

RICHARDSON BAY REGIONAL AGENCY

STAFF REPORT

For the meeting of February 10, 2023

To: Board of Directors
From: Brad Gross, Executive Director
Subject: Executive Director's Report

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file.

SUMMARY:

Administration:

- 1 Onboarding began in earnest on the morning of 16 January and continued with daily multi-hour conversations and training from outgoing Interim Executive Director.
- 2 Training with multiple RGS staff on systems and reports.
- 3 Training with County IT staff on systems.
- 4 Staff meeting with RGS/RBRA staff to initiate communications and workflow.
- 5 Email, telephone, and video with key support staff and colleagues from County of Marin and JPA member cities.
- 6 Meetings with County and outside counsel for briefings on past and pending issues, cases, and PRAs.
- 7 Meetings with PR firm and interviews (4) with assorted press agencies.
- 8 Reading of voluminous supporting documents to increase knowledge of RBRA's mission, agreements, and legal requirements.
- 9 Discussions with RGS staff exploring functions of staff and future opportunities.
- 10 Met in person with each RBRA board member for introduction, briefing, and questions.

BCDC:

- 1 Introductory phone meeting with BCDC staff. Future meetings set for the remainder of February.

Housing:

- 1 Briefed on the new voucher program. Attended 1/31/23 meeting in person of the commission where the RBRA, MHA, and HHS voucher program for the Richardson Bay mariners is presented and approved by the commission.

City of Sausalito:

- 1 Video meeting with the mayor and council member for and introduction of the city's Safe Harbor Program.
- 2 In-person meetings with some key members of the public with knowledge and relationships with the mariners on the anchorage.
- 3 In-person meeting with city council member to gather additional information on the Safe Harbor program and brief them on the new voucher program and how the programs may complement each other.

Richardson Bay:

- 1 Driving tour of Sausalito, Tiburon, Belvedere, and Mill Valley to become reacquainted with the cities with waterfront.
- 2 Toured on board the RBRA vessel with HM Malcolm to view the channels, EPZ, Audubon refuge, anchorage, and Army Corps yard. Was able to converse with a few mariners while on the water.
- 3 In-person meeting with Coastal Policy Solutions for briefing on grants, EPZ, and EPMP.

General:

- 1 Harbor Master Malcolm, Board Clerk Karen Prows, Senior Advisor Steve McGrath working with County Counsel continue to dedicate extensive time to respond to the current Public Records Act request. This level of attention will likely continue for some time as additional request have recently been received.
- 2 Senior Advisor McGrath continues to assist in concluding and briefing on special projects, specifically the new voucher program and the transition/hand off budget development, reporting, and BCDC agreement, and reports.