

Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors
From: John L. Maltbie, County Manager
Subject: County Manager's Report #16

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:

Health and Human Services

Health unveils new look, same commitment

The County's health department unveiled a new name and look, rebranding itself as San Mateo County Health with the tagline "All together better." The new identity emphasizes the collaboration and partnerships necessary to achieve its mission of helping everyone in San Mateo County live longer and better lives. The new logo, tagline and name are the result of a two-year project that surveyed stakeholders about Health's work, diversity and innovation to help the department clearly communicate with residents about who they are, what they do and what services they provide.

Courts

Statewide court funding to help restore local counter hours, services

Thanks to a reinvestment in statewide trial court funding by Gov. Jerry Brown and the Legislature, the San Mateo County Superior Court is able to restore some calendars and services which had been scaled back. During previous budget years, courtrooms in the Northern Branch in South San Francisco were closed, clerk's office public counter and phone hours were trimmed and calendars reduced because of funding restrictions. The courts anticipate expanding public counter and phone hours at the main Redwood City courthouse, Traffic Annex and Youth Services Center from the current 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. back to 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday in mid-October. Restoration of services and calendars at the Northern Branch is on track for Jan. 7, 2019.

New Court Executive Officer named

San Mateo County Superior Court judges voted to appoint Deputy Court Executive Officer Neal Taniguchi to the position of court executive officer, succeeding Rodina Catalano who retires in October. Taniguchi has served the court for nearly eight years and has more than 28 years total of government experience at the management level.

Catalano retires after more than 32 years with the San Mateo court system and more than three as the court executive officer. On behalf of the County, I'd like to thank both for their service and wish them well on their respective new paths.

Measure K

Daly City Youth Health Center celebrates opening

Dozens of community members celebrated the grand opening of the new location of the Daly City Youth Health Center on Monday, Sept. 10. The new location, at 350 90th St., provides a bright and expanded space for the not-for-profit center's core mission: delivering primary care, reproductive health care and counseling for youth ages 12 to 24 who live in North San Mateo County. Your Board's commitment of \$2.2 million in Measure K funds contributed to the building upgrades and ADA-related improvements. Health also supports the center on an ongoing basis in several ways, including staff from San Mateo Medical Center providing services there. Behavioral Health and Recovery Services also contracts with the Jefferson Union High School District to provide mental health services.

Ohlone-Portolá Heritage Trail public meetings held

The first of three public information meetings on plans to develop the Ohlone-Portolá Heritage Trail will take place this evening (Tuesday, Sept.25) at the Pacifica Community Center, 540 Crespi Drive, Pacifica. Additional meetings will be held Monday, October 1, at the Pescadero Native Sons Community Hall, 112 Stage Road, Pescadero, and Tuesday, October 2, at the Woodside Town Hall, 2955 Woodside Road. All meetings will take place from 7 to 9 p.m.

Working with county, state and federal agencies, as well as tribal representatives, our Parks Department is working to develop a trail system that will recognize 10,000 years of the Ohlone peoples in San Mateo County and to follow the footsteps of the 1769 Portolá expedition. Funds from Measure K support planning efforts.

News, Events & Updates

Civics 101 kicks off latest season

Earlier this month I had the pleasure to help kick off the latest season of Civics 101, the County's free nine-week citizens academy led by Civic Engagement Specialist Eric Forgaard in the County Manager's Office. This year marks my last addressing an enthusiastic class of residents eager to learn more about the County, what it does and who it serves. This year's class has more than 60 students who will hear from department heads and visit County sites including the courts and Edgewood Park. I've been proud each year to meet the classes and answer their questions as well as learn from them about their concerns and priorities.