MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 7, 2010

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Lew C. Bauman
County Administrative Officer

SUBJECT: County Administrative Officer’s Report for the week of June 7, 2010

This is the weekly report by the County Administrative Officer to the Board of Supervisors. This report provides information on issues affecting the County and the progress of County activities.

Departments

Elections
June 8, 2010 Consolidated Statewide Primary: Election Day is upon us – have you voted? Visit the Department’s website at www.MontereyCountyElections.us to find out…….

Where do I Vote?: To find out where your assigned polling place location is and to view a sample of your official ballot and voter information online, visit the Department’s website and select the link “Where do I vote?” Voting is also available at the Department up through the close of polls on Election Day, Tuesday, June 8 at 8:00 p.m.

Am I registered to vote in Monterey County?: To verify if you are eligible to vote and what you have selected as your party affiliation so you are aware of all voting options on Election Day, select the link, “Am I registered to vote in Monterey County?”

Vote by Mail/Early Voting: As stated above, the period for requesting to vote by mail ends today, Tuesday, June 1, 2010. After today, anyone who has spoiled their ballot and wishes a replacement, or a non-partisan voter who has received a non-partisan ballot and wishes to
crossover to vote in the Democratic or Republican Party should come to the Department in person or may surrender their spoiled ballot at their polling place on Election Day and obtain a replacement ballot.

Verify the Department has received your voted ballot by visiting the Department’s website at www.MontereyCountyElections.us. To date, the Department has issued nearly 101,500 vote by mail ballots (to 64% of the County’s voters) and has almost 30,500 voted returns (30% of those sent out).

June 22 Special Primary Election – Senate District 15: As of Monday, June 7, the June 22 Special Primary is just 15-days away.

Register to Vote: The deadline to register or re-register to vote in the June 22 Special Primary Election is TODAY, Monday, June 7, 2010! As of midday, the registration statistics are below. However, this number may change as state law allows a voter to be eligible to cast a ballot as long as the registration form is post-marked on or before the deadline (today) as long as it is received before the close of polls on Election Day.

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*Reflected increase since last CAO Weekly Report on June 1, 2010

Election Mail: As of Monday, June 7, the Department has issued just over 58,400 vote by mail ballots (to 63% of the District’s voters) and has nearly 12,000 voted returns (20%).

Not the Same Primary: As another reminder, voters should be aware that the June 8 Statewide Primary is a “modified open primary” where only Decline to State/non-partisan voters are eligible to cross over to a political party to vote; whereas, the June 22 Special Primary can be seen as a straight open primary, the ballot contains all qualified candidates, and voters may vote for whomever they choose, regardless of party affiliation.

General Office: On Friday, May 28, the Secretary of State, Debra Bowen, made a stop at one of the final Inspector training classes held out at the Salinas Rodeo grounds. The Department’s staff kept hush about the visit so it was a nice surprise for those Inspectors in attendance, and the class size remained small enough for the Secretary to spend time speaking to each Inspector, the lead Trainer, and all Assistant Trainers before heading over to the Department for a short tour, update on the Department’s activities and to meet new staff who have joined the Department since the Secretary’s last visit in 2008.
Resource Management Agency
On Monday June 14, 2010, Supervisor Lou Calcagno will accept the transfer of a 5.8 acre parcel of land located on San Juan Road in Pajaro from Granite Construction Company, which is donating the property to the Redevelopment Agency of the County of Monterey.

“The Granite land donation paves the way for Pajaro residents to realize their dream of a new park in a community where no parks exist,” said Supervisor Calcagno.

The San Juan Road site was used by Granite from the 1940’s through the 1990’s as a construction equipment, repair and storage yard. Scott Wolcott, President of Granite Land Company explains, “Over the past two years the County and Granite have worked together in a true public/private partnership to transition this former construction yard to public use. I commend the County, and particularly the Redevelopment Agency for their collaborative efforts and “can do” attitude.”

William G. Dorey, Granite President and Chief Executive Officer stated, “Granite has a long history in this community, and we are very pleased to be a part of what is sure to be a great place for the residents of Pajaro and North Monterey County.”

On March 1, 2010, the Redevelopment Agency applied to the California State Parks Office of Grants & Local Services for a $5M Proposition 84 grant to fund design and construction of the new park in this critically underserved area. Construction of the park is scheduled to begin October 2010.

Pajaro residents have been actively involved in the design of the of the park and its features. The park will include a soccer and baseball field, basketball and volleyball court, quiosco (covered bandstand), infant and children’s playgrounds, walking and running track, art wall and historic interpretive exhibit.

The transfer ceremony will be held on Monday June 14, 2010, 10:00 AM on the property which will be transferred, at 24 San Juan Road, Pajaro.

Health

The Monterey County Health Department is distributing colorful posters, calendars and magnets that carry important health messages in artwork created by local schoolchildren.

Earlier this year, the Health Department held a poster contest for children in Pre-Kindergarten to 5th grade, inviting youngsters to use their artistic
talents to create posters about staying healthy.

"The children captured the health messages with imagination and color." Said Dr. Hugh Stallworth, Monterey County Health Officer. "It is my hope, the messages will remind all of us to take three simple steps to keep our community healthy."

Students picked one of the following themes: wash your hands, cover your cough or stay home when you are sick. The poster winners are as follows:

- Wash your hands – Mrs. Varner's Kindergarten Class, Prunedale Elementary
- Stay home when you are sick – Madeleine Britt, Laurel Wood B.E.S.T. Program
- Cover your cough - Sabrina Sheffer and Gisselle Chavez, Loma Vista School

The winning posters have been re-printed and will be distributed to area schools and community organizations.

The Health Officer's Award for creativity went to Karina Carrasco of Boronda Meadows. Karina's and other children's artwork will be featured in the 2010-2011 the Health Department's Stay Healthy Calendar.

This concludes the CAO Weekly Report.