



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
County Manager



Date: Feb. 23, 2017

Board Meeting Date: Feb. 28, 2017

Special Notice / Hearing: None

Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: John L. Maltbie, County Manager

Subject: County Manager's Report # 4

RECOMMENDATION:

Accept this informational report.

BACKGROUND:

This report will provide you with updates on a variety of County initiatives focusing on Public Safety, Health and Human Services, Community Services and Performance, in addition to reports on legislation and issues that require your action. We also will keep you and the public informed about new services, upcoming events and general updates.

DISCUSSION:

Public Safety

County convenes meeting with cities on Proposition 64

Following the request of your Board, Assistant County Manager Mike Callagy and County Counsel John Beiers will convene a meeting early next month with interested city managers and city attorneys to discuss how best to address the legal complexities related to the recent passage of Proposition 64. The Adult Use of Marijuana Act has left the County and many of its cities with unanswered questions about regulation and safety of marijuana manufacturing, sales and cultivation. At the time your Board imposed a temporary moratorium on commercial growing and sales, you also indicated a desire to explore consistency among our county's many jurisdictions. This upcoming meeting is hopefully a first step toward that possibility as we share our collective concerns and experiences.

Community Services

Citrus pest trapped in existing quarantine area

A single Asian Citrus Psyllid (ACP) was trapped on a residential property on Fleetwood Drive, near Westborough Boulevard in San Bruno. This property is within the quarantine area established two years ago when two ACPs were confirmed in Daly City

and Pacifica. The ACP spreads huanglongbing (HLB), a devastating bacterial disease of citrus trees.

County Agriculture Commissioner Fred Crowder's office is working with California Department of Food and Agriculture to determine if this was a singular incident or part of a larger population. The citrus tree where the ACP was trapped and any other citrus within 100 meters will be treated. If a second ACP property is found, the treatment area will be expanded to include citrus within 400 meters and a third property will widen the area to 800 meters. Before any such treatments are implemented, the County would conduct community outreach, meetings and notifications.

Interestingly, Crowder said because ACP is so widespread in Southern California, the treatment effort is deemed "suppressive" and although residents are encouraged to participate they have the right to opt out.

County endorses innovative design competition to tackle climate change

The County of San Mateo is an endorser and partner in the Bay Area Resilient by Design Challenge, a competition of 10 multidisciplinary teams each assigned a different bayside location and \$250,000 to tackle sea level rise. The teams will collaborate with their assigned community to develop solutions for climate change. At least one project will be designed in each of the nine Bay Area counties but no locations have been selected yet. Staff from the Office of Sustainability will serve as a resource for the team or teams selected to work in San Mateo County. The teams are private companies that submit proposals to the challenges and are selected through a competitive process.

The challenge, funded with a multi-million dollar grant from the Rockefeller Foundation, begins in April and is modeled after a successful design competition held on the East Coast following Hurricane Sandy. The goal is to spur innovative and realistic infrastructure solutions by engaging designers, developers, architects and others. The effort also dovetails nicely with the Sea Level Rise Vulnerability Assessment currently underway by the Office of Sustainability.

Measure K

Measure K Supports Children in Treatment

Thanks to your Board's allocation of Measure K funds for Youth Trauma Intervention, staff at Behavioral Health and Recovery Services has provided children in treatment with a safe haven when they are feeling overwhelmed.

Counseling and treatment rooms have been outfitted with new colorful tents, tactile toys that can be used for soothing, rocking chairs, bean bag chairs and other items purchased with local Measure K sales tax funds. These essential items can help to calm a child who can be easily overwhelmed due to sensory disorders, trauma and neglect.

Events, Updates and News

County chosen for public WiFi 'SuperCluster'

I'm pleased to announce that the County has been selected to serve on the leadership team of the Public WiFi SuperCluster in the Global City Teams Challenge 2017 (GCTC). The challenge brings together cities from around the world to collaborate in

project teams on groundbreaking “Internet of Things” applications. Initiatives are grouped into “SuperClusters” and this year the GCTC added Public WiFi to the lineup. The challenge also named the County to its leadership team along with Joint Venture Silicon Valley, the National Institute of Science and Technology, Brocade and Sensity/Verizon. The County was chosen for its vision of building and strengthening connections among residents and between residents and government.

The Public WiFi SuperCluster will develop plans for individual communities to deploy public WIFI infrastructure and solutions; convene workshops to collaborate on solutions; and, deploy partners to multiple cities to implement the explanation of public access to the Internet. The SuperCluster will present its plans and findings at the GCTC Expo in late summer 2017.