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**PD** **Perez, Daritza** 0:04  
Enter it's a Perez.

**MD** **Montessa Duckett** 0:06  
Thanks.

AC card. A C card. A C card is the supervisor of Barb's office and I believe he's on the line.

**TT** **Tran, Tiffany** 0:17  
Hi Tiffany Tran with SD5.

**MD** **Montessa Duckett** 0:21  
Is there any other board colleagues that wish to introduce themselves we haven't heard from?  
Alrighty. Next we're gonna have introductions from our department representatives, starting with the Agricultural Commissioner, Weights and Measures.

**KF** **Kurt Floren** 0:43  
Good afternoon, Kurt Floren, Ag Commissioner, Director of Weights and Masters.

**DU** **Danny Ubario** 0:45  
What?

**MD** **Montessa Duckett** 0:50  
Animal care and control.

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**DU** **Danny Ubario** 0:52  
Daniel Barrio, Chief Deputy.

**MD** **Montessa Duckett** 0:55  
Beaches and harbors.

**GJ** **Gary Jones** 0:59  
Good afternoon, Gary Jones, Speeches and Harbors.

**AB** **Alina Bokde** 1:10  
Hi, good afternoon, Alina.  
Both day chief deputy for Parks and Recreation.

**MD** **Montessa Duckett** 1:16  
Public Library.  
Public works.

**JG** **Jolene Guerrero** 1:25  
Jolene Garreau, deputy director.

**MD** **Montessa Duckett** 1:29  
Regional planning.

**GT** **Gillian Tiede** 1:30  
TD Assistant deputy director.

**MD** **Montessa Duckett** 1:34  
Thank you.  
Regional planning regional planning is here.  
And our CEO, Montesa Decket CEO.  
Is there any other department reps that wish to introduce themselves?  
Seeing none CEO, if you could call the agenda today agenda.  
We have 9 informational items that were not helpful discussion. Therefore they are

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approved on consent.

We have two board letters that were pulled for discussion, both from regional planning.

1st is award contract for Capital improvement plan and related services for Metro South Bay and Westside Planning.

The second is award contract for capital improvement plan.

Related services for East San Gabriel Valley and W San Gabriel Valley. Any areas. We also have one motion from SD3 exploring the expanded use of Gladstone trademarks owned by county and reinvesting in coastal access to public beaches. We do not have any presentations today.

But we do have one closed session with public works and regional planning that will be following this.

Great. Thank you for calling.

Is there any questions or comments about the agenda?

Then we're going to get started with SE three's motion. Great. Thank you.

So, colleagues of this motion is really out of time.

The county's financial health is troubling right now, and this motion is an effort to help generate revenue and reinvest back into our county beaches. As you may recall, the.

Board approved back in 2022 the Gladstones replacement.

Restaurant project in the Pacific Palisades.

But the Gladstones brand remains pretty popular and iconic.

Well known, and the county holds the rights to the Gladstone's name and trademarks, so any potential future use of the Gladstone's trademark in name for additional locations or merchandise could result in additional revenue for the county. So for example, there's another potential location in San Diego that's being pursued. And one other thing I want to mention as well is for that replacement project, one of the conditions from the Coastal Commission's coastal development permit requirement is that any of the revenue generated from the parking lot has to go back to the county.

For public access and recreational improvements within county operated areas of the coastal zone, so in that vein, the motion does the following.

It directs the Department of Beaches and Harbors to explore the potential use of the Gladstone's trademark to maximize revenue and report back to the board with

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results.

It authorizes the department to negotiate and execute an agreement with an operator of potential.

New location in San Diego for the use of the trademarks.

Directs the department to work with the auditor to controller to create an interest bearing account known as the Will Rogers Improvement Fund.

This is.

This is the one that the Coastal Commission requirement speaks to, to place the revenue generated from the parking lot into that fund.

It approves amending ordinance in the section of the county code for the cumulative capital outlay fund for a category for planning and implementation of the Department of Beaches and Harbour's coastal resiliency strategy deferred in extraordinary maintenance of critical infrastructure and needed upgraded upgrades at our beaches.

It also instructs the CEO and Department of Harvard's to allocate payments to the beaches ACO, with fees derived from the trademarks, advertising on our beaches and beach concessions.

So that's the motion, Amy from beaches and harvest. I don't know if there's anything you want to add about, like the timeliness of this, this motion as well.

No, but I'm happy to answer any questions.

I guess that on the timeliness issue, I would just say that we have.

Tentatively, or reach the dealing concept for the new San Diego.

Gladstone's operation we will start receiving theoretically some money from those trademarks being used at that operation, and they are telling us they are going to be ready to open in June.

So we need to get authority for our director to sign that agreement to allow them to use the trademarks there. And then I guess the other driver of this is just we wanted to set up a fund so that we can capture some of that revenue.

And reinvested into the beaches where it's really needed.

Thank you for for the presentation on the motion.

I know.

In terms of questions now from our board colleagues, I just wanted to start off with.

Can you tell us a little bit of the history?

So how did the county come to be? You know, the winner and and and then, you

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know, just this, you know, just how it all started. And, you know, just for backup and sure. And is it just the name or is there other.

Ownership elements, you know, trademark form ownership, yeah.

So we own the trademark for the name Gladstone.

So you can't open Gladstone's restaurant without paying the county some money for licensing, and then along with that, there's a couple of different logos that are used currently by in Malibu and Long Beach. And we hold trademarks to a couple of those as well.

Luckily, we have good intellectual property counsel. And how's the County Council? So we've been able to maintain that over the years.

We actually acquired them in 2016.

And that was as a part of the an amendment to the prior concession agreement with so Mayor Richard Reardon's group used to own gladstones and operated in Malibu as as part of their contract negotiations back in 2016.

They were requesting reduced rent, things like that. They were having hard times.

We were able to acquire the trademarks as part of the deal in exchange for reduced rent.

At that point, we haven't really been able to realize much income out of them until recently. So we're pretty excited to be finally making reset time and potentially, you know, reinvesting that in the beaches.

But yeah, that's sort of the history we came about. And is there other than the name, is there any other ownership?

Yeah, there's some logos that go with it.

Yeah, I'm not sure exactly which ones are hard to describe them, but yeah, it's a name and I think two or three logos.

Well, definitely. And given the hard times that we're in, it's really great that we could be creative and and you know generate.

Revenue from the source and you will get back right into the pictures. And so that's really great.

I mean, my colleagues have any questions starting with Sebi.

Do I have a question about the trademark or the naming? I'm more curious.

Is there any status for replacement project or just where does that currently stand the potential?

If if it can be shared.

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We've been in communication.

With them right now, their projection is after is. I think it was late summer 2028 of a completion timeline.

I think it gets, so we're trying.

Yeah. Well, and just to zoom out, so we we got approval from the Coastal Commission last year towards the end of last year.

So that was a big push and thanks to the beaches and Harvest Department and and the applicant team.

You know for doing that.

So we did get that approval and that's why one of the conditions of the Coastal Commission approval was that they take the parking lot revenue and sort of reinvest it in the beaches in that area.

So that's part of what this motion is doing is trying to make sure all the conditions of compliance you know are in check and we're able to proceed with the permit once we get that bold.

And so yeah, we're we're working with the applicant team.

They're pulling together their like project managers. They've got their that was around the same time as Frank. Gary passed away.

There was a little bit more design work.

To do so, that was sort of a a slight pick up, but you know, his team has now completed sort of their conceptual design and now the architectural, like the more specific design team in the in the civil engineering team is their plans and and they'll be working.

**WJ** **Waldron, Jessalyn** 10:13

I.

**MD** **Montessa Duckett** 10:17

On that and starting construction hopefully.

I don't know what's associated.

Yes, yeah. Fantastic.

It'll be.

It'll be a very striking design when it's done. Yeah, very striking.

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**WJ Waldron, Jessalyn** 10:26  
Thank you.

**MD Montessa Duckett** 10:29  
Thank you for that.

**WJ Waldron, Jessalyn** 10:31  
OK.  
Thank you. Thank you so much.

**MD Montessa Duckett** 10:32  
Question.  
How about Steve dwyck? Just out of curiosity, are you familiar with other similar cases, either from your department or other county departments that were a trademark has been a source of revenue.

**WJ Waldron, Jessalyn** 10:37  
Hmm.

**MD Montessa Duckett** 10:48  
No, not that I'm aware of now.  
Thank you.  
ST2.

**GI Gracian, Isela** 11:01  
Hi Lizzie seller.  
I just have one question.  
I was 'cause I'm driving.  
Don't have the motion in front of me.  
Can you give us a sense of like, what the current trademarks in the San Diego one like the a sense of the how much revenue it's gonna generate?

**MD Montessa Duckett** 11:17

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So isela, we don't know yet because we're just about to sign the deal. I think our project, so the deal would give us 1 1/2 percent of the gross receipts if they make under 5 million in a year, gross. If they perform better than that, we.

Get 3% of the gross receipts.

So based on other oh shoot, I wrote it off based on another comp that we looked at at that in that same location with a similar size.

It looks like we're talking about.

1313 million what's your call?

Oh, that would be what we would get.

Yeah, million gross receipts.

Oh, right. The yeah, right. Thank you.

I said this to Christine earlier. So yeah. So the comp that we looked at May 13 million last year at like in the same development project and they had a similarly sized restaurant, so.

That would give us 3%, so 3% of 13 million would be.

It's a very.

Ballpark projection based on something similar, but you know we hope they do as well as that restaurant and we get whatever we present 13 million.

**GI** **Gracian, Isela** 12:28

Great. Thank you. That's helpful. And then just.

**YJ** **Yang, Jonathan** 12:30

And then, Amy, Amy, it's John.

Oh, go ahead isaal.

**GI** **Gracian, Isela** 12:34

Oh, I have a different question.

So go ahead, Jonathan.

OK so.

**YJ** **Yang, Jonathan** 12:36

And Amy, what about?

So that's the that's the Gladstone's revenue.

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And what about the other two revenue buckets?

Advertising and concessions.

Do you have an estimate on what that annual revenue currently is that would now go into the ACO?

**MD** **Montessa Duckett** 12:49

Yeah, right now we don't have any current advertising revenue from the beaches, but we are looking at expanding from zero.

We've done that in the past, but right now we don't have any current and as far as beach concessions, it's about 300,000 a year that we're getting right now.

So not a ton.

**GI** **Gracian, Isela** 13:12

Thank you.

And then just one more question, sorry.

**MD** **Montessa Duckett** 13:13

Can you?

**GI** **Gracian, Isela** 13:17

The. Is there anything in consideration of the agreement if there's like, misuse or I'm just thinking all the conversation right now on naming things and responsibility of the county kinda accountability factors or severance.

Is there any language around that?

Or how is that handled?

I think probably I think we we haven't.

Run into that the county.

But I was just curious if there is anything or we just do licensing and that's it. We just get the money and don't don't follow up or care.

**MD** **Montessa Duckett** 13:51

Oh, you mean in terms of how you mean in terms of how they use the drugs?

**GI** **Gracian, Isela** 13:54

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How the how they use the trademarks and then any practices of the actual location restaurant?

**MD Montessa Duckett** 14:04

Yeah, there is.

There are like standards for use of the trademarks in terms of like what uses they can use it for, so it has to be a seafood restaurant of a certain quality, blah blah blah.

It's typical commercial trademark licensing is my understanding.

So it's mostly around that and.

We're kind of developing the standards as we go, but they are incorporated in the proposed agreement that will.

The signing for San Diego version, but yeah, this is sort of new for us. So we're working on that with our IT Council.

**GI Gracian, Isela** 14:38

Great. Thank you.

No. Another questions on that.

**MD Montessa Duckett** 14:42

Any other questions?

**YJ Yang, Jonathan** 14:43

I have more questions, but I'd like, but do we want to rotate?

**MD Montessa Duckett** 14:45

From.

**YJ Yang, Jonathan** 14:45

I understand.

I know you want to give other officers a chance so we can come back to me.

**MD Montessa Duckett** 14:47

Yeah, we can. Yeah, we're opening.

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The board for other questions.

So if you have a question please you can ask.

**YJ** **Yang, Jonathan** 15:02

Sure. So Amy?

So back on this and helpful to know, at least in the media future, we're not talking about that.

Weird. Helpful to know what the universal revenue we're talking about.

But we would be creating a new county.

What this out ACL would just be a new county wide fund to support all beaches.

So I guess with any county wide pool of resources, can you talk more in the past and moving forward how the how you know what your kind of equity approach would be to the allocation of those shared resources?

**MD** **Montessa Duckett** 15:33

Well, I mean when it comes to beaches and beach maintenance, there's just never enough money.

So I think that any additional money that we can put aside for it is going to be a good thing. As you know, Jonathan, we don't make money running the beaches.

They are have never been a money maker for us.

They're a money loser, but it's a public, you know, it's a public amenity that we provide for all the people of LA County, right and.

Similar to a park or something like that.

And so I think.

In terms of.

You know distribution of where the funding goes. Currently I think we kind of just try and triage where it's most needed.

Typically we're dealing with multiple emergencies and weather related conditions and you know shoring up, you know, PCH and protecting county structures on the beaches.

And so, you know, it's kind of a where is it most needed to put out the quote of fire?

And so that's how we've always done it.

We've never had the luxury like instead of having a lot of extra money to go around so.

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I think that might be something we would need to look at going forward if that becomes an issue.

**YJ** **Yang, Jonathan** 16:43

OK. And the last question, the the motion preamble references the demoic acid outbreak and potentially these funds being used for that, I guess from my familiarity with past ACOs like the Marina ACO, it's somewhat limited on what you can use the funds for or at least it's usually.

Only used for like one time, capital projects can an ACO be used for operational things like as I understand it right, the cost of the pneumococcid response is primarily operational not capital.

**MD** **Montessa Duckett** 17:13

Well, my understanding is that the and we're we are meeting with the auditor controller to confirm all this stuff with County Council later today.

So, you know, we'll sign that up if we need to, but my understanding is that ACO funding can be used for anything that the board wants.

But in our specific case, the board directive here specifies that it would be used for any planning and implementation of our coastal resiliency efforts, and then infrastructure and major capital improvements and upgrades. So there is that limitation, I think to the extent.

We needed to do something with the infrastructure that might help our response to a demoic acid incident or something like that.

It could qualify, but if you're asking, like, are we going to be giving money to nonprofits who respond to those pursuit from this ACO fund? I think the answer is no.

**YJ** **Yang, Jonathan** 18:02

Thank you.

That's all for me for now.

**MD** **Montessa Duckett** 18:06

For clarification, the plan will only be for a certain beach or or all the ones that are counting.

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Yeah, all the county owned and operated beaches, OK.

And then in regards to the parking, you know, because I know the parking is revenue is also being put into that fund, no, it's not.

It's, isn't it? The parking revenue from only from Will Rogers at Gladstone.

That particular parking lot.

Yeah, from that.

The rest of the parking revenue that's generated from beaches will continue to flow to general fund.

Yeah, that was.

I was just gonna ask, you know, whether.

Yeah, because I think the county wide, I think all the parks and revenue goes to the general fund, right.

Yeah. And I know there was an interest at one point about, you know using some of those funds or designating it.

Using it in areas where it's generated right?

Something like that. There was some discussion of the board.

At one point.

And so I was wondering how all that you know how it got resolved or I don't know if anyone from public works.

Is able to, you know, just remind us, how did that discussion go?

Did it end up anywhere or?

On on the parking rabbit. Or is it?

Kind of. Angela or whoever's joining from public works, I forgot how that discussion on the parking revenue.

Is that being considered or no?

**JG Jolene Guerrero 19:38**

Angela's not here from. Sorry. This is Jolene Guerrero from public works.

**MD Montessa Duckett 19:40**

Like.

**JG Jolene Guerrero 19:42**

Angela not here from public works and I don't have the answers to that information.

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I'll check on it.

Sorry, I'm not ready with that information.

**MD** **Montessa Duckett** 19:49

OK.

That was just like a side.

**JG** **Jolene Guerrero** 19:53

Yeah, I know. I know. Thank you.

**MD** **Montessa Duckett** 19:56

Yeah. As far as the beach lots, they're all gonna continue to go the general park.

Aside from that 1% to the CDB.

Any other questions?

**WT** **Webb, Tyler** 20:07

I think I have 1/2 answer to your question.

As someone who's assigned to to parking enforcement, from my understanding.

**MD** **Montessa Duckett** 20:12

Oh, OK.

**WT** **Webb, Tyler** 20:18

It IT parking revenue since it's still in the Sheriff's Department, still goes into their general fund.

And as far as keeping the revenue in the area, I'm not quite sure about that.

But I know that they're the I can say confidently that the department.

You know, before we made all the reforms was being run at A at a profit and that is no longer the case.

So I I believe funds currently get.

Used to to maintain to the department, and they're also still staffing up over in the Sheriff's Department parking Enforcement division.

So I hope that's somewhat helpful, but.

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What would be interested in finding out a direct answer to your question and we we have monthly meetings which the next one is tomorrow so.

**MD Montessa Duckett** 21:12  
OK.

**WT Webb, Tyler** 21:12  
Yeah.

**MD Montessa Duckett** 21:13  
Thank you.

Is there any other questions? If not, I think we're gonna move to public comments, right?

Any members of the public would like to address this item. Please raise your hand on teams, or if you're with us by phone, please press \*6 to speak. You'll allow one minute for each person.

Remember.

Amen. Thank you, Amy. And for your presentation.

And we're gonna move next to regional planning presentations on the capital improvement plan.

Thank you.

Everyone. I'm gonna try to share my screen just so that you can see our.

Our point here?

Let's zoom in on it, OK?

Oops, thanks for having us here.

My name is Jesus cerera.

I'm joined by my colleague Pat Ichiya.

Today, we're gonna discuss the capital improvement plan projects and we'll get into details about the contracts for our CIPS.

A brief presentation will include an overview on the planning areas, the CIPS themselves, and describing what they are.

What delve into the two contracts for our five CIP projects we'll discuss.

Our community outreach efforts so far and then we can offer time for questions and discussion.

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Our 2035 general plan divided the county into 11 different planning areas, and so while the general plan contains policies and a vision for the county as a whole, area plans that follow these 11 planning areas then allow the policies and goals to be a little more.

Contextual a little more geared towards or focused towards the unincorporated community.

Unities are located within within each planning area and so our CIPS are gonna follow that structure.

Generally we have 5 CIPS that we have budget for right now.

They're gonna follow the five planning area boundaries of those shown on the screen.

The colors don't signify anything, it's just to make them stand out to the audience here.

But the five CIPS will be for the West side South Bay.

Metro West and Gabriel and E San Gabriel Valley planning area.

These five.

The five area plans that follow these boundaries were recently adopted by Lawrence Ofbrisors, initiating in 2024 and on to last year 2025. The funding source for these five CIPS is a pro housing grant issued by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

While we are leading that effort, we're definitely working closely and collaborating with our partners, including Public Works, Department of Economic Opportunity, Chief Executive Office and the Chief Sustainability Office.

So we are collaborating.

We are meeting very frequently, working together on this effort, so in case you're wondering what exactly ACIP is.

Think about it like a long term strategic plan. That kind of is looking outwards at about 5 to 10 years in the future.

And we wanted to guide how the county prioritizes plans and funds infrastructure projects.

We will be focusing on public infrastructure that is operated under owned by the county. That includes infrastructure such as mobility, transportation, sewer and storm water management.

We have developed these goals for our CIPS and in a nutshell, what it comes down

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to is we want to provide infrastructure that's accessible, climate resilient and multi benefit where it can be.

But we do want to make sure we account for Community input and their needs, and we want to make sure that it aligns with our general plan and it's kinda why it follows the area plan.

Framework which is part of an extension of the general plan.

In terms of our tentative project timeline, we anticipate starting hopefully next month.

We're hoping the contracts will be approved by the board on April 14th.

We can work with our consultants to start the infrastructure studies cost analysis throughout the rest of this year.

Moving on to the following years, 2027-2028 will begin environmental analysis for both SQA and EQUA and NEPA.

In this case, NEPA is triggered due to the federal source of funding.

We hope to start drafting and then finalizing the capper improvement plan documents themselves, hopefully by spring 2028.

And then we plan to take these items before our Regional Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors late 2028, early 2029.

What I do want to emphasize is that we plan to have a community engagement and outreach throughout the entire process here.

We'll get into that in a couple more slides, but my team is managing the contract for the CIPS in the West San Gabriel and E San Gabriel Valley area.

Just a little background on that is, is the area plans resumed to accommodate about 31,000 potential housing units and this isn't to be aligned with the state's housing element.

The CIPS will kind of help that growth.

It'll we're helping.

We're hoping to have the infrastructure improve, quality of life and accommodate that future growth, along with climate resilience and mine. Why it's following that structure.

So for that contract in particular, we received one response to our RFP from PRIORITYNE Environmental Inc.

For short paradigm, that contract amount is a maximum of 2.4 million with a \$50,000 contingency, but they're going to help us on is the technical stuff, infrastructure

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analysis, the cost analysis, environmental analysis and documents, and then formulating the draft and the final capital improve.

Plans themselves.

There should be two documents, one per San Gabriel Valley area, one for the east and one for the West.

I'll turn it over.

Well, one more thing to a note about this contract in area that W San Gabriel Valley area does include a community of Altadena and we are aware that Altadena is undergoing rebuild efforts, multiple efforts at that. Many of them do involve infrastructure.

Programs that will also help with infrastructure more in the rebuild phase.

I just wanted to point that out because our CIP is a little more long term in in thinking 5 to 10 years as opposed to immediate rebuild.

But Paradigm is the lead consultant in one of those other efforts that is under Public works review. The conceptual utilities master plan.

So because paradigm is leading that, we are hoping to gather efficiencies there as they carry over what they learn from that process and data from that effort onto our Wes San Gabriel Valley.

I'll turn it over to colleague Pat.

Hello, my name's Pat Hachia and I'll be talking about the Metro South Bay and Westside CIP contract.

So and as Jesus just talked about, we recently did a lot of rezoning in the Metro South Bay and Westside planning areas to accommodate approximately 28,000 potential housing units overall. And during the area plan process.

The unity brought up concerns with how are you going to accommodate all these new units coming in with regards to our existing infrastructure.

So I think the CIP effort will be really meaningful to the Community and we hope to really go back to the same group. We we collected a lot of interest during the area plan process.

They are in our constant contact e-mail system we started.

Emailing and notifying both that this is coming.

And kind of start prepping the community with regards to just engaging with us for the all 5 CIPS.

So for us.

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Our contract there was one bidder and that was AE com technical services. The contract amount is 2.7 million with 50,000 contingency and again the focus will be on county owned and or county operated infrastructure although there has been I think some interest maybe from some.

Related.

It companies that are also offering infrastructure that that they wanna be somehow involved and we will be talking to them and reaching out to them and just maybe include their information just as information and background with regards to who's operating infrastructure in our communities.

And again, I'll be focused with AE. Com on the three CIP for Metro South Bay and West side and the components that.

Izes already mentioned.

It'll be the infrastructure analysis, the cost analysis for building the infrastructure, the SQL NIPA documents, and the capital improvement.

Exciting Park Community outreach.

So we did start some initial outreach last year just like really lightly because we don't have our we didn't have our contractors on yet, but we're familiar with the community and we wanted to get them ready, get them aware so that they'll be and start educating them I.

Think working with public works and also the CSOI.

Think one of the things they brought up is that you know a lot of our communities, don't we?

They they they reside in the community.

They're using the infrastructure, but they're not thinking about the infrastructure, right?

They're not used to talking about it, and so we wanted to do some education as part of this effort.

So we did some baseline survey in the Metro, South Bay and West Side area.

We started attending some community events such as Tuclbia east of Seoul.

We had a virtual kick off meeting for the general public on February 11th for Metro South Bay and West side, and we're looking into forming a Community advisory committee.

For each planning areas just to go deeper in conversation with some of the community leaders who are very familiar with the area plan process and already are

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used to engaging with us and in the East and West San Gabo Valley for those CIPS. This is this group they are.

They have been doing some surveys as well and that's been ongoing and they definitely have been very active on various community and rebuilding efforts related to our team.

Altadena but also out in the community in Golden Heights and other other places in San Gabriel Valley and they are going to be doing their virtual safety kickoff meeting on April 8th.

And they will be forming focus groups for planning areas to also go deeper and with some of the community activists and leaders.

So that's pretty much our presentation and we're open to questions and discussions. Thank you both for the presentation.

Definitely this is very important work. As you said, it did get lifted up in in in the area plan updates very much by community.

And this also very much relates to the housing element work, right that we have.

We have our Community plans that are making move for the building to.

Have a capacity, so if you comply with the housing element number right for the county and but infrastructure is very key. And so I'm really glad this is something that I think you're interfacing also with public works to some degree red as well. And the other departments as.

You mentioned and it's gonna. You're gonna assess, you know.

From water to sewer to utilities. Different, right?

Infrastructure needs, and I know you. How are you handling? You know, the the Nissan Gabriel and what's that? San Gabriel, very different from, you know, like more denser areas like the Metro and South Bay area plans.

How are is there any guidance or using you know in regards to infrastructure?

I know transit is access to transit is different as well.

Between those two kind of communities, is that why you kind of pick them in that way or you know or just wondering, you know, just I think it really has to do with the staff that's already worked on the area plan.

So my group is they're familiar with Metro, South Bay and West side because we did the area plans literally the same team is working on the CIP and I think for Jesus as well.

Yeah. So we're relying on that institutional knowledge and just to add to that.

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We also have a infrastructure surveys that we're promoting is to get people's thoughts on it.

Start the conversation on that and ultimately it'll be one CIP per planning area, so that'll we're not looking to replicate everything exactly across the five.

We'll be consistent, but not the same.

Not exactly, if that makes sense. No, I think that's important and I think that's what I was trying to get to that the committees are different, right?

They have different infrastructure needs, so it it'll be very important to be able to.

Like, have that assessment and inform, you know, like what?

What are respectively the needs?

And just being open to different situations, I imagine right. And but it's definitely very important work is, was there any initial reactions you got from the first outreach, the preliminary outreach you did?

Or or the kickoff.

Yeah, for the kickoff.

So there weren't as many.

People at the meeting, as we were hoping, but I think it'll pick up.

That's usually how projects start.

You know, there's not a lot of people at the beginning and then it picks up as there's more as there are more details forthcoming, there's more people that usually start showing up.

I think the one question I remember somebody bringing up was the concern with water.

And so.

So although I think in the urban areas, the county does not operate like the water purveyor, the water systems, but we will be engaging with those entities and those agencies that are involved with providing water services. Actually one reached out to us recently and we're having a meeting.

With them this afternoon because they want to be involved.

And so we anticipate in the CIPS there will be some.

Overview So that people know you know who are the companies providing services and then so we're also having to engage those agencies, right and inform those relationships and have them talk to us and and and provide whatever information they're willing to provide to us.

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They are private agencies and private groups, so not county operated.

So we don't have control over what they do, but.

They're providing services.

In our community.

So I you know, I think they will want their names in the sandy, but we will have to engage them.

That's part of that. Thank you.

Let's see part of the implementation.

Yeah, we started talking broken records.

I keep saying I'm new but I don't know when I'll when I won't be able to see that anymore.

It takes a while.

Yeah, I'm more familiar with Cfes being overseen and managed by Public Works, which I'm sure there's a whole aspect of that going on with the county as well.

So is this effort.

Is it guided because it was an implementation plan in the area plans?

And you mentioned you're working closely with.

So I imagine that overlap is going to be taken into account.

Absolutely everybody should make notes of that.

It's actually the CIP program's actually in the general plan, the 25th, when we adopted the general Plan 2015, that the CIP program is already part of the general plan.

So it's been long running to finally be able to do it and.

We're working very closely with public works on this because it's not usually in the land use planning world and we definitely are partners with them in this even though you know we might be driving and leading everything forward, but they're very much our partners in this effort and.

That's sort of the the crux of my question was, why is TRP needing this?

But it's not again.

I mean, I imagine it was embedded in the area plans as it started with the general plan.

Yeah. OK.

Thank you.

Is the Fort.

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Yeah. Thank you for that presentation. You and one of the goals you outlined was prioritizing multi benefit.

Can you?

Especially for the public going forward in, in, in the process, what that means so how you will prioritize and then what what multi, what's an example that the public?

I think.

So working with the DSO.

I think we're aware.

That the board has put out a motion for the climate resiliency initiative.

And so we're trying to get the our bang for the buck, right and work with CSO to get their input on climate resiliency in our infrastructure.

And so they are also our partner in this conversation and they're very engaged to make sure that when we either build new infrastructure or update our infrastructure that we take into consid consideration like could you know, is it maybe if it's.

If we're doing some upgrade in the streets, should we be looking at St. trees as well?

And we just dig up the streets once to, you know, install the trees and the curbs and the, you know, build the potholes like we just do it once instead of doing.

It multiple times to cover the same area, right?

So I think that requires us to really have great conversations and be in tune with what each department is doing. And so. But the goal is to, you know, kill as many birds with one stone as possible, if that helps.

Yeah, certainly.

I don't really have other questions except you know, long before I was a county employee, I was a a member of a Community advisory committee.

That's How I Met Pat many, many years ago.

And so I I really we value that process.

That and we look forward to helping however we can to support office.

And then, oh, actually one more question I had in that same vein, the infrastructure survey, is there a role in board offices, complaints getting stuff out?

And we'd be happy to.

This is my broken record as we put ourselves at your disposal if you can help, I would appreciate that for sure I have.

I have shared the R2 ongoing service with one for the W San Gabriel, one for the East San Gabriel Valley areas. I've shared those with your colleagues Guadalupe and Ariel.

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So yeah, if you can help us promote those, we definitely appreciate that. I think well, I don't wanna speak for you, but I think you won't have surveys later on.

Right. We already did baseline surveys last year just to establish like, what are people starting to think about when it comes to like what are they thinking about when they hear the word like mobility and stormwater management, right?

We don't talk about that everyday. So so we have an initial baseline survey, but we will be following up and absolutely we we would love your help in getting that out and promoting the process and also advising us what you think will help the community.

Understand and engage.

Because we're building these communities together, right?

It's us and those who live and work there so.

Thanks.

A secret?

Yeah, so the funding source for this is the HUD Pro housing grant, is that right?

So is this using all the funds from that grant or is there remaining funds?

And what are those funds gonna be used for?

Now select.

So it it is a far majority of the pro housing ground that we received is allocated for the the funding of the CIPS.

However, there are a few other projects that we're also working on.

Such as the update to the third St. specific plan or as we're not calling it, the East LA to specific plan, it's also funding you might have heard references from the previous presentation.

The Healthy Ordinances update. We are working on a missing middle housing program.

It'll be funding that project as well.

As well as what we call an equity audit to both our zoning code.

And our general plan to ensure that what we have in terms of land use and growth policies for the county unincorporated areas are in alignment with the county's ethical.

OK.

Thank you.

And then also just given the sort of state of the federal government and stuff, have

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we received the money yet or is this more of a reimbursement based kind of grant? Process. You know there there is a system in place that's very complex where we. Receive the funding through the federal DRTR system and because. We have not secured the contracts yet and this is where the item on April 14th is very important. When we start billing.

To the the funds, we will submit that to.

DRGR.

And that's that's the that is the mechanism by which we're reversed for the project costs that we have not done that yet, however.

We are part of a cohort of other jurisdictions that have also received the Pro housing grant who have successfully.

Received their funding, so sort of a little further ahead in the process.

We're sort of in the middle there.

There are some jurisdictions that are not as far along as as we are in and others but but yes, the the funding as we understand it has been.

For sure.

And then, because it's, you know, we have to do NEPA and stuff, I think that's somewhat new, right, for for the planning department. And I know I'm sure the consultants have like that technical expertise. But do you know like how much?

How much cost is that adding just to have to go through like the new process?

For this like an additional you know to the normal SQL process.

I I think as far as budgeting goes, we we have scoped it so that the consultant does both at the same time and and they are overlapping and in that sense.

It there's some cost savings there.

And yes, it is because it is funded by prohousing, the Pro housing group that we do need to.

To Neipa as well.

Well, the the planning Department has has not.

Managed many NEPA projects. I I think other departments, including public works.

And lacda, when they have passed through an environmental impact report and have also been subject to NEPA.

So there there is.

A lot of experience within the county.

Doing both documents to meet.

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That are all required.

And save requirements.

It's just always kind of funny when the federal government is giving us money just to do something that you know is only for them on some level. And then just because there was one bid received as well, was there any way that we could, like sort of Ben? The contract amount against any other types of bids. Or was there any sort of like independent cost estimate to sort of that we knew kind of before the bids were received in order to know if it was like sort of high or low or?

There there were.

Yeah, just one bid per contract received based on the.

Request per proposals.

And and negotiation afterward, in order to align the the proposal with the allocated amount.

And that's basically where we landed on, but but ultimately.

The the project allocation for already.

Made available when we submitted our Pro housing grant proposal.

The the guidelines for the Pro housing grant require us to publish the they call it the action plan, which includes a a budget so that the breakdown is already included in a public website that we have are also required to do this as part of our grant so.

That's basically.

Where we landed is we have the allocated amounts.

And did negotiation in order to align with those.

Este too.

Any questions or comments?

**GI** **Gracian, Isela** 48:28

No questions.

Just thank you all for the presentation and all your work on this.

**MD** **Montessa Duckett** 48:34

Any other questions or comments from board colleagues on on this matter?

You know, in terms of just one other question in terms of the formation of the CAC, how are you going to go about it? You know to select?

The Members I think we will probably switch out to the tax that we work with the

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CAC members that we work with and then come up with a the right number. I mean the cats get too big.

It's hard to converse with many people, so if we don't get enough people who are available, then we will definitely like to reach out to the board offices.

To recommend other folks who they think might want to be involved because it's a lengthy process, right?

It's it's going to go.

I mean, we're not.

Well, the grant goes till 2029 and we're going to start the public hearing process late 2028.

So we would like the cat to stay with us through the process. And so it's a commitment. I mean, we're not going to have a ton of meetings, but you know they would like people who want to stay involved.

Will definitely invite you back for a progress.

You know update as you know the milestone forward.

I know you're gonna do more engagement, right? Once you have your contracts so that your assessments, right?

We're doing so definitely we back, but thank you very much for the presentation.

We're gonna move any members of the public. I would like to address this item.

Please raise your hand on teams or if you are with us by phone.

Please press \*6 to leave one minute per person.

No.

All right.

See none.

Thank you very much for your presentation and we're gonna just go to general public comments right before we.

Any members of the public would like to address any item on today's agenda. Please raise your hand on teams or you're with us by phone.

Please press \*6 to speak.

We'll we will allow one minute purpose.

All right, seeing none.

Thank you everyone.

The meeting is adjourned.

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Now we're going to post.

I'm sorry.

- **Christine Frias** stopped transcription