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Studio Gang to Reveal Feasibility of Seaside Civic Campus

The City of Seaside recently commissioned world-renowned architecture and urban design firm Studio Gang to create the Seaside Civic Campus Concept Feasibility Study. Designed to understand the aspirations, opportunities, and challenges of development of a potential new campus of civic and cultural facilities, the Study includes preliminary goals and design principles generated by a series of stakeholder discussions and public Seaside Chats, a preliminary biological survey and an order of magnitude cost model along with plan diagrams and illustrations of how the activities of a Family Justice Center, a cultural/recreational facility and a City Hall might be brought together and experienced on a single site.

As a result of feedback sessions with residents and stakeholders, four goals have been identified as guiding principles for the Feasibility Study:

- Increase awareness and appreciation of Seaside's unique natural environment and habitats
- Envision a culturally and economically vibrant future for Seaside that is rooted in its diverse community and heritage
- Enhance visibility and a sense of place for civic programs while maintaining key views of the Monterey Bay and surrounding landscapes
- Connect people with each other and their natural and built environment through various pathways, modes of transportation, and recreational activities

Members of the Studio Gang team are returning to Seaside this week to present their preliminary findings, goals, and illustrations from the Feasibility Study. Members of the public are invited this Thursday, May 2nd at 12:30 PM to a Seaside Chat, a public dialogue meeting at the Seaside Creates office (656 Broadway Ave) as well as to a 5:30 PM City Council meeting at Seaside City Hall which will be broadcast live and live streamed (video stream <https://seasideca.ompnetwork.org/embed/sessions/106012/city-council-successor-agency-to-the-redevelopment-agency-of-the-city-of-seaside-05-02-2019>) Simultaneous Spanish translation will be available at the Seaside Chat.

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Public engagement does not stop there, but interested community members can sign up to stay part of the conversation here <http://www.ci.seaside.ca.us/680/Civic-Campus-Feasibility-Study>. The full Study, which includes a summary of Studio Gang’s findings, opportunities, and constraints to be further investigated, will be made available online later this month.

