

# CITY MANAGER WEEKLY UPDATE REPORT ~ KENT MYERS

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Today I joined several staff members for a three-hour tour of the Rayonier site including the property that is required for accomplishing Phase I of the CSO program. Several Department of Natural Resources (DNR) staff members joined us for part of the tour so that we could discuss the DNR leased property located along the shoreline. This was actually the first time that I had toured the complete property and it really opened my eyes to the future opportunities and challenges associated with the cleanup and redevelopment of the site. During the past year, we have accomplished a great deal in terms of working with Harbor-Works, the Tribes, Department of Ecology, the Port, and other entities and hopefully we can keep this momentum going.

At the request of one of our Councilmembers I am planning on arranging a tour of Angeles Composite Technologies, Inc. (ACTI) in the next two weeks. ACTI has some expansion plans that will create future employment opportunities for our community. It is important that the Council gains a better understanding of ACTI's current operations and how they intend to grow and expand in the future. We will let you know when we have a firm date and time set for this tour.

This week I had the opportunity to visit with Jim Jones and other County officials about the costs for operation of the District Court. I think that they understand our situation and the need to work together to come up with some solutions for controlling our costs. I was also able to look at several possible sites that might work for our own Court if the Council decides it would be in the City's best interest to proceed in this direction.

Today I also had the pleasure of presenting a rebate check in the amount of \$51,328.00 to Olympic Electric for lighting improvements completed at PenPly. With the City's rebate payment, and other funding, this project will pay for itself within one year and save over 500,000 kWh of energy every year.

Finally, I wanted to let you know that I met with two representatives for the League of Women Voters as a follow up to the recent Council discussion on the content for Council minutes. They offered some great input on certain things that might be included in the resolution that we are preparing for the Council's consideration at your May 18 meeting. They also restated their support for addressing improvements to our audio system that will create improved opportunities for public access to the audio of the Council meetings.

If you have a chance, please join us for the painting of the PenPly building on Saturday morning - weather permitting.

**- Kent Myers**