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AGENDA ITEM #4

AGENDA REPORT

TO: Parks & Recreation Commission
FROM: Manny Hernandez, Staff Liaison
SUBJECT: Monthly Staff Update

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive report

Updates

Park Advocacy Day

The California State Parks Foundation encourages park partners, members and park supporters throughout California to become engaged in the grassroots advocacy efforts to advance the mission of protecting and enhancing the California state parks system. Each year over 100 park advocates from throughout California participate in Park Advocacy Day to meet with legislators and lobby in support of California's 279 state parks. Participants come from a variety of backgrounds and affiliations, and typically include representatives of environmental, recreational and other state park related nonprofit organizations and state park cooperating associations, as well as local business leaders, educators, park volunteers, and state park users. This year's event is Tuesday, May 3, 2016.

New Year's Day Fun Run

The City of Los Altos 2016 New Year's Day Fun Run was attended by about 800 participants. This was approximately the same number of attendees as 2015. The race started off at 9am on a very cold January 1st. People of all ages turned out to run, walk or stroll the 5k (3.1 mile) course. Mayor, Jeanie Bruins started the race at 9am sharp with a welcome to the new year and a cheerful send off to all event participants. In-kind event sponsors were Hobee's (coffee cake), Starbucks (coffee) and De Martinis and Safeway (fruit). The Police Department assisted with the street closure and re-opening. The streets were re-opened by 10:30am.