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## CITY OF WARRENTON

To: The Honorable Mayor and Warrenton City Commission  
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Date: May 23, 2017  
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### **Regarding – Update Current Tasks and Projects**

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#### **Development Review – Current Involvement**

Pacific Coast Seafood	Gloria Edler
Skipanon River Apartments	Westlake Development
Palmberg Apartments	Walmart Development
SE Anchor Avenue Developments	Warrenton Grade School
Fort George Development	Waterfront Trail Landing
Fort Pointe	Kruger Apartments
Marlin Larsen	SW Kalmia Subdivision
Adam Crites	

#### **CIPs (Current)**

##### **Core Conveyance**

Dewatering appears to be successful. Contractor did have some issues with migrating sand and was required to add casings and additional material between casings to reduce sand entering the dewatering system. We should see excavation start this week.

The City applied and received an incentive of \$7,956 from Energy Trust for the installation of efficient sewer pumps.

##### **2016 Pavement Overlay**

Overlay work was completed last week. The City and contractor will work on a few minor drainage improvements over the next couple weeks and some striping.

##### **SE 4<sup>th</sup> and Main Stormwater Pump Rebuild**

This project is complete. Would like to construct a new fence that faces South Main Avenue

##### **Hammond Transmission Waterline Project**

Request for engineering proposals is complete and will be advertised soon. Construction next Spring

##### **SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and SW 9<sup>th</sup> Street**

Completed last week.

##### **Delaura Beach Lane – Bike Path**

Last couple items to be finished this week and next. Most notably is a new culvert will be constructed between SW Oak Avenue and SW Pine Drive.

## **Contract Documents**

The City has been working on making our contract documents more robust and comprehensive (220+ pages). These documents are now complete, and I believe they are on par with most municipalities.

These documents will provide the City more control of our construction projects. Having our own documents will also save the City money, by allowing the City to be in control of the documents.

I hope to use these documents on the next construction project.

## **FEMA**

### **Revised FIRM and FIS**

Appeal period started on the second publication of the notice (May 19, 2017). The appeal period ends 90 days after the second publication (August 16, 2017). FIRMs and the FIS become Effective June 2018. This revised mapping includes a portion of the City as Provisionally Accredited (protected by levees).

### **2017-2018 Risk MAP CTP Grant Program (Cooperating Technical Partners)**

After preparing the necessary documentation, Grants, and coordinating with DOGAMI, this project was not funded this round of CTP grants.

FEMA would like to continue the conversation and determine how FEMA can support the City in the development of the risk assessment task with their internal GIS expertise. Additionally, by supporting this task internally, FEMA can have the flexibility to coordinate with the ongoing floodplain mapping discussions in Warrenton.

A meeting is preliminarily scheduled between the City and FEMA on May 30, 2017.

### **Clatsop Estuary Technical Analysis**

Mr. Ratte says that we should have the memorandum by next week. This memo was supposed to be delivered to the Group in October 2016.

Once this memo is received we will need to prepare our response to FEMA through CHE and the Group to either compromise or continue to argue our concerns.

## **LEVEES**

### **Geotechnical Work**

Working through the IFA loan application process. Need funds to pay back loan.

### **Encroachments**

Working with USACE and Pacific Power to determine plan to move forward on Pacific Power Encroachments. Received an example of a legacy encroachment request document from USACE. Our contact person (Jason McBain) is moving out of the area, he has been great to work with.

### **Oregon BiOp Litigation**

We've been working with Molly Lawrence from Van Ness Feldman LLP (providing documentation, maps, explanation, etc.). Molly is using our information to prepare a declaration to demonstrate Warrenton's injury that would result from implementation of the Oregon BiOp. The draft declaration will be sent to the City sometime this week. My understanding, is that Molly will use a Washington DC location for legal filing. Filing is targeted for June 5, 2017.

Molly was especially interested in items that the City already does to protect species and habitat. We are also preparing maps showing properties in the City that are likely not to be developed (North Coast Land Conservancy, Clatsop County, DSL, etc.)

Summary of City Damages:

- a. May not allow Levee improvements.
- b. Meeting LID, Detention, and Treatment goals would be difficult/impossible.
- c. May prevent development in flood plains including 170' beyond the flood plain,
  - a. Would allow; water-dependent use, habitat restoration, activities that result in beneficial gain or have no adverse effect to species or habitat.

**ODOT**

The City met with ODOT on April 20<sup>th</sup> to discuss using a portion of Highway 101 Business as a cross levee. ODOT has confirmed that this may be possible, but will be difficult. ODOT is in the process of scheduling a pre-application meeting to discuss this issue further.

A cross levee at this location could remove CCDD#11 from our levee system.

**Legislative**

Mark Kujala provided testimony and Mayor Balensifer III provided testimony last week.