



Memorandum

MONTEREY REGIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Date: April 24, 2017
 To: Board of Directors
 From: Director Campbell
 Subject: April 18, 2017 Special Districts Association Meeting

The Special Districts Association of Monterey County (SDA) met on April 18, 2017 at the Shoreline Community Center in Marina. General Manager Tim Flanagan and I represented the District at the meeting.

Monterey County Supervisors Jane Parker and Mary Adams gave presentations on Monterey County issues. District 4 Supervisor Jane Parker indicated her priorities for the year include getting the Community Power agency on line within a year, sustainable development, affordable housing, workforce development for better Fort Ord jobs, and early childhood development. She also believes there should be more women on each Board because studies show a minimum 30% composition of women results in better decisions. Supervisor Parker indicated the primary financial challenges at the county are rising pension and health care costs.

Newly elected to the Board of Supervisors (BOS), District 5 Supervisor Mary Adams, who is also the chair this year of the Board of Supervisors, indicated her priorities were addressing water and traffic issues, the short term rental ordinance, and the cannabis issue in Monterey County. She was encouraged by the Big Sur Emergency Response during the recent storms indicating that the public works department was working well in emergencies.

Neil McCormick, California Special Districts Association (CSDA) Executive Director reported on services provided by CSDA and shared the Grassroots Action Brief, which included information on the status of the Little Hoover Commission hearings and legislative issues pertaining to special districts. He reported the annual CSDA conference will be held in Monterey, September 25-28, 2017.

Kate McKenna, Executive Director of the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) of Monterey County, reported LAFCO is considering annexations for Castroville Community Services District, Carmel Area Wastewater District and Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency. She reported the proposed LAFCO budget for next year includes a 5% increase in revenue, which is equally funded between the County, Cities and Special Districts.

The next SDA meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 18, 2017 at 6 p.m. at the Shoreline Conference Center in Marina.

(s) Jason Campbell

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