

R-11-34 Meeting 11-05 February 23, 2011

## **AGENDA ITEM 7**

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Progress Report on Elements of the Mt. Umunhum Environmental Restoration and Public Access Project

### GENERAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

Receive and comment on Elements of the Mt. Umunhum Environmental Restoration and Public Access Project as presented by staff.

#### **SUMMARY**

Staff will present information on certain elements of the Mt. Umunhum Environmental Restoration and Public Access Project (Project). Specifically staff will give an update on the ongoing environmental remediation efforts and on progress in identifying the range of funding mechanisms the District may wish to consider to fund the project completion.

#### DISCUSSION

Progress on the environmental remediation of the buildings located atop Mt. Umunhum began on January 26, 2011. This effort is funded by the \$3.2 million federal appropriation received in 2010 through the efforts of local federal legislators Congressman Mike Honda, Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren, Senator Diane Feinstein and Senator Barbara Boxer. Staff will show photographs of the work being accomplished for the Board and answer Board questionws.

The \$2.4M appropriation anticipated in 2011 and supported by the District's Congressional delegation was lost through the failure of Congress to pass the federal budget and rely, instead, on a Continuing Resolution which eliminated all "earmarks". To ensure that all avenues to fund the project are explored, the District issued an RFQ/P on January 28, 2011 for qualified consultants to provide consulting services to develop a Fundraising Plan for the Project. Staff will provide an update on development of the Fundraising Plan and invite Board comment on the effort.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

There are no unbudgeted fiscal impacts with this agenda item.

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## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice was provided pursuant to the Brown Act. No additional notice is necessary.

# **CEQA COMPLIANCE**

No compliance is required as this action is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

## **NEXT STEPS**

None

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Same as above.