

## **Turnbull Creek Task Force**

November 18, 2019 meeting

Staff submitted the detailed Turnbull Creek Parcel Ranking data in draft final form. This ranking was computed from a list of criteria that included the S&ME consultant top 25 parcel list. Criteria for the ranking included environmental factors such as wetlands protection, endangered species, economic development potential, appraised value, ownership, and public benefit. Owners had been contacted so the list included those who were willing to sell, those who were not and those who did not respond. Detailed maps listing 107 properties along the Turnbull Creek Watershed were submitted with spreadsheets ranking all of the properties.

The following items were part of the report:

- ❖ Target Parcel Maps Showing Priority Tier Groups
- ❖ Updated Target Parcel Data Summary Table - Sorted by Ranking #1-25
- ❖ Updated Target Parcel Data Summary Table - Sorted by Map ID#
- ❖ Updated Parcel Evaluation and Prioritization Summary report from S&ME
- ❖ Biodiversity / CLIP Priority Maps
- ❖ FNAI Habitat Map - Reptiles, Mammals, and Birds
- ❖ Target Parcels - Current Zoning Maps

Committee Chair Dr. Katie Tripp, who was unable to attend the meeting, submitted her ranked list as an addendum to the staff report.

The committee worked toward finalizing their ranking which would be completed at the December meeting. Staff also asked the committee to suggest future steps after the ranking is submitted to the City Commission.

With staff, the committee then evaluated all of the 107 properties. Some parcels were grouped with adjacent properties based on the value of the overall size of the aggregation. Staff was asked to try to contact owners who had not responded. The owner of the top ranked property, Sugar Mill Mobile Home & RV Park, did not want to sell. Staff was asked to try to keep a dialog with that owner and seek an option on that large parcel.

Other criteria were discussed including impact of flooding along the watershed based on new seal level and tidal surge data. The restoration of the tidal flow of the creek is also a top priority. Access easements to the creek to keep it open and flowing are important even if some properties cannot be purchased.