

## County Manager Update

October 12, 2020

11:17 a.m.

Present: Commissioner Stamper, Commissioner Fund, Commissioner Jackson, County Manager Erik Martin, Steve Wohld, Lara McRea, Lee Napier, Becky Butler, Taylor Albright

Guest: Frank Corbin

Recorder: Rieva Lester

### Strategic Planning

Lara McRea said she has shared the latest draft of the plan.

### Benaroya

County Manager Erik Martin briefly noted that the commissioners recently approved .09 funding for the Benaroya project.

### Internal Services

Steve Wohld said the county has narrowed the HR Director position to three finalists and that interviews will take place later in the week.

### Public Health and Social Services

**Code Enforcement:** Erik noted that Code Enforcement is shorthanded due to caseloads and records requests and therefore may need to decrease its monthly meetings with the commissioners. Commissioner Stamper and Commissioner Jackson said they'd be OK with canceling in-person updates for now. Commissioner Fund said she'd like to continue receiving a written summary of cases. Erik said Code Enforcement may need to request additional staffing.

### 911

**Staffing:** Erik said 911 has 18 of 20 positions filled after the recent loss of a trainee.

**Chehalis Ridge:** Erik said an engineer is finalizing drawings, which should be ready in the next week or so.

**Feasibility study:** Erik said DELTAWRX has completed most of its preliminary assessments and will meet with himself, Centralia City Manager Rob Hill, Chehalis City Manager Jill Anderson and Chief Mike Kytta in the next couple of weeks.

### **Community Development Update**

**Office of the Chehalis Basin requests:** Erik said the OCB has asked for county staff to help with a project regarding the water retention facility.

Erik discussed a shoreline master plan video that Brianna Uy and Isaac Freeman are working on.

### **Public Works Update**

**Middle Fork Water System:** Erik said a meeting with Ecology is scheduled for the end of the month. He said he would ask for an update about negotiations with Water-Sewer District 2.

**Packwood River access:** Erik said a hearings examiner decision is expected in a week or two. He said the decision would then go to Ecology for final blessing. He urged Steve to discuss the transition from Public Works to Parks.

**Mickelsen Parkway:** Erik said the road is set to be paved sometime later in the week.

### **Calendars / vacation schedule**

Erik and the group discussed calendars.

Erik said the Assessor's Office has been renting a car that hasn't gotten a lot of use. He said Tim Murphy is checking with Assessor Dianne Dorey to ensure she still wants to proceed with the purchase of a new vehicle, which will cost more than she currently is paying in rent. He said Dianne had indicated that a position yet to be filled will use the vehicle.

### **Announcements**

Lara McRea said the BOCC has the opportunity to get some second-hand cabinets for the small conference room at no charge. Erik noted that Emergency Management will move into Weed's vacated space and that the BOCC could potentially start using Emergency Management's vacated space for executive session or other meetings.

Lara noted that Tammy Martin will be on vacation the following week.

Meeting ended at 11:48 a.m.