



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors

From: John Kopchik, Director, Conservation & Development Department

Date: November 3, 2015

Subject: Annual Report from the Planning Integration for Community Health (PITCH)

RECOMMENDATION(S):

ACCEPT report from the Planning Integration Team for Community Health (PITCH) on accomplishments since the previous PITCH report in May 2013, DISCUSS future health-related land use and transportation planning activities in the County, and DIRECT staff as appropriate.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no impact to the General Fund. PITCH activities are covered by grants and existing budgets of the affected departments.

BACKGROUND:

In 2006, after hearing a presentation on the impact of the built environment on health from Dr. Richard Jackson, an authority on environmental health, the Board directed staff from the Department of Conservation and Development (DCD), Public Works Department (PWD), and Contra Costa Health Services (CCHS) to convene and develop recommendations on the County's approach to planning and developing the built environment.

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **11/03/2015** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor
Mary N. Piepho, District III Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: November 3, 2015

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: June McHuen, Deputy

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On February 6, 2007, the Board of Supervisors approved the following recommendations:

1. Accepted a report and recommendation on the built environment and public health that was prepared by a staff working group from DCD, PWD, and CCHS.
2. Acknowledged the impact of built environment on public health.

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

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3. Affirmed the Board's commitment to promoting the principles of healthy communities in the land use planning and development process.

4. Directed DCD, PWD, and CCHS to establish the Planning Integration Team for Community Health (PITCH), which would align and integrate various planning, public works, and public health initiatives throughout the County into a combined team approach across departmental lines, and, as necessary, add staff from other County departments to the team.

5. Directed PITCH to pursue implementation of the recommend actions detailed in the February 6, 2007 Board Order, including:

a. Evaluating the County's Roadway Policies and Standards based on the "Complete Streets" approach, which recognizes that our roads serve more than just vehicular traffic and are an integral element in promoting the principles of a healthy community;

b. Accepting a report and recommendations on the built environment and public health prepared by a staff working group from Conservation and Development, Health Services, and Public Works Departments;

c. Identifying and developing policies and implementation measures relating to the principles of public health that could impact pending general plan amendment studies, as well as potential revisions of the County General Plan and the County Ordinance Code;

d. Integrating the principles of public health in the master planning of parks and recreational facilities;

e. Improving coordination and planning with school districts in the siting of new schools and/or expansion of existing schools in the unincorporated area with the aim of promoting health communities.

Members of PITCH provide the Board annual reports that detail recent PITCH activities and future health-related planning and program efforts and goals. Since the last PITCH report to the Board, PITCH collaboration has resulted in County departments successfully incorporating public health principles in a number of programs, implementing public health improvements in communities in the County, and obtaining grant funding for public health improvements.

Details of recent PITCH activities will be discussed at the November 3, 2015 Board meeting and can be found in the PITCH PowerPoint Presentation (Exhibit A).

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

A key purpose and objective of PITCH planning activities is improving the built environment for all ages, including children, consistent with the directives from the Board of Supervisors.

ATTACHMENTS

2015 PITCH PowerPoint Presentation