

CITY OF ALBANY  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
STAFF REPORT

Agenda date: May 10, 2012

**TO:** Parks and Recreation Commission

**FROM:** Penelope Leach, Assistant City Manager/Recreation and Community Services Director

**SUBJECT:** Measure WW Funding Update

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Information only.

**BACKGROUND**

Measure WW which passed in November 2008 is an extension of Proposition AA. Proposition AA was passed by East Bay voters 20 years ago and helped preserve 34,000 acres of open space, developed over 100 miles of new trails, and funded hundreds of local parks and recreation projects. While much has been accomplished, the growing East Bay population further increases the need for acquiring new parklands, protecting and restoring natural habitat, and helping communities with their local park and recreation facilities. Measure WW will be used to continue to restore urban creeks; protect wildlife; purchase and save open space, wetlands, and bay shoreline; and acquire, develop, and improve local and regional parks, trails, and recreational facilities close to home for East Bay residents

The Measure allocates funds to cities based on population. The City of Albany was allocated \$771,363, and has until 2018 to use the funds. Cities are able to submit projects in February and March of each year. This allows East Bay Regional Park District the ability to sell enough bonds to pay for the submitted eligible projects.

In 2008/2009 the Parks and Recreation Commission held a number of meetings to discuss possible projects for Measure WW funding. The Water Front Committee also held meetings for potential Water Front Projects. The Water Front Committee presenting projects for the Parks and Recreation Commission's review and the Parks and Recreation Commission submitted a final proposal to Council.

To date the City has funded projects totaling \$222,440. A spreadsheet of projects, costs, and remaining balance is attached.

**Attachments**

Measure WW Funding to Date