Acceptance of Minutes: Minutes from the January 16, 2019 meeting were approved as written.

Project Status Report

- Marty reported that we currently scoping new projects according to the adopted CIP while working to complete and close-out current projects i.e. PD Waterfront Phase 1, Eastside Community Center, Pacific Seas Aquarium.

Discussion Items

WP1 Sailmound B Art Project - Nichole Rathburn

- Roger reported money left over from Adam Kuby’s “Alluvion” Dune Peninsula artwork was directed towards creating additional artwork on the sail mounds.
- An overview of the selected artist Nichole Rathburn proposal was presented that included four bronze sculptures, inspired by Dune, on top of Sailmound B. He explained there are three sail mounds on the peninsula and this art piece will be located on the middle one.
- The sculptures reference the sandtrout in Frank Herbert’s Dune, as well as the park’s environmental history as the former site of the Asarco Smelter. The sculptures will be designed for visitors to touch and interact.
- Roger explained the all bronze artwork will have refined edges, be bolted down securely for safety. The sculptures will be positioned so not to obstruct the view of Mount Rainier.
- A plaque will be on display with the art piece name and description. Marty explained the Signage Committee is currently looking into including interpretive signage.
- Both Commissioner Hanberg and Baines stressed the importance of having interpretive signage to show how the art piece ties into the peninsula project.
- The design and construction budget for this art piece is $60,000.

Actions Item

PDZA Seawater Supply McClure and Sons – Final Acceptance

- Fred reported the PDZA Seawater Supply Improvements was inspected by staff and was completed as specified. This resolution authorizes the final acceptance of the McClure and Sons contract in the amount was $1,122,886.60 including sales tax.
Pictures of the area where excessive water was found was shown. It was determined water was from a natural spring.

The old round house is now just a wet well. The new roundhouse features native boat racing artwork and holds three pumps with variable frequency. Fred explained only two pumps are needed, allowing one to be shut down monthly for maintenance and servicing.

All interior pump house work (plumbing and electrical) was completed by MPT staff.

Commissioner Hanberg asked how the calculated water volume information might be used. Fred explained it will be provided to the City of Tacoma to aid them with a potential water hydroelectric facility design. Marty added it will also help with any future compliance requirements for returning water to Puget Sound.

This item was accepted for moving forward to the full Board with a recommendation of approval.

Geotechnical Engineering Services – Master Agreement

This resolution authorizes an on-call Geotechnical Engineering Master Agreement contract being awarded to GeoEngineers. This agreement is for capital projects not to exceed $300,000.00 and is intended to support Metro Park’s capital projects from 2019 through 2021, with a possible extension.

Kristi explained the Metro Park’s Planning Department does master agreements for various services i.e. topographic, ecology, to save on selection time. She reported we received 11 Statement of Qualifications, interviewed 4 and Geo Engineers was ultimately selected.

Commissioner Hanberg asked about the process. Kristi explained GeoEngineers will write up a proposal for each new project and once accepted we will do an amendment to their contract.

Commissioner Baines expressed concerns regarding long-term contracts. He said he would like a discussion on small business opportunities provided by long-term contracts. Marty said there are subconsulting opportunities built into contracts such as these that do provide opportunities.

This item was accepted for moving forward to the full Board with a recommendation of approval.

Northwest Trek Commissary and Hay Barn Project - BCRA Amendment #1

Pierce County determined a new water supply was needed at Northwest Trek for the new Commissary, Hay Barn project. An additional scope of services is being recommended to BCRA’s contact for an evaluation of the current water rights and uses at NW Trek and to make a recommendation for providing water service to the proposed commissary building in the operations area of Northwest Trek in the amount of $10,300.

This item was accepted for moving forward to the full Board with a recommendation of approval.

Miscellaneous Items

Marty reported we are in the process of identifying a tentative opening date for Waterfront Phase 1. He reported the peninsula is primarily done with the final punch list being prepared. He added the grass areas are looking good, however some plants aren’t maturing as fast as expected. The feasibility of opening during the month of June is being evaluated for feasibility.

Commissioner Hanberg asked if we might open the trails early. Marty reported we are looking at a possible soft launch, however parts of the trail are still not connected. He noted we also need to make sure the opening doesn’t conflict with any of our events.
Marty added we are in close communications with WSDOT regarding a new project to add ferry lane cuing capacity. He explained we need to make sure it doesn’t impact the project.

Future items

Meeting Adjourned