LPS Real Estate Group (LPSREG) is pleased to announce the release of Phase I of Paragon v5.0 (P5). This is the first phase release of bringing the Paragon system into full browser compatibility with Internet Explorer, Firefox, Safari, Google Chrome and Opera. Along with browser compatibility, Paragon v5 is completely Operating System (OS) agnostic. Now Paragon MLS users are no longer restricted to Internet Explorer or PC based operating systems – via Paragon v5 users may now access the system via a Macintosh Computer! P5 – Phase 1 introduces new tools including UI and System controls that make using the system a whole lot easier and includes enhancements to the Home Page, Search and Results and Printing.
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New System Controls

**Multi-Tasking**

New tabbed controls allow users to multi-task easily. Users can open a system module along with an individual listing class easily navigating between tabs. All activity is retained within each tab.

**Modal Windows**

In order to accommodate cross operating system and cross browser compatibility the v5 system will replace pop-up menus and fly-in menus throughout the system with new 'Modal' windows for key customization and additional menu controls. These new modal windows will float above the Paragon page overlaying a tinted background which draws attention to vital controls and information.

Here is an example of the new Print + dialogue box in use. Here you can see how the window the new interface will look and the control will be prominent as the background system is tinted. In most cases these modal windows will have additional enhancements which bring improved workflow to the system as well as improved readability.

**Tool Tips**

New Tool Tips are now easier to see and read. These are available throughout P5 whereever the question mark icon or Info icons are displayed.

**Session Time**

Paragon allows for up to 1 hour of work time for a login session (configured per your MLS). Paragon 5 now displays a countdown timer of your remaining Session Time at the bottom left of the screen within the Quick Action Link Bar. Each time an action is taken (i.e. opening a Search or Module, executing a search, etc.) the Session Time is reset to the default.

Session: 40:47
Expanded Paragon Help Module

Along with the Paragon 5 release we have updated the Help section with Training Videos, Quick Start Guides, and new help files. You can also find the latest information regarding upcoming online webinars as well as access to recorded past webinar sessions! You can still find all of our Support Contact information within the site too!

Follow the link below to access a wealth of information regarding Paragon 5!

http://producthelp.lpsreg.com/p5/user/

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Home Page

Flexible Widgets

The Home Page has been updated to utilize “Widgets” for the various elements on the page. Widgets are interactive graphic components of the Home Page interface and by clicking and holding the left mouse button on a widget it can be dragged to positions on the left or right of the homepage message allowing users to customize the layout of the homepage to suit their workflow. During Phase I, Widgets will be limited to expand and collapse and positioning within the left or right columns next to the homepage message. A future release will bring expanded customizability for the home page Widgets.
MLS Message Widget

The MLS Messaging Widget allows you to directly communicate with your membership. This widget is slightly larger than the former Paragon 4 static MLS Home Page message. This home page widget will remain locked in place in the center of the screen. Additional web functionality will be added to the MLS Home Page as part of the four release phases of Paragon 5.

Quick Search

A new Search By Map field is available within the Quick Search widget. Click the globe to display the Bing Map Search controls. Values for Shape searches can easily be removed from the field by selecting the “x”. The Search By Map field is static and does not count in the limitation of 5 fields for customization to the widget.

Users may now type progressively to show values in the Area, Type, Agent, Listing Office and Status fields.

During the phased release of Paragon 5, the same fields will be available for customization in Quick Search. Once the full Paragon 5 release is complete a full set of most database fields will be added in a subsequent release.
Market Monitor

My Info, Market, Office, Firm, Team (Where Used)

The Market Monitor has been redesigned to separate out each category with color coding. Each numeric value in the column correlates to the listings in that set. Clicking the links at the bottom will display the data for each category.

- My Info: Displays in Blue
- Market: Display's Red
- Office: Displays Green
- Firm: Display's Purple
- Team: Displays in Orange (Where available)

Contact Activity

The former Prospecting section of the Market Monitor has been moved to the new Contact Activity Widget. All former functionality will be available in Phase II of Paragon 5. Until that time the Contact Activity Widget will be available, but will not display any results.
Calendar
The calendar is now available in its own Widget and can be moved to the left or right columns of the homepage message.

- Displays calendar help instructions
- Use the «, » buttons to select year
- Use the ‹, › buttons to select month
- Selecting the day brings the focus for that day to the first column of the calendar
- Events are highlighted in green
- Quick display of Day, Week or Month of the full calendar view
- Hold the mouse button down to display a drop down list for quick selection.
  «> Displays the Month
  «<,>> Displays Year
Quick Links Action Bar

Removed from the main home page display, the Quick Action Links now appear at the bottom of the Home Page. Users can access all areas of the system that they formerly did via this control. The same menu options that were available in Paragon 4 are available for customization to this display.

Select the **to customize what modules of the system appear in the Quick Links action bar.**

Selecting **Hide** will remove the Quick Action Links from displaying on the bottom of the Paragon Homepage. Select “Show” to enable the display of the Quick Links.

Search

Multi-Tasking via Tabs

**Multi Tasking**

Users can now open tabbed displays for each system menu item. For property search, this means the user can search multiple classes via each tab per Listing Class which enables users to move quickly between several tasks.

**Important:** Only one tab can be open for an individual listing class.
**Multiple Search Results**

Within a single tab for a search Class users can open up to 3 separate sets of search results. Each 'sub tab' will display the number of results in that set and the currently displayed set will be highlighted. Users can simply click “Criteria” to conduct another search. If a user clicks “Criteria” after 3 searches have been set up, the system will prompt with the option to overwrite the first set of listing results.

![Multiple Search Results Image]

**Inline Auto Completion**

Typing directly into a lookup field will open a drop down list that will automatically filter according to what is being typed into the field. Entered values can be easily removed by clicking the “x” in the value or by using the backspace button.

Users may simply progressively type characters and the system will display the corresponding data value for the field. This feature is available throughout Search Criteria fields in “Lookup” list fields specific to your MLS Database.

**Examples of fields available withInline Auto-Complete: Status, Type, Area, Subdivision, etc.**

**Criteria Summary Field Edit**

Selecting the Edit option next to a field listed in the Criteria Summary will highlight and automatically focus on the corresponding field in the search container for easy editing.
Available Reports

The Available Reports menu that appears on the Search Criteria screen will now utilize the same tree menu that is available in results. This makes all system reports available for selection before executing the search.

Multiple Address

The Multiple Address search has been updated and streamlined with the new modal window. Along with this update users may now enter an unlimited number of addresses.

Word Search

The interface used for Word Search has been updated and streamlined.
Features

Users may now quickly and directly enter Feature Codes (for MLS that utilize codes) or by Feature Description via inline auto-completion. Select the magnifying glass icon to open the modal display of the feature categories.

Open and close Feature Categories via Expand and Collapse All.

Additional filters to display selected features for quick access.
**Search Customization Controls**

The Search Customization control will now display as a modal view. Users may still double click to add fields to the right selection box or utilize the center buttons to add and remove fields.

The Primary, Secondary and Advanced sections now display as a drop down menu at the top of the right selection box.
Search Results

Action Bar Enhancements

The Action Bar has been updated with improvements to the interfaces as well as the workflow. Commonly used functions display by default and via Users Preferences (Preferences>User Interface) and users can elect to display the icons with labels or disable them.

Checked / All

The icons for Checked and All still retain the same information as they formerly did in Paragon 4

- Checked: Will filter down selected listings from the spreadsheet.
- All: Will return all listings from a returned results set, if listings are filtered.

Save: Search / Save Favorites

The Save control in the Action bar retains the same functionality as in Paragon 4.

- Save Search: Will display controls allowing you to save a set of search criteria – this segment of the menu only functions within the Search Criteria.
- Save Favorite Listings: Displays controls that allow users to save a set of listing results to their Favorites.
Print/Print +

The Print menu items retain the same functions as in Paragon 4.

- Print:
- Print +: Triggers the controls for multiple report selection and printing.
- (See the Printing section of the notes that further defines the functionality changes to Print)

Export

Export now directly exports data to Excel from results views. Users will be given the option to refine the group of listings by either All Listings from the results set or number of currently selected listings. By clicking the Export link the data will be exported to CSV format mostly opened by Excel located on a User’s PC. Users must have Excel installed for this functionality to be opened in Excel.

Customize Modal

The Field Customize modal now has more onscreen space to display additional data rows. All current Paragon 4 functionality has not been modified in these windows.

Formerly in Paragon 4 users had to click and hold on the checkbox to drag and drop the fields within the “Selected” container. Now the whole field can be selected (Click + Left Mouse button hold) and dragged and dropped for ease of organization.
**Actions**

In order to make the best use of space in the Action Bar, less commonly used items have been moved to the “Actions” drop down menu.

- **Criteria**: Displays a floating box which contains a summary of the search criteria utilized for the results set.
- **Toggle Stats**: Will toggle the display of the Spreadsheet Summary Statistics.
- **PDF/HTML**: Select PDF to convert a view into the PDF format. When a view is in PDF, HTML will display in order to toggle back to that format.

**Paging Controls: Page and Listing**

To improve the performance of returned results, they are now returned within grouped pages which follow the current results to display configuration per your MLS (most are set to 100 per page). This replaces the “Get All” functionality from Paragon 4 as all results are returned at once and broken down by page.

The “Page” paging control will allow the user to progress either forward or backward by paged result set within any spreadsheet view. Double arrows progress by single page and arrow with line progresses to either the beginning or the end of the results set.

In this example the spreadsheet is displaying page 1 of 279 pages of results (or 27,000+ listings). This will follow the current configured amount of results per page your MLS defined for display.

The “Listing” Paging control will display when single report views are selected. The same paging functionality as outlined above remains. Here the first listing of 27894 results is displayed.
Available Reports Menu
Several improvements have been made to the Available Reports menu to gain additional on screen real estate for viewing the spreadsheet view and reports.

- The “Available Reports” menu now displays on the right side of the Action bar and will display the name of the current report or view on display.
- To modify the report selection users click the field to display the Available reports menu tree.
- Reports now show in a tree structure and reports can be dragged to the Favorites menu which still displays for selection in Search Criteria screens.
- Users select the red X to return report views from the Favorites folder to their previous location.
Spreadsheet Enhancements

Due to limitations with Java and to allow for cross browser compatibility, the Spreadsheet Grid has been replaced with a new grid control that DOES NOT require the use of Microsoft Java or Sun Java for its functionality. This brings more flexibility in how the data is managed and helps mitigate the need for support calls due to issues with Java functionality.

### Check All

A checkbox is now available at the top of the checkbox column that when selected will automatically select all results on the displayed spreadsheet page.

### Shift + Click

The Shift + Click functionality has been retained from Paragon 4. Users can select a field, then holding down the Shift Key select a subsequent field within the results set and the rows between the two fields will be highlighted for ease of sorting and organizing the results.

### Ctrl + Click

Users may select multiple varying listing rows by holding down the Ctrl key while selecting listings.

### Sort

On each column when hovering over a column label ascending or descending arrows will display that when clicked will sort the data according in the column.

### Display of Quick Link Icons

With the new enhancements to the spreadsheet the Summary One-Line report has been removed from the system. Via spreadsheet customization the quick link icons now can be customized to display within the spreadsheet rows.
Printing: Convert Spreadsheet to PDF
In the Spreadsheet view when user’s select Print the spreadsheet will be converted to a PDF format. This new formatting change will ensure an accurate printable version of the spreadsheet view columns and rows and the column headers will not repeat on each page.

Refer to PDF Help for step-by-step instructions for PDF Features.
Printing

Enhancements to Print +

Several improvements have been made to the workflow of the Print controls in Paragon 5. Printing will now utilize PDF as the print engine. This change has been implemented in order for Paragon to be cross browser compliant. The most important benefit is that the spreadsheet view can now be printed directly to PDF format!

Print + modal and PDF Print Preview

Print + will now display as a modal view retaining all previous Paragon 4 functionality. When Print/Preview is selected the report views will be converted to PDF for preview and printing.
User Preferences

To retain consistency with menu structure updates throughout Paragon 5, the User Preferences module has been updated with a tree menu structure. Minor verbiage and interface improvements have been made throughout this module while retaining previous Paragon 4 menu items and functionality.

**Important!** While Paragon 5 is in a phased release process all User Preferences will be determined by current preference settings within Paragon 4. Any change to User Preferences in version 5 will not be reflected in version 4.