

Mayor and Council,

Our street reconstruction project is 95% complete in advance of the Memorial Day weekend in spite of the rain! We have been posting updates on the City website and social media. Our Public Works supervisor and city engineer have monitored the project throughout and have done an outstanding job! We will complete tree planting in the new curbed area on Tweed in the weeks ahead. I can think of no better way to thank her dedicated public works team than for the City Council to recognize them Tuesday night at the council meeting as we recognize Public Works week. City staff worked with TAMC public affairs on a press release which was published in the Herald last week.

Public Works also continues to beautify our park working on the landscaping in front of Old Town Hall, improving the children's playground area, working on the infield of our baseball field, and improving the basketball court and volleyball court. We expect a Gab crew in the next few weeks. Their focus will be fuel reduction resulting from the growth after the rainy season we have had.

Our Police Department received a new electric vehicle ATV complements of an air district grant written by Sergeant Nguyen. The ATV is in the new storage building behind City Hall and will be outfitted with lights and markings in the near future and will be used to patrol our Fort Ord property.

Our police department also responded to assist seaside police department last week following a fatal shooting in the city of Seaside. Our officers' professionalism was noticed by the seaside police chief and his staff.

Our Police Department continues to provide excellent service and protection for our community. Chief Hoyne authorized a press release outlining success in solving a recent burglaries in our city. This type of follow up investigation and detailed police work required to achieve this is only possible because of our expanded capability due in large part to the agreement we have with the airport.

Staff mailed a notice for a public hearing/workshop on our Housing Element scheduled for June 6, 2019 from 6-8pm. At this workshop the Council will receive and discuss background information regarding the City's upcoming 2019 Housing Element Update including new State Housing Element law, and the adopted 2019 Regional Housing Needs Assessment Plan (RH NAP).

Staff met with our website design consultant to discuss various design elements and capabilities of the future city website. We hope to go live with the new website in August.

The FORA Admin Committee met on Wednesday. We discussed the results of the FORA board meeting on May 10 where the board unanimously adopted the 2019–2020 CIP, and agreed to establish an escrow account for the \$7+ million allocated to the S. Boundary Rd. and General Jim Moore intersection projects. The cities of Monterey and Del Rey Oaks will work with FORA to establish an agreement for transition on the S. Boundary Rd. project as it will likely not be completed prior to FORA's sunset. Administrative committee also discussed the potential for bonding against future property tax increment to fund the completion of building removal in Marina, Seaside and the County. Members of the administrative committee had various questions and the consultant had questions for Marina, Seaside and the County. The Administrative committee will revisit issue later in May.

In spite of inclement weather the ice cream social was a success! Thanks to all who volunteered to make it such a great event, and a special thanks to Kim Shirley for organizing.

Staff transferred \$1,685,000 to the City's LAIF account which is earning 2.4% interest annually, leaving \$250,000 in our non-interest bearing City checking account. The transferred amount includes the council approved \$525,000 economic uncertainty reserve. The City will earn approximately \$41,000 in interest over the next year on this amount. The funds in our LAIF account are available to us at any time.

Staff discussed the way forward with Denise Duffy concerning the Del Rey Garden center project. Next steps will include a review of deed restrictions and grant documents associated with the development of the tennis courts to identify any restrictions on the development. Staff will then arrange a meeting with the city engineer, planning staff, and Mr. Mori to review the application process for his project.

Finally the City received 14 applications for our part time administrative position! The application window is now closed and staff is beginning the review process.