

Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District

AGENDA

Wednesday, May 14, 2025

Regular Meeting starts at 7:00 PM*

MEETING WILL BE HELD IN PERSON ONLY

Senior Coastsiders 925 Main Street, Half Moon Bay, CA 94019

SUBMITTAL OF PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public may submit written comments to be provided to the Board as follows:

- Written comments may be submitted via the public comment form at: https://www.openspace.org/public-comment.
- Requests to provide oral comment must be submitted prior to the time when public comment on the agenda item is closed as follows:
 - In-person attendance: submit a request via the paper-based public comment form at the meeting.
- > Any comments received after the deadline will be provided to the Board after the meeting.

7:00 REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MIDPENINSULA REGIONAL OPEN SPACE DISTRICT

ROLL CALL

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

This portion of the agenda is for members of the public to comment on items not on the agenda; however, the Brown Act (Open Meeting Law) does not allow action by the Board of Directors on items not on the agenda. Individuals are limited to one comment during this section.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDA

• Pulgas Ridge - Los Vientos Way Trail Access

CONSENT CALENDAR

All items on the Consent Calendar may be approved without discussion by one motion. Board members, the General Manager, and members of the public may request that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar during consideration of the Consent Calendar.

1. Approve the April 23, 2025 meeting minutes

2. Claims Report

3. Contract Amendment for Construction Services with SAE Consulting Engineering of San Jose, California for the Sierra Azul Ranger Housing Project (R-25-59)

Staff Contact: Leigh Guggemos P.E, Capital Project Manager III, Engineering and Construction Department

<u>General Manager's Recommendation:</u> Authorize the General Manager to execute a contract amendment with SAE Consulting Engineering of San Jose, California to provide additional construction services at the Sierra Azul Ranger Housing Project in the amount of \$21,693, bringing the total contract to a not to exceed amount of \$772,581.

4. Proposed Naming of a Planned Loop Trail within the Johnston Ranch Uplands area of Miramontes Ridge Open Space Preserve as the Lennie Roberts Trail (R-25-60)

Staff Contact: Mike Williams, Senior Real Property Agent, Real Property Department General Manager's Recommendations:

- 1. Approve the naming of a planned loop trail within the Johnston Ranch Uplands area of Miramontes Ridge Open Space Preserve as the Lennie Roberts Trail as supported by the Legislative, Funding, and Public Affairs Committee.
- 2. Approve an amendment to the Use and Management Plan to include the new trail name.

5. Award of Contracts for On-Call Cultural Resources Services (R-25-61)

Staff Contact: Sophie Christel, Management Analyst II, Natural Resources <u>General Manager's Recommendation:</u> Authorize the General Manager to award contracts to eight (8) consultants for On-Call Cultural Resources Services, each contract with a term of four (4) years and a total not-to-exceed amount of \$200,000.

6. Approve an Agreement to Exchange Interests in Real Property between City of Palo Alto (City) and Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District (District) related to utility easements. City to quitclaim to District its existing overhead utility easements over a portion of Montebello Road within Monte Bello and Rancho San Antonio Open Space Preserves (Santa Clara County APNs 351-25-014, 351-06-025, 351-09-002 and 351-12-069) in exchange for District granting City an underground utility easement along Montebello Road within Monte Bello and Rancho San Antonio Open Space Preserves (Santa Clara County APNs 351-25-014, 351-06-025, and 351-09-002). (R-25-62)

Staff Contact: Jasmine Leong, Real Property Specialist II, Real Property Department General Manager's Recommendations:

- 1. By a unanimous vote of the Board of Directors, adopt a resolution authorizing the General Manager or other appropriate officer to execute the Agreement to Exchange Interests in Real Property between the District and City and all real property documents referenced therein.
- 2. Amend the Use and Management Plans for Monte Bello and Rancho San Antonio Open Space Preserves to include the exchanged interests in real property.

- 3. Withhold dedication of the exchanged property interests as public open space at this time.
- 7. Award of Contract to MIG, Inc., for California Environmental Quality Act Services for the American Disabilities Act (ADA) Path and Service Road Project at Rancho San Antonio Open Space Preserve (R-25-63)

Staff Contact: Mattea Ottoboni, Planner II, Planning Department General Manager's Recommendations:

- 1. Authorize the General Manager to execute a contract with MIG Inc., to provide environmental review services for the ADA Path and Service Road Project at Rancho San Antonio Open Space Preserve for a base contract amount not to exceed \$98,244.
- 2. Authorize a 15% contingency in the amount of \$14,737 to cover unforeseen circumstances.
- 3. Authorize a \$75,269 contract allowance for additional hydraulic and/or cultural resource studies that may be required for the project, bringing the total not-to-exceed contract amount to \$188,250.

8. Incorporation of a Legacy Road as a Trail, Approval of a New Trail Extension, and Renaming of an Existing Trail at Thornewood Open Space Preserve (R-25-64)

Staff Contact: Brian Malone, Assistant General Manager, General Manager's Office <u>General Manager's Recommendations:</u>

The General Manager recommends approval to:

- 1. Add a 0.3-mile legacy road as part of the trail network at Thornewood Open Space Preserve, with access via a side use trail that reaches the following historic landscape features: (1) a rock placed at the time of August Schilling's ownership inscribed with the phrase "memento mori", (2) the former site of a "Redwood Temple", and (3) the former site of a "Redwood Pergola", and designate the trail for hiking and dogs-onleash use and a portion of the trail for equestrian use, with the proposed trail name of Rock of Ages Trail.
- 2. Approve the addition of a new, 200-foot trail spur to connect the "Rock of Ages Trail" to a vista point and designate as open to hiking and dogs-on-leash.
- 3. Rename the Schilling Lake Trail to the Schilling Trail to reflect the natural meadow and forest succession of the former human-made lake that lies at the end of the trail.

BOARD BUSINESS

Public comment on agenda items is received at the time each item is considered by the Board of Directors.

9. Proposed Purchase of the 273.5-acre Pratt Trust Property located in San Mateo County (APN: 080-360-010) as an addition to Russian Ridge Open Space Preserve (R-25-65)

Staff Contact: Jasmine Leong, Real Property Agent II, Real Property Department <u>General Manager's Recommendations:</u>

1. Determine that the recommended actions are categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as set out in the staff report.

- 2. Adopt a Resolution authorizing the purchase of the Pratt Trust Property for \$4,375,000 with a corresponding authorization for a Fiscal Year 2024-25 budget increase in the same amount.
- 3. Adopt a Preliminary Use and Management Plan, as set out in the staff report.
- 4. Withhold dedication of the Pratt Trust Property as public open space at this time.

10. Partnership Agreement for the Johnston Ranch Habitat and Agricultural Water Supply Improvement Project (R-25-66)

Staff Contact: David Liefert, Sr. Resource Management Specialist, Natural Resources Department

<u>General Manager's Recommendation:</u> Authorize the General Manager to enter into a Partnership Agreement with the San Mateo Resource Conservation District for the completion of a habitat restoration and agricultural water supply improvement project on Miramontes Ridge Open Space Preserve with a monetary contribution of \$287,270 to complete design and permitting.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS – Reports on compensable meetings attended. Brief reports or announcements concerning activities of District Directors and staff; opportunity to refer public or Board questions to staff for information; request staff to report to the Board on a matter at a future meeting; or direct staff to place a matter on a future agenda. Items in this category are for discussion and direction to staff only. No final policy action will be taken by the Board.

- A. Committee Reports
- B. Staff Reports
- C. Director Reports

ADJOURNMENT

*Times are estimated and items may appear earlier or later than listed. The Agenda is subject to a change of order.

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