

Monterey County Board of Supervisors															
MEETING:		October 8, 2024 - Other Board Matters													
SUBJECT:		Board Referrals Update													
DEPARTMENT:		County Administrative Office													
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1	2016.02	4/12/16	Adams	HCD	County Counsel	Blitch/Spencer	Short Term Rental (STR) Ordinance a) Prioritize completion of the STR rental ordinance by scheduling a final meeting of the STR Working Group; and b) Present a complete STR Ordinance to the Planning Commission; c) County Counsel respond to the Board re. County not engage in code violation citations while the STR ordinance is being developed.	Staff presented the draft vacation rental ordinances to the Board on November 17, 2020. Referral modified on August 24, 2021 (as part of Board's annual evaluation of referrals) requesting that HCD provide a proposal to address implementation of enforcement at this time, as well as anticipated funding sources for those costs. On October 5, 2021, the Board directed HCD to develop a pilot program to enforce STRs in District 5. On December 8, 2021, staff provided a presentation to the Board on its proposed proactive enforcement and was directed to proceed by returning in January/February 2022 for Board action on staff resources, funding, and a draft ordinance increasing fines for unauthorized STRs. The Budget Committee considered staff resources on January 26, 2022 and subsequently, on March 1, 2022, the Board approved three new staff positions including two Code Compliance Inspector II positions and an Office Assistant position. Proactive code enforcement on STRs operating without paying TOT is ongoing. On the ordinance, a Draft EIR was circulated for public review and comment from December 11, 2023 through January 29, 2024. HCD is preparing responses to comments (the Final EIR). The Planning Commission and Board will consider the ordinance after the Final EIR is published. Planning Commission review and recommendation to the Board is targeted on May 29, 2024. The Vacation Rental Ordinance is nearing a resolution this year.	Pending						
2	2017.18	9/19/17	Board	CAO		Bokanovich	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.	The item was presented to the Board on 10/2/2018. The Board directed that HR: 1) convene a committee of Department Heads that manage significant boards and commissions to develop a Commissioner Recruitment Strategy; 2) ask departments to provide information related to the diversity of their current volunteer Commissioner's and committee members; and 3) work with County Counsel and Auditor to determine what would be involved/required to actively implement reimbursement to these volunteers, with budget/cost implications. Referral modified on August 24, 2021 (as part of Board's annual evaluation of referrals) to include: A) an assessment on how commissions are being utilized; how well they are serving in their advisory function to the Board; staffing levels of various committees, and, how that may or may not contribute to their functioning; and, B) referring the referral to the Board of Supervisors - Human Resources Committee to engage in discussion and bring back recommendations to the full Board. This item was discussed with the Human Resources Committee in late January 2022. The referral has been reassigned to the County Administrative Office for response. Additional time is needed for information gathering. Staff anticipates a further response to the Board in October 2024.	Pending						
3	2017.20	11/19/19	Alejo	PWFP		Ishii	Lease agreement between the City of Salinas and the County of Monterey regarding County's parcel adjacent 855 East Laurel Drive in Salinas for the implementation of a BMX Bike Track, new Skate Park, and sidewalk on East Laurel Drive in Salinas.	An initial referral was initiated on September 15, 2017. On September 1, 2017, Supervisor Alejo held a meeting with the City of Salinas, County RMA staff, and a BMX bike park and skate park engineers/designers to review the property. County Staff conferred with City Staff relative to the City's update of their Parks Master Plan. RMA has also been coordinating with City staff regarding sidewalks on County-owned lands along East Laurel Drive adjacent to this property (between Sanborn Road and Constitution Boulevard). The referral was closed on May 7, 2019 for staff to pursue efforts for a Shelter at 855 E. Laurel. RMA is preparing to bring a master planning effort for use of County lands, specifically lands at Natividad/Laurel in Salinas. This matter is reinstated for reconsideration. Public comment on this item was received on January 14, 2020. Item was pulled from the June 16, 2020, Board meeting agenda and is on hold pending identification of funding. Staff to consult with requesting Supervisor prior to resubmitting item to the Board. PWFP staff continues to work with our state legislative consultants to identify potential grant opportunities. At the September 14, 2021 Board Meeting, the Board provided direction to PWFP staff to apply for Prop 68 grant funding. On January 20, 2022, the County submitted a \$3 million application to the Prop 68 Regional Park Program. Project implementation is pending notification of a grant award. On August 24th, the County was notified that its project applications were not selected for grant funding - the process was highly competitive and oversubscribed. Staff will continue to find new opportunities to raise fund to build the project. Staff continues to seek grant opportunities and/or partnerships to fund raise and build the project. Staff received notice from the Salinas Regional Soccer complex that they would be proceeding with the design and placement of the skate/bike park within their complex and would include it as part of their operations. Project is on hold pending funding. Staff continues to seek grant opportunities and/or partnerships to fund raise and build the project.	Postponed						
4	2018.28	12/4/2018	Phillips	HCD		Spencer	Affordable Housing in the Coastal Zone	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. HCD plans to couple this work with the 6th Housing Element to be completed by December 2024. In the interim, staff considers the integration of affordable housing policies in the coastal zones when the opportunities exist (e.g., update to the Big Sur Land Use Plan) Staff anticipates coordinating meetings with coastal commission staff in 2023 with a report out to the Board of Supervisors in 2024.	Pending						

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5	Referral Process Amendment	2020.22	7/7/2020	Church	CAO		Bokanovich	This referral requests that the process be amended to have Board approval for a referral as part of an agenda item showing the purpose of the referral, costs, time, challenges, and details of the project. In April 2021, the Board approved an amended Board Referral process, which included an exception for urgent matters and provided for Board review of pending referrals on an annual basis. Board review of the referral procedures is anticipated to occur in July 2024, in conjunction with other Board policies. Staff anticipates returning to the Board in October 2025.	Pending
6	Monterey County COVID-19 Victims Memorial	2021.05	3/2/2021	Alejo	PWFP		Ishii	This referral seeks to create a permanent memorial with the names of all COVID-19 victims of Monterey County on the Monterey County Government Campus at 168 West Alisal Street. A presentation was provided to the Board on March 22, 2022. Staff was directed to seek potential match from partners and return to the Board in 45 days for further direction. Staff has been seeking potential partners and will be reporting back. The Board approved a revised concept at its June 22, 2022 meeting. Staff is coordinating with the Budget Office to establish fund to receive donations, and staff is seeking potential donors. On September 13, 2022 the Board of Supervisors approved staff's request to enter into a capital campaign with Monterey County Community Foundation to raise funds to complete the project. Staff provided an update to the Board on June 13, 2023. Staff provided a status update at the June 13 BOS. Funding efforts are at 44% overall project cost. Funding raising efforts have raised enough money to develop plans for permit. Staff initiated a draw from the Community Foundation fund to begin drawings for permit. Construction implementation is pending additional funding.	Pending
7	Review of Board Committee Responsibilities	2021.09	5/25/2021	Church/Askev	CAO		Bokanovich	This referral seeks to clarify the purpose and responsibilities of each Board of Supervisors committees to improve staff workflow and Board decision making ability. A preliminary analysis was approved by the Board on June 15, 2021. Staff will be submitting a response to this referral for Board consideration in May 2022. The referral has been reassigned to the County Administrative Office for response. Board is scheduled to conduct its 2nd annual evaluation of pending referrals on March 28, 2023. To avoid future delays, all annual evaluations will be scheduled to occur the first month of each calendar year. Board review of the referral procedures is anticipated to occur in October, in conjunction with other Board policies. Staff anticipates a response to this referral in October 2024.	Pending
8	Board Workshop to Review Regional Water Issues and Potential Solutions	2021.18	9/28/2021	Adams	WRA		Azhdarian	This referral seeks to initiate a comprehensive discussion on regional scale water issues and potential solutions in Monterey County. This referral is for the Board of Supervisors of the MCWRA to hold a special joint meeting with the MCWRA Board of Directors, the SVBGSA Board of Directors, and the Marina Coast Water District GSA Board for the water agencies' leadership to provide a comprehensive overview of regional projects under consideration by the MCWRA, SVBGSA and MCWD GSA. Elected officials, local agencies, water purveyors, industry representatives, landowners and other stakeholders that may have some oversight or authority, or potential interest in participating in regional solutions should be invited. A preliminary analysis was provided to the Board on November 2, 2021. A workshop was held for the Board on March 15, 2022 at 1:30pm. The 2nd Board Workshop will be held on September 20, 2022. The 3rd and final Board Workshop will be held on December 6, 2022. Staff were directed to continue to pursue a collaborative approach with the stakeholders to formulate regional water collaborative. Water Resources Agency Staff will be coordinating this effort with the Salinas Valley GSA, and return to the Board with recommendations. The SVBGSA was recently awarded a facilitating support services grant from the Department of Water Resources providing one year of facilitation services at no local cost. In coordination with the SVBGSA and Monterey One Water (MW1), the scope of services includes a facilitated series of workshops with MW1, SVBGSA, and MCWRA to begin with the fact finding, and then to a solutions focused problem-solving approach to delivering the maximum amount of recycled water to MW1 customers including CSIP, CalAm, and Marina Coast Water District, critical to local water supplies and seawater intrusion mitigation.	Pending
9	East Garrison Street Renaming	2021.25	1/1/2021	Askev	PWFP HCD		Ishii Spencer	This referral seeks to identify the process and funding for the renaming of certain streets in East Garrison and revise the naming approval process. A preliminary response was provided to the Board on January 11, 2022. Staff presented to the Board at the May 3, 2022 Board Meeting, and received direction from the Board. HCD has been directed to engage with the public and determine interest in changing the street names within East Garrison. HCD attended the East Garrison CSD (EGCSD) meeting on May 11, 2022, to present the matter. HCD staff will develop a draft program. The program will likely be presented to the Board for consideration once developed. Proposed completion date of October 2025.	Pending
10	Increased Fines for Big Sur Roadside Camping Prohibition	2021.29	1/27/2021	Adams	PWFP		Ishii	This referral seeks to increase the administrative citation and fine amounts for citations issued under Monterey County Code Section 14.18.020.A. This is a follow-up to Board Referral No. 2019.16 (Big Sur Roadside Camping Prohibition Enforcement). A preliminary response was provided to the Board on January 11, 2022. The Ordinance increasing the existing fine amount to \$1,000 was adopted by the BOS at its July 26, 2022 meeting. New signage to indicate the increased fine amount has been installed on all existing camping prohibition signs. Staff continues coordination with the Big Sur Byways Organization and District 5 on installation of additional new signs. Staff continues to coordinate with Caltrans and Coastal Commission on getting the necessary approval/permits to install along SR 1. Staff is working with HCD regarding Coastal permits. Proposed completion date of January 2025.	Pending
11	Sheriff Oversight Board Formation	2022.02	1/1/2022	Askev	CAO		Blitch/Chiulos	This referral seeks to explore formation of a Sheriff Oversight Board. Assembly Bill 1185 authorized counties to establish a sheriff oversight board to assist the board of supervisors to fulfill its duties related supervising the official conduct of all county officers, including the sheriff. An oversight board would consist of civilian residents appointed by the board of supervisors. Formation of the oversight board can be accomplished by action of the board of supervisors or through a vote of county residents. This referral requests the Board of Supervisor form such an oversight board and that staff return with a report that includes bylaws, formation resolution, and an outline of administrative capacity needed to support the oversight board. A preliminary response was provided to the Board on March 22, 2022; at which time, the Board took action to defer the item until after the new Sheriff is elected and the Board has had an opportunity to establish a relationship. An Ad Hoc Committee has been established by the Board to study the various options concerning oversight of the Office of the Sheriff, pursuant to Assembly Bill 1185. Report is currently with Ad Hoc committee for review and revision.	Pending

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12	Revisit Rossi Road Extension Plan	Ishii/Spencer	2022.04	2/1/2022	PWFP HCD			This referral seeks to revisit the Rossi Road extension plan and explore solutions to alleviate traffic congestion and improve traffic circulation in the Boronda area as a result of the population and business growth and the relocation of the SVSWA transfer station and Republic Services' yard. A preliminary response was provided to the Board on March 8, 2022. A Town Hall was conducted on July 27, 2022. A working group has been started, and next steps and roles are being established. CEQA and funding are also being researched and discussed. HCD staff is preparing a draft MOU with the City of Salinas. The draft MOU will be presented to the Board once completed. Proposed completion date of December 2028.	Pending
13	Harkins Road	Ishii	2022.14	4/19/2022	PWFP			This referral requests that staff investigate the possibility of changing Harkins Road into a one-way street. Staff presented the Preliminary Analysis Report at the May 17, 2022 Board Meeting. PWFP engaged consultant support to evaluate a potential one-way concept for Harkins Road, and a community meeting was held in Spreckels on December 5, 2022 to get feedback. Staff provided a verbal update to the referring Supervisor in January and a report to the Board is planned for the February 28, 2023 March 7, 2022 Board meeting. With the Board Report seeking approval for the Harkins/Hunter project, staff is presenting our recommendation for the Harkins Road next week. The one-way option of Harkins is not being recommended at this time. Staff is recommending upgrading signage and constructing improvements to the Harkins/Hunter intersection instead.	Pending
14	Completion of the Monterey County Juvenile Hall	Ishii/Weeds	2022.16	5/10/2022	Probation/CAO-PWFP			This referral requests for the Monterey County Probation and other county staff to pursue state grant funding to complete the unfinished phase of the Juvenile Hall. On June 7, 2022, the Board took action to combine with Board Referral No. 2017.24. This item was reassigned to PWFP on September 8, 2022. PWFP obtained a consultant to conduct a Youth Center Consolidation Study. That work is underway, and a final report with recommendations is expected to be presented to the Board by the end of April 2023. Modified to include Supervisor Alejo as the sole referring supervisor for the referral. Study is completed. Staff is preparing a report for the BOS in August 2023 January 2024. Proposed completion date of September 2024.	Pending
15	East Salinas District 1 Office/ District 1 Carryover Office Budget Funding For Planned East Salinas Office	Ishii/Lerable	2022.22	9/27/2022	PWFP			This referral requests that staff search and open a District Office for District 1 in East Salinas 93905 to provide greater office access to constituents in this area of Salinas with the greatest need. A preliminary response was presented to the Board on October 25, 2022. A site has been identified and staff is coordinating with the landlord on ADA upgrades prior to executing the lease. Modified by the referring Supervisor on May 18, 2023 to include that any leftover District 1 office budget funding for 2022-23 be carried over into the next fiscal for the specific purpose of paying and offsetting any costs in opening the D1 office in East Salinas. Real Property continues to keep an active search open for available office space within District 1 and provide occasional update to Supervisor Alejo of staff's efforts. Currently there are no opportunities available that meet the Supervisor's requirements.	Modified
16	Long-Range Funding Source for Pajaro Park	Ishii/Vega	2022.23	11/22/2022	PWFP/CAO			This referral requests a long-range funding source for Pajaro Park to ensure long-term park access to residents of the Pajaro Valley which will enhance the overall health and well-being of residents of this disadvantaged community who need it the most. On January 17, 2023, the Board approved moving forward with a one-time funding request of \$35,000 for Pajaro/Sunny Mesa Community Services District to maintain Pajaro Park for FY23. Staff will provide information to the Budget Committee in February 2023 and Board in early March to finalize the funding request. Staff will return to the Board in April 2023 for additional referral response regarding a long-term funding source for the park. Staff currently advising PSMCSD staff regarding research of local/community funding sources. Parks staff followed up with PSMCSD and no further work has been done on their part to secure long-range funding. Parks staff provided suggestions for community organizations and individuals that should be contacted.	Pending
17	Affordable Senior Housing Project at 855 East Laurel Drive	Spencer	2023.03	4/18/2023	HCD			This referral purpose is to approve using a vacant county property at the eastern-corner portion of 855 East Laurel Drive to construct affordable housing units for Monterey County seniors. A preliminary response was provided to the Board of Supervisors on February 28, 2023. HCD staff has met with the Housing Authority who have expressed an interest in partnering with the County on such a project. HCD is also coordinating with PWFP on plans for the Laurel Yard campus which are currently in development. Separately, HCD has been progressing an affordable housing project at this same site. On February 7, 2023 the Board approved an Exclusive Negotiating Agreement with Eden Housing Inc. for design and development of an Affordable Housing Multifamily Rental Housing Project. December 12, 2023, the Development Review Committee considered Eden's two-phase 132 rental unit affordable housing project. County has procured outside legal counsel and negotiations with Eden for a Disposition and Development Agreement with Long-Term Ground Lease are underway, which are anticipated to come to Board for consideration late spring 2024. The potential for a senior housing project will be presented to the Board once the Eden housing project is completed and PWFP has identified any remaining needs for land at the Laurel Yard. Proposed completion date of December 2026.	Pending
18	Salinas Regional Soccer Complex Grant Opportunities	Ishii	2023.03	2/7/2023	PWFP			This referral seeks that county staff assist in two grant opportunities for the Salinas Regional Soccer Complex that requires the County of Monterey to be lead applicant as the real property owner. Staff will provide an update to the Board on May 9, 2023. Staff presented a referral response on May 9 and May 15th. BOS provided direction to modify the referral by continuing to work with the Sport Authority on funding on options to bring back to the board for discussion. Staff will continue to collaborate with SRSA to find partner on new grant opportunities.	Pending

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30	2024.10	9/10/2024	Allow POU/POE Water Treatment for New Construction (Including ADUs)	To allow for Point of Use/Point of Entry water treatment devices to be used for new construction on vacant legal lots of record and for accessory dwelling units (ADUs). A preliminary response will be presented to the Board on October 1, 2024.	Pending		
31	2024.11	9/10/2024	Modifications to the County's Rooster Ordinance	This referral seeks to modify the County's Rooster Ordinance in order to make it more effective at eradicating cockfighting operations in unincorporated Monterey County. A preliminary response will be presented to the Board on October 1, 2024.	Pending		
32	2024.12	9/24/2024	1220 Natividad Road Property Repurposing for County Housing Trust Fund	This referral requests to conduct a feasibility study for developing commercial uses of County property located 1220 Natividad Road (old Ag Commissioner's Office off of East Laurel Street) with proceeds capitalizing the Monterey County Local Housing Fund (MCLHTF). The study should identify the types of potential users, demand for commercial uses at this location, potential lease revenue generated by the property, and legal requirements to lease the property to fund the MCLHTF. A preliminary response will be presented to the Board on October 15, 2024.	Pending		
33	2024.13	9/24/2024	Alejo	Health	Tiny Homes Village Renaming	This referral requests that the name of the pending Tiny Homes Village in Watsonville be changed to a more suitable name that inspires hope, that is easy to pronounce bilingually, and that has input from Monterey County, Santa Cruz County and the City of Watsonville. A preliminary response will be presented to the Board on October 15, 2024.	Pending
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