

Monterey County Board of Supervisors

MEETING:		October 22, 2019 - Other Board Matters - FINAL-REVISED							
SUBJECT:		Board Referrals Update							
DEPARTMENT:		County Administrative Office							
Item #	Brd Ref #	Assignment Date	Referred By	Lead Dept. Sub-Depts.	Project Lead	Requested Due	Item	Report	Status
1	2016.02	4/12/16	Potter	RMA County Counsel	McKee / Holm	5/10/16	<p>Short Term Rental (STR) Ordinance</p> <p>a) Prioritize completion of the STR rental ordinance by scheduling a final meeting of the STR Working Group; and</p> <p>b) Present a complete STR Ordinance to the Planning Commission;</p> <p>c) County Counsel respond to the Board re. County not engage in code violation citations while the STR ordinance is being developed.</p>	<p>A report on enforcement of STR was presented to the Board of Supervisors (BOS) on 7/17/18 where Resource Management Agency (RMA) informed the BOS of interim enforcement protocols until an ordinance is adopted (complete). There was a final meeting of the Working Group on 5/11/16 (complete). Staff presented the most recent draft ordinance to the Planning Commission at a Special Meeting on 7/24/19, asking for a recommendation that staff can present to the Board.</p> <p>RMA staff will be return to the Planning Commission on November 13, 2019, with a recommendation. the matter will then go before the Board of Supervisor in January 2020.</p>	Pending
2	2017.21	9/26/17	Alejo	RMA / Econ. Dev.	Holm	12/12/17	<p>Expand access to Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) in Monterey County to address housing shortage in Monterey County.</p>	<p>Initial presentation to the Board was provided on 4/03/18. A presentation on State law and amendments to County regulations was held on 6/26/18. Staff is preparing ordinances to update ADU regulations consistent with State Law. A Public Hearing/Workshop on the draft ordinance is scheduled with PC on 6/27/18. Additional changes may be necessary depending on actions with the pending State legislation.</p> <p>A draft ordinance was presented to the Planning Commission. State legislation affecting ADU regulations has settled down. The State information will be forwarded to the Planning Commission for review and consideration. It is anticipated this item will be brought forth to the Board on January 2020 for consideration.</p>	Pending
3	2017.18	9/19/17	Board	Human Resources	Ramirez-Bough	10/24/17	<p>Request a presentation to the Board of Supervisors with options for commissioner compensation that supports our ability to recruit a diverse and representative pool of commissioners.</p>	<p>The item was presented to the BOS on 10/2. The BOS directed that HR 1) convene a committee of Department Heads that manage significant Board and commission to develop a Commissioner Recruitment Strategy, and 2) ask Departments to provide information related to the diversity of their current volunteer Commissioner's and committee members; 3) work with County Counsel and Auditor to determine what would be involved/required to actively implement reimbursement to these volunteers, but budget/cost implications A report will be presented to the Board on October 22 November 5, 2019.</p>	Pending
4	2017.24	10/24/17	Alejo/Salinas	Probation/RMA	Parsons	12/12/17	<p>Proposal to consolidate the current "Youth Center" on 970 Circle Drive in east Salinas with the new Juvenile Hall on 1420 Natividad Road and repurpose the property on 970 Circle Drive.</p>	<p>Probation must obtain further determination/documentation from BSCC that State funding will not be compromised with consolidating Youth Center and new Juvenile Hall and whether this combination of two separate programs can be accommodated in the new Juvenile Hall campus. Probation has already approached a consultant to obtain clarification on this issue. A report on this item is anticipated to be provided in January 2019 pending construction of Juvenile Hall.</p> <p>01/16/19: A status update memorandum was submitted to the Board members. The next status update is planned after the completion of Phase I of the new Juvenile Hall facility. Phase I is scheduled for completion on December 2019.</p>	Pending
5	2018.15	6/5/18	Phillips/Alejo	RMA	Holm	7/17/18	<p>Consider zoning changes to prohibit drilling for oil & gas north of King City</p>	<p>Present options for initiating amendments to County zoning to prohibit new oil and gas exploration in Monterey County except in the southern Salinas Valley, generally south of King City and east of the Santa Lucia range, so that it meets all legal requirements.</p> <p>RMA prepared options for consideration by the Planning Commission at a workshop held on 7/11/18. Based on the workshop, postpone further consideration of this referral until Measure Z litigation is concluded.</p>	Hold

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6	2018.16	6/26/2018	Alejo	County Counsel/Auditor-Controller	McKee/Shah	8/28/2018	Update County Travel Policy by County Counsel in coordination with the Auditor-Controller's Office.	<p>Monterey County's travel policy managed by the Auditor-Controller has not been updated in many years and today, it does not compare with current market prices or organizational procedures and may exceed legal requirements. The current policy creates barriers for county staff to be able to effectively represent county business at conferences, trainings or in litigation. This policy also conflicts with another travel policy found in the Personnel Policies and Practices Resolution (PPPR). This referral seeks to update the policies to account for inconsistencies, business needs, efficiency, market prices, whether government rates are available or whether the discounted lodging rooms were secured by conference organizers, such as the California State Association of Counties. This lack in clarity in the existing policy is costing unnecessary staff time and an update would modernize our policy with current standards. The new policy should meet Federal and State law while supporting business efficiency.</p> <p>A revised policy was presented to the Board on November 6, 2018. An update memo was submitted to the Board and a revised policy is to be presented on October 15 November 5, 2019.</p>	Pending
7	2018.19	8/15/2018	Alejo	RMA	Holm	8/28/2018	Explore leasing office space to 20th Congressional District Office.	<p>On 9/17/18, RMA staff provided the Congressional District staff with a rough furniture cost estimate and rough design sketch for approximately 2,600 square feet of space located on the first floor of the East Wing next to the Grand Jury space. Congressional District staff was advised to work with Peninsula Business Interiors of Salinas to produce final design and cost estimates and ready for Federal Government procurement. Meeting to discuss the required Federal leasing documents, rental rate and term, additional landlord/tenant costs and responsibilities is tentatively scheduled to be shortly after the November 6th Elections. Information is pending from the Congressional District Office. Staff are conferring with Federal Agencies on requirements. A report will be presented to the Board to consider approval of lease agreement on October November 2019.</p>	Pending
8	2018.26	10/18/2018	Parker	IOLA	Chiuolos	12/4/2018	FORA Transition Planning	<p>To receive a report from staff on their activities related to Fort Ord Reuse Authority transition planning and provide Board direction if needed. A report was provided to the Board on January 29, 2019. An update was presented to the Board on 3/19/2019. Draft legislative language was presented to the FORA Board on 3/15/19. A request to the Board was made to send a letter conveying the Board's position to FORA.</p> <p>An update report was presented to the Board on 5/7/2019 and Legislation SB 189 (Monning) was supported with changes per the Board's direction, including changes to the voting structure and to encourage that no additional debt be incurred by FORA during the extended period through 2022. Staff continues to monitor the State legislation. An update report was provided to the Board of Supervisors on October 8, 2019. Staff will provide a presentation to the Board on October 22, 2019.</p>	Pending
9	2018.28	12/4/2018	Phillips	RMA	Holm	12/11/2018	Affordable Housing in the Coastal Zone	<p>Amend County LCP to be consistent with the Coastal Act regarding affordable housing, authorize staff to investigate processes and provide language revision recommendations to the Local Coastal Plan. A presentation was provided to the Board on January 15, 2019. A written update will be provided to the Board members.</p>	Pending
10	2019.01	2/26/2019	Adams	RMA	Holm	5/1/2019	Review of State and County Defensible Space Regulations	<p>To review the State and County regulations that govern fire fuel reduction for defensible space on private property.</p> <p>Request is for a presentation to the Board on the applicable State and County regulations that govern fire fuel reduction for defensible space on private property and consideration of whether any changes may be warranted in the County's regulations in this current era of fire hazards. Request is to complete update to the information and resources available on the RMA web page on Removal of Trees & Vegetation & Fire Management, for example by adding links to other agencies and resources. A report was presented to the Board on 5/7/2019 and was moved to be included in the Resource Management Agency's Long Range Planning presentation scheduled on October 22, December 10, 2019.</p>	Pending

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11	2019.08	9/10/2019	Alejo	RMA/IGLA	Holm/Chiuolos	12/10/2019	State Funding for the Historic Old Monterey County Jail	<p>Preservation and Adaptive Reuse of the Old Monterey County Jail by seeking state funding match in the 2020 budget.</p> <p>This referral modifies my prior one for an RFP for a potential Public Private Partnership to save the Old Monterey County Jail. After 2 attempts to solicit P3 proposals, none were received by the County. I am now requesting that our County pursue \$10 million in the 2020 state budget to pay a partial amount of the cost to repurpose the historic Old Jail, which is the only historic landmark of the Farmworker Rights Movement on the Central Coast. A potential use would be for a multicultural workers' history museum and a performing arts/events center on the bottom floor, and office space or other uses on the top floor, but other potential uses should be explored and be presented as well. I also request that staff explore funding mechanisms to finance the remainder of the cost (as was done for the East West Building renovation) and provide the board with a cost estimates for using the entire building as is or a hybrid proposal of keeping the front portion of the jail with a new rear-portion of the building. This capital project is being proposed in light of other major county capital projects having been completed or are currently under construction. (Schilling, East-West, New Jail Facility and New Juvenile Hall).</p> <p>A presentation of options for the disposition of the Old Jail was provided on September 10, 2019. The Board requests a final report by December 10, 2019.</p>	Pending
12	2019.09	9/10/2019	Alejo/Lopez	RMA	Holm	12/10/2019	Install Signage for the Salinas Valley Wine Trail to Enhance Agri-Tourism, Viticulture & Economic Prosperity in the Salinas Valley.	<p>This referral seeks to install signage for the Salinas Valley Wine Corridor to enhance agri-tourism, viticulture and economic prosperity in the Salinas Valley. The Board of Supervisors approved \$150,000 in the 2019-20 budget to promote tourism in the Salinas Valley and these funds could be used to pay for sign costs and installation. The signs would be a one-time cost but would last for many years and would better guide motorists along the route. The referral requests that a map of the Salinas Valley Wine Trail also be produced or updating the existing wayfinding system. The Board requests a report on December 10, 2019.</p> <p>The Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors did the same in 2014 for their Wine Trail in Morgan Hill, San Martin and Gilroy. They adopted a trail route, logo and installed 70+ signs. Additional signs within the city limits of Morgan Hill and Gilroy were paid by those cities.</p>	Pending
13	2019.10	9/24/2019	Phillips	CAO/Co Counsel/WRA	McKee/Bueche	11/5/2019	Request County become the Groundwater Sustainability Agency limited to the area necessary to avoid any of the 180 & 400 ft aquifers declared unmanaged or probationary as the result of overlaps.	<p>Take actions needed to avoid the overlapping areas and/or the 180 & 400 ft aquifers being declared unmanaged or probationary by virtue of the overlap of boundaries of the Salinas Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SVBGSA) and the City of Marina Groundwater Sustainability Agency (MGSA). Area to be covered should be limited to that necessary to resolve overlap ramifications.</p> <p>Both the SVBGSA and MGSA have filed with the Department of Water Resources to be the GSA for the 180 & 400 ft aquifers covering an approximately 400-acre parcel in the City of Marina. This creates an overlap of GSA boundaries. Overlaps may result in sustainability plans being rejected and/or areas determined to be unmanaged or probationary. Counties may be deemed the GSA for areas that are unmanaged. The County previously offered to be the GSA for any unmanaged or ungoverned areas. SVBGSA is far along in creating a sustainability plan for the 180/400 ft. aquifers. Request is also made that the County adopt this plan, as appropriate, and have the SVBGSA manage the area. The SVBGSA appears to support the proposal and the matter is moving through their committees.</p> <p>A presentation is requested by the Board on November 5, 2019.</p>	Pending

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14	2019.11	10/8/2019	Adams	Health/Environmental Health/Co Counsel	Jimenez/Ramirez/Strimling	11/19/2019	Establish an Ordinance restricting the use of single-use plastics	<p>Establish an Ordinance restricting the use of single-use plastics and disposable food service ware in the unincorporated County. Plastic waste is polluting the marine environment at a runaway pace: 80% of ocean litter comes from land-based sources, and according to the 2011 Clean Water Action Study, 67% of litter in commercial streets is comprised of single use disposable food and beverage packaging. It's a growing problem that wreaks havoc on local environments. Communities across our region are taking action to address the global plastic litter problem by banning or significantly restricting the use of single-use plastics and disposable food service ware. The County of Monterey can support local efforts to reduce waste, protect the environment, and further solidify our county as a "sustainable destination" by enacting an ordinance restricting the use of single-use plastics and disposable food service ware in the unincorporated county. The City of Monterey recently enacted its Environmentally Acceptable Food Service Ware ordinance, developed using an inclusive community process. This ordinance should serve as a reference to the County as it undertakes adoption of its own restrictions on the use of single-use plastics and disposable food service ware in the unincorporated county.</p> <p>A presentation to the Board is requested on December 17, 2019.</p>	Pending
15	2019.12	10/15/2019	Alejo & Adams	RMA	Holm/Swanson	12/10/2019	Strengthen Monterey County's ordinance regarding archeological on-site monitoring requirements for development projects to better protect Native American and other cultural resources and provide increased daily fines for violations to better ensure compliance.	<p>This referral requests that the Resource Management Agency amend Monterey County's ordinance regarding on-site archeological requirements for development projects to better protect of Native American and other cultural resources in sensitive areas and sites in Monterey County. This referral specifically requests that daily fines be increased to \$10,000 or more for violations of not having required on-site archeological monitors during excavation, grading or during other required parts of a project. Our current ordinance is deficient and provides only a minimal fine for daily violations of not having a required on-site archeological monitor. This proposal would provide stronger penalties to ensure strict compliance. A presentation is requested by the Board for December 17, 2019.</p>	Pending
16	2019.13	10/22/2019	Alejo	RMA	Holm	1/28/2020	Monterey County Facilities' Energy Efficiency & Modernization	<p>This referral seeks to research and assess the energy efficiency of all our County facilities and pursue budget-neutral financing opportunities to maximize energy efficiency and invest in facilities' infrastructure modernization.</p> <p>The County of Monterey currently spends about \$3.4M per year on utilities, but could potentially reduce that to \$2.55M, at a savings of \$850,000 per year and another \$50,000 in operations costs (or \$900,000 total per year). Over 10 years, that would be a savings of \$18M that could then be reinvested into critical infrastructure, maintenance and upgrades, including EV charging stations, HVAC systems, renewable/solar energy solutions, improved lighting systems, etc.</p>	NEW Pending approval on 10/22/2019
17	2019.14	10/22/2019	Phillips	Health Department	Jimenez	12/10/2019	Explore options to fund mobile spay and neuter clinics	<p>Research funding mechanisms to fund mobile spay/neuter programs which would minimize the number of stray and injured animals countywide.</p> <p>In response to the recommendations of the County Animal Shelter, animal advocacy groups, the SPCA and the Grand Jury report which referenced the high rate of euthanasia in Monterey County, the County should research the partnership possibilities for funding mobile spay/neuter clinic(s) to address the need for additional spay/neuter services throughout Monterey County. Many residents are unwilling or unable to bring animals to shelters while others are unable to afford the costs of caring for animals. Studies show that mobile spay and neuter clinics reduce the number of stray and injured animals resulting in lower euthanasia rates and improve the overall health and safety of both animals and humans.</p>	NEW Pending approval on 10/22/2019

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