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Date: December 14, 2023  
To: Board of Directors  
From: David Aranda, Interim General Manager  
Subject: Discussion Regarding the Contra Costa County Hazard Mitigation Plan

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### **Recommendation**

While this agenda item is not requiring any action, the IGM would appreciate that the Board agrees with moving forward in seeing a finalized hazard mitigation plan and that the Board agrees with the IGM recommendation of a Town Hall meeting to provide the Hazard Mitigation Action Items to the Community.

### **Background**

FEMA requires every five years an updated Hazard Mitigation Plan. Entities such as KPPCSD and KFPD need to have that updated plan to qualify for grants that might be available to make improvements and to assist in mitigating hazards caused by natural disasters such as earthquakes and wildfires.

KPPCSD and KFPD are working with Contra Costa County Emergency Managements Services, who contracted with a firm to write an updated Hazard Mitigation plan, not only for the county but for entities such as ours.

On December 4, 2023, the IGM, Police Chief and Director Spath attended the initial meeting in developing the Hazard Mitigation Plan for Contra Costa County and all entities wishing to participate and develop their own plan as part of the County plan. The General Manager from KFPD and a Fire Captain from El Cerrito Fire were also in attendance as we work together to see that Kensington is well represented and prepared to apply for grants that can benefit and protect the community.

The meeting provided instructions for each entity in what needs to be developed for hazard mitigation projects desired in the future along with many of the requirements that are needed to meet FEMA guidelines and thus qualify for grants.

Some key action items for KPPCSD and KFPD involve the following:

1. Obtain Community Input from Kensington Residents on the proposed mitigation projects. It is suggested that a town hall meeting be held in early January so that the proposed projects can be presented and additional input from the residents can be addressed.
2. Review the Mitigation projects with The KPPCSD board of Directors (The KFPD would do the same with the KFPD board of directors).
3. Submit the information to the County Consultant for input and approval.
4. The District would review a draft of the overall mitigation plan and the Board would approve the plan and wish to be participants in the plan by submitting a Resolution stating such.