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REGULAR ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE MARIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSED 2006-07 BUDGET HELD MARCH 28, 2006, AT 1:41 P.M.

Roll Call:

Present: Supervisor McGlashan; Supervisor Kinsey; Supervisor Adams

Absent: Supervisor Brown; Supervisor Murray

The Board reconvened the Special Meeting to conduct Budget Planning Workshops to discuss FY 2006-07 Departmental Budgets and Performance Plans.

#### **OPENING STATEMENTS**

Board members spoke about the challenges of financing local government. Board members also expressed the need to have an opportunity to review and discuss overall County priorities which may not be addressed through the Budget Change Proposal ("BCP") process.

In response to comments from Board members, County Administrator Matthew Hymel advised that his office will provide a summary of all programs by net County cost, identifying whether the programs are mandatory or discretionary, in addition to providing information regarding BCP criteria.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Three representatives of Next Generation briefly described the Marin Green Schools Project, requested the County's support, and noted that the County's Community Development Agency has expressed a willingness to serve as the fiscal pass-through agency and advisor for the Project. The speakers advised that they need to raise \$100,000 to \$150,000, and are requesting \$50,000 from the County to enable Next Generation to apply for matching funds.

# **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

Dr. Larry Meredith gave a brief presentation summarizing the Department's performance plans, goals, objectives, and initiatives.

Board members and staff discussed several issues including previous public input from representatives of the National Alliance on Mental Illness ("NAMI"), Marin Chapter, regarding the Support and Treatment After Release ("STAR") program, funding for health and wellness programs, the County's proposed new health campus, the provision of primary health care services in local communities, homelessness issues, Marin Community Foundation funding strategies and the financial needs of the County's community partners, health insurance, cultural awareness issues, the Partnership Health Plan, organizational development and diversity issues, and Children's Health Initiative funding strategies.

#### COMMUNITY SERVICE DEPARTMENTS

#### Agriculture, Weights and Measures

Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures Director Stacy Carlsen briefly presented the Department's performance plans, goals, objectives, and initiatives. Mr. Carlsen also spoke about his Department's sustainable agriculture pilot program.

Board members and staff discussed several issues including a draft vineyard grading ordinance, a green waste composting center in West Marin, collaboration with the Park Service, and the role of the Resource Conservation District in watershed management. Board members and staff also commented on the livestock protection program, proposed sustainability workshops, educational opportunities for Integrated Pest Management techniques, and collaboration with the Workforce Investment Board and the Marin Economic Commission on sustainable agriculture issues, including development of the agricultural workforce.

### Farm Advisor

County Director of University of California Cooperative Extension and Farm Advisor Ellie Rilla provided a brief overview of the Department's goals, objectives, and initiatives, and summarized key issues and challenges including funds for the Sustainable Agriculture Program, securing funding for a new Horticulture Advisor, and increasing the number of children in the Food Stamp Nutrition Education Program ("FSNEP").

Board members and staff discussed several issues including locally grown and locally produced food services, the Wildlife Fisheries Committee budget, forest recovery from Sudden Oak Death Syndrome, and the cost of the 4-H program staff.

The Board recessed at 4:02 p.m. and reconvened at 4:08 p.m. Supervisors Brown and Murray were absent.

### <u>Cultural Services</u>

Cultural and Visitor Services Director Jim Farley thanked staff and acknowledged Administrative Analyst Matt Bronson and Cultural and Visitor Services Deputy Director Marion Boyd.

Mr. Farley gave a brief presentation summarizing the Department's performance plans, goals, objectives, and initiatives, noting a top initiative to use biodegradable food packaging of sugarcane and corn based products. Mr. Farley summarized key issues and challenges including reducing energy costs through innovative maintenance and installation of photovoltaic units on the roof of the Exhibit Hall.

Board members and staff discussed various issues including the Marin Visitors Network and booking policies, outreach to the Farmer's Market, Gift Shop subsidies, and upgrading and enhancing the Cafeteria.

Board members suggested audio/visual webcasting some events and requested updates from the Cultural Commission and the Marin Center Renaissance Council.

#### Parks and Open Space

Parks and Open Space Director Sharon McNamee gave a brief Department overview of Parks and Open Space goals, objectives, and initiatives and briefly summarized key issues and challenges. Ms. McNamee gave a brief description of the various pilot programs: resource management and maintenance operations for the Open Space District, and parks and landscaping for Park Facilities. Ms. McNamee also briefly reported on goals established by the Parks and Open Space Commission.

	("RBRA") recreational mooring field, and management and maintenance of Open Space trails.	
	The Board recessed at 5:19 p.m. to Tuesday, April 4, 2006, at 1:30 p.m.	
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Board members and staff discussed several issues including storm damage repairs and federal reimbursement, flood management, development of a Richardson Bay Regional Agency

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