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PRPD Board of Directors Meeting

October Highlights

Paradise, CA, October 17, 2023 – The Paradise Recreation and Park District (PRPD, District) Board of Directors (Board, BOD) conducted its Regular Monthly Meeting on Wednesday, October 11, 2023, at the Terry Ashe Recreation Center.

The District reviewed an Initial Study/Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration for the upcoming Magalia Paradise Lake Loop Trail, as required under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), from consultants at Chico Environmental. The BOD noted some corrections, asked Staff questions, and then heard public comment. The BOD voted to accept the Initial Study, with direction to Staff to have the consultant amend some data and information. The document is available on the District website for public comment and review before it will be submitted for the next steps.

In other action, the BOD moved forward with the acquisition of property to rebuild the District Shop. The Shop was lost in the Camp Fire, and due to new building codes and environmental concerns, it could not be rebuilt cost-effectively on the same property. Based on an extensive search and criteria for current and future needs, Staff recommended the property. The BOD voted and approved the resolution to purchase the property and to move forward with the development of a Design Build approach to rebuilding the District Maintenance Shop.

Staff requested a proposal from SCI Consulting Group for a Park Impact Fee Nexus Study Update. The Nexus Study would establish the legal and policy basis for updating the District's park impact fees. Impact fees benefit the community by providing funding for enhancements and improvements to parks, facilities, and programs within the community. These funds offset the impact from additional population growth while ensuring public spaces for community use. Fees are currently based on living space of dwellings within the boundaries of the District. The Board approved the proposal and for the District Manager to enter into an agreement with SCI Consulting Group.

Additional grant funding for the Elements Program is being sought through the State Parks Outdoor Equity Grant, to which the Board approved Staff to submit the application.

The Butte County Fire Safe Council's new President Taylor Nilsson presented updates on wildfire safety projects on the Ridge.

The next Regular Board of Directors Meeting will be held at the Terry Ashe Recreation Center on November 8, 2023, at 6:00 pm.

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Since 1948, the Paradise Recreation and Park District provides recreation facilities and programs to the residents of Paradise, the Butte Creek Canyon area, and the unincorporated communities of Magalia/Paradise Pines and Concow/Yankee Hill. The District serves 50,000 people living in a 170-square mile area and manages over 1,000 acres of park land and facilities.