

**Planning and Building Department** 

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### **Last Years Goals**

- > Improved Efficiency and Effectiveness.
  - ✓ Reorganization
  - ✓ Technological Improvements
  - ✓ Process Improvements
  - ✓ Culture of Accountability

## **Last Years Accomplishments**

- > Completed Departmental Reorganization
- >Assimilated Code Enforcement
- >Accela Will be Implemented July 2018

### **Long Range Planning**

- ➤ Completed:
  - ✓ General Plan Update (Inland)
  - ✓ Commercial Cannabis Ordinance Update
  - ✓ Safe Homes
- > Started work on:
  - ✓ Humboldt Bay Area Plan Update
  - ✓ General Plan Implementation (Coastal GP)
  - ✓ Affordable Housing Implementation
  - ✓ Greenhouse Floor Ordinance Modification

## Long Range Planning

## Work Program for Coming Year:

- > Humboldt Bay Area Plan Update
- > Housing Element Update
- ➤ General Plan Implementation
  - Coastal GP
  - Zoning Map Update
  - ➤ Climate Action Plan
- > Affordable Housing Implementation
- > Other Ordinances as assigned

## **Long Range Planning**

Re-establish Housing Advocate
Reduced General Fund contribution

### **Permit Coordination**

- > Hired additional staff:
  - ➤ Senior Building Inspector
    - > Over the Counter Plan Checks
  - >Added Permit Specialist
    - ➤ Responsive to Planning and Building Questions
    - ➤ Processing broader range of Permits
      - ➤ Reduce POD and CPOD calls

### **Permit Coordination**

## Projects Completed:

- ✓ Grocery Outlet (Mckinleyville)
- ✓ Auto Zone (Mckinleyville)
- ✓ BMW Dealership (Mckinleyville)

Permits Issued To Date: 1,253

- Residential Permits 81
- Safe Homes 30 (160 Apps)

## **Building Inspection**

- > Hired New Chief Building Official
- >1,878 Building Inspections
- >362 Cannabis Site Inspections
- ➤ Instituted Smoke Detector Certification
- ➤ Average Plan Check 18.6 days

## **Building Inspection Permit Coordination**

Goals for 2018/19

- Complete First Building Plan Check in 2 weeks
- Formalize Over the Counter Permits
- > Implement Satellite Imagery for Some Inspections

➤ General Fund Contribution less than 15%

### **Current Planning**

- Current Planning:
  - ❖ Initiated Titlow Hill EIR and Lot Legalization
  - 50 applications processed to completion

- Cannabis Planning
  - ❖120 Permanent Permits approved (Year to date)
  - ❖500+ Interim Permits Issued
  - ❖879 State Licenses Reviewed

## **Current Planning**

- Current Planning:
  - Better organization complete added projects
  - \$\$25,674, or 1 percent Increase
- Cannabis Planning
  - Complete all Interim Permits
  - ❖No General Fund Contribution

#### **Administrative Services**

- ➤ Most Significant Organizational Change
- > Centralized
  - ✓ Support for entire department
  - ✓ Financial Management
  - √Grant monitoring
  - ✓ Production tools support (GIS/IT/Accela)

### **Code Enforcement**

- New Initiative this Year.
- ➤ Since July 1, 2017
  - ❖452 Opened Cases .... 112 Closed
  - ❖134 Cannabis Cases ... 8 Closed
  - ❖120 Complaints to be investigated

#### **Code Enforcement**

- \* Goals
  - Get to full staff
  - > Timely process all complaints and open cases
  - ➤ 500 Cannabis Cases
- \* Fiscal
  - ➤ Self Supporting
  - ➤ Converting Measure Z positions to Code Enforcement

# **Questions and Discussion**

#### **COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT**

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