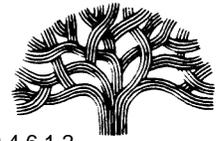


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October 13, 2016

Vegetation Management Unit Staff Report

WPAD Board Members,

Fire Suppression District Inspector Staffing:

Vegetation Management Supervisor - Vincent Crudele

Fire Suppression District 1 - Vacant

Fire Suppression District 2 - Adam Ball

Fire Suppression District 3 - David Davis

Fire Suppression District 4 - Vacant

Fire Suppression District 5 - Vacant

Program Analyst II - Anette Boulware

TPT Administrative Staff - Vanessa Barner & Joaunque Patten

STAFFING UPDATE: Interviews for the full time Fire Suppression Inspector were held and Fire Prevention is awaiting a response from personnel regarding determination of candidate qualifications.

Vegetation Management Statistics (see attached Matrix)

Update on Caltrans Clearance Along 24/13/580& EBRP tree removal at Lake

Temescal: Caltrans has continued to their clearing efforts. The following areas have recently been completed; interchange on Hwy 13 and 24, Hiller Drive roadside clearing, and the vacant lot at Golf Links and Hwy 580. Their crews are actively working on a selective on-going tree removal project near Hwy 580 & 13. The dead trees in this area can be removed as weather and traffic allows, since the brush has been removed.

Update on status of fuel reduction for Chabot Space & Science Center project

(\$216,000): Fire Chief Deloach Reed, Angela Robinson Piñon and Fire Marshal Miguel Trujillo attended a meeting with Robert Zahn of Public Works to discuss strategies to move forward with the project, by utilizing their on-call services contract. The Fire Chief's office has been in conversation with Chabot Space & Science Center to discuss which trees will be identified for removal and will manage the project. Staff has also met with the two on-call contractors at the site, and has requested that their bids for tree removal be submitted by 5:00 PM, October 14, 2016. Funds will be covered by the budgeted line item allocated by the WPAD and funds will be transferred internally to Public Works to pay the contractor. Work will commence as soon as possible, and the bidding firms are aware that work may be affected by site conditions, including weather.

Status update on FEMA / Vegetation Management Plan Progress and Work Schedule:

The contract and scope of work for the Vegetation Management Plan has been tentatively agreed upon. The consultant is being asked to accept and incorporate those changes, and once that has been completed the contract can be executed. The consultant firm meeting with the WPAD committee members has to reschedule.

Procedures for protected species: Additional draft versions of an updated policy are currently being completed. Revised version to include an on call Biologist once an RFQ is completed, specific language on vegetation contracts/scope of work to include a list of protected species, and pre and post site assessments to include before and after photos.

Progress of implementing GIS systems for vegetation management:

Fire Marshal Trujillo, Assistant Fire Marshal and (1) of their staff attended a Pictometry software hands on presentation September 30, 2016, to sample their software. Fire has worked with the IT Department to develop a specific GIS link to be placed on the WPAD website. The GIS link will include a list of all City properties and detail inspection dates and a compliance status. The GIS link will also include residential properties.

City of Oakland Contract Compliance Requirements and Vegetation Management Contracts - The following action items are being explored;

1. Civicorps partnership can we contract with them for removal? Assistant Fire Marshall Cesar Avila to schedule a meeting with their representatives to research this possibility.
2. On- Call Contractors- break up territory in 5 geographical areas to have them provide chipping & removal services. Working to schedule a contractors planning meeting to discuss their interest and participation.

Thank you,

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