.020 Animal Keeping, subject to the findings and evidence contained therein enacting beekeeping as permitted by-right citywide.

BACKGROUND

Honeybees have lived in the area that is now Seaside since Spain founded a colony in Monterey, with and without the help of beekeepers, and continue to do so today. The European honeybees kept by beekeepers have been bred and selected for docile behavior for hundreds of years. Unlike yellow jackets and hornets, honeybees are very unlikely to sting unless in defense of the hive or when a bee is inadvertently caught against someone's skin. Unfortunately, many people who have been stung by aggressive yellow jackets or hornets will say they were "stung by a bee," leading to unfounded fears of honeybees (see Attachment 2). In Seaside, most natural cavities such as large hollow trees have been removed over the years and beekeepers are the best way to keep honeybee populations healthy and non-aggressive (aggressive hives are killed).

Honeybees have been in decline nationally and internationally due to pesticides and imported parasites. During the past ten years, there has been a major shift concerning municipal code regulations against bees, and as a result, many cities in the United States are exploring opportunities that would allow for beekeeping in both residential and commercial zones. The benefits of having pollinators such as honeybees in the urban environment are many, including that they help pollinate fruit trees and many other plants. Cities as large and diverse as San Francisco, Detroit, Atlanta, New York, Seattle, Portland, Denver, Spokane, Chicago, Toronto, Vancouver, and Los Angeles have recognized the importance of honeybees in an ecosystem and allow urban beekeeping. In many of these cities, urban beekeeping has resulted in entrepreneurs

and environmental advocates becoming involved in community education and outreach, partnerships with local businesses, stimulating the local economy, and other efforts aimed at increasing awareness of the critical role played by pollinators in the urban environment.

Locally, in 2016 the City of Monterey repealed its prohibition on beekeeping (see Attachment 3), the City of Del Rey Oaks repealed and replaced their beekeeping ordinance in 2017 (see Attachment 4), and the City of Pacific Grove allows for honeybees in a similar manner as it allows for chickens (Attachment 5). Marina, San City and Carmel do not have beekeeping ordinances.

Seaside Municipal Code section 6.04.165 *Permit Required for Bees* requires the City Council make a determination that the maintenance of beehives will not be a public or private nuisance, nor detrimental to the property values or human health or safety, prior to approving a Use Permit for beekeeping in the city. Additionally, the code allows for conditions and operating limitations to be added to the permit based on the land use characteristics of the parcel. Since the ordinance was enacted in 1986, only one Use Permit (13-06, see Attachment 6) has been issued to a residential beekeeper and the following conditions were added to the permit:

1. No more than three bee hives may be maintained on the project site.
2. All bee colonies shall be kept in hive boxes consisting of movable frames and combs.
3. Hive boxes must be kept in sound usable condition at all times.
4. Hive box entrances shall face away from side and rear property lines.
5. A six foot fence of vegetative barrier must be maintained along the side and rear property lines of the residential parcel.
6. A water source for bees shall be provided at all times on the property near where the bees are kept to discourage bee visitation at swimming pools/hot tubs, hose bibs, and other water sources on adjacent public or private property.
7. Nuisance – bees or hives shall be considered a public nuisance when any of the following occurs:
 - a. Colonies of bees exhibit defensive or objectionable behavior or interfere with the normal use of neighboring properties.
 - b. Colonies of bees swarm.
 - c. Bees or hives do not conform to proper sanitary and property maintenance standards.
 - d. Hives become abandoned by resident bees or property owner.

The proposed amendments incorporate some of the previously applied conditions of approval, from nuisance regulations to hive placement and limits on the number of beehives allowed on a property. If approved, the proposed amendments will simplify a cumbersome permitting process, while at the same time setting necessary use and nuisance regulations. Additionally, enacting beekeeping as permitted by-right has the potential to create opportunities to encourage and engage the community to actively participate in environmental stewardship through beekeeping (Attachment 7).

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The enactment of this ordinance is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as it is not a project pursuant to guidelines section 15378 because it has no potential for resulting in physical change to the environment directly or indirectly. In addition, CEQA

guidelines section 15061 includes the general rule that CEQA applies only to activities which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, directly or indirectly as the placement of beehives would not interfere with views and or cause any noise, odors, air quality impacts or traffic related impacts. Because the proposed action and this matter have no potential to cause any effect on the environment, or because it falls within a category of activities excluded as project pursuant to CEQA guidelines section 15061(b)(3), this ordinance is not subject to CEQA review.

STAFF ANALYSIS

The proposed code amendments address nuisance regulations in 6.04.165, use regulations in 17.52.020, and eliminate the requirement of City Council approval of a use permit for beekeeping. Additionally, the proposed regulations incorporate some of the conditions of approval previously attached to a City Council-approved use permit for beekeeping. These inclusions were informed by discussions with local beekeepers about honeybee behavior, needs, and habitat preferences.

Seaside's Environmental Committee investigates and advocates sound environmental policy and action in the areas of air quality, water quality, energy and waste management, flora and fauna protection and community planning. The committee's annual work plan specified their involvement with the proposed beekeeping amendments. Staff has coordinated with the Environmental Committee of Seaside in drafting the proposed amendments, which involved analyzing Seaside's existing code, the codes of nearby jurisdictions and consulting a local, experienced beekeeper. The Environmental Committee has expressed their support of the proposed amendments to the SMC, as communicated in a memorandum (Attachment 8) addressed to the Planning Commission from the perspective of a land use regulation and how such an activity can be included as an innocuous accessory use of a commercial or residential property

The following findings support the suggested recommendation of approval:

1. The proposed text amendments to Sections 6.04.165 and 17.52.020 of the Seaside Municipal Code are consistent with the goals and policies of elements of the General Plan.

Evidence: General Plan Goal Conservation and Open Space - 4 specifies: "Preserve and protect the sensitive habitats and species within the community." Pollinator decline, including that of honeybees, must be prevented through preservation and protection measures in order to assist in the repair of a fragile and sensitive species.

2. The proposed amendments would not be detrimental to the public interest, health, safety, convenience, or welfare of the City.

Evidence: The proposed amendments clearly define beekeeping nuisance regulations aimed at protecting the health, safety, convenience, and welfare of the City. Additionally, the environmental benefits associated with beekeeping are beneficial to the biological health and diversity of the City. The amendments will not create significant impacts or other conditions or situations that may be objectionable or detrimental to other permitted uses in the vicinity or

adverse to the public interest, health, safety, convenience, or welfare of the City.

3. The proposed amendments are internally consistent with other applicable provisions of the Seaside Municipal Code.

Evidence: The proposed amendments will provide thorough and specific beekeeping regulations in both Title 6 (Animals) and Title 17 (Zoning Ordinance) of the SMC and will not interfere or contradict any municipal code requirements.

At a special meeting held on December 17, 2018, the Planning Commission of the City of Seaside held a duly noticed public hearing to consider the adoption of the proposed text amendments. Following the closure of the public hearing, the Planning Commission adopted a Resolution recommending approval of this Ordinance to the City Council.

CONCLUSION

City staff recommends the City Council vote to approve the first reading of the draft ordinance of proposed text amendments to Seaside Municipal Code (SMC) sections 6.04.165 (Permit Required for Bees) and 17.52.020 (Animal Keeping), subject to the findings and evidence contained therein enacting beekeeping as permitted by-right citywide.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to the city.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Attachment 1 Draft Ordinance Beekeeping
2. Attachment 2 NAPPC No Fear Brochure
3. Attachment 3 Monterey Ord. 3537
4. Attachment 4 Del Rey Oaks Ord. 290
5. Attachment 5 Pacific Grove Animal Permit
6. Attachment 6 Seaside UP 13-06
7. Attachment 7 Beekeeping Articles
8. Attachment 8 EC Memo
9. Attachment 9 Planning Commission Approved Resolution

Reviewed for Submission to the
City Council by:



Craig Malin, City Manager

ORDINANCE NO. 19-XX

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEASIDE, ADOPTING PROPOSED TEXT AMENDMENTS TO SEASIDE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTIONS 6.04.165 AND 17.52.020, ENACTING BEEKEEPING AS PERMITTED BY-RIGHT CITYWIDE.

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEASIDE DOES ORDAIN AS
FOLLOWS:**

SECTION 1. GENERAL PURPOSE AND FINDINGS.

The purpose of this Ordinance is to consider the following text amendments to the Seaside Municipal Code:

Proposed text amendments to Seaside Municipal Code Sections 6.04.165 and 17.52.020, enacting beekeeping as permitted by-right citywide.

FINDINGS

- A. At a regularly scheduled meeting of the Environmental Committee on November 13, 2018, the committee voted to sign a memorandum of support for the proposed text amendments, as the committee considers beekeeping to be an opportunity that will positively impact the City of Seaside by contributing to a healthier, more sustainable, and resilient environment.
- B. At a special meeting held on December 17, 2018, the Planning Commission of the City of Seaside held a duly noticed public hearing to consider the adoption of the amendments described under Section 1. Following the closure of the public hearing, the Planning Commission adopted a Resolution recommending approval of this Ordinance to the City Council.
- C. At a duly noticed public hearing held on January 3, 2019, the City Council considered both oral comments and written information and introduced the first reading of the text amendments.
- D. At a duly noticed public hearing held on January 3, 2019, the City Council adopted the following findings in support of its action to adopt the first reading of the proposed text amendments:
 - a. The proposed text amendments to Sections 6.04.165 and 17.52.020 of the Seaside Municipal Code are consistent with the goals and policies of elements of the General Plan.

- b. The proposed amendments would not be detrimental to the public interest, health, safety, convenience, or welfare of the City.
 - c. The proposed amendments are internally consistent with other applicable provisions of the Seaside Municipal Code.
- E. The Seaside City Council may initiate an amendment to the Seaside Municipal Code in accordance with SMC Section 2.02.380.

SECTION 2. ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE

The enactment of this ordinance is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as it is not a project pursuant to Guidelines Section 15378 because it has no potential for resulting in physical change to the environment directly or indirectly. In addition, CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 includes the general rule that CEQA applies only to activities which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, directly or indirectly as the placement of beehives would not interfere with views and or cause any noise, odors, air quality impacts or traffic related impacts. Because the proposed action and this matter have no potential to cause any effect on the environment, or because it falls within a category of activities excluded as project pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15061(B)(3), this ordinance is not subject to CEQA review.

SECTION 3. PROPOSED TEXT AMENDMENTS

This ordinance incorporates the following text amendments into Seaside Municipal Code Section 06.04.165 (Permit Required for Bees) and Section 17.52.020 (Animal Keeping) of the Seaside Municipal Code. Text proposed to be deleted is listed with strikethrough (~~Strikethrough~~) and text proposed to be added is listed in **bold** with an underline (Underline)

6.04.165 ~~Permit required for bees.~~ **Beekeeping Nuisances**

~~A. Any person desiring to maintain bees or bee swarms in boxes or hives within the city limits must first obtain a permit from the city council after a finding by the city council that the maintenance thereof will not be a public or private nuisance, nor detrimental to property values or human health or safety.~~

~~B. Any permit issued by the city council may be subject to such conditions and time limitations as the council deems appropriate, and is subject to revocation or~~

~~modification after public hearing on ten days' written notice to the permittee.~~
(Ord. 709 § 1, 1986)

A. Honeybees or beehives shall be considered a public nuisance when any of the following occur:

- 1. Honeybees exhibit unprovoked defensive behavior against humans or animals.**
- 2. Honeybees interfere with the normal use of neighboring properties, including detrimental impacts to property values or human health or safety.**
- 3. Hives become abandoned by the property owner.**

17.52.020 Animal Keeping

E. Beekeeping Standards. Refer to Municipal Code Section 6.04.165 **for beekeeping nuisance regulations.**

- 1. No more than three beehives may be maintained on any site.**
- 2. Beehives shall not be considered structures or accessory structures.**
- 3. Beehives shall be kept in sound usable conditions at all times.**
- 4. Beehives shall be placed in a location on the subject property such that beekeeping activities do not adversely impact neighboring properties.**

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after its final passage and adoption at a duly noticed public hearing for the second reading of the proposed text amendments.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED TO PRINT at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Seaside, State of California, on the 3rd day of January, 2019.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Seaside, State of California, on the 17th day of January, 2019, by the following vote:

AYES:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:
NOES:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:
ABSENT:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:
ABSTAIN:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Ian Oglesby, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lesley Milton-Rerig, City Clerk



Photo Jillian Cowles

Bee Facts

Native bees are mostly small and go unnoticed. Bumble bees are colorful giants compared with most bees.

- ✿ Less than half of the world's bees are capable of stinging. Only female bees sting.
- ✿ Foraging bees collect pollen and nectar to feed their young and themselves. They are not flying around looking for someone to sting!
- ✿ You are completely safe watching bees as they fly from flower to flower.
- ✿ Most bees only sting if you pinch or step on them, or they get caught in clothing.
- ✿ Honey bees and some bumble bees are defensive within 10 or 20 feet of their nests. Keep back.
- ✿ Keep children from disturbing bee or wasp nests.
- ✿ Ground-nesting yellow jackets are likely to sting and pollinating bees get the blame.
- ✿ Yellow jackets are minor pollinators. The best approach to eliminate yellow jackets is to set queen traps in the spring before they establish new nests.



The **North American Pollinator Protection Campaign (NAPPC)** is a collaborative body of over 140 organizations that work for the protection of pollinators across Mexico, Canada and the United States.

The **NAPPC Garden Task Force** produced this brochure for your use and information. Feedback is welcome. For more information and to learn about the fascinating lifestyles of native solitary bees and social bees like the bumble bees or the honey bees please contact info@pollinator.org or **415-362-1137** or visit www.pollinator.org.

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Inviting Bees to Your Property

No Fear of Stings!

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Photo Paul Williams

Bees and Other Pollinators are Your Gardening Friends: But, Won't I Get Stung?

Humans could not exist without pollinating insects, especially solitary bees, bumble bees, and honey bees. Pollinators provide humankind with 35% of our diet along with beverages, fibers, and medicines. Colorful fruits and vegetables containing nutrients and health-giving anti-oxidants sustain us and give us pleasure. Without bees, our diets would be restricted to bland starchy foods, wind-pollinated cereal grains.

Many people are wary, if not fearful, of insects such as bees and wasps. We don't like to get stung. Only about 0.5% of children and 3% of adults have actual sting allergies from bees, wasps, and ants which could, if untreated, lead to systemic reactions. The risk of a sting from bees in your yard or garden is very small, especially with a bit of advance knowledge.

This brochure will help reduce your insect anxiety while promoting an outdoor lifestyle that could include walking, hiking, gardening, taking photographs, or appreciating the beauty of wildflowers and nature. By trying some of these simple tips you may come to appreciate the beauty and fascination of watching pollinators at work.

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More About Bees and Avoiding Stings

Social vs. Solitary – Two Kinds of Bees

Social bees live together as a unit. This includes honey bees which form a colony and divide the work of the hive into different jobs and bumble bees who live in small colonies but do not have individualized job descriptions. Think of solitary bees, mostly ground-nesting bees, as single moms with families at home to feed. Male bees will also visit flowers but only collect nectar as flight fuel. Foraging bees are solely focused on gathering food.

The Stinging Truth

Unlike cartoons and Hollywood movies, bees are not flying around looking for people and pets to sting. You can safely get within inches of bees visiting flowers and not get stung. People get stung when they harass bees at their nests, step on or pinch them, or they become entangled in folds of clothing. Stay away from social bee nests (honey bees) which may be underground or in trees.



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or
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for more information.

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Non-Allergic Reactions

In most cases, bee stings are annoying, but do not require treatment. Swelling or pain at the sting site are not the result of allergic reactions and will diminish with time. Remove any stinger that remains by scraping it away (a credit card works perfectly) or removing it with a tweezer. Apply an ice pack to reduce swelling. Wash the area with soap and water and apply hydrocortisone. Take an antihistamine to reduce swelling.

Allergic Reactions

Some people may have an allergic reaction (even some who do not know they are allergic to stings). A very small proportion of the adult population (3%) and children (about 0.5%) are allergic to bee stings and are at risk of possible systemic reactions including anaphylactic shock. If someone experiences nausea, wheezing, or difficulty breathing following a sting, or if they are stung multiple times, they should seek immediate medical care. This is rare, but is an early systemic symptom of anaphylactic shock.

You are more at risk of being struck by lightning (about 700 fatalities per year) than dying from a bee sting. For example, in the U.S. population, only 40 people out of 310 million people die from stings in a typical year. Many of these incidents are actually from wasp or ant stings rather than native bees or honey bees. Ground-nesting yellow jacket wasps (*Vespula* species) are defensive around their populous nests.

What About “Killer Bees”?

African honey bees (*Apis mellifera scutellata*) were accidentally unleashed on the Americas

and have mated with the existing honey bees to form Africanized honey bees, a very effective pollinator which has a more defensive nature than other honey bees. These bees are making their way northward and can currently be found in about 6 southern border states in the U.S. and in Mexico. It is a good idea to give these bees (almost indistinguishable from other honey bees based on their looks) a much wider berth – keep away from their nests, and if a nest is accidentally disturbed or you encounter a swarm, leave the area.

Reduce that Risk – Safety Tips

Nests: Keep back from honey bee nests in the ground. Watch from a safe distance of 20 or 30 feet. Do not run over bee nests with a lawn mower. If you are barefoot, watch where you step. Do not ride horses near a known honey bee nest. Don’t let children throw rocks at their nests.

Actions: Try not to wear dark clothing, strong perfume, or move quickly when passing by honey bee nests. These actions, along with carbon dioxide in exhaled breath, could stimulate the guard bees to sting.

Help Bees and They will Help You

Garden tips: When we mulch pathways or landscape with large areas of concrete, we destroy the sunny flat bare ground areas that most nesting female bees need to raise their young. Leave bare patches for ground nesting bees. Provide bare ground, twigs, and dead limbs for nests and lots of flowers for nectar and pollen. Use few or no



Photo Steve Buchmann

pesticides in a pollinator garden, or spray when bees aren’t active. Try to use locally adapted native wildflowers or old-fashioned heirloom varieties, which produce more nectar and pollen than modern hybrids. Plant in enticing clumps of 5 or 6 plants of the same kind. In turn, you will be rewarded with bountiful healthy crops and lifestyle by being outdoors. If you are growing a vegetable garden, or have fruit trees, pollinating bees are your allies. They do the busy work, making thousands of trips moving pollen from flower to flower resulting in larger and tastier vegetables and fruits even in varieties that normally self-pollinate.



ORDINANCE NO. 3537 C.S.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY

REPEAL MONTEREY CITY CODE SECTION 6-7 THAT PROHIBITS KEEPING OF BEES

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY DOES ORDAIN, as follows:

SECTION 1:

WHEREAS, bees are beneficial to the environment and to a community's flora, increasing the health of its flower gardens, wildflowers, fruits, and vegetables;

WHEREAS, bee products benefit immune systems, hair and skin, and provide anti-bacterial properties;

WHEREAS, pesticides have wiped out many of the native varieties of honey bees in the U.S. and populations also suffer from parasites and disease;

WHEREAS, allowing beekeeping could result in these benefits to the community, and would be subject to the City's nuisance ordinance should nuisance issues occur;

WHEREAS, the County Office of the Agricultural Commission enforces state laws governing the keeping of bees and is available to respond to nuisance complaints;

WHEREAS, M.C.C. Section 6-7 currently prohibits the keeping of bees; and

WHEREAS, the City of Monterey determined that the proposed action is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)(CCR, Title 14, Chapter 3 ("CEQA Guidelines"), Article 20, Section 15378). In addition, CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 includes the general rule that CEQA applies only to activities which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. Because the proposed action and this matter have no potential to cause any effect on the environment, or because it falls within a category of activities excluded as projects pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378, this matter is not a project. Because the matter does not cause a direct or any reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change on or in the environment, this matter is not a project. Any subsequent discretionary projects resulting from this action will be assessed for CEQA applicability.

NOW THEREFORE, the Monterey City Council declares as follows:

SECTION 2: Monterey City Code, Chapter 6, Section 6-7 is hereby deleted.

SECTION 3: All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby

repealed.

SECTION 4: This ordinance shall be in full force and effect thirty (30) days from and after its final passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY this 1st day of March, 2016, by the following vote:

AYES:	5	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Barrett, Downey, Haffa, Smith, Roberson
NOES:	0	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSENT:	0	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSTAIN:	0	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None

APPROVED:

ATTEST:



Mayor of said City



City Clerk thereof





CITY OF DEL REY OAKS

Staff Report

DATE: October 24, 2017

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Danial D. Pick, City Manager

SUBJECT: Beekeeping in Del Rey Oaks

CEQA: This ordinance is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as it is not a project pursuant to Guidelines Section 15378 because it has no potential for resulting in physical change to the environment directly or indirectly. In addition, CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 includes the general rule that CEQA applies only to activities which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. Because the proposed action and this matter have no potential to cause any effect on the environment, or because it falls within a category of activities excluded as projects pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15061(B)(3), this ordinance is not subject to CEQA review.

RECOMMENDATION: Introduce and hold a first reading of an ordinance repealing and replacing sections 6.12.010 and 6.12.020 of the Del Rey Oaks Municipal Code related to beekeeping.

BACKGROUND:

The honey bee (*Apis mellifera*) is a critical pollinator for flowers, fruits, and vegetables. Honey bees around the world. Unfortunately, bees are being driven to extinction by pesticides and other environmental toxins. This is known as Colony Collapse Disorder and is devastating wild and domestic honey bee populations, especially in North America and Europe.

SUMMARY AND DISCUSSION:

Due to Colony Collapse Disorder, cities in the United States and other parts of the world are increasing recognizing the importance of allowing beekeeping within their jurisdictions. Honey bees are being kept with great success in backyards, public gardens, and on balconies and rooftops in many urban areas.

Locally, the City of Monterey recently repealed its prohibition on beekeeping. Pacific Grove takes an informal approach, using the same process as it does for allowing chickens. Statements made by staff in both cities relate essentially problem-free results of beekeeping in their jurisdictions. In Seaside, Gloria Sterns, the Economic Development Program Manager, is working to relax that city's current restrictive ordinance. Carmel, Sand City, and Marina have no beekeeping ordinances.

The City of Milwaukee, Wisconsin originally had concerns that allowing beekeeping in its urban environment would create numerous problems, when in fact there have been none. Chicago has a number of successful beekeeping organizations; hives are kept in such diverse places as public schools, community gardens, parks and rooftops from restaurants to City Hall. Montreal, in addition to other beekeeping avenues, and in partnership with other social services, has a program teaching men who are currently homeless about beekeeping. Paris has over 700 honey bee hives on city roofs and in public gardens.

Given the importance of honey bees in our environment, the decimation of honey bee population in the industrialized world, and the success of beekeeping in places as diverse as Monterey, Chicago, and Paris, staff recommends allowing honey beekeeping within the City of Del Rey Oaks.

FISCAL IMPACTS:

This ordinance amendment will have no financial impact as the costs of its implementation and regulation will be funded by the permit fee required.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Introduce and hold a first reading of an ordinance repealing and replacing sections 6.12.010 and 6.12.020 of the Del Rey Oaks Municipal Code related to beekeeping.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Ordinance

Respectfully Submitted,

Dino Pick
City Manager

ORDINANCE NO. 290
AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING DEL REY OAKS MUNICIPAL CODE
SECTIONS 6.12.010 AND 6.12.020 RELATED TO BEEKEEPING

WHEREAS: Del Rey Oaks Municipal Code Chapter 6.12, Sections 6.12.010 and 6.12.020 currently prohibit the keeping of honey bees; and

WHEREAS, honey bees (*Apis mellifera*) are beneficial to the environment and to a community's flora, increasing the health of its flower gardens, wildflowers, fruits, and vegetables;

WHEREAS, honey bee products such as honey and pollen benefit immune systems, hair and skin, and have antibacterial and wound-healing properties among other benefits;

WHEREAS, said products are high in nutritional value and, along with beeswax, are a local, renewable and a sustainable resource;

WHEREAS, pesticides and other environmental toxins have decimated many native honey bee colonies in the U.S., and many existing colonies are suffering from parasites and disease;

WHEREAS, honey bees are successfully kept in small backyards, on balconies, and on rooftops in urban areas with little, if any, impact upon adjacent property owners;

WHEREAS, allowing honey beekeeping will result in many benefits to the community and its residents, and be subject to the City's nuisance ordinance in case nuisance issues arise; and

WHEREAS, enactment of this ordinance is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as it is not a project pursuant to Guidelines Section 15378 because it has no potential for resulting in physical change to the environment directly or indirectly. In addition, CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 includes the general rule that CEQA applies only to activities which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. Because the proposed action and this matter have no potential to cause any effect on the environment, or because it falls within a category of activities excluded as projects pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15061(B)(3), this ordinance is not subject to CEQA review.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DEL REY OAKS as follows:

SECTION 1: Sections 6.12.010 and 6.12.020 are hereby repealed in their entirety and replaced by the following:

6.12.010 Beekeeping

A. **Limitation Generally.** No person shall keep any honey bees (*Apis millefera*) except as specifically authorized in this Section.

B. **Permit Required.** No person shall keep any honey bees without having first obtained a use permit from the City. Permits required by this Section shall be issued by the City Manager, or their designee, and shall be subject to a fee established by the resolution of the City Council. The permit of any person who fails to comply with the provisions of this Section may be suspended or revoked by the City Manager, or their designee. Any aggrieved person may appeal a suspension or revocation within fifteen (15) days of its issuance. Such appeal shall be subject to a fee established by the resolution of the City Council. **Neighbor Notification.** All neighbors within 200 feet of a proposed location where honey bees are to be kept shall be notified at least twenty (20) days before a permit is issued.

C. **Location of Beehives.** Beehives shall be located in side or rear yards only, and shall be situated behind solid screening or fencing that is at least six (6) feet in height. Bee keeping shall be considered an accessory use in all zones and beehives shall be considered accessory structures. All current zoning, building, and setback requirements for such structures shall apply to bee keeping and beehives.

D. **Water.** It shall be the duty of every person owning, controlling, or maintaining bees or a beehive to provide adequate water for the bees to prevent bees from seeking water in neighboring pools, birdbaths, ponds, or other bodies of water.

E. **Swarming.** It shall be the duty of every person owning, controlling, or maintaining bees or a beehive to maintain them in such a manner so as to prevent the swarming and aggressive behavior of bees.

F. Any person keeping bees or a beehive shall allow City administrative enforcement officers to enter the premises where bees or a beehive is kept to ensure compliance with this Chapter 6.12.

G. **Keeping Honey Bees for Commercial Purposes Prohibited.** Bees may be kept only for personal use, and no person shall keep any bees for the purpose of commercial activities.

6.12.020 Violation

Any violation of this Chapter 6.12 shall be deemed a nuisance and may be abated as provided for by law. Violations shall also be subject to administrative, civil, or criminal enforcement.

SECTION 2. Environmental Determination. The City Council finds the enactment of this ordinance is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as it is not a project pursuant to Guidelines Section 15378 because it has no potential for resulting in physical change to the environment directly or indirectly. In addition, CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 includes the general rule that CEQA applies only to activities which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. Because the proposed action and this matter have no potential to cause any effect

on the environment, or because it falls within a category of activities excluded as projects pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15061(B)(3), this ordinance is not subject to CEQA review.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days following its final adoption.

SECTION 4. The City Manager and City Clerk are directed to perform all tasks necessary to implement this ordinance.

SECTION 5. Severability. If any provision, section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance, or any part thereof, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance, or any part thereof, or its application to other persons or circumstances. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed and adopted each provision, section, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, clause, or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, paragraphs, subparagraphs, sentences, clauses, or phrases, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 6. Publication. The City Clerk of the City of Del Rey Oaks, California, is hereby directed to publish in a newspaper of general circulation.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DEL REY OAKS this _____ day of October, 2017 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Jerry B. Edelen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Danial Pick, City Manager



Permit #:

Application for Animal Keeping Permit

Address: _____

Description of Animal(s): _____

Reason for Animal Keeping Permit: _____

Number of Animals: _____

Length of Event requiring Animal Keeping Permit: _____

Owner Contact Information:

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Permit Findings, Per 10.08.030: (to be completed by planner)

Updated 2-27-14

10.08.030 Permit – Required for certain animals

In any of the following cases, animals may be maintained within the city limits upon first obtaining a permit from the city manager, or his/her designated representative, after a finding that the maintenance thereof will not be a public or private nuisance, nor detrimental to property values or human health or safety:

- (a) Cats and/or dogs in excess of the limits prescribed in PGMC [10.08.020](#);
- (b) Bees and bee swarms in boxes or hives;
- (c) Chickens;
- (d) Where the animal or animals will be used exclusively for educational and/or scientific purposes and that their presence in the city will not be contrary to the purposes of this chapter or offensive to the owners or occupants of any property within the city;
- (e) Where the restrictions and regulations of this chapter impose substantial hardship on the applicant which is singular and peculiar to him or her by reason of the nature of his or her property and his or her proposed use of the animal or animals (as distinguished from the characteristics or propensities of the applicant);
- (f) The animal or animals are to be used for a temporary period of time in connection with a promotion, display or theatrical-type exposition, circus or performance and appropriate safeguards will be employed to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

RESOLUTION NO. 13-86

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEASIDE,
APPROVING A USE PERMIT APPLICATION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF
A BEE KEEPING PERMIT AT
2060 BALDWIN COURT.**

WHEREAS, Paul and Ellen Gaucher, property owners, and Ellen Gaucher, applicant, have applied for a use permit to allow the placement of three bee hive boxes on a residential parcel for the issuance of a bee keeping permit.

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 6.04.165 of the Seaside Municipal Code it is the responsibility of the City Council to consider and weigh the merits of the requested bee keeping permit in relation to the policies, standards and intent of the Seaside General Plan and Seaside Municipal Code ; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a duly noticed Public Hearing on October 17, 2013 and considered oral comments and written information concerning the requested bee keeping permit; and

WHEREAS, the project is exempt from environmental review subject to Class 1, Section 15301(a): based on the following evidence:

Evidence After visits to the site, City staff has concluded that granting the fence exception would not result in a traffic-related safety hazard, visible impairment at an intersection or an adjoining driveway, or compatibility issues with the surrounding neighborhood.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council adopts the following findings for Use Permit Application No. UP-13-06:

1. The proposed use is allowed within the applicable zone and complies with all other applicable provisions of this Zoning Ordinance and the Municipal Code; consistent with e General Plan, design, location, size and operating characteristics of the proposed activity, the site is physically suitable for the type, density, and intensity, and granting the permit would not be detrimental to the public interest, health, safety, convenience or welfare of the City.

Evidence: The location, size, design, and operating characteristics of the proposed bee hive boxes are compatible with the residential use on the project site and adjoining residential properties in which the proposed use is to be located; will not create significant noise, traffic, or other conditions or situations that may be objectionable or detrimental to other permitted uses in the vicinity or adverse to the public interest, health, safety, convenience, or welfare of the City.

Evidence: The proposed use is consistent and in harmony with the Low Density General Plan Land Use Designation and RS-8 (Single Family Residential) Zoning District.

2. The approval of the proposed project is in compliance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Evidence: In accordance with Section 15303(d) (New Construction) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the placement of limited new structures involving negligible or no expansion of use are categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA. The proposed project will consist of establishing three bee hive boxes near the northeast corner of the residential parcel to accommodate a bee hive colony. All existing utilities (Electricity, Sewer, Water) are available to service the project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Planning Commission approves Conditional Use Permit Application No. 13-06 subject to the following conditions:

1. Except as modified by the conditions of approval, the plans submitted for a Building Permit must be in compliance with the plans provided as Attachment 2.
2. The Conditional Use Permit approval is subject to revocation procedures contained in Section 17.70.090 SMC in the event any of the terms of this approval are violated or if the uses are conducted or carried out in a manner so as to adversely affect the health, welfare or safety of persons residing or working in the neighborhood.
3. The applicant agrees as a condition and in consideration of the approval of this discretionary permit that they will, pursuant to agreement and/or statutory provisions as applicable, including but not limited to Government Code Section 66474.9, defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City of Seaside or its agents, officers and employees from any claim, action or proceeding against the City or its agents, officers or employees to attack, set aside, void or annul this approval, which action is brought within the time period provided for under law, including but not limited to, Government Code Section 66499.37, as applicable. The applicant will reimburse the City for any court costs and attorney's fees which the City may be required by a court to pay as a result of such action. The City may, at its sole discretion, participate in the defense of such action; but such participation shall not relieve applicant of his obligations under this condition. An agreement to this effect shall be recorded upon demand of City Counsel or concurrent with the issuance of permits, use of the property, whichever occurs first and as applicable. The City shall promptly notify the applicant of any such claim, action or proceeding and the City shall cooperate fully in the defense thereof. If the City fails to promptly notify the applicant of any such claim, action or proceeding or fails to cooperate fully in the defense thereof, the applicant shall not thereafter be responsible to defend, indemnify or hold the City harmless.
4. No more than three bee hives may be maintained on the project site.
5. All bee colonies shall be kept in hive boxes consisting of moveable frames and combs.

6. Hive boxes must be kept in sound useable condition at all times.
7. Hive box entrances shall face away from side and rear property lines.
8. A six-foot fence or vegetative barrier must be maintained along the side and rear property lines of the residential parcel.
9. A water source for bees shall be provided at all times on the property near where the bees are kept to discourage bee visitation at swimming pools/hot tubs, hose bibs, and other water sources on adjacent public or private property.
10. Nuisance – bees or hives shall be considered a public nuisance when any of the following occurs:
 - a. Colonies of bees exhibit defensive or objectionable behavior or interfere with the normal use of neighboring properties.
 - b. Colonies of bees swarm.
 - c. Bees or hives do not conform to proper sanitary and property maintenance standards.
 - d. Hives become abandoned by resident bees or property owner.
11. Where it is necessary to make an inspection of the project site to enforce the provisions of the Seaside Municipal Code, or where there is reasonable cause to believe that there exists a violation of the Seaside Municipal Code which may cause health or safety hazards to the community, the Animal Control Officer is authorized to enter upon private property at reasonable times to inspect or to perform duties authorized by the Seaside Municipal Code. If entry is refused or if the owner could not be located, the Animal Control Officer shall have recourse to the remedies provided by law to secure entry and/or cause removal of the bee hives in protection of the general health, safety, and welfare of the community.
12. The project shall comply with the requirements and the applicable ordinances of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (MPWMD).
13. The permit shall have no force or effect unless and until accepted, and the terms thereof agreed to, in writing, by the applicant and property owner on the Signature Page provided as Attachment 1 within 15 days from the date of its approval.
14. Project approval will become null and void if a building permit is not obtained within one year from date of approval to begin construction on the project.
15. For purposes of assuring compliance, the applicant, agents, representatives or their assignees agree not to deny or impede access to the subject property by City employees in the performance of their duties.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Seaside duly held on the 17th day of October, 2013 by the following vote:

AYES:	4	COUNCIL MEMBERS	Alexander, Oglesby, Pacheco, Rubio
NOES:	0	COUNCIL MEMBERS	None
ABSENT:	1	COUNCIL MEMBERS	Edwards
ABSTAIN:	0	COUNCIL MEMBERS	None

Ralph Rubio, Mayor

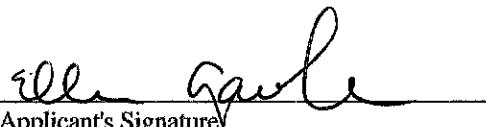
ATTEST:

Lesley E. Milton, City Clerk

Resolution No. 13-86
USE PERMIT APPLICATION NO. UP-13-06

These permits are hereby accepted upon the express terms and conditions hereof, and shall have no force or effect unless and until agreed to, in writing, by the applicant and property owner(s).

The undersigned hereby acknowledge the approved terms and conditions and agree to fully conform to, and comply with, said terms and conditions within the time frames approved by the City of Seaside Planning Commission.

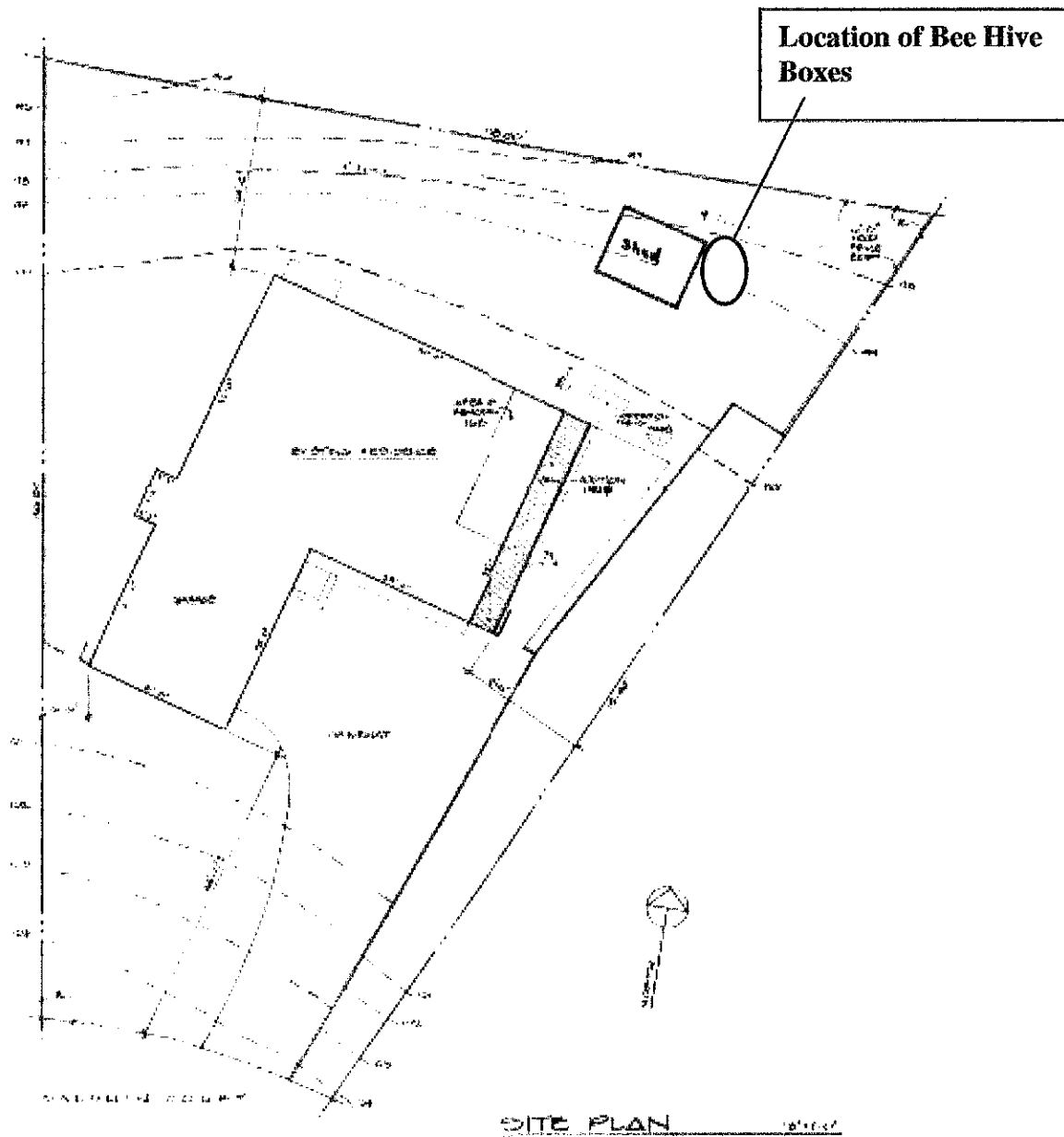

Applicant's Signature

10/29/13
Date


Property Owner's Signature

10/29/13
10/29/13
Date

Project Site Plan



http://www.montereycountyweekly.com/news/831_tales/anarchist-beekeeping-collective-builds-a-community-of-urban-pollinators/article_16a0174c-6aae-11e4-a714-ffe21fb5a613.html

Honey at Home

Anarchist Beekeeping Collective builds a community of urban pollinators.

Alexandra Videmsky Nov 13, 2014



Jake Reisdorf of Carmel is sectioning off a spot in his yard for his special project. He's done his homework and made it into a fifth-grade project on entrepreneurship as well. It's a bit risky, but his parents agreed to let him go for it.

Reisdorf is getting two beehives next spring. He'd rather start beekeeping right now, but it's too late in the season, so he's using the time to prepare.

"We can get so much while helping them," the 11-year-old says, brown eyes lighting up with excitement.

The seed was planted when Reisdorf and his family met Dale Hillard at the Monterey County Fair. Hillard had set up a demonstration hive to show the basics of beekeeping, and Reisdorf buzzed around it.

Hillard is a member of the Anarchist Beekeeping Collective, an informal gathering of beekeepers from around the county.

The group began in the late '90s as two friends, J.R. Githens and Doug Westphal, met for breakfast at Sarita's restaurant in Marina. Over the years, they started inviting friends and coworkers to join them. Word of mouth brought more beekeepers into the fold, and soon they had a name. The "anarchist" part is a joke, because Westphal actually likes order – and beehives are monarchies, loyal to the death to their queens. But the group lacks an official leader or charter, and anyone's welcome to drop in or drop out.

THE BIGGEST ISSUES ARE PESTS, PREDATORS AND DROUGHT.

During an October meeting, Reisdorf sat at the table in rapt attention. About 20 other beekeepers discussed their hives, passed around copies of *American Bee Journal*, worried about a black beetle invasion outside the county and struck up a lively debate over whether to feed bees supplemental pollen so late in the season.

In spring bees may swarm, following an old queen out of the original hive. The beekeeper places the queen into a new hive, lets a contingent of workers bees follow, then transports the whole setup to its new home. (This part's not too treacherous – swarming bees are docile and can be gently handled.)

A new beekeeper's other option is to order bees online, or pick them up at local supply stores. They come in mesh-screen crates that can be opened to pour the bees into the hive.

Anarchist Beekeepers hold harvest parties, sharing a centrifugal extractor that spins out the honey. But first, they have to apply smoke using a handheld smoker (shaped like a watering can with bellows) burning natural fibers to calm their bees, and then slowly and carefully reach in to remove the honey-filled frames. As soon as the smoke wears off, the bees feverishly search for their honey, so it is smart to harvest the honey somewhere or sometime else.

Juli Hofman, who keeps nine hives in Marina, says beekeeping is surprisingly easy. She wears a mesh hood and protective clothing to peek inside her hive, making sure it looks healthy. She also keeps a removable panel under the hive, which she occasionally pulls out to check for mites and other pests without disturbing the bees. Her bees support her native plant garden, which also attracts other native pollinators.

Tom Hughes keeps two hives in his bushy and well-cultivated Seaside backyard. Bees don't need a lot of space, he says; 10-20 square feet is enough for a box hive with removable frames that hold honeycombs. He stacks boxes to make taller, roomier hives near his vegetable patches. "You could even do it on a balcony," he says.

The biggest issues facing his backyard buzzers are pests, predators and drought. Both Hofman and Hughes have dealt with invasions of mites, which parasitize bees and carry viruses.

The record drought also weighs heavily because it impacts bees' primary food source: pollen from flowering plants. Bees go hungry and depend on keepers for supplemental food, such as sugar water or nutrient-rich pollen substitute. Without abundant pollen, Hughes isn't expecting to see much honey this year.

Bee societies sometimes fizzle out, and keepers don't always know why. High on the suspect list is colony collapse disorder, when many adult bees suddenly abandon the hive and die.

Scientists don't point to a single cause for colony collapse – they suspect a combination of pesticides, poor pollen quality, gut fungi and invasive Varroa mites.

But the backyard bee boom gives hope for the little pollinators. Hofman says the beekeeping community used to skew toward retirees, but new generations like Reisdorf's are leading the charge.

He joins a movement that, through "anarchy," creates a hive-like network of orderly cooperation.

ANARCHIST BEEKEEPER COLLECTIVE meets 8am the first Saturday of each month at The Black Bear Diner, 2450 N. Fremont St., Monterey, montereybaybeekeepers.org



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Brian Peterson-Roest, co-founder of the nonprofit Bees in the D (left), explains the process by which he'll transfer around 10,000 bees into a hive on top of the Bedrock LLC-owned former Detroit News building on Lafayette Boulevard. Bees in the D board member Andrea Washington (center) uses smoke to calm the bees for the transition; co-founder and Peterson-Roest's husband, Brian Roest-Peterson, assists.

BEE LOSS

More than a third of crop production requires pollination from insects such as honey bees, but colony populations are on the decline, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The U.S. has gone from 6 million hives in the 1940s to 2.5 million in 2017.

Bees in the D, a nonprofit that wants to show Detroit why bees matter, placed about 20,000 of the tiny pollinators in two hives Thursday atop the former *Detroit News* building.

The 2-year-old Detroit-based group expects to be maintaining 100 hives across Southeast Michigan by this summer, including on the **Bedrock LLC-owned** historic structure at 615 W. Lafayette Blvd., co-founder Brian Peterson-Roest said.

Bees in the D sets up deals with businesses, other nonprofits and individuals to bring bees — up to 60,000 per

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Brian Peterson-Roest, co-founder of Bees in the D, places a flat of honey bees into a hive that he will maintain on the roof of the Bedrock LLC-owned former Detroit News building on Lafayette Boulevard. Bedrock plans to place more hives on other buildings.

"We find that pairing with businesses really allows us a stage to help educate about honeybees," Peterson-Roest said. "It allows them to also give back and to help with the conservation and sustainability. And I mean if it's a restaurant or bar that's using honey for drinks, people are loving to know they're getting local products."

Some honey produced at Bedrock's total of six hives on the Lafayette rooftop could go straight to its tenant downstairs, the Press Room Café, but Bedrock is still working out those details, spokeswoman Sam West said. It will likely spread hives across other buildings, as well, but isn't sure.

Bees in the D's agreements range from solely maintaining the hives — hosts keep all the honey — to letting Bees in the D keep and sell it, Peterson-Roest said. Yearly fees per hive range from around \$250 to \$1,200, depending on the nature of the deal.

Proceeds from maintenance fees go straight back to the bees, he said. The nonprofit's funding also comes from individual donors, ticketed events, honey and beeswax products, and services such as speaking engagements.

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Businesses hosting or planning to host Bees in the D hives include Bon Bon Bon, Downtown Boxing Gym, Detroit's Outdoor Adventure Center, Detroit Abloom, five of Southfield-based Farman Group's buildings, Anew Life prosthetics, Eastern Market Brewing Co., Detroit City Distillery and the Detroit Foundation Hotel. The nonprofit also placed four hives on Cobo Center's [green roof](#) in June.

Bees in the D is going international, too: It's placing hives with a veterinary equipment supplier in Windsor.

Bees in the D and Bedrock

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FOOD

That Buzzing Could Sweeten Tomorrow's Tea

JAIME GROSS MARCH 26, 2010

If you spy a dark-haired woman gliding down Mission Street, past the taquerias and bodegas, in a white, head-to-toe bee suit — picture a hazmat suit crossed with a fencing mask — chances are it's Cameo Wood, en route to a beehive. Ms. Wood, the 32-year-old proprietor of the Mission District shop Her Majesty's Secret Beekeeper, cares for 15 hives in "borrowed spaces" around San Francisco. These are hidden away in friends' backyards, in a restaurant garden, and on the roofs of government buildings and apartment complexes.

Urban beekeeping, or backyard beekeeping, is taking off in a major way in the Bay Area, as a growing brood of city dwellers is raising bees on rooftops, patios and small plots of land; harvesting the honey; and, in some cases, selling the yields in local shops and bakeries.

Ms. Wood started beekeeping in late 2008 and is a trailblazer in this growing movement, which is drawing a new crowd to a very old trade. At her nine-month-old shop, she sells beeswax candles, native honey, beekeeping supplies and a \$200 starter kit that includes a two-tier cypress hive with a shiny copper roof. Since the shop opened last July, she has sold 130 kits and 450 pounds of bees, and hosted 21 beginner-level classes. In October 2009, she started a meet-up club, the San Francisco Urban Beekeeping Group, which attracts up to 60 attendees at each gathering.

Paul Koski, a retired schoolteacher and the current secretary of the San Francisco Beekeepers Association, a club that promotes responsible urban beekeeping, estimates that in 2000 there were about 50 beekeepers in the city. Today, according to Ms. Wood, there are "at least 400."

Beekeeping is thriving in cities across the nation, from Washington to Chicago to New York (where, on March 16, it was re-legalized). But compared with most urban areas, San Francisco offers a particularly hospitable habitat. It has a temperate climate, abundant plant life and legions of residents obsessed with local and sustainable food.

Even better, it happens to be "one of the most permissive places in the country to keep bees," said Karen Peteros, a part-time employment lawyer and a former president of the beekeepers association. "Not only is it legal, but it's totally unregulated — which means that as long as your bees don't present a public nuisance, you can keep them wherever you want."

According to Ms. Peteros, the current beekeeping boom dates to 2007, when reports of colony collapse disorder, or C.C.D. (the still-unexplained phenomenon of honeybees disappearing en masse), hit the media, sparking interest right around the time the local food and urban greening movement was taking off.

“C.C.D. is the worst and best thing that’s happened to honeybees in the last 50 years,” Ms. Peteros said. People saw beekeeping as “a chance to be close to wild nature in the city and participate directly in the production of food,” as Ms. Peteros put it. She speaks from experience: the first year she kept a hive in her backyard, in 2006, her neighbors’ previously anemic fruit trees produced an epic harvest. “One plum tree was so bursting, my neighbor made plum jam for the first time,” she said. “Someone else’s apple tree was so weighed down, its branches started breaking.”

On the national level, beekeeping remains a commercial, male-dominated industry, entwined with agribusiness, with thousands of hives trucked in to pollinate sprawling fruit and nut orchards across the country. But in cities, among hobby-level and sideline beekeepers, that demographic is swiftly changing. When Mr. Koski started attending the local bee association meetings in the early ’90s, there were just a dozen members, “mostly middle-aged and older, mostly men,” he said. “Now it’s a wider demographic, pretty much a cross-section of who lives in San Francisco” — including unprecedented numbers of women.

What everyone has in common, he observed, is an interest in food and sustainability, the environment and “making the city a greener, more favorable place for humans to live.” Last year, the association’s membership peaked at 207.

So, what’s the draw? As far as urban agriculture goes, beekeeping is accessible, inexpensive and low-maintenance, Ms. Wood said. And it “yields a rather large and delicious reward.” Harvests vary year to year and colony to colony, but a typical hive of 60,000 bees will produce, on average, between 40 and 60 pounds of honey.

Some of that honey ends up on the shelves at Mission Pie, a bakery and cafe in the Mission District that focuses on local, seasonal and sustainably grown produce. Krystin Rubin, a co-owner, said the shop sells between three and eight different varieties at any given time, each hailing from a different neighborhood, and each with its own particular flavor, depending on the bees’ favored foraging spots (most often groves of eucalyptus trees, blackberry bushes or clumps of wild anise).

San Francisco’s newfound bee love thrills Ms. Rubin, who attributes it to residents’ growing desire to connect with their food sources and counterbalance increasingly high-tech lives.

“There’s only so much FarmVille you can play on Facebook before you want to grow your own real radish,” she said. “We’ve got so much contact with the virtual world that we’re hungry to come back to earth.”

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FEATURE

The Insect Apocalypse Is Here

What does it mean for the rest of life on Earth?

By Brooke Jarvis

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Sune Boye Riis was on a bike ride with his youngest son, enjoying the sun slanting over the fields and woodlands near their home north of Copenhagen, when it suddenly occurred to him that something about the experience was amiss. Specifically, something was *missing*.

It was summer. He was out in the country, moving fast. But strangely, he wasn't eating any bugs.

For a moment, Riis was transported to his childhood on the Danish island of Lolland, in the Baltic Sea. Back then, summer bike rides meant closing his mouth to cruise through thick clouds of insects, but inevitably he swallowed some anyway. When his parents took him driving, he remembered, the car's windshield was frequently so smeared with insect carcasses that you almost couldn't see through it. But all that seemed distant now. He couldn't recall the last time he needed to wash bugs from his windshield; he even wondered, vaguely, whether car manufacturers had invented some fancy new coating to keep off insects. But this absence, he now realized with some alarm, seemed to be all around him. Where had all those insects gone? And when? And why hadn't he noticed?

Riis watched his son, flying through the beautiful day, not eating bugs, and was struck by the melancholy thought that his son's childhood would lack this particular bug-eating experience of his own. It was, he granted, an odd thing to feel nostalgic about. But he couldn't shake a feeling of loss. "I guess it's pretty human to think that everything was better when you were a kid," he said. "Maybe I didn't like it when I was on my bike and I ate all the bugs, but looking back on it, I think it's something everybody should experience."

I met Riis, a lanky high school science and math teacher, on a hot day in June. He was anxious about not having yet written his address for the school's graduation ceremony that evening, but first, he had a job to do. From his garage, he retrieved a large insect net, drove to a nearby intersection and stopped to strap the net to the car's roof. Made of white mesh, the net ran the length of his car and was held up by a tent pole at the front, tapering to a small, removable bag in back. Drivers whizzing past twisted their heads to stare. Riis eyed his parking spot nervously as he adjusted the straps of the contraption. "This is not 100 percent legal," he said, "but I guess, for the sake of science."

Riis had not been able to stop thinking about the missing bugs. The more he learned, the more his nostalgia gave way to worry. **Insects are the vital pollinators and recyclers of ecosystems and the base of food webs everywhere.** Riis was not alone in noticing their decline. **In the United States, scientists recently found the population of monarch butterflies fell by 90 percent in the last 20 years, a loss of 900 million individuals; the rusty-patched bumblebee, which once lived in 28 states, dropped by 87 percent over the same period.** With other, less-studied insect species, one butterfly researcher told me, "all we can do is wave our arms and say, 'It's not here anymore!'" Still, the most disquieting thing wasn't the disappearance of certain species of insects; it was the deeper worry, shared by Riis and many others, that a whole insect world might be quietly going missing, a loss of abundance that could alter the planet in unknowable ways. "We notice the losses," says David Wagner, an entomologist at the University of Connecticut. "It's the diminishment that we don't see."

Because insects are legion, inconspicuous and hard to meaningfully track, the fear that there might be far fewer than before was more felt than documented. People noticed it by canals or in backyards or under streetlights at night — familiar places that had become unfamiliarly empty. The feeling was so common that entomologists developed a shorthand for it, named for the way many people first began to notice that they weren't seeing as many bugs. They called it the windshield phenomenon.

To test what had been primarily a loose suspicion of wrongness, Riis and 200 other Danes were spending the month of June roaming their country's back roads in their outfitted cars. They were part of a study conducted by the Natural History Museum of Denmark, a joint effort of the University of Copenhagen, Aarhus University and North Carolina State University. The nets would stand in for windshields as Riis and the other volunteers drove through various habitats — urban areas, forests, agricultural tracts, uncultivated open land and wetlands — hoping to quantify the disorienting sense that, as one of the study's designers put it, "something from the past is missing from the present."

When the investigators began planning the study in 2016, they weren't sure if anyone would sign up. But by the time the nets were ready, a paper by an obscure German entomological society had brought the problem of insect decline into sharp focus. The German study found that, measured simply by weight, the overall abundance of flying insects in German nature reserves had decreased by 75 percent over just 27 years. If you looked at midsummer population peaks, the drop was 82 percent.

Riis learned about the study from a group of his students in one of their class projects. They must have made some kind of mistake in their citation, he thought. But they hadn't. The study would quickly become, according to the website Altmetric, the sixth-most-discussed scientific paper of 2017. Headlines around the world warned of an "insect Armageddon."

Within days of announcing the insect-collection project, the Natural History Museum of Denmark was turning away eager volunteers by the dozens. It seemed there were people like Riis everywhere, people who had noticed a change but didn't know what to make of it. How could something as fundamental as the bugs in the sky just disappear? And what would become of the world without them?

Anyone who has returned to a childhood haunt to find that everything somehow got smaller knows that humans are not great at remembering the past accurately. This is especially true when it comes to changes to the natural world. It is impossible to maintain a fixed perspective, as Heraclitus observed 2,500 years ago: It is not the same river, but we are also not the same people.

A 1995 study, by Peter H. Kahn and Batya Friedman, of the way some children in Houston experienced pollution summed up our blindness this way: "With each generation, the amount of environmental degradation increases, but each generation takes that amount as the norm." In decades of photos of fishermen holding up their catch in the Florida Keys, the marine biologist Loren McClenachan found a perfect illustration of this phenomenon, which is often called "shifting baseline syndrome." The fish got smaller and smaller, to the point where the prize catches were dwarfed by fish that in years past were piled up and ignored. But the smiles on the fishermen's faces stayed the same size. The world never feels fallen, because we grow accustomed to the fall.

By one measure, bugs are the wildlife we know best, the nondomesticated animals whose lives intersect most intimately with our own: spiders in the shower, ants at the picnic, ticks buried in the skin. We sometimes feel that we know them rather too well. In another sense, though, they are one of our planet's greatest mysteries, a reminder of how little we know about what's happening in the world around us.

We've named and described a million species of insects, a stupefying array of thrips and firebrats and antlions and caddis flies and froghoppers and other enormous families of bugs that most of us can't even name. (Technically, the word "bug" applies only to the order Hemiptera, also known as true bugs, species that have tubelike mouths for piercing and sucking — and there are as many as 80,000 named varieties of those.) The ones we think we do know well, we don't: There are 12,000 types of ants, nearly 20,000 varieties of bees, almost 400,000 species of beetles, so many that the geneticist J.B.S. Haldane reportedly quipped that God must have an inordinate fondness for them. A bit of healthy soil a foot square and two inches deep might easily be home to 200 unique species of mites, each, presumably, with a subtly

different job to do. And yet entomologists estimate that all this amazing, absurd and understudied variety represents perhaps only 20 percent of the actual diversity of insects on our planet — that there are millions and millions of species that are entirely unknown to science.

With so much abundance, it very likely never occurred to most entomologists of the past that their multitudinous subjects might dwindle away. As they poured themselves into studies of the life cycles and taxonomies of the species that fascinated them, few thought to measure or record something as boring as their number. Besides, tracking quantity is slow, tedious and unglamorous work: setting and checking traps, waiting years or decades for your data to be meaningful, grappling with blunt baseline questions instead of more sophisticated ones. And who would pay for it? Most academic funding is short-term, but when what you're interested in is invisible, generational change, says Dave Goulson, an entomologist at the University of Sussex, "a three-year monitoring program is no good to anybody." This is especially true of insect populations, which are naturally variable, with wide, trend-obscuring fluctuations from one year to the next.

When entomologists began noticing and investigating insect declines, they lamented the absence of solid information from the past in which to ground their experiences of the present. "We see a hundred of something, and we think we're fine," Wagner says, "but what if there were 100,000 two generations ago?" Rob Dunn, an ecologist at North Carolina State University who helped design the net experiment in Denmark, recently searched for studies showing the effect of pesticide spraying on the quantity of insects living in nearby forests. He was surprised to find that no such studies existed. "We ignored really basic questions," he said. "It feels like we've dropped the ball in some giant collective way."



If entomologists lacked data, what they did have were some very worrying clues. Along with the impression that they were seeing fewer bugs in their own jars and nets while out doing experiments — a windshield phenomenon specific to the sorts of people who have bug jars and nets — there were documented downward slides of well-studied bugs, including various kinds of bees, moths, butterflies and beetles. In Britain, as many as 30 to 60 percent of species were found to have diminishing ranges. Larger trends were harder to pin down, though a 2014 review in *Science* tried to quantify these declines by synthesizing the findings of existing studies and found that a majority of monitored species were declining, on average by 45 percent.

Entomologists also knew that climate change and the overall degradation of global habitat are bad news for biodiversity in general, and that insects are dealing with the particular challenges posed by herbicides and pesticides, along with the effects of losing meadows, forests and even weedy patches to the relentless expansion of human spaces. There were studies of other, better-understood species that suggested that the insects associated with them might be declining, too. People who studied fish found that the fish had fewer mayflies to eat. Ornithologists kept finding that birds that rely on insects for food were in trouble: eight in 10 partridges gone from French farmlands; 50 and 80 percent drops, respectively, for nightingales and turtledoves. Half of all farmland birds in Europe disappeared in just three decades. At first, many scientists assumed the familiar culprit of habitat destruction was at work, but then they began to wonder if the birds might simply be starving. In Denmark, an ornithologist named Anders Tottrup was the one who came up with

the idea of turning cars into insect trackers for the windshield-effect study after he noticed that rollers, little owls, Eurasian hobbies and bee-eaters — all birds that subsist on large insects such as beetles and dragonflies — had abruptly disappeared from the landscape.

The signs were certainly alarming, but they were also just signs, not enough to justify grand pronouncements about the health of insects as a whole or about what might be driving a widespread, cross-species decline. “There are no quantitative data on insects, so this is just a hypothesis,” Hans de Kroon, an ecologist at Radboud University in the Netherlands, explained to me — not the sort of language that sends people to the barricades.

Then came the German study. Scientists are still cautious about what the findings might imply about other regions of the world. But the study brought forth exactly the kind of longitudinal data they had been seeking, and it wasn’t specific to just one type of insect. The numbers were stark, indicating a vast impoverishment of an entire insect universe, even in protected areas where insects ought to be under less stress. The speed and scale of the drop were shocking even to entomologists who were already anxious about bees or fireflies or the cleanliness of car windshields.

The results were surprising in another way too. The long-term details about insect abundance, the kind that no one really thought existed, hadn’t appeared in a particularly prestigious journal and didn’t come from university-affiliated scientists, but from a small society of insect enthusiasts based in the modest German city Krefeld.

Krefeld sits a half-hour drive outside Düsseldorf, near the western bank of the Rhine. It’s a city of brick houses and bright flower gardens and a *stadtwald* — a municipal forest and park — where paddle boats float on a lake, umbrellas shade a beer garden and (I couldn’t help noticing) the afternoon light through the trees illuminates small swarms of dancing insects.

Near the center of the old city, a paper sign, not much larger than a business card, identifies the stolid headquarters of the society whose research caused so much commotion. When it was founded, in 1905, the society operated out of another building, one that was destroyed when Britain bombed the city during World War II. (By the time the bombs fell, members had moved their precious records and collections of insects, some of which dated back to the 1860s, to an underground bunker.) Nowadays, the society uses more than 6,000 square feet of an old three-story school as storage space. Ask for a tour of the collections, and you will hear such sentences as “This whole room is Lepidoptera,” referring to a former classroom stuffed with what I at first took to be shelves of books but which are in fact innumerable wooden frames containing pinned butterflies and moths; and, in an even larger room, “every bumblebee here was collected before the Second World War, 1880 to 1930”; and, upon opening a drawer full of sweat bees, “It’s a new collection, 30 years only.”

On the shelves that do hold books, I counted 31 clearly well-loved volumes in the series “Beetles of Middle Europe.” A 395-page book that cataloged specimens of spider wasps — where they were collected; where they were stored — of the western Palearctic said “1948-2008” on the cover. I asked my guide, a society member named Martin Sorg, who was one of the lead authors of the paper, whether those dates reflected when the specimens were collected. “No,” Sorg replied, “that was the time the author needed for this work.”

Sorg, who rolls his own cigarettes and wears John Lennon glasses and whose gray hair grows long past his shoulders, is not a freewheeling type when it comes to his insect work. And his insect work is really all he wants to talk about. “We think details about nature and biodiversity declines are important, not details about life histories of entomologists,” Sorg explained after he and Werner Stenmans, a society member whose name appeared alongside Sorg’s on the 2017 paper, dismissed my questions about their day jobs. Leery of an article that focused on him as a person, Sorg also didn’t want to talk about what drew him to entomology as a child or even what it was about certain types of wasps that had made him want to devote so much of his life to studying them. “We normally give life histories when someone is dead,” he said.

There was a reason for the wariness. Society members dislike seeing themselves described, over and over in news stories, as “amateurs.” It’s a framing that reflects, they believe, a too-narrow understanding of what it means to be an expert or even a scientist — what it means to be a student of the natural world.

Amateurs have long provided much of the patchy knowledge we have about nature. Those bee and butterfly studies? Most depend on mass mobilizations of volunteers willing to walk transects and count insects, every two weeks or every year, year after year. The scary numbers about bird declines were gathered this way, too, though because birds can be hard to spot, volunteers often must learn to identify them by their sounds. Britain, which has a particularly strong tradition of amateur naturalism, has the best-studied bugs in the world. As technologically advanced as we are, the natural world is still a very big and complex place, and the best way to learn what's going on is for a lot of people to spend a lot of time observing it. The Latin root of the word "amateur" is, after all, the word "lover."

Some of these citizen-scientists are true beginners clutching field guides; others, driven by their own passion and following in a long tradition of "amateur" naturalism, are far from novices. Think of Victorians with their butterfly nets and curiosity cabinets; of Vladimir Nabokov, whose theories about the evolution of *Polyommatus* blue butterflies were ignored until proved correct by DNA testing more than 30 years after his death; of young Charles Darwin, cutting his classes at Cambridge to collect beetles at Wicken Fen and once putting a live beetle in his mouth because his hands were already full of other bugs.

The Krefeld society is volunteer-run, and many members have other jobs in unrelated fields, but they also have an enormous depth of knowledge about insects, accumulated through years of what other people might consider obsessive attention. Some study the ecology or evolutionary taxonomy of their favorite species or map their populations or breed them to study their life histories. All hone their identification skills across species by amassing their own collections of carefully pinned and labeled insects like those that fill the society's storage rooms. Sorg estimated that of the society's 63 members, a third are university-trained in subjects such as biology or earth science. Another third, he said, are "highly specialized and highly qualified but they never visited the university," while the remaining third are actual amateurs who are still in the process of becoming "real" entomologists: "Some of them may also have a degree from the university, but in our view, they are beginners."

The society members' projects often involved setting up what are called malaise traps, nets that look like tents and drive insects flying by into bottles of ethanol. Because of the scientific standards of the society, members followed certain procedures: They always employed identical traps, sewn from a template they first used in 1982. (Sorg showed me the original rolled-up craft paper with great solemnity.) They always put them in the same places. (Before GPS, that meant a painstaking process of triangulating with surveying equipment. "We are not sure about a few centimeters," Sorg granted.) They saved everything they caught, regardless of what the main purpose of the experiment was. (The society bought so much ethanol that it attracted the attention of a narcotics unit.)

Those bottles of insects were gathered into thousands of boxes, which are now crammed into what were once offices in the upper reaches of the school. When the society members, like entomologists elsewhere, began to notice that they were seeing fewer insects, they had something against which to measure their worries.

"We don't throw away anything, we store everything," Sorg explained. "That gives us today the possibility to go back in time."

In 2013, Krefeld entomologists confirmed that the total number of insects caught in one nature reserve was nearly 80 percent lower than the same spot in 1989. They had sampled other sites, analyzed old data sets and found similar declines: Where 30 years earlier, they often needed a liter bottle for a week of trapping, now a half-liter bottle usually sufficed. But it would have taken even highly trained entomologists years of painstaking work to identify all the insects in the bottles. So the society used a standardized method for weighing insects in alcohol, which told a powerful story simply by showing how much the overall mass of insects dropped over time. "A decline of this mixture," Sorg said, "is a very different thing than the decline of only a few species."

The society collaborated with de Kroon and other scientists at Radboud University in the Netherlands, who did a trend analysis of the data that Krefeld provided, controlling for things like the effects of nearby plants, weather and forest cover on fluctuations in insect populations. The final study looked at 63 nature preserves, representing almost 17,000

sampling days, and found consistent declines in every kind of habitat they sampled. This suggested, the authors wrote, “that it is not only the vulnerable species but the flying-insect community as a whole that has been decimated over the last few decades.”

For some scientists, the study created a moment of reckoning. “Scientists thought this data was too boring,” Dunn says. “But these people found it beautiful, and they loved it. They were the ones paying attention to Earth for all the rest of us.”

The current worldwide loss of biodiversity is popularly known as the sixth extinction: the sixth time in world history that a large number of species have disappeared in unusually rapid succession, caused this time not by asteroids or ice ages but by humans. When we think about losing biodiversity, we tend to think of the last northern white rhinos protected by armed guards, of polar bears on dwindling ice floes. Extinction is a visceral tragedy, universally understood: There is no coming back from it. The guilt of letting a unique species vanish is eternal.

But extinction is not the only tragedy through which we’re living. What about the species that still exist, but as a shadow of what they once were? In “The Once and Future World,” the journalist J.B. MacKinnon cites records from recent centuries that hint at what has only just been lost: “In the North Atlantic, a school of cod stalls a tall ship in midocean; off Sydney, Australia, a ship’s captain sails from noon until sunset through pods of sperm whales as far as the eye can see. ... Pacific pioneers complain to the authorities that splashing salmon threaten to swamp their canoes.” There were reports of lions in the south of France, walruses at the mouth of the Thames, flocks of birds that took three days to fly overhead, as many as 100 blue whales in the Southern Ocean for every one that’s there now. “These are not sights from some ancient age of fire and ice,” MacKinnon writes. “We are talking about things seen by human eyes, recalled in human memory.”

What we’re losing is not just the *diversity* part of biodiversity, but the *bio* part: life in sheer quantity. While I was writing this article, scientists learned that the world’s largest king penguin colony shrank by 88 percent in 35 years, that more than 97 percent of the bluefin tuna that once lived in the ocean are gone. The number of Sophie the Giraffe toys sold in France in a single year is nine times the number of all the giraffes that still live in Africa.

Finding reassurance in the survival of a few symbolic standard-bearers ignores the value of abundance, of a natural world that thrives on richness and complexity and interaction. Tigers still exist, for example, but that doesn’t change the fact that 93 percent of the land where they used to live is now tigerless. This matters for more than romantic reasons: Large animals, especially top predators like tigers, connect ecosystems to one another and move energy and resources among them simply by walking and eating and defecating and dying. (In the deep ocean, sunken whale carcasses form the basis of entire ecosystems in nutrient-poor places.) One result of their loss is what’s known as trophic cascade, the unraveling of an ecosystem’s fabric as prey populations boom and crash and the various levels of the food web no longer keep each other in check. These places are emptier, impoverished in a thousand subtle ways.

Scientists have begun to speak of functional extinction (as opposed to the more familiar kind, numerical extinction). Functionally extinct animals and plants are still present but no longer prevalent enough to affect how an ecosystem works. Some phrase this as the extinction not of a species but of all its former interactions with its environment — an extinction of seed dispersal and predation and pollination and all the other ecological functions an animal once had, which can be devastating even if some individuals still persist. The more interactions are lost, the more disordered the ecosystem becomes. A 2013 paper in *Nature*, which modeled both natural and computer-generated food webs, suggested that a loss of even 30 percent of a species’ abundance can be so destabilizing that other species start going fully, numerically extinct — in fact, 80 percent of the time it was a secondarily affected creature that was the first to disappear. A famous real-world example of this type of cascade concerns sea otters. When they were nearly wiped out in the northern Pacific, their prey, sea urchins, ballooned in number and decimated kelp forests, turning a rich environment into a barren one and also possibly contributing to numerical extinctions, notably of the Steller’s sea cow.

Conservationists tend to focus on rare and endangered species, but it is common ones, because of their abundance, that power the living systems of our planet. Most species are not common, but within many animal groups most individuals — some 80 percent of them — belong to common species. Like the slow approach of twilight, their declines can be hard to see. White-rumped vultures were nearly gone from India before there was widespread awareness of their

disappearance. Describing this phenomenon in the journal *BioScience*, Kevin Gaston, a professor of biodiversity and conservation at the University of Exeter, wrote: “Humans seem innately better able to detect the complete loss of an environmental feature than its progressive change.”

In addition to extinction (the complete loss of a species) and extirpation (a localized extinction), scientists now speak of defaunation: the loss of individuals, the loss of abundance, the loss of a place’s absolute animalness. In a 2014 article in *Science*, researchers argued that the word should become as familiar, and influential, as the concept of deforestation. In 2017 another paper reported that major population and range losses extended even to species considered to be at low risk for extinction. They predicted “negative cascading consequences on ecosystem functioning and services vital to sustaining civilization” and the authors offered another term for the widespread loss of the world’s wild fauna: “biological annihilation.”

It is estimated that, since 1970, Earth’s various populations of wild land animals have lost, on average, 60 percent of their members. Zeroing in on the category we most relate to, mammals, scientists believe that for every six wild creatures that once ate and burrowed and raised young, only one remains. What we have instead is ourselves. A study published this year in the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* found that if you look at the world’s mammals by weight, 96 percent of that biomass is humans and livestock; just 4 percent is wild animals.

We’ve begun to talk about living in the Anthropocene, a world shaped by humans. But E.O. Wilson, the naturalist and prophet of environmental degradation, has suggested another name: the Eremocene, the age of loneliness.

Wilson began his career as a taxonomic entomologist, studying ants. Insects — about as far as you can get from charismatic megafauna — are not what we’re usually imagining when we talk about biodiversity. Yet they are, in Wilson’s words, “the little things that run the natural world.” He means it literally. Insects are a case study in the invisible importance of the common.

Scientists have tried to calculate the benefits that insects provide simply by going about their business in large numbers. Trillions of bugs flitting from flower to flower pollinate some three-quarters of our food crops, a service worth as much as \$500 billion every year. (This doesn’t count the 80 percent of wild flowering plants, the foundation blocks of life everywhere, that rely on insects for pollination.) If monetary calculations like that sound strange, consider the Maoxian Valley in China, where shortages of insect pollinators have led farmers to hire human workers, at a cost of up to \$19 per worker per day, to replace bees. Each person covers five to 10 trees a day, pollinating apple blossoms by hand.

By eating and being eaten, insects turn plants into protein and power the growth of all the uncountable species — including freshwater fish and a majority of birds — that rely on them for food, not to mention all the creatures that eat those creatures. We worry about saving the grizzly bear, says the insect ecologist Scott Hoffman Black, but where is the grizzly without the bee that pollinates the berries it eats or the flies that sustain baby salmon? Where, for that matter, are we?

Bugs are vital to the decomposition that keeps nutrients cycling, soil healthy, plants growing and ecosystems running. This role is mostly invisible, until suddenly it’s not. After introducing cattle to Australia at the turn of the 19th century, settlers soon found themselves overwhelmed by the problem of their feces: For some reason, cow pies there were taking months or even years to decompose. Cows refused to eat near the stink, requiring more and more land for grazing, and so many flies bred in the piles that the country became famous for the funny hats that stockmen wore to keep them at bay. It wasn’t until 1951 that a visiting entomologist realized what was wrong: The local insects, evolved to eat the more fibrous waste of marsupials, couldn’t handle cow excrement. For the next 25 years, the importation, quarantine and release of dozens of species of dung beetles became a national priority. And that was just one unfilled niche. (In the United States, dung beetles save ranchers an estimated \$380 million a year.) We simply don’t know everything that insects do. Only about 2 percent of invertebrate species have been studied enough for us to estimate whether they are in danger of extinction, never mind what dangers that extinction might pose.

When asked to imagine what would happen if insects were to disappear completely, scientists find words like chaos, collapse, Armageddon. Wagner, the University of Connecticut entomologist, describes a flowerless world with silent forests, a world of dung and old leaves and rotting carcasses accumulating in cities and roadsides, a world of “collapse or

decay and erosion and loss that would spread through ecosystems” — spiraling from predators to plants. E.O. Wilson has written of an insect-free world, a place where most plants and land animals become extinct; where fungi explodes, for a while, thriving on death and rot; and where “the human species survives, able to fall back on wind-pollinated grains and marine fishing” despite mass starvation and resource wars. “Clinging to survival in a devastated world, and trapped in an ecological dark age,” he adds, “the survivors would offer prayers for the return of weeds and bugs.”

But the crux of the windshield phenomenon, the reason that the creeping suspicion of change is so *creepy*, is that insects wouldn’t have to disappear altogether for us to find ourselves missing them for reasons far beyond nostalgia. In October, an entomologist sent me an email with the subject line, “Holy [expletive]!” and an attachment: a study just out from Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences that he labeled, “Krefeld comes to Puerto Rico.” The study included data from the 1970s and from the early 2010s, when a tropical ecologist named Brad Lister returned to the rain forest where he had studied lizards — and, crucially, their prey — 40 years earlier. Lister set out sticky traps and swept nets across foliage in the same places he had in the 1970s, but this time he and his co-author, Andres Garcia, caught much, much less: 10 to 60 times less arthropod biomass than before. (It’s easy to read that number as 60 percent less, but it’s sixtyfold less: Where once he caught 473 milligrams of bugs, Lister was now catching just eight milligrams.) “It was, you know, devastating,” Lister told me. But even scarier were the ways the losses were already moving through the ecosystem, with serious declines in the numbers of lizards, birds and frogs. The paper reported “a bottom-up trophic cascade and consequent collapse of the forest food web.” Lister’s inbox quickly filled with messages from other scientists, especially people who study soil invertebrates, telling him they were seeing similarly frightening declines. Even after his dire findings, Lister found the losses shocking: “I didn’t even know about the earthworm crisis!”

The strange thing, Lister said, is that, as staggering as they are, all the declines he documented would still be basically invisible to the average person walking through the Luquillo rain forest. On his last visit, the forest still felt “timeless” and “phantasmagorical,” with “cascading waterfalls and carpets of flowers.” You would have to be an expert to notice what was missing. But he expects the losses to push the forest toward a tipping point, after which “there is a sudden and dramatic loss of the rain-forest system,” and the changes will become obvious to anyone. The place he loves will become unrecognizable.

The insects in the forest that Lister studied haven’t been contending with pesticides or habitat loss, the two problems to which the Krefeld paper pointed. Instead, Lister chalks up their decline to climate change, which has already increased temperatures in Luquillo by two degrees Celsius since Lister first sampled there. Previous research suggested that tropical bugs will be unusually sensitive to temperature changes; in November, scientists who subjected laboratory beetles to a heat wave reported that the increased temperatures made them significantly less fertile. Other scientists wonder if it might be climate-induced drought or possibly invasive rats or simply “death by a thousand cuts” — a confluence of many kinds of changes to the places where insects once thrived.

Like other species, insects are responding to what Chris Thomas, an insect ecologist at the University of York, has called “the transformation of the world”: not just a changing climate but also the widespread conversion, via urbanization, agricultural intensification and so on, of natural spaces into human ones, with fewer and fewer resources “left over” for nonhuman creatures to live on. What resources remain are often contaminated. Hans de Kroon characterizes the life of many modern insects as trying to survive from one dwindling oasis to the next but with “a desert in between, and at worst it’s a poisonous desert.” Of particular concern are neonicotinoids, neurotoxins that were thought to affect only treated crops but turned out to accumulate in the landscape and to be consumed by all kinds of nontargeted bugs. People talk about the “loss” of bees to colony collapse disorder, and that appears to be the right word: Affected hives aren’t full of dead bees, but simply mysteriously empty. A leading theory is that exposure to neurotoxins leaves bees unable to find their way home. Even hives exposed to low levels of neonicotinoids have been shown to collect less pollen and produce fewer eggs and far fewer queens. Some recent studies found bees doing better in cities than in the supposed countryside.

The diversity of insects means that some will manage to make do in new environments, some will thrive (abundance cuts both ways: agricultural monocultures, places where only one kind of plant grows, allow some pests to reach population levels they would never achieve in nature) and some, searching for food and shelter in a world nothing like

the one they were meant for, will fail. While we need much more data to better understand the reasons or mechanisms behind the ups and downs, Thomas says, “the average across all species is still a decline.”

Since the Krefeld study came out, researchers have begun searching for other forgotten repositories of information that might offer windows into the past. Some of the Radboud researchers have analyzed long-term data, belonging to Dutch entomological societies, about beetles and moths in certain reserves; they found significant drops (72 percent, 54 percent) that mirrored the Krefeld ones. Roel van Klink, a researcher at the German Center for Integrative Biodiversity Research, told me that before Krefeld, he, like most entomologists, had never been interested in biomass. Now he is looking for historical data sets — many of which began as studies of agricultural pests, like a decades-long study of grasshoppers in Kansas — that could help create a more thorough picture of what’s happening to creatures that are at once abundant and imperiled. So far he has found forgotten data from 140 old data sets for 1,500 locations that could be resampled.

In the United States, one of the few long-term data sets about insect abundance comes from the work of Arthur Shapiro, an entomologist at the University of California, Davis. In 1972, he began walking transects in the Central Valley and the Sierras, counting butterflies. He planned to do a study on how short-term weather variations affected butterfly populations. But the longer he sampled, the more valuable his data became, offering a signal through the noise of seasonal ups and downs. “And so here I am in Year 46,” he said, nearly half a century of spending five days a week, from late spring to the end of autumn, observing butterflies. In that time he has watched overall numbers decline and seen some species that used to be everywhere — even species that “everyone regarded as a junk species” only a few decades ago — all but disappear. Shapiro believes that Krefeld-level declines are likely to be happening all over the globe. “But, of course, I don’t cover the entire globe,” he added. “I cover I-80.”

There are also new efforts to set up more of the kind of insect-monitoring schemes researchers wish had existed decades ago, so that our current level of fallenness, at least, is captured. One is a pilot project in Germany similar to the Danish car study. To analyze what is caught, the researchers turned to volunteer naturalists, hobbyists similar to the ones in Krefeld, with the necessary breadth of knowledge to know what they’re looking at. “These are not easy species to identify,” says Aletta Bonn, of the German Center for Integrative Biodiversity Research, who is overseeing the project. (The skills required for such work “are really extreme,” Dunn says. “These people train for decades with other amateurs to be able to identify beetles based on their genitalia.”) Bond would like to pay the volunteers for their expertise, she says, but funding hasn’t caught up to the crisis. That didn’t stop the “amateurs” from being willing to help: “They said, ‘We’re just curious what’s in there, we would like to have samples.’”

Goulson says that Europe’s tradition of amateur naturalism may account for why so many of the clues to the falloff in insect biodiversity originate there. (Tottrup’s design for the car net in Denmark, for example, was itself adapted from the invention of a dedicated beetle-collecting hobbyist.) As little as we know about the status of European bugs, we know significantly less about other parts of the world. “We wouldn’t know anything if it weren’t for them,” the so-called amateurs, Goulson told me. “We’d be entirely relying on the fact that there’s no bugs on the windshield.”

Thomas believes that this naturalist tradition is also why Europe is acting much faster than other places — for example, the United States — to address the decline of insects: Interest leads to tracking, which leads to awareness, which leads to concern, which leads to action. Since the Krefeld data emerged, there have been hearings about protecting insect biodiversity in the German Bundestag and the European Parliament. European Union member states voted to extend a ban on neonicotinoid pesticides and have begun to put money toward further studies of how abundance is changing, what is causing those changes and what can be done. When I knocked on the door of de Kroon’s office, at Radboud University in the Dutch city Nijmegen, he was looking at some photos from another meeting he had that day: Willem-Alexander, the king of the Netherlands, had taken a tour of the city’s efforts to make its riverside a friendlier habitat for bugs.

Stemming insect declines will require much more than this, however. The European Union already had some measures in place to help pollinators — including more strictly regulating pesticides than the United States does and paying farmers to create insect habitats by leaving fields fallow and allowing for wild edges alongside cultivation — but insect populations dropped anyway. New reports call for national governments to collaborate; for more creative approaches

such as integrating insect habitats into the design of roads, power lines, railroads and other infrastructure; and, as always, for more studies. The necessary changes, like the causes, may be profound. “It’s just another indication that we’re destroying the life-support system of the planet,” Lister says of the Puerto Rico study. “Nature’s resilient, but we’re pushing her to such extremes that eventually it will cause a collapse of the system.”

Scientists hope that insects will have a chance to embody that resilience. While tigers tend to give birth to three or four cubs at a time, a ghost moth in Australia was once recorded laying 29,100 eggs, and she still had 15,000 in her ovaries. The fecund abundance that is insects’ singular trait should enable them to recover, but only if they are given the space and the opportunity to do so.

“It’s a debate we need to have urgently,” Goulson says. “If we lose insects, life on earth will. ...” He trailed off, pausing for what felt like a long time.

In Denmark, Sune Boye Riis’s transect with his car net took him past a bit of woods, some suburban lawns, some hedges, a Christmas-tree farm. The closest thing to a meadow that we passed was a large military property, on which the grass had been allowed to grow tall and golden. Riis had received instructions not to drive too fast, so traffic backed up behind us, and some people began to honk. “Well,” Riis said, “so much for science.” After three miles, he turned around and drove back toward the start. His windshield stayed mockingly clean.

Riis had four friends who were also participating in the study. They had a bet going among them: Who would net the biggest bug? “I’m way behind,” Riis said. “A bumblebee is in the lead.” His biggest catch? “A fly. Not even a big one.”

At the end of the transect, Riis stopped at another parlous roadside spot, unfastened the net and removed the small bag at its tip. Some volunteers, captivated by what the study revealed about the world around them, asked the organizers for extra specimen bags, so they could do more sampling on their own. Some even asked if they could buy the entire car-net apparatus. Riis, though, was content to peer through the mesh, inside of which he could make out a number of black specks of varying tininess.

There was also a single butterfly, white-winged and delicate. Riis thought of the bet with his friends, for which the meaning of bigness had not been defined. He wondered how it might be reckoned. What gave a creature value?

“Is it weight?” he asked, staring down at the butterfly. In the big bag, it looked small and sad and alone. “Or is it grace?”

Correction: November 26, 2018

An earlier version of this article misidentified, on first reference, the location of Radboud University. It is in the Netherlands, not Denmark.

Correction: November 27, 2018

An earlier version of this article misspelled the name of an extinct species. It is Steller’s sea cow, not Stellar’s.

Brooke Jarvis is a contributing writer for the magazine. She last wrote about American children of undocumented parents.

Photo illustrations by Matt Dorfman

A version of this article appears in print on Dec. 1, 2018, on Page 41 of the Sunday Magazine with the headline: The Insect Apocalypse Is Here

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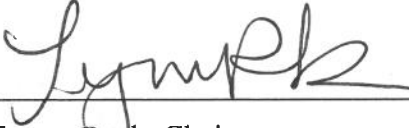
City of Seaside
Environmental Committee

Date: 11/13/18
To: Seaside Planning Commission
From: City of Seaside Environmental Committee
Subject: **Proposed Beekeeping Amendments**

Seaside's Environmental Committee would like to express our support of the text amendments proposed to the Seaside Municipal Code regarding beekeeping in the city. Currently, City Council approval is required for beekeeping in the city, which is an expensive and overly regulated process for an activity that is beneficial to the environment. The proposed amendments would make beekeeping permitted by-right, citywide. Bees can be maintained within populated areas in reasonable densities without causing a nuisance if the honey bees are properly managed. Due to their selective breeding for traits such as honey production, tendency not to swarm, and non-aggressive behavior, beekeeping is not likely to result in a nuisance. Bees and other pollinators have experienced population declines due to a combination of habitat loss, use of pesticides, and the spread of pests and diseases. Therefore, the Environmental Committee considers beekeeping to be an opportunity that will positively impact the City of Seaside by contributing to a healthier, more sustainable, and resilient environment.

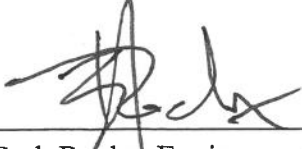
Supported at a regular meeting of the Environmental Committee of the City of Seaside, State of California, on the 13th day of November, 2018, by the following vote:

AYES: Raak, Revelas, Murphy, Molle, Abraham-Panni
NOES: None
ABSENT: Coble
ABSTAIN: Wizard

 12.3.18

Lacey Raak, Chairperson

ATTEST:

 12.3.18

Beth Rocha, Environmental Committee Staff Liaison/
Associate Planner

RESOLUTION 18-18 PC

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SEASIDE

RECOMMENDING THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT AN ORDINANCE FOR PROPOSED TEXT AMENDMENTS TO SEASIDE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTIONS 6.04.165 AND 17.52.020, ENACTING BEEKEEPING PERMITTED BY-RIGHT CITYWIDE.

WHEREAS, the enactment of this ordinance is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as it is not a project pursuant to Guidelines Section 15378 because it has no potential for resulting in physical change to the environment directly or indirectly. In addition, CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 includes the general rule that CEQA applies only to activities which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, directly or indirectly as the placement of beehives would not interfere with views and or cause any noise, odors, air quality impacts or traffic related impacts. Because the proposed action and this matter have no potential to cause any effect on the environment, or because it falls within a category of activities excluded as project pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15061(B)(3), this ordinance is not subject to CEQA review.

WHEREAS, at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Environmental Committee on April 10, 2018, beekeeping permit requirements and municipal code sections regulating this activity were discussed and the committee discussed moving forward with text amendments in order to encourage beekeeping in the city by designating it as a by-right use rather than requiring approval by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Environmental Committee on November 13, 2018, the committee voted to sign a memorandum of support for the proposed text amendments, as the committee considers beekeeping to be an opportunity that will positively impact the City of Seaside by contributing to a healthier, more sustainable, and resilient environment; and

WHEREAS, the City of Seaside is proposing text amendments to Section 06.04.165 (Permit Required for Bees) and Section 17.52.020 (Animal Keeping) of the Seaside Municipal Code to provide and read as follows:

Proposed Text Amendments

- (Text proposed to be deleted is listed with strikethrough (~~Strikethrough~~) and text proposed to be added is listed in **bold** with an underline (Underline))

1. Amend Title 6.04.165 to read as follows:

6.04.165 ~~Permit required for bees.~~ **Beekeeping Nuisances**

A. Any person desiring to maintain bees or bee swarms in boxes or hives within the city limits must first obtain a permit from the city council after a finding by the city council that the maintenance thereof will not be a public or private nuisance, nor detrimental to property values or human health or safety.

B. Any permit issued by the city council may be subject to such conditions and time limitations as the council deems appropriate, and is subject to revocation or modification after public hearing on ten days' written notice to the permittee.
(Ord. 709 § 1, 1986)

A. Honeybees or beehives shall be considered a public nuisance when any of the following occur:

- 1. Honeybees exhibit unprovoked defensive behavior against humans or animals.**
- 2. Honeybees interfere with the normal use of neighboring properties, including detrimental impacts to property values or human health or safety.**
- 3. Hives become abandoned by the property owner.**

2. Amend Title 17, Section 17.52.020 to read as follows:

17.52.020 Animal Keeping

E. Beekeeping Standards. Refer to Municipal Code Section 6.04.165 **for beekeeping nuisance regulations.**

- 1. No more than three beehives may be maintained on any site.**
- 2. Beehives shall not be considered structures or accessory structures.**
- 3. Beehives shall be kept in sound usable conditions at all times.**
- 4. Beehives shall be placed in a location on the subject property such that beekeeping activities do not adversely impact neighboring properties.**

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Planning Commission to consider and weigh the merits of the text amendments in relation to the policies, standards and intent of the Seaside General Plan and Seaside Municipal Code in making its determination and recommendations to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Seaside Planning Commission considered oral comments and written information concerning the proposed ordinance at a duly noticed public hearing held on 17th of December 2018 and made a recommendation to the City Council to adopt the proposed text amendments; and

WHEREAS, the City of Seaside has conditionally permitted the husbandry of domestic honey because of the honeybees benefit to mankind and to Seaside in particular, by supporting healthy ecosystems, agriculture and garden pollination services and by furnishing honey, wax, and other useful products; and

WHEREAS, honeybees can be maintained within populated areas in reasonable densities without causing a nuisance when the honeybees are properly managed; and

WHEREAS, honeybees are selectively bred for desirable traits such as honey production, tendency not to swarm, and docile behavior; and

WHEREAS, honeybees and other pollinators have experienced a significant and rapid population declines due to a combination of habitat loss, use of pesticides and insecticides, and the spread of pests and diseases and supporting pollinators in Seaside will have positive impacts on the species and the environment; and

WHEREAS the City of Seaside considers beekeeping in the City to be an activity that will positively impact the community and environment and make it more healthy, sustainable, and resilient to future change; and

WHEREAS, the City of Seaside has the opportunity to make choices that will positively impact the community, environment, and economy and make it more healthy, sustainable, and resilient to future change; and

THEREFORE, in order to enhance understanding among local government staff and the public about the vital role that pollinators play and what each of us can do to sustain them, the City of Seaside chooses to support and encourage pollinator habitat creation and enhancement on both public and private land.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Planning Commission adopts the following findings in support of its recommendation to the City Council on the adoption of text amendments:

- 1. The proposed text amendments to Sections 6.04.165 and 17.52.020 of the Seaside Municipal Code are consistent with the goals and policies of elements of the General Plan.**

Evidence: *General Plan Goal Conservation and Open Space - 4 specifies: "Preserve and protect the sensitive habitats and species within the community." The prevention of further pollinator decline, including that of honeybees, must be advocated for by the City through measures that will encourage increases in pollinator populations.*

2. **The proposed amendments would not be detrimental to the public interest, health, safety, convenience, or welfare of the City.**

Evidence: *The proposed amendments clearly define beekeeping nuisance regulations aimed at protecting the health, safety, convenience, and welfare of the City. Additionally, the environmental benefits associated with beekeeping are beneficial to the biological health and diversity of the City. The amendments will not create significant impacts or other conditions or situations that may be objectionable or detrimental to other permitted uses in the vicinity or adverse to the public interest, health, safety, convenience, or welfare of the City.*

3. **The proposed amendments are internally consistent with other applicable provisions of the Seaside Municipal Code.**

Evidence: *The proposed amendments will provide thorough and specific beekeeping regulations in both Title 6 (Animals) and Title 17 (Zoning Ordinance) of the SMC and will not interfere or contradict any municipal code requirements.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Planning Commission recommends the City Council adopt an ordinance approving proposed text amendments to Seaside Municipal Code sections 6.04.165 and 17.52.020 in order to amend regulations, making beekeeping permitted by-right city wide.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a Special Meeting of the Planning Commission of the City of Seaside, State of California, on the 17th of December 2018 by the following vote:

AYES: Kisperskey, La Mica, Spalletta
NOES: None
ABSENT: Owens, Ross, Dodson
ABSTAIN: None

_____/s/_____
Michael Spalletta, Vice Chair

ATTEST:

_____/s/_____
Lesley Milton-Rerig, City Clerk



**CITY OF SEASIDE
STAFF REPORT**

Item No.: 10.A.

TO: City Council

FROM: Craig Malin, City Manager

BY: Dan Meewis, Recreation Superintendent
Nancy Towne, Recreation Services Director

DATE: January 17, 2019

**SUBJECT: CONSIDER A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER
TO EXECUTE A FACILITY USE AGREEMENT WITH SEASIDE
PONY BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL FOR THE 2019 SEASON AND
AUTHORIZE WAIVING \$64,382 IN FEES**

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council approve the Facility Use Agreement for the use of Soper and Rubio baseball fields with Pony Baseball/Softball for the 2019 season, including the waiver of the field use and lighting fees.

BACKGROUND

Seaside Pony Baseball/Softball has requested a waiver of the field use and lighting fees for their 2019 season. Seaside Pony Baseball/Softball serves approximately 300 youth for their baseball and softball teams who practice, compete against each other, and participate in tournaments in the City of Seaside. Seventy five percent of the participants live in the City of Seaside. The previous field use agreement, which covered the 2018 season expired in August of 2018. In order for the City to consider a fee waiver for the 2019 season, Seaside Pony Baseball/Softball needs to enter into a new Facility Use Agreement. The agreement includes provisions that Seaside Pony Baseball/Softball will perform "in lieu" services to help offset revenues from field use fees that are not collected from Seaside Pony Baseball/Softball. The "in lieu" work includes; field preparation and field striping, trash pick up and disposal, and volunteer hours for 2 city Special Events.

The City received a request from Seaside Pony Baseball/Softball, dated December 5th 2018, for a waiver of fees for field use, BBQ area use and lighting fees. They are requesting the use of Soper & Rubio fields for their 2019 season. Based on the City's field use fees, per the adopted 2018-2019 fee schedule.

There are "hard costs" involved with the maintenance of the fields and associated buildings. These costs are included in the fees charged for field use. However, if the field use fees are waived, the hard costs that the City incurs need to be considered. City personnel are required to open and close the restrooms at Soper and Rubio fields. The opening of the restrooms during the week is done during regular hours; part time custodial staff is paid to close the restrooms on weeknights, and open/close them on the weekends. In addition, there is the cost of cleaning and supplies for the restrooms at Soper and Rubio fields.

The fees waived under the Field Use Agreement would be as follows:

\$40,547 Estimated Cost of field usage
\$4,200 Estimated Cost of light usage
\$2,272 Estimated use of BBQ area during tournaments
\$17,364 Estimated City incurred "hard costs"
\$64,382 TOTAL

It is recommended that the City Council approve the Field Use Agreement with Pony Baseball/Softball for the 2019 season, including th

FISCAL IMPACT

Approval of the complete fee waiver requested by Pony Baseball/Softball would result in an estimated cost to the City of \$64,382.

ATTACHMENTS

1. 2019 Pony Use Agreement
2. 2019 Pony fees

Reviewed for Submission to the
City Council by:



Craig Malin, City Manager



FACILITY USE APPLICATION

Guidelines for Use of City Fields

1. No fee waivers or extensions will be issued over the counter. Established groups, such as Seaside Pony Baseball, Seaside Raiders and Seaside PAL shall submit fee waiver requests to the Resource Management Department. Resource Management staff will submit these requests to the City Council. All others shall apply to the Special Events Committee. Requests approved by the Committee will be submitted by Recreation and Community Development staff to Council for consideration.
2. A minimum of 30 days lead time is required for each request. This will allow staff sufficient time to prepare the staff report for submission to Council.
3. Requests shall include a complete list of the days, dates and hours requested for use of City fields. Requests shall include a listing of all services required, such as use of snack bar, field lights, additional staff, and additional field preparation, and other special needs.
4. Before the start of each season, each group shall submit a list of current board members, along with contact information. A single point of contact (the authorized representative) shall be designated, and this person shall be authorized to make decisions for the group. The group shall notify the City if the authorized representative changes. Requests to the City will be accepted only from the authorized representative.
5. Each group will enter into a Use Agreement with the City for use of the fields. Before the start of each season, City staff will meet with the authorized representative and interested board members to discuss the terms of the Use Agreement. Terms of the Use Agreement will be enforced.
6. Groups will not be given any keys to the snack bars, restrooms or fields until all conditions of the Use Agreement have been met (including proof of insurance, 401(c)3 status, etc.).
7. A deposit requirement of \$500 may be considered for the new season for each group requesting a fee waiver. Staff will document any instances of violations of the terms of the Use Agreement during the previous season. The deposit would cover the return of keys, cleanup of the fields, restrooms and snack bars. If collected, the deposit would be returned in full if all keys are returned and the fields, restrooms and snack bars have been kept in good condition during the season. Some or all of the deposit would be withheld if all keys are not returned or if the grounds have not been properly maintained. If the Police Department is called to the park during a time that the field has been reserved and the group is found to be in violation of City Code or there are any Health Department violations attributable to the group, the entire deposit would automatically be forfeited.
8. Groups are not allowed to charge the public for parking on City property at group events. If the group would like to solicit donations, they must obtain a no-fee permit in advance, in accordance with Chapter 5.28 (Charitable Solicitation), of the City Municipal Code.

Attachments: 1. Questionnaire
2. Application
3. Sample Use Agreement
4. Key Request

Attachment 1 Questionnaire

Date of Request: 12/05/2018

1. Name of Organization: Seaside Pony Baseball & Softball
Address: PO Box 1022
City/State/Zip Seaside, CA 93955
Phone: 831-915-7731
Authorized Representative: Cody Rose
2. Status: (Circle all that apply) Private Non-profit Public Profit
3. If Non-Profit, please provide your Tax ID # 77-0431396
4. How long have you been established? 25+ years
How many members are there? 300+
How many members live in the City of Seaside? 250+
Do members pay annual or monthly dues? YES X NO
5. Is your organization affiliated with any national, federal, state, county or local agency or association? YES X NO If YES, please provide the name of that agency or association. Pony Baseball & Softball
6. Are you a YOUTH-oriented organization? YES X NO And if YES, how many Seaside youth are in your organization? All Players
7. Does your organization provide its services only to Seaside youth or residents?
YES NO X Or is membership open to all youth or residents in Monterey County? YES X NO
If YES, please provide the number of youth/residents by city.

Approximately 75% of our participants are from the City of Seaside. The remaining participants are from Monterey, Marina, Pacific Grove, and Salinas.
8. Does your organization receive funding or other support of any type from any national, federal, state, county, regional, city, private or public agency/affiliation? YES X NO .
If YES, please explain.
We receive sponsorship throughout the season to assist with the financial cost of running the league.
9. Before coming to the City of Seaside and requesting this use of the fields, have you contacted other cities with regards to the use of their facilities? YES NO X If YES, please explain why you chose not to use their facility.

**IF REQUESTING A FEE WAIVER
PLEASE COMPLETE QUESTIONS 10 THROUGH 12**

10. Does your organization have the ability to pay any portion of the fees to use the facility?

YES _____ NO X

If your organization does have the ability to pay a reasonable share of the requested fees, please explain why you still feel that a fee waiver should be granted.

Seaside Pony does not have the financial means to pay for field usage fees, and would be have to elect to end our program. Our program typically ends each year with the same account balance as we started with, and is not in the business of making a profit. We are here to provide a fun, educational, and safe enviornement for the youth of our community.

11. If the request for fee waiver is not granted, and you chose not to avail yourself of the City facility, what are your plans?

We would have to end our program. We are a program that is designed to provide a baseball and softball experience to the youth of the Seaside Community. We are not designed to be a business that generates high revenue on a year to year basis.

12. If you are granted a fee waiver, what in-kind services (such as field maintenance, trash cleanup, etc) can you offer to help offset costs?

We will continue to maintain bothe Soper Field and Rubio Field. Last year we upgraded the batters box at Soper, we plan on doing the same at Rubio Field this year. We are also planning on bringing in new cinders for both parks. We will continue to do everything we have done in the past and more.

13. Do you plan on having any special events, such as tournaments, picture day, registration, opening day, etc.? YES X NO _____. If YES, please list events and dates below:

We plan on having Tryouts on February 9th. We have not scheduled picture day as of now however it will not be at any of the fields. The intercity baseball meeting has not taken place as of today and we do not have opening day as of now however we will start practicing towards the end of February and end our season in July. We will be hosting the Shetland World Series again, as well as some other tournaments. Dates pending intercity meeting.

14. Please list any additional information you feel is relevant:

Seaside Pony is very grateful the the City Council for continuing to allow us the opportunity to serve our community and provide a fun, safe, and educational experience to the youth of our community. The League would not be here without the support of each and every one of you.

Attachment 2 City of Seaside Field Use Application

Date: 12/05/2018

Name of Organization: Seaside Pony Baseball & Softball

Address: PO Box 1022

City/State/Zip: Seaside, CA 93955

Authorized Representative	
Name and Title	Cody Rose- League President
Address	955 Hilby Ave, Unit A
Address	Seaside, CA 93955
Telephone	831-915-7731
Fax	
Email	president@seasidepony.com
Board Members	
Name and Title	JD Money- Vice President
Telephone	831-521-9103
Name and Title	Angie Giardina- Secretary
Telephone	831-333-6670
Name and Title	Gary Haedrich- Director of Baseball
Telephone	831-521-7257
Name and Title	Christina Minglana- Director of Softball
Telephone	831-917-6617
Name and Title	Adrien Antosz- Director of Tournament/All-Stars
Telephone	831-383-1542
Name and Title	
Telephone	
Name and Title	
Telephone	

Please fill out one form per park requested

Organization: Seaside Pony Baseball & Softball				
Park: Soper Field				
Services Requested:				
Use of field	Yes	X	No	
Use of snack bar	Yes	X	No	
Use of lights	Yes	X	No	
Other: Batting cage during the same hours	Yes	X	No	
BBO Area during tournaments	Yes		No	
	Yes		No	

			Number of Hours	
Date	Day	Hours	Daily Total	Lights
February 9th-July 20th	Mon (23)	5pm-9pm	92	
February 9th-July 20th	Tue (23)	5pm-9pm	92	
February 9th-July 20th	Thur (23)	5pm-9pm	92	
February 9th-July 20th	Fri (23)	5pm-9pm	92	
February 9th-July 20th	Sat (23)	8am-9pm	300	
February 9th-July 20th	Sun (23)	8am-9pm	300	
Total Days	138	Total Hours	760	

Please fill out one form per park requested

Organization: Seaside Pony Baseball & Softball				
Park: Metz Park/Rubio Field				
Services Requested:				
Use of field	Yes	X	No	
Use of snack bar	Yes	X	No	
Use of lights	Yes		No	
Other:	Yes		No	
	Yes		No	
	Yes		No	

Date	Day	Hours	Number of Hours	
			Daily Total	Lights
February 9th-July 20th	Mon (23)	4pm-8pm	92	
February 9th-July 20th	Tues (23)	4pm-8pm	92	
February 9th-July 20th	Wed (23)	4pm-8pm	92	
February 9th-July 20th	Thur (23)	4pm-8pm	92	
February 9th-July 20th	Fri (23)	4pm-8pm	92	
February 9th-July 20th	Sat (23)	8am-8pm	276	
Total Days	138	Total Hours	736	

**USE AGREEMENT
FOR
CITY OF SEASIDE FACILITIES**

This use Agreement is entered into this eighteenth day of January 2019, by and between the City of Seaside, a Municipal Corporation under the laws of the State of California hereinafter referred to as "CITY," and Seaside Pony Baseball & Softball (organization), hereinafter referred to as the "FIELD USER," for the purposes of establishing terms and conditions for the use of the City's various baseball facilities

1. PREMISES

CITY hereby agrees to permit FIELD USER to use the public areas of Metz Park, and Soper Field. All located within the Seaside, California.

2. USE OF FACILITY

- a. The parties hereto agree that FIELD USER shall have use of the premises hereinabove described for their 2019 season, commencing February 9, 2019 and ending July 20, 2019 subject to reservations made with the City of Seaside Recreation Services. FIELD USER is required to notify CITY in the event fields will not be used. Failure to notify the CITY of non use may result in a \$50 fee to recoup the cost for the City's staff time.
- b. FIELD USER shall provide the CITY with a monthly schedule identifying the day, time, and team name utilizing the fields to be posted at each field. The monthly schedule shall be submitted to the CITY on the 25th day of the month by completing the Field Usage Schedule (**Attachment 'A'**).
- c. CITY shall give as much notice as possible in the event that the fields will be unavailable due to conditions beyond its control.

3. RENTAL AMOUNT

- a. FIELD USER shall pay to CITY for the use of the premises as established in the City of Seaside Fee Schedule, which may be revised during the course of this agreement by action of the City Council. If the fee is adjusted during the course of this agreement, the new fee approved by the City Council will be applied. In lieu of this fee the FIELD USER may provide materials and labor with approval from the CITY. These "in lieu" fees shall include but not be limited to at least the following:
 - Preparation of fields before each use including striping (lime included).
 - Pickup and removal of all trash and debris (including sunflower seed shells) from the City Facility after each use.
 - Provide to the CITY at least 40 cubic yards of "Cinder Mix" as requested.
 - Rake, sweep or blow off the dugouts and spectator areas from the CITY facility after each use and dispose of all debris to include sunflower seeds, peanut shells etc.
 - Clean and maintain the snack bars in accordance with the parameters set by the Monterey County Health Department, and have each snack bar cleaned and all equipment removed at the conclusion of the season.
 - Provide a minimum of 5 adult volunteers to help the Recreation Department during the 4th of July Red White and Blues event on 7/4/19 and the Winter Wonderland and Tree Lighting on 12/13/19. All volunteers must register with the Recreation Department a minimum of 1 month prior to each event.

- b. CITY shall notify FIELD USER of any changes to the fee schedule 45 days prior to applying the new fees for use of the parks.
- c. Payment shall be made on a monthly basis or other schedule agreeable to the City within 30 days of the billing.

4. CONDITION OF FACILITY

CITY agrees to maintain the facilities to include regular trimming of grass. FIELD USER is responsible for proper storage of concessions in Metz's Snack Bar and Soper Field's Snack Bar including the elevator area kept clear of storage above and below.

5. MAINTENANCE OR RENOVATION OF FACILITY

- a. CITY shall give as much notice as possible in the event that the facility will be unavailable due to conditions beyond its control, equipment malfunction or other situations requiring emergency maintenance or repairs that would restrict use of the facility by FIELD USER.
- b. In the event of rain or bad weather Seaside Pony coaches shall call the weather line to find out if the fields are open for play (831) 718-8600. The weather line will be updated every Monday for the week unless bad weather occurs mid week. In that case the weather line will be updated by 3pm. For weekend use the weather line will be updated by 7:30am on Saturdays.

6. RESPONSIBILITY FOR PREMISES

- a. FIELD USER shall inspect the facilities upon each use and notify the City of damage or deficiencies.
- b. FIELD USER shall quit and surrender the premises following each period of use under this Agreement in as good as state and condition as they were at the commencement of each such period. FIELD USER also agrees that if said premises, or the buildings, equipment, or furnishings thereon, are damaged during the term of the Agreement, by act, default, or negligence of FIELD USER, its officers, agents, employees, members, guests, patrons, or any person or persons admitted by FIELD USER to said premises, FIELD USER shall pay to CITY upon demand such sum as shall be necessary to restore said premises to the condition they were in at the commencement of each period of use under this agreement.
- b. FIELD USER shall provide 24 hour notification to the City for non use of facility as outlined in the scheduled identified as **Attachment 'B'** to this agreement.
- c. FIELD USER shall utilize the City of Seaside Weather Line in the event of bad weather. The phone number is 831-718-8600. Coaches and players should all be given this number to find out if fields are closed. The weather line will be updated on Mondays each week, unless there is bad weather mid-week which then it will be updated by 3pm on said day. For weekends the line will be updated by 7:30am.

7. COOPERATION

It is understood that FIELD USER will cooperate with other field users during the this period so multiple users can use the fields.

8. ALARM AND FIELD LIGHTS

Field User will set the alarm at Soper Field and will turn off field lights at Soper Field at the end of each day's play.

9. KEYS

The FIELD USER's authorized representative acknowledges receipt of the keys listed on Attachment 'C' and agrees to return said keys by August 1, 2019.

10. INSURANCE

- a. FIELD USER shall maintain in effect throughout the term of this Agreement a policy or policies of insurance with the following minimum limits of liability:
 1. FIELD USER shall provide and maintain at it's own expense, during the terms of this Agreement a comprehensive general liability policy, including but not limited to premises, personal injuries, products, and completed operations, of insurance, satisfactory to CITY, with a combined single limit of not less than 5 million dollars (\$5,000,000) per occurrence for property damage and for bodily injury or death of persons.
 2. If the organization has employees or hires an employee during the term of this agreement, evidence of adequate worker's compensation insurance on a state-approved policy form providing statutory benefits as required by law with employer's liability limits no less than one-million dollars (\$1,000,000) per accident for all covered losses.
- b. All insurance required by this Agreement shall be with a company acceptable to CITY and authorized by law to conduct insurance business in the State of California. All such insurance shall be written on an occurrence basis, such policy with the coverage required herein shall continue in effect for the duration of this agreement.
- c. Each insurance policy shall provide an endorsement naming CITY, its officers, agents, employees and volunteers as additional insured and shall further provide that such insurance is primary insurance to any insurance or self - insurance maintained by CITY.
- d. Each insurance policy shall provide that CITY be given notice in writing at least thirty (30) days in advance of change, cancellation or non-renewal thereof. Said policy shall provide identical coverage for each sub-user, if any performing work under this Agreement, or be accompanied by a certificate of insurance showing each sub-user has identical coverage.
- e. As a condition precedent to CITY performance pursuant to this Agreement, FIELD USER shall file with a certificate of insurance with the City Risk Management Officer, on or

before City facilities are utilized by FIELD USER showing that they have in effect the insurance required by this Agreement. FIELD USER shall file a new or amended certificate of insurance promptly after any change is made to any insurance policy which would alter the information on the certificate then on file.

- f. FIELD USER acknowledges and agrees that any actual or alleged failure on the part of the CITY to inform FIELD USER of non-compliance with any insurance requirement in no way imposes any additional obligations on City nor does it waive any rights hereunder in this or any other regard.
- g. FIELD USER shall renew the required coverage annually as long as CITY, or its employees or agents face an exposure from operations of any type pursuant to this agreement.

11. INDEMNITY

- a. FIELD USER shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless CITY and its officers, officials, employees and agents from and against all losses, claims, demands, payments, suits, actions, recoveries and judgments of every nature and description brought or recoverable against it or them by reason of any act, error or omission of the FIELD USER, its agents or employees, in the performance of the work and/or any activity related to this contract.
- b. CITY shall indemnify and hold harmless FIELD USER and its officers, officials, employees and agents from and against all losses, claims, demands, payments, suits, actions, recoveries and judgments of every nature and description brought or recoverable against it or them by any reason of any act, error or omission of the CITY, its agents or employees, in the performance of the any work related to this contract.
- c. FIELD USER shall so conduct it activities upon the premises so as not to endanger any person lawfully thereon; FIELD USER hereby assumes full responsibility for the character, acts and conduct of all persons admitted to the premises by consent, expressed or implied, of its officers, agents, employees, or members.

12. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS

FIELD USER shall comply with all laws, statutes, ordinances, rules or regulations of the United States, the State of California, the City of Seaside, or any department or agency thereof, including such regulations now in force or to be established pertaining to use of the premises.

13. TRANSFERABILITY

This agreement applies exclusively to Seaside Pony Baseball & Softball and field use privileges will not be transferred to any other group or individual. Any other groups or individuals wishing to use City of Seaside fields must apply in advance to the Recreation Services Department for consideration by the Special Events Committee.

FIELD USER shall not sublease in whole or any part of the premises and shall not assign, hypothecate, or mortgage any or all of its rights hereunder, without the prior written consent of CITY.

14. TERM OF AGREEMENT

a. This agreement shall remain in effect until July 20, 2019, agreement requires proof of current liability insurance naming the City of Seaside as additional insurers and updated Attachments 'A', 'B', and 'C'.

b. This agreement may be terminated by either party upon thirty (30) days written notice.

15. NONDISCRIMINATION

FIELD USER will not discriminate against any participant based on race, color, sex, origin, disability, or any other protected classification.

16. TAX EXEMPT STATUS

If applicable, FIELD USER shall submit a copy of the letter from the Internal Revenue Service determining their tax exempt status under 501 c (3) of the Internal Revenue Code and a copy of the letter from the State of California Franchise Tax Board determining tax exempt status under Section 23710 (d) Revenue and Taxation Code prior to execution of this agreement.

17. NOTICE

All notices herein provided to be given, or which may be given by either party to the other, shall have been deemed to have been fully given and fully received when made in writing and deposited in the United States mail, certified, and postage prepaid, and addressed to the respective parties as follows, or personally served on:

CITY OF SEASIDE
Recreation Services
986 Hilby Avenue
Seaside, CA. 93955

SEASIDE PONY BASEBALL & SOFTBALL
P.O. Box 1022
Seaside, CA 93955

18. ATTORNEY FEES AND COSTS

Should either party to this Agreement bring suit against another party (formal Judicial proceeding, mediation or arbitration), for breach of any term, covenant, condition or obligation contained herein for the recovery of any sum due hereunder, or for any summary action for forfeiture of this Agreement or to prevent further violations of any of the terms, covenants, conditions, or obligations, or for any other relief then, and in that event, the case shall be handled in Monterey County, California, and the prevailing party in such suit or summary action shall be entitled to a reasonable attorney's fee to be fixed by the judge, mediator or arbitrator hearing the case and such fee shall be included in the judgment, together with all costs.

19. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between FIELD USER and CITY. No term, provision, or condition of this Agreement may be altered or amended, nor may any term, provision or condition be added to this Agreement, except by a writing executed by both FIELD USER and CITY.

Authorized Representative
FIELD USER- Seaside Pony Baseball & Softball

Date

City Manager
City of Seaside
CITY OF SEASIDE

Date

**SEASIDE PONY
2019 FIELD USAGE CALCULATIONS**

BASED ON PREVIOUS PONY USAGE									
	Metz		Soper				Cutino		
2019 PONY FIELD USAGE REQUESTED DATES Monday-Saturday	3 hours per weekday till Day Light Savings begins then 4 hours per weekday		5.5 hours per weekday and 3 hours of light usage until Day Light Savings time change, Then only 1 hour of lights should be needed per day until may and then except for any Tournaments.						
	4 hrs			4	5.5 hrs field usage				
Days	Field Usage Fee (weekends all day weekdays per hour)	Total	Field Usage Fee (Saturday all day weekdays per hour)	Light Hours	BBQ Area Fee	Light Fee per hour	Total		
Saturday, Feburay 9, 2019	\$195.50	\$195.50	\$195.50	3		\$30.00	\$285.50		
Sunday, Feburay 10, 2018	\$195.50	\$195.50	\$195.50	3		\$30.00	\$285.50		
Monday, February 11, 2019	\$79.32	\$79.32	\$145.42	4.5		\$30.00	\$280.42		
Tuesday, February 12, 2019	\$79.32	\$79.32	\$145.42	4.5		\$30.00	\$280.42		
Thursday, February 14, 2019	\$79.32	\$79.32	\$145.42	4.5		\$30.00	\$280.42		
Friday, February 15, 2019	\$79.32	\$79.32	\$145.42	4.5		\$30.00	\$280.42		
Saturday, February 16, 2019	\$195.50	\$195.50	\$195.50	3		\$30.00	\$285.50		
Sunday, February 17, 2019	\$195.50	\$195.50	\$195.50	3		\$30.00	\$285.50		
Monday, February 18, 2019	\$79.32	\$79.32	\$145.42	4.5		\$30.00	\$280.42		
Tuesday, February 19, 2019	\$79.32	\$79.32	\$145.42	4.5		\$30.00	\$280.42		
Thursday, February 21, 2019	\$79.32	\$79.32	\$145.42	4.5		\$30.00	\$280.42		
Friday, February 22, 2019	\$79.32	\$79.32	\$145.42	4.5		\$30.00	\$280.42		
Saturday, February 23, 2019	\$195.50	\$195.50	\$195.50	3		\$30.00	\$285.50		
Sunday, February 24, 2019	\$195.50	\$195.50	\$195.50	3		\$30.00	\$285.50		
Monday, February 25, 2019	\$79.32	\$79.32	\$145.42	4.5		\$30.00	\$280.42		
Tuesday, February 26, 2019	\$79.32	\$79.32	\$145.42	4.5		\$30.00	\$280.42		
Thursday, February 28, 2019	\$79.32	\$79.32	\$145.42	4.5		\$30.00	\$280.42		
Friday, March 01, 2019	\$79.32	\$79.32	\$145.42	4.5		\$30.00	\$280.42		
Saturday, March 02, 2019	\$195.50	\$195.50	\$195.50	3		\$30.00	\$285.50		
Sunday, March 03, 2019	\$195.50	\$195.50	\$195.50	3		\$30.00	\$285.50		
Monday, March 04, 2019	\$79.32	\$79.32	\$145.42	4.5		\$30.00	\$280.42		
Tuesday, March 05, 2019	\$79.32	\$79.32	\$145.42	4.5		\$30.00	\$280.42		
Thursday, March 07, 2019	\$79.32	\$79.32	\$145.42	4.5		\$30.00	\$280.42		
Friday, March 08, 2019	\$79.32	\$79.32	\$145.42	4.5		\$30.00	\$280.42		
Saturday, March 09, 2019	\$195.50	\$195.50	\$195.50	3		\$30.00	\$285.50		
Sunday, March 10, 2019	\$195.50	\$195.50	\$195.50	3		\$30.00	\$285.50		
Monday, March 11, 2019	\$79.32	\$79.32	\$145.42	4.5		\$30.00	\$280.42		
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Saturday, March 16, 2019	\$195.50	\$195.50	\$195.50	2		\$30.00	\$255.50		
Sunday, March 17, 2019	\$195.50	\$195.50	\$195.50	2		\$30.00	\$255.50		
Monday, March 18, 2019	\$79.32	\$79.32	\$145.42	3		\$30.00	\$235.42		
Tuesday, March 19, 2019	\$79.32	\$79.32	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Thursday, March 21, 2019	\$79.32	\$79.32	\$145.42	3		\$30.00	\$235.42		
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Total - 144 days		\$17,734.22	\$22,812.72	281.00	\$2,271.50	\$4,200.00	\$31,242.72		
Amount requesting to be waived									
FIELDS	FIELD FEE SPRING	FALL BALL	TOAL FIELD USE	LIGHTI NG FEE	BBQ Area Fee	Hard Cost staff hours	Hard Cost Restroom Supplies	TOTAL	
METZ	\$17,734	\$0	\$17,734	\$0	\$0	\$3,374	\$5,500	\$26,608	
SOPER	\$22,813	\$0	\$22,813	\$4,200	\$2,272	\$2,990.00	\$5,500	\$37,774	
CUTINO	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$ -	\$ -	\$0	
	\$40,547	\$0	\$40,547	\$4,200	\$2,272	\$6,364	\$11,000	\$64,382	



**CITY OF SEASIDE
STAFF REPORT**

Item No.: 10.B.

TO: City Council

FROM: Craig Malin, City Manager

BY: Lesley Milton-Rerig, Public Affairs Officer/City Clerk
Roberta Greathouse, Human Resources Director/Risk Manager

DATE: January 17, 2019

**SUBJECT: DISCUSS APPLICANT PRESENTATIONS FROM JANUARY 10, 2018
SPECIAL MEETING AND VOTE TO SELECT A CITIZEN TO FILL
VACANT CITY COUNCIL SEAT**

PURPOSE & RECOMMENDATION

To discuss the presentations and using the adopted voting process established during the January 3, 2018 meeting select an applicant to fill the vacant City Council seat created with the resignation of Kayla Jones.

BACKGROUND

At the December 12, 2018, City Council Meeting, the Council voted to solicit letters of interest from community members to fill the City Council seat vacated by Kayla Jones. The application period opened on December 13, 2018, and closed on January 2, 2019. Thirteen (13) letters of interest were received and are listed as Attachments 1 through 13.

The City Council discussed the applicant selection process during the January 3, 2019 City Council meeting and established an outline of the selection process. During the January 10, 2018 City Council special meeting, the City Council received presentations from twelve of the thirteen applicants and accepted comments from the public and then adjourned the meeting. The voting process is to take place at this meeting according to the following approved process:

Regular Meeting January 17, 2019

- The City Council will follow the voting system established during the December 12, 2018 City Council meeting with round robin elimination voting. In the first round, each Council Member will vote for two applicants. All subsequent rounds, each Council member will vote for one applicant.
- Vote sheets will be distributed to the Council Members and will contain all the names of

the applicants being considered. Council Members will sign their name next to the applicants they wish to select. Vote sheets will be provided to the City Clerk to be read into the record. All sheets will be public records.

- Council discussion will occur prior to and after all rounds.
- Each Council Member may ask one questions of each candidate in odd numbered rounds and applicants are allowed 1 minute to respond to question posed.
- There will be no maximum number of rounds, and the City Council can choose to take breaks as necessary.
- The Council may utilize weighted voting to break a tie.

Oath of Office

If a selection is made, the Council Member-elect will be sworn in during the January 24, 2019 meeting.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item at this time.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Ayman Adeeb Council Application
2. Felix Bachofner Council Application
3. Diana Ingersoll Council Application
4. Alissa Kispersky Council Application
5. Jamee Lynch-Moore Council Application
6. Thomas Mancini Council Application
7. Regina Mason Council Application
8. Alex Miller Council Application
9. Nathan Morrison Council Application
10. Lanny Olis Council Application
11. Lacey Raak Council Application
12. Gertrude Smith Council Application
13. Roelof Wijbrandus Council Application

Reviewed for Submission to the
City Council by:



Meeting Date: January 17, 2019

Craig Malin, City Manager



City of Seaside

Cover Sheet for Letter of Interest to
Fill City Council Vacancy

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Date Received /

Staff Initials

DEC 31 2018

CITY OF SEASIDE
HUMAN RESOURCES

Name:

Ayman Adeeb

Date:

12-31-18

Are you a registered voter? Yes ☒ No ☐ The City Clerk will verify voter registration.

Are you a resident of the City of Seaside? Yes ☒ No ☐

Please Note: Your letter of interest and application materials are public records and will be included with the City Council's Agenda materials, posted on the City's website, and made available to the media and general public. The personal data requested on the second page of this cover sheet will be redacted.

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Please note that City Hall will be closed on December 24 & 25 as well as January 1, 2019.

BECOMING A MEMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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Ayman Adeeb

December 31, 2018

Application for Seaside City Council

I am applying for the city council position because we live in an awesome community that's been very good to my family. I want to do my part to keep Seaside amazing and I see opportunities to make it even better. I also see significant challenges coming before our city. I am seeking a seat on Council because I want to roll up my sleeves and help Seaside continue to thrive.

I have the knowledge and experience needed to do the job well. I am also a hard worker. You can see this in my professional and volunteer experience.

I have good experience working with the public, experience within the corporate business world as well as experience as a small business owner. I have a young family and a genuine passion for this Community, its people and its future success. As a parent of two children I can appreciate the utmost importance of living in a Community that is safe and affordable, while offering the amenities young families require.

I have the energy and creative thinking needed to work in collaboration with other council members. I value and respect the desire of Seaside Citizens to preserve the "small town feeling" and open spaces while undergoing inevitable growth and development. I also bring additional diversity to relate to and represent all citizens of Seaside.

I am resourceful and have nourished long-lasting relationships with organizations and individuals that could be an asset to problem solving in Seaside. I am concerned about the young adults in our workforce and will work to support their personal development as an essential part of our economy.

I will work on crafting policy to support, keep and develop potential small/medium-size businesses. Seaside residents spend too much money in other areas and school districts. I come as a professional provider and business owner and educator, I plan to have a closer relationship with the school board to enhance educational opportunities and programs.

Background:

Time lived in the city: 7 years

Neighborhood in which I live, and how long I've lived there: Seaside Highland, 5 years

Ayman Adeeb

December 31, 2018

Application for Seaside City Council

Immediate family members: Wife Yassmin , son Joseph, daughter Miriam.

Age: 38.

Professional Education:

Doctorate of Dental Surgery from Columbia University in New York City NY.
Advanced education in general dentistry and implant dentistry from Columbia University in New York City NY.

Dental Implant Specialist and member of the American Dental Association.

Professional Occupation:

Ayman Adeeb, DDS, President, Dental Director and Director. Dr. Adeeb is a founder of Monterey Smile Center. Dr Adeeb has served as the President of the Company since its inception.

Dr. Adeeb is also the founder, President, Director and sole stockholder of Valley Dental Care of VA (11 Dental offices providing Dental services to the citizens), Valley Dental Services, P.C., Valley Dental of W. Virginia , P.C., and Ayman Adeeb, D.D.S. & Associates, P.C. (collectively, the "Valley Dental P.A.").

Dr. Adeeb worked as a dentist in a large group practice of 11 offices known as Valley Dental VA Dental in Virginia. He served as the Dental Operations Manager of Quality Dental.

Dr Adeeb is also a developer and owner for the first New building in the city of Pacific Grove since 1989.

Dr Adeeb President and Director of JMA Residential. JMA residential company owns 27 properties in Seaside and Marina.

Priorities:

I serve at the will of the people and I listen to what they say.

1. Homeless: Our homeless population has exploded in the past few years and we need to do more and take immediate action to address this issue. The Homeless Task Force officers need to be increased so that one can be designated to the city. We must utilize the services and funding of the county, state and federal governments as well as

Aymen Adeeb

December 31, 2018

Application for Seaside City Council

creating more partnerships with nonprofits to adequately help the homeless and restore safety in the community.

2. Public safety: Crime is up year to year in our city and we need to make sure our first responders are getting the tools and funding needed to do their job to the best of their ability. Our first responders are being tasked with doing more each day and for longer periods of time. We need to make sure our police and fire departments are managed properly, efficiently and with transparency.

3. Infrastructure: Most of our city's infrastructure was built over 50 years ago and we can't defer maintenance and repairs any longer on some of our most critical systems. The city must prioritize infrastructure because having safe and reliable water, sewer and transportation systems are imperative to Seaside residents' quality of life.

4. Economic stability: We need to stabilize our budget so we can fund future liabilities without impacting the lifestyles of the people who live in our community. Through a program of increasing revenue and trimming the budget, we can make sure we have funding for our safety personnel, which will make our town safe for visitors and our citizens for years to come.



City of Seaside

Cover Sheet for Letter of Interest to
Fill City Council Vacancy

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HUMAN RESOURCES

Name: Felix Backofner Date: January 2, 2019

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From: Felix Bachofner [REDACTED]
To: Roberta Greathouse <Rgreathouse@ci.seaside.ca.us>, <LMilton@ci.seaside.c...
Date: 1/2/2019 2:47 PM
Subject: Council Vacancy Application
Attachments: Bachofner, Felix.Council Vacancy Application.pdf

Hi Roberta:

Please find attached the two required forms from the web page.

I am out of town at the moment (for a couple days longer than originally planned) and didn't bring a laptop, letterhead, etc. on vacation with me, so I hope this e-mail can serve to signal my intent to become an applicant for the vacant council position.

As Mayor Oglesby and the other council members know, I have an exemplary attendance record at Seaside's regularly scheduled council meetings. Since August of 2008 I have missed less than a dozen [although the past couple years I typically have skipped the "social" elements (i.e. awards, etc.) at the beginning of such meetings].

Because of my meeting attendance, my service as Mayor (2010 to 2012), my service on the Seaside Planning Commission (1995 to 1999), my participation in a host of other local public agency, educational and non-profit endeavours as well as my educational background and my business and investment interests I am particularly well suited to serve in this capacity.

The council may be interested to know more, so I will certainly make a presentation when candidates are considered. I can/will also follow up with additional information when I return to Seaside at the end of the week.

Please let me know that you received this and whether anything else is needed today to kickstart the process for being considered.

Felix

Felix Bachofner
[REDACTED]

On 2019-01-02 10:08, Roberta Greathouse wrote:

- > Hi Felix, so far we've received 6 applications which you can view on
- > the website at: <http://www.ci.seaside.ca.us/184/Election-Information>
- >
- > There is also a business item on tomorrow night's agenda to discuss
- > the process.
- >
- > If you decide to apply, please send me your letter and the cover sheet
- > before 5:00 today.

>
> thank you! Roberta
>
> Roberta Greathouse, IPMA-SCP
> Human Resources Director / Risk Manager
> City of Seaside
> 440 Harcourt
> Seaside, CA 93955
> 831-899-6713
> fax 831-718-8593
> Please consider the environment before printing this email and
> remember to print double-sided whenever possible.>>> Felix Bachofner



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CITY OF SEASIDE
HUMAN RESOURCES

Name: Diana A. Ingersoll Date: 01/02/2019

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Are you a resident of the City of Seaside? Yes ☒ No ☐

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Diana Agar Ingersoll, P.E.



January 2, 2019

Honorable Mayor & City Council Members
c/o Roberta Greathouse, HR Director
440 Harcourt Avenue
Seaside, CA 93955

RE: City Council Vacancy

Dear Mayor & Council Members,

Please accept this letter of interest for the vacant position on the City of Seaside's City Council. I retired from the City of Seaside in 2016 after 34 ½ years of service of which twenty of those years was being a part of the executive management team. I feel this experience and background has prepared me for this opportunity. As Deputy City Manager for the City of Seaside, I was responsible for the management of the following city functions – Building & Code Enforcement, Economic Development, Public Works & Engineering, Planning, and Recreation. I was an active participant in the Fort Ord Reuse since its inception and have been personally involved in the local, regional and state complex issues such as water, transportation and development. Also in my capacity, I prepared and presented budgets for the departments that I was responsible for and also acted as City Manager when requested. I understand city government and the roles and responsibility of being an elected official.

As a council member, I hope to do the following with the consensus and partnership of the entire city council:

- Creating opportunities and building a strong and long term economic stability for the city's finances to enhance the quality of life for our residents.
- Strengthening our relationships with our neighboring cities, county, regional agencies, local organizations and the media to promote the concept of working together to create "community" on the Monterey Peninsula.
- Setting priorities based on residents' input in the form of policy to provide guidance for city staff to accomplish the city's Mission and Vision.

Should you positively consider me for the position, I believe the city would gain tremendously since there will be no learning curve involved. It will be an honor and a privilege to serve and represent all of the city's residents again as a council member.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Diana Ingersoll".

Diana A. Ingersoll



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CITY OF SEASIDE
HUMAN RESOURCES

Name: Alissa Kispersky Date: 12/27/18

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Are you a resident of the City of Seaside? Yes ☒ No ☐

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Roberta Greathouse - Fwd: Letter Of Interest to Apply for Vacant City Council Position

From: Alissa Kispersky <alissa.kispersky@gmail.com>
To: <rgreathouse@ci.seaside.ca.us>
Date: 12/27/2018 11:41 AM
Subject: Fwd: Letter Of Interest to Apply for Vacant City Council Position
Attachments: img001.pdf

Cover Sheet is attached.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Alissa Kispersky** <alissa.kispersky@gmail.com>
Date: Thu, Dec 27, 2018 at 12:31 PM
Subject: Letter Of Interest to Apply for Vacant City Council Position
To: <rgreathouse@ci.seaside.ca.us>

Roberta,

This is my official Letter of Interest to apply for the vacant city council position. Having been going to city council meetings regularly and having served in the past 8 months on the Seaside Planning Commission, I believe I have shown that I am willing to spend the time and energy it takes to be a city council member. I have followed the issues facing Seaside for many years now. I believe I can make educated decisions that benefit the citizens of Seaside. I am registered to vote in California, and I live within the Seaside City Limits.

Thank you,
Alissa Kispersky, PE



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Cover Sheet for Letter of Interest to Fill City Council Vacancy

Name: Jamee m. Lynch-Moore Date: 12.31.18

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Jamee M. Lynch-Moore



12/31/2018

Roberta Greathouse
Human Resources Director/Risk Manager
The City of Seaside
rgreathouse@ci.seaside.ca.us

The City of Seaside City Council,

I want to submit this letter of interest to serve as the 5th member of the City Council team in the position vacated by Kayla Jones. I live and am registered to vote in the city of Seaside and plan on residing here for the foreseeable future.

My education background consists of a B.A. in Linguistics, an M.A in Education, and as of January 2019 a Ph.D. in the Public Administration field of Public Policy and Law. I have previously been an elementary education teacher for over a decade, as well as the Vice-President of a school board in North Dakota for four years.

As an adult, I am the parent of two children who both attend school in the Monterey Bay Peninsula School District. I have coached soccer and baseball teams for both of my children, been on a Parent Teacher Committee as the Vice-President of Student Advocacy, and have participated and organized many community events. As a former military family, my husband and I have had the opportunity to meet and learn from a wide variety of people from all over the world. My husband is now an officer with the California Highway Patrol, and California is our chosen forever home.

My purpose in seeking to serve as the 5th member of the City of Seaside City Council is simple. I believe in the importance of public service; not as a career, but as a contribution to make this community a better place. I feel that my background and knowledge in education, budgeting and finance, law, and community service would be of great value to the City of Seaside City Council in making logical and sound decisions.

Unfortunately, I am out of town for the meeting on January 10th and will not return to Seaside until January 16th. I wholeheartedly welcome any questions or concerns the City Council may have regarding my credentials and interest in this position.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jamee M. Lynch-Moore".

Jamee M. Lynch-Moore
City of Seaside



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CITY OF SEASIDE
HUMAN RESOURCES

Name: Thomas M. Mancini Date: _____

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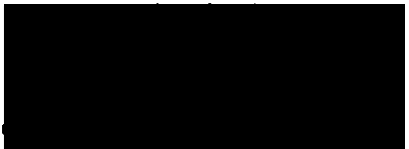
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Thomas M. Mancini



December 26, 2018

Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of Seaside
440 Harcourt Avenue
Seaside, CA 93955

Please consider this as my Letter of Intent to fill the City Council Vacancy. For 16 years (1994 to 2010), it was my privilege and honor to serve the citizens of Seaside as their City Council Member. I would now consider it as an honor and privilege again to serve them for the remaining two years of the vacant position. My extensive experience on regional boards, agencies, or other committees has given me the knowledge, and expertise to deal with any issues that could impact on the future of Seaside's ability to develop properties, open and/or expand businesses, provide for additional recreational activities; and increase the City's ability to provide for more low-mod income and senior housing.

Qualifications:

City Council Member, City of Seaside (1994 to 2010)
Mayor Pro Tem (1999-2001)
Chairperson, Seaside Traffic Advisory Committee, (1995-2002)
Advisory Board Member to the Veterans' Transition Center (1995 to present)
Alternate Board Member on the Seaside County Sanitation District, (2006-2010)
FORA ex-officio representative to Veterans' Cemetery Advisory Committee, (2005 to present).
Member of the Water Ad Hoc Committee, Marina Coast Water District, (2006-2007)

Board Member/ Director on the following agencies:

AMBAG 1995-2000
Monterey Salinas Transit 2000-2010
Waste Management District 1995-2002
FORA 1995-2010; MST 1995-2010;
LOCC Tax/Revenue Committee 1995-2000.

Public Sector Experience

Public Works Dept, City of Marina 1986-1988.
City Manager, San Juan Bautista 1988-1992
Teacher MPUSD 1992-2003

Memberships: Vietnam Veterans of Monterey County, Sea Mont VFW Post 6359;
LULAC, AARP, Monterey Lodge 2003 (Sons of Italy in America)

In reading the "Interesting Development in Seaside" article in the December 26 th Herald, I would like to be part of a Redevelopment Team that will "break ground" on a number of them over the next two years.

As a former City Council member and graduate of the LOCC Leadership Academy (1997), I do not need to attend any LOCC any new council member orientation classes. I am retired and have the time to devote for any and all meetings that I have to attend. I am ready to reassume the responsibilities that go along with the position.

Yours Truly,

Thomas M. Mancini

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Name: Begina Mason Date: 1-2-19

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December 31, 2018

City of Seaside
440 Harcourt Street
Seaside, CA 93955
Attention: Roberta Greathouse

Solicitation of Letter of Interest to Fill City Council Vacancy

Dear Ms. Greathouse:

Please forward my letter of interest to the City Council to be considered for an appointed to the vacant seat on the Seaside City Council. If appointed I would be honored to serve as the 5th member of the City Council team to serve the residents of this great community.

Background

My history in the city of Seaside is both deep and broad. I am a lifelong resident, born in the old Fort Ord military hospital to the parents of a Seventh Infantry soldier who was also a combat veteran and a full-time working mother.

Whereas, the old Fort Ord hospital has long been remitted to the past, tremendous opportunities for the future of Seaside, which now encompasses a good portion of the former military base are abound and has the potential to enhance the quality of life in our community through responsible growth and development. These are exciting times for our city with Campus Town moving forward and the sunset of FORA. I would be honored to be a part of your dynamic team that will be charged with the responsibility of making those opportunities come to fruition.

I passionately believe that we all owe a debt of service to the communities in which we live and have put this philosophy into practice by providing community services in various capacities for well over two decades. I am the cofounder of a state-wide recognized agency, The Village Project, Inc., which is now in its 11th year and continues to provide critical clinical and other supportive services to historically underserved populations of people in Seaside and throughout Monterey County. I continue to serve this agency as a volunteer and take pride in doing so. As we are all aware, volunteers help our federal, state and local governments leverage resources to help our communities reach a greater state of well-being.

Professional Experience

I have served in the capacity of treasurer for the Commission on the Status of Women for Monterey County, Youth Advisor for the Monterey County NAACP Youth Council, founding member of the organizing committee for the Annual Youth Summits, now going into its 25th year, immediate past President of the Monterey County Branch NAACP, founder and chair of the Poor People's Campaign for Monterey County, Ambassador for the Seaside/Sand City Chamber of Commerce and as a member of the Community Foundation for Monterey County grants review committee, among others. Additionally, I serve as an advocate for many underserved families and children in need of advocacy support, whether its accompanying people to court, educational IEP meetings, parent/teacher meetings, assistance with crafting correspondence and many other advocacy needs. This has provided me with an insight into the needs of many people in our community.

Professionally, I have worked in the corporate world as well as in human services as a social worker and social work supervisor of which I am now retired. My diverse experience and skill sets can serve to complement the current city council team members and will allow me to be able to function as an effective member of the team. Like all of you, I am prepared to perform with integrity, due diligence, and with informed decision making on behalf of the great residents of Seaside.

When I made the decision to put in the hard work and countless hours to run for City Council in the past election, it was because of my long history of community service which I believe will allow me to bring an added perspective in the representation of the residents of the community. During my campaign, I was tremendously humbled to have had the opportunity to receive direct input from cross sections of the community and better understand the issues that impact their daily lives as well as their hopes and dreams. This invaluable experience made clear to me that everyday hardworking residents are looking toward the future for themselves, their children, aging parents and the community as a whole. Many residents wonder what Seaside is going to look like in the future, if they will be represented, if they will be cost out of the housing market or incorporated into a grand plan that works for everyone.

Depending on the neighborhoods I canvased, different residents had different needs and desires but one thing they all had in common is their love for our community and their desire to live the American dream. And I would be remiss if I did not mention the overwhelming number of individuals who expressed a desire to be listened to and have the ideas of the community included and acted upon in city government.

Additionally, as a former social worker, I can provide a social worker's insight in helping with our most vulnerable populations of people to include the homeless, mentally ill as well as youth and families.

Diversity

One of the main strengths in our community is the diversity of cultures and people. I would like to join the team of the current council to help build on our strengths. Working together, we are stronger and have many opportunities to grow our community in the business sector, with jobs for our residents, especially our youth and housing that is inclusive of our workforce and at affordable prices. Working with our local educational institutions to ensure our youth are educated in the jobs of tomorrow in areas such as technology, health care, business, research and development and environmental sustainability is essential in order to ensure the future prosperity of our incredible city. With a well thought out plan for land use, the city will have a unique opportunity to engage the business sector in ways that it never has before, but it will take hard work, dedication and vision to accomplish such goals.

Teamwork

I have a long history and a good deal of experience working with various teams of people and, in reflecting upon those occasions, I cannot recall a single accomplishment that was achieved by only one member of a team. I find value and inspiration in the African proverb that reads, "If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together." To me, this proverb exemplifies the importance of working together judiciously and diligently for the good of the residents of our community. It makes clear the city government is not about a single individual or a single idea but is instead an informed body of individuals entrusted by the people to do the people's work. This does not suggest that there won't be differences of opinion on a given issue. However, once opinions and views have been expressed, there is an obligation to resolve differences by a vote of the body. The majority vote then becomes the position of the entire body. Team members then have the responsibility of carrying out the will of the body and, by virtue, the will of the people. This is an example of how I will function as a member of the

team and I am willing to roll up my sleeves and get to work immediately should I have the good fortune of being selected for the Seaside City Council.

Blueprint for Growth

A city's General Plan is the blueprint for future growth and development of a city. Our GP was due to be finalized in the summer of 2018. The plan provides for input from members of the community and is the template for our future growth. We can use the plan to help inform our decisions related to growth and make amendments as needed. We have many opportunities to look at our existing resources and to build from them. These resources include the golf course, Fort Ord Monument, CSUMB, Monterey College of Law, and we live near the Marine Sanctuary. All of these existing resources provide our city with opportunities to attract tourism dollars.

I have provided below a list of awards I received for my years of community service and demonstrated results. All of these awards were received as a member of teams of people working to make our communities better.

Education

Master's Degree, Social Work, Concentration, Child Welfare, San Jose State University, San Jose, CA

Bachelor's Degree, Business Administration, Concentration, Business Management, Saint Mary's College, Moraga, CA

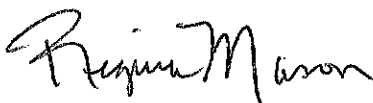
Associates of Arts Degree, General Studies, Monterey Peninsula College

Awards

- 2018 MPC President's Award for Community Service and Outstanding Alumni.
- 2018 NAACP California State Conference Lulan Sapp-McGriff Award for Courageous Leadership
- 2017 MPC Lobo Hall of Fame Outstanding Alumni Award
- 2017 Democratic Women for Monterey County Visionary Award
- 2015 Leadership Monterey Peninsula Award for Service to Community
- 2013 Jefferson Award for Community Service and selected to represent the Central Coast in Washington, DC
- 2013 Village Project Board of Directors Vision Award
- 2010 California State Legislator Women of the Year for Outstanding Service and Leadership to the Community
- 2009 Community Partnership for Youth for Those Honoring Youth Award
- 2004 Christian Memorial COGIC Outstanding Service Award
- 2003 Outstanding Social Worker Award
- 1999 Outstanding Woman of Monterey County by the Monterey County Commission on the Status of Women

In closing, I would like to reiterate my strong desire to join your team. I am prepared to fully fulfill the obligations of this position. I appreciate and am grateful for your sincere consideration of this request.

Respectfully Submitted,

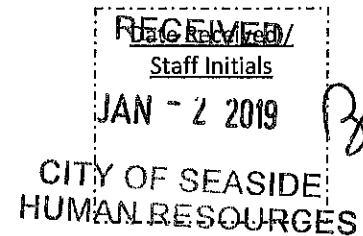


Regina Mason



City of Seaside

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Fill City Council Vacancy



Name: Alex H. Miller Date: January 2, 2019

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Alexander H. Miller
(408) 893-6119
Facsimile: (831) 855-0163
Alexhmlg@gmail.com

January 2, 2018

Dear Honorable Members of the Seaside City Council:

I am writing this letter to express my strong interest in being appointed to the vacated Seaside city council seat. Seaside is a very special place to me. Over the past 17 years that I have called Seaside home, I have become increasingly committed to shaping a brighter future for it. To me, Seaside isn't just a city, but a shining star on the peninsula that has its best days ahead of it.

When I first moved here from the Bay Area in 2002 to attend CSUMB, I assumed it would be a four-year stint. But I soon fell in love with Seaside's vibrant population and awe-inspiring natural beauty. Rather than be discouraged by the urban blight and social issues that affect it, I instead envisioned the tremendous potential it could reach through the efforts of faithful public stewardship.

At CSUMB, several of my classes focused on the pressing issues that the city faces. The scarcity of public resources and common spaces for the youth was the most sobering to me and gave me insight into how gang activity has previously flourished here. For one class, I planned renovations in a local park and presented my proposal to the city council. That experience gave me a glimpse into the inner-workings of government, and I knew at that moment where my future lay.

Over the next few years, I became an athletic coach, proud Seaside homeowner and contributor to Seaside's Police Athletic League. I gained first-hand knowledge of the concerns of the locals and did whatever I could to address them. In 2016, I launched a bid for County Supervisor. Though I ultimately was not able to unseat a long-time incumbent, my candidacy led to me being offered a place on the Neighborhood Improvement Commission, which I now Chair.

In my role on the commission, I worked with the Seaside Police to replace the blighted Neighborhood Watch signs. Recently, I worked with city staff to persuade PG&E to modernize the fence on San Pablo. Our commission is also in the process of installing a new Seaside Gateway sign across the street from Embassy Suites. For this effort, I helped spearhead the novel idea of soliciting design entries from the public. I am tremendously proud of what I have accomplished on the commission, but I also know that I am only scratching the potential of what I can offer Seaside. I matriculated at Golden Gate University School of Law in order to achieve fluency in the law and to become a more effective agent of change for policy reforms.

Serving on the Seaside city council will position me to help enact meaningful improvements to our neighborhoods through my tireless efforts and understanding of land use, contracts, torts, environmental needs, the structuring of businesses, and state & federal Constitutions. Since my time at CSUMB, the university has transformed into a world-class institution. As a city council member, I will work to establish stronger ties between the city and the school for the mutual benefit of both entities.

But first and foremost, my main focus is on fostering a better version of Seaside for the younger generation, which now also includes my young daughter. As a long-time teacher and coach, I know how athletics and other extracurriculars can engage young minds and shape them into future leaders and productive citizens. However, our schools and neighborhoods lack the resources to support our children in these crucial ways. As a passionate member of the city council, I will work towards filling these needs, through the allocation of funds, policy proposals, and targeted initiatives like restoring the shuttered basketball court on the corner of Contra Costa and Sonoma for community use.

Making the star called Seaside shine even brighter should be the goal of all council members. The city must come before politics, and I am hopeful that the person chosen for this job will be the best person to move Seaside forward.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alex Miller', with a stylized, cursive script.

Alex Miller



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CITY OF SEASIDE
HUMAN RESOURCES

Name: Nathan Morrison Date: 1/2/19

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Dear Ms Greathouse,

This is my letter of intent based upon the media release for the opening of a spot on the Seaside City Council.

I am a Cal State University of Monterey Bay student who has experience working for the City of Seaside. I am a senior in college who is finishing my last semester as an Environmental Studies Major with a concentration in Sustainable Communities. I currently work for the Economic Development Department of Seaside as an Intern. I am actively working with water allocation, funding for city projects, and implementation of water saving methods. I am a voter and a concerned citizen of Seaside. I am very outspoken, motivated, and ready to make an amazing impact to continue helping Seaside.

Some of my past experience includes:

UROC Researcher

September 2017

☐ Researching the effects of research equipment installation on growth of crops, from disturbing fertilizing process, by calculating plant growth using green canopy cover.

University Corporation

August 2017

☐ Working side by side with NASA and CSUMB mentors as a research assistant to mitigate amounts of water and fertilizer usage on crops by monitoring nitrates.

UC Davis Plant and Environmental Science

May 2017- August 2017

☐ Working with Professor Emilio Laca in identifying key Californian rangeland species and how to properly gather samples in the fieldwork.

UC Davis Plant and Environmental Science Lab

May 2017- August 2017

□ Working with Professor Matthew Gilbert soldering and building key components in monitoring wheat plants such as; temperature sensors, humidity sensors, and light sensors. Also, responsible for wiring circuit boards, setting up data collecting modules, and basic programming to prepare data collection systems for the field.

Employment

Office Depot, Seaside

August 2015 – May 2017

Stockton Boys and Girls Club, Stockton

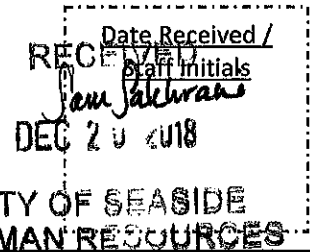
June 2015 - August 2015

The qualifications listed above do not clearly indicate my enthusiasm for helping Seaside to become the sustainable, exciting city that it can and should be. It would be my great pleasure to be considered to serve on the City of Seaside Council.



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Name: LANNY P. OLIS Date: 12/18/18

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December 20, 2018

Dear Ms. Greenhouse,

In response to the City of Seaside media release dated December 13, 2018, this is my letter of intent to fill the city Council vacancy.

A lifelong Seaside resident who still resides in the house my parents brought me home to from the hospital 60 years ago, I attended Highland and Manzanita Elementary schools, King Junior High and Monterey High. I matriculated to CSU Fresno where I majored in Administration of Justice.

Presently in the second year of service as Commissioner and vice chair on the Neighborhood Improvement Commission, I have also attended the Arts, Parks and Recreation, and the Homeless Commission meetings to broaden my knowledge of the other commissions goals and mission.

My team building experience, and skills coupled with excellent communication skills both verbally and written gives me the confidence that I will have no problem working in a team/group setting.

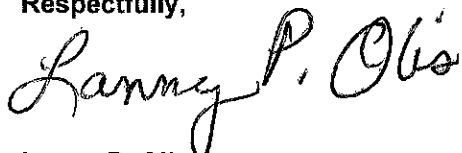
I have two grown sons who live away on their own in their own homes. The past 12 years I had been a stay at home caregiver to my mother. She passed away last Christmas and now I have no commitments or priorities that would prevent me from attending any meetings regardless of the time they are scheduled and devote the time needed required to handle the duties and responsibilities of a City councilperson.

Being well known, respected and thought of highly in the community, in conjunction with an outgoing personality, has created the ability to communicate with all of the different cultures and demographics in our city. This ability would be a great asset to the council.

A group on social media, My Seaside Posse, which was created and is administered by me consists of 4,000 plus followers comprised of current, former residents with ties to the community. It has been utilized by myself and current council members as a forum to inform residents of meetings, events and issues of importance to the city and its residents. As a result the community has been informed and more involved in city politics, programs, and other pertinent issues. More importantly the social media page has opened a line of communication not seen or utilized before in our city.

Thank you in advance for the time you will take in processing my letter of interest.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lanny P. Olis". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Lanny P. Olis



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CITY OF SEASIDE
HUMAN RESOURCES

Name: Lacey Raak Date: January 1, 2019

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January 1, 2019

Honorable Mayor and Seaside Council Members
c/o Ms. Roberta Greenhouse
City Hall 440 Harcourt Ave
Seaside CA 93955

I would like to fill the vacant City Council position for the City of Seaside. I am deeply committed to community and to ensuring the qualities that create a vibrant, safe and welcoming community are nurtured here, in Seaside.

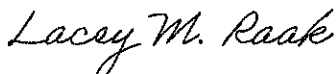
I currently serve as Chair of the Seaside Environmental Committee, however the majority of my community involvement does not happen in a meeting or a board room. My community involvement starts by building community, getting to know my neighbors, routinely picking up litter in my neighborhood, riding my bike to and from work (all within Seaside). Even walking my kids to school whenever I am able.

I care about the future of our community and attended the majority of the General Plan community meetings. The vision for Seaside2040 is filled with goals, policies and actions that our community, led by our Council members, can begin to bring to fruition. I would like to join City Council to support this vision.

I moved to the Monterey area to attend the Middlebury Institute of International Studies. While completing a Master's Degree I worked for the City of Monterey, drafting their first Climate Action Plan, a Bicycle Transportation Plan as well as supporting the Safe Routes to School program. After completing a Fulbright Research project in Indonesia, I returned and began my career in higher education. First, at UC Santa Cruz and now at CSU Monterey Bay, where I work as the Sustainability Director.

I am aware of the challenges facing our community: water, transportation, homelessness, quality education, development. I offer creativity, strength of conviction and teamwork. My intent in applying for this position stems from care for community and providing a broad perspective on the Council.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lacey M. Raak".

Lacey M. Raak



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CITY OF SEASIDE
HUMAN RESOURCES

Name: Erica D. Gertrude Smith Date: 01/02/2019

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GERTRUDE SMITH

January 02, 2019

Roberta Greathouse, Human Resources
City of Seaside
440 Harcourt Avenue
Seaside, California

Dear Neighbors,

My name is Gertrude Smith. I write this letter to express my interest in filling the City Council vacancy in Seaside, California. As a fourth generation Seaside, I am proud to say that I love my hometown and am dedicated to service, whether to my loved ones, or to the larger Seaside community. It would be a privilege to join such a great team!

My involvement in local politics will serve me well in this position. I currently serve as a California Democratic Party Delegate. I also serve as an officer in the Monterey County Young Democrats, and I have previously served as a County Commissioner. When running for Mayor of Seaside in 2016, I also gained valuable political leadership experience.

I also have deep experience as a community organizer. I have visited the offices of our Congress members, in District and in Washington D.C., to advocate for various issues that affect this community. On a local level, this included helping facilitate collaborative efforts with neighbors to advocate for the City of Seaside to become a Sanctuary City. I have also served as a youth advocate. My deep roots in the community give me an awareness of Seaside's most pressing issues. These concerns include housing that is affordable for this community, living wage jobs, a new focus on our youth, from cradle to college-aged, public works and active transportation, and smart development efforts that ensure long-term benefits.

My goal is to take a comprehensive, collaborative, compassionate approach to public service. In doing so, we can strike the essential balance necessary to secure the most desirable outcome tailored for Seaside's success. I know that my experience as a millennial worker, a nurturer, and seeker of solutions qualifies me to add a much needed perspective to our decision-making process. Upon my appointment to the Council, I'm ready to continue putting in work to ensure that we are creating the future that we all deserve.

Sincerely,



Gertrude Smith



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CITY OF SEASIDE
HUMAN RESOURCES

Name: Roelof Wijbrandus

Date: December 28, 2018

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Application for Seaside City Council

Background

Occupation: Retired Professor from the Defense Language Institute.

Years Lived in the Area: On the Monterey Peninsula 41 years. In Seaside 30 years.

Education: Master of Arts degree from the University of Massachusetts.

Community Activities: I have been involved in sustainable living solutions for as long as I have lived on the Monterey Peninsula. While living in Monterey, I was actively involved and a big supporter of the Window on the Bay project that resulted in the current hiking and biking trail that now runs from Castroville to Pebble Beach. In Seaside I have worked actively with the Sustainable Seaside group to promote better sustainable living solutions such as safer parks, school safety programs, improvement of biking opportunities, and sustainable designs for housing and business development. I am a graduate of the Seaside Police Academy training and I am the chair of our Mescal Neil Park neighborhood association, which I founded 15 years ago. I regularly attend city council meetings to provide input via public comment and I attended many of the 20/40 Seaside planning meetings. I also own a house of the month, January 2009.

Vision

Our city and our leadership are critical to our partner cities. We are situated between a National Monument and a growing university and we have one most diverse ethnic populations on the Peninsula with a rich cultural heritage that we can be proud of. We are a city of old-time residents and many newcomers. We have workforce members struggling to afford housing and we have many new young professionals becoming homeowners. At the same time we are dealing with a crisis of homeless people looking for basic services and safe shelter. It is important that we address all these challenges carefully and compassionately.

During the past few years our city has transformed the downtown area, established a city economic development office, and provided a weekly Farmers' Market. We have developed a street improvement plan that is being implemented, we are seeing protected bike paths to showcase our desire to become a more attractive and livable city, and we are seeing new businesses opening up in town. We have welcomed new voices on commissions, committees and at city council meetings. Most importantly, we have broken ground on a brand new housing and business development near the CSUMB called Campus Town.

This will greatly enhance our relationship with the university and hopefully bring more young people into our city life. Our image and growth is much enhanced by these moves.

Priorities

Jobs: Seaside needs to develop more local job opportunities. Too many residents are currently commuting to jobs outside the city. I am firm believer that we can become a more sustainable city if we have people live and work within our own city limits. We still have an opportunity to develop a job oriented business community at the former Fort Ord. Let's explore the possibilities.

Youth: We need to support a safe environment for our kids to go to school. I firmly support the recent decision by the Seaside city council to allocate money for a Resource Officer at our local schools. I am well aware that this decision created controversy, but with the oversight of our current police chief, I think our kids will feel safer if they know that there is a constant sense of security and that we as a city care about their safety in funding this particular position. The kids at the schools were overwhelmingly in support of the council decision.

Land Use: We have a great need for affordable housing, especially here in Seaside. There are many families that work in the hospitality industry in nearby cities and have to commute from Seaside where many multiple families now live in single family homes due to the shortage of affordable housing. I support the Seaside inclusionary housing ordinance, but I do feel it could be strengthened to read 30% affordable and 20% workforce. We need to prioritize infill, build higher density housing, and I support policy changes that would include allowing accessory dwelling units. I would like to see more affordable housing built in the areas on Broadway, where we have too many blighted open areas that have not been developed for years. The lower Broadway remodel has been a good start to change the way we live and work in Seaside, but we need to do a lot more to improve the quality of life for our residents. The most important change we need to work in the immediate future is to implement the street improvement program that the council has recently approved.

Water: For Seaside to grow as a sustainable, welcoming, and resident friendly city, it needs to have access to a dependable water supply. The Seaside Municipal system uses an aquifer that is currently in overdraft and under court order. Cal Am water is becoming so expensive that our future growth will be stymied if we don't take local control of our water supplies and distribution system. Pure Water Monterey will provide us a good supply of needed water, but we need to work on long range solutions. Desalination is the only long term key to needed water, but we need to work with our other communities like Marina in order to

find equitable solutions. Those can best be found through public water and cooperative partnerships with our fellow communities to find sustainable solutions and to avoid costly lawsuits.

Transportation: Most of the people that live in Seaside don't work in Seaside. So we need to create better sustainable transportation opportunities within our city. We know where the main commute arteries are, but we need to improve them with better road service that includes signals that align with each other to eliminate stop and go traffic, providing safe bike corridors, eliminating signals and stop signs where possible with the use of roundabouts, and improving the safety of pedestrian traffic by improving our broken sidewalks and clearly marking crosswalk opportunities.

Fort Ord Development: I totally support the current plans that Seaside has in place for continued development at the former Fort Ord. However, I do not favor building out on Fort Ord land in such a way that we create the optics of a Seaside North with the current downtown being considered a Seaside South. This is what happened to Monterey when Highway 1 split the city in half. We need to maintain connectivity by concentrating on affordable housing and jobs in that area. I support the transition plans for FORA in 2020 with Seaside taking the reins of future development into its own hands. The current plans for an Eastside Parkway need to be revised, however. It would destroy a lot of oak woodlands east of General Jim Moore Boulevard and the currently proposed alignment would create severe traffic impacts in Seaside. We need to work on widening Gigling Road to four lanes first.

Appointment

If I am appointed to fill the available seat on the council, I am committed to working with fellow council members and city staff, listening to Seaside residents, working with local groups, and learning as much as possible to help guide our city into the future. I know the importance of teamwork and I will provide a new voice, working thoughtfully with my fellow council members. I am proud to be a resident of Seaside and I have faith that together we will move ahead, building on the successes of the past and planning for an even better tomorrow.

Roelof Wijbrandus

