



STAFF REPORT

Meeting Type: Board of Directors
Title: Second Amendment to District Lease No. 75, United States Geological Survey (USGS) at Middle Peak, Mount Tamalpais (APN: 197-120-40)
From: Alex Anaya, Director of Engineering
Through: Ben Horenstein, General Manager
Meeting Date: July 21, 2026

TYPE OF ACTION: X Action Information

RECOMMENDATION: Approve a Second Amendment to District Lease No. 75 with United States Geological Survey at Middle Peak, Mount Tamalpais

SUMMARY: On October 6, 2011, the United States Geological Survey (USGS) agency signed a ten-year lease with the District to install a global positioning survey (GPS) station monument on Middle Peak. The GPS station monument tracks seismic events. The lease was extended an additional 5 years in 2021 and is set to expire in October of this year.

USGS has requested an extension of the lease so that they may continue to operate the station and track seismic activity.

Summary of Current Lease Terms

- Current Lease Term – October 6, 2021 to October 5, 2026
- Current Lease Area – Approximately 25-square-feet
- Current Annual Base Rent - \$1,459.98

• **Summary of Proposed Lease Amendment**

- Extend the Lease term from October 6, 2026 through October 5, 2036
- Annual rent escalator of flat 4%

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW: Staff finds that this proposed Second Amendment to the Lease will have no impact on the environment given that the facilities are already existing and in place and therefore the approval is not subject to further review under the California Environmental Quality Act.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Second Amendment to Lease No. 75
2. Exhibit A – Payment Schedule
3. Photo of monitoring station

DEPARTMENT OR DIVISION	DIVISION MANAGER	APPROVED
Engineering	 Alex Anaya Engineering Director	 Ben Horenstein General Manager