



KENSINGTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

DATE: May 15, 2024
TO: Board of Directors
RE: General Manager's Report
SUBMITTED BY: Tim Barry, Interim General Manager

Highlights of the regular business activities, other special projects, and updates for the District which are not covered in other agenda items are noted below for April/May.

Fiscal Analysis Project with Ridgeline

Work continues on this project, with the district providing information to Ridgeline. Ridgeline's contract with KPPCSD for the project is posted both to their website and ours as is our Letter of Agreement for cost share of the study. Former GM Mary Morris-Mayorga continues on a contract basis with our district through June 2024 to assist with this project and to assist with items relative to the close out of the Public Safety Building Renovation project.

At the end of the May 6th Special Board Meeting, there was some discussion concerning the board meeting jointly with the KPPCSD board for envisioning a consolidated district model, which was an element requested by Ridgeline in their proposal for the fiscal study. **If the board wishes to do so, staff could reach out to KPPCSD and coordinate a date and time for such a meeting. This would be an action item to give direction to staff on this if the board wishes to do so.**

Strategic Planning

The board held strategic planning sessions on April 24th and May 6th, reviewing proposed goals and considering hiring a facilitator for the balance of the process. Following a discussion, the board decided to ask Directors Artis and Watt to take the proposed goals submitted by directors, along with existing district goals that they desired to carry forward, and reorganize a set of goals for the board to consider at the June 19th board meeting.

Public Safety Project

As this project is winding down, my work on it is winding up, with increased volume of meetings, calls and arrangements to be sure we are on track for success.

Coordination with East Bay Regional Park District

My initial conversations and calls to EBRPD staff have resulted in Asst. Fire Chief Khari Helae coming to the May 15th board meeting and making a presentation and answering questions from the board. It would be our goal to develop a format for a partnership with EBRPD which gets us closer to achieving our goals of reducing fuels in Tilden Park and other fire prevention measures.

Resignation of Interim General Manager

On 5/8/24 I let the board know that I'm resigning from my position with 30 days notice and Friday June 7th will be my last day in this position. I have very much enjoyed working with the board, staff, consultants and community but find I need to make a change at this time. **The board may wish to discuss and/or take action to decide their next steps at this time in filling this position going forward or any other staffing options the board may have to meet the mission and goals of the district.**