



CITY of CALABASAS

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

DATE: MAY 2, 2024

TO: ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEMBERS

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SUBJECT: UPDATES ON CITY ACTIVITIES/PROJECTS

MEETING DATE: MAY 7, 2024

BACKGROUND:

The Environmental Services Division strives to make Calabasas a better place to live and work by developing environmental and pollution prevention programs, and by protecting, enhancing and restoring creeks and open space. This Division oversees the administration of an encompassing Public Education/Outreach Program designed to meet the mandated requirements of the Clean Water Act and California Integrated Waste Management Act. Environmental Services oversees a variety of activities including the reduction and/or elimination of pollutants from storm water and urban runoff, reduction of waste going to urban landfills, recycling, household hazardous waste, and storm drain inspection and maintenance.

DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS:

Citywide Green Streets Project – Phase I:

The construction of various works of the Las Virgenes Green Street Project including construction of sidewalks, curb and gutter, asphalt pavement, bioswales, and keystone walls have been nearly completed in both phases II and III. The project faced a short delay due to design adjustments of trail access and parking lot

to make it ADA-friendly, as well the design of two retaining walls that was needed for SCE power poles. The bioswale layout within phase II and III has been completed and the contractor has scheduled the landscape subcontractor to provide necessary fill for planters and bio swales. The contractor is moving to Phase I of the project within the next two weeks. Necessary notifications have been sent to HOA and signs have been installed to guide residents to park in the Phases II and III when work commences in Phase I. The project is expected to finished by beginning of August 2024.

Las Virgenes Creek Restoration Project – Phase III

Staff is awaiting a meeting with LA County Flood Control District whom we entered into MOU with for funding the planning and design of the project. After this meeting, a Request for Proposals will be issued.

Staff is also seeking additional funding for the construction phase of the project which required public outreach. The next outreach will be the 2nd Creek Tour on May 11th.

Climate Action Plan

Staff has received four proposals and evaluations will begin in May.

Battery Box

Staff met with a producer for the battery box and are optimistic in moving forward with the creation of the box.

FISCAL IMPACT/SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Funding for projects and activities comes from multiple sources including General Fund, Measure M, Measure W, Prop 1, and more. Staff is continually researching new funding opportunities for upcoming projects.

REQUESTED ACTION:

This is an informational item only and requires no action.

ATTACHMENTS

None.