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A Municipal Advisory Council to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors



Linda Lopez, Chair Rafael Avendano Laura Caplan Beatriz Cerrillo Dale Miller John Shott Esperanza Vazquez

North Fair Oaks Community Council Meeting Minutes Date: 9/25/14

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Fair Oaks Community Center Multipurpose Room

Issue	Discussion	Decision/ Next Step/Action
Roll Call	Present: Rafael Avendano, Beatriz Cerrillo, Linda Lopez, Dale Miller, John Shott	
	Absent: Laura Caplan, Esperanza Vasquez	
Public Comment	Janet Davis, North Fair Oaks landowner, stated that yesterday the San Mateo County Planning Commission voted to approve the parking exception for BACE. Nancy Zaro, North Fair Oaks Resident, stated that the 101/105 Fifth Ave should not be rezoned until a few issues be address. Nancy also stated that the traffic report did not include the vehicles that are parked. It did not address speeding vehicles. Kent Manske, North Fair Oaks Resident, stated that the neighborhood has a	
	serious amount of safety issues. He also mentioned the amount of traffic that comes in and out of the neighborhood. Kent is opposed to the redevelopment on 101/105 Fifth Ave, Redwood City.	
Approval of Minutes for Council meeting on June 26,2014; August 7,2014; August 28,2014	Councilmember Dale Miller made a motion to approve the minutes for June 26, 2014. Councilmember Rafael Avendano seconded the motion.	
	Councilmember Dale Miller made a motion to approve the minutes for August 7, 2014. Councilmember Rafael Avendano seconded the motion.	
	Councilmember Rafael Avendano seconded the motion: Councilmember Dale Miller made a motion to approve the minutes for August 28, 2014. Councilmember Rafael Avendano seconded the motion.	

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	The motions were unanimously approved by the following councilmembers: Rafael Avendano, Beatriz Cerrillo, John Shott, Linda Lopez, and Dale Miller unanimously approved the minutes.	
Consideration of lot merger and rezoning (Planned Unit Development) of the address cited above to allow the construction of a 16- unit story multi- family for 101/105 Fifth Ave, Redwood City	Tiare Pena, Planning and Building, provided the following summary: The applicant, Mental Health Assoc. of San Mateo County, is proposing to construct a two story multi-family housing development. The building will include 15 studio apartments and a one bedroom managers unit, a community room and on-site laundry rooms. Total proposed floor area of the building will be 13,376 sq. ft. The applicant is proposing 16 uncovered parking spaces for the development. The proposed rezoning is necessary because the existing zoning of this site allowed a specific 10-unit townhome development with a specific layout and design. Because of the nature of the Planned Unit Development zoning regulations, only that specific design can be built on this property unless the zoning is changed to accommodate a different design and/or use. The current proposal calls for a different number of units (16 versus 10), a different configuration (one building versus two blocks of townhomes), and greater setbacks along the Waverly Avenue frontage (10 feet where 6 feet was previously approved).	
	Janet Stone, Housing and Policy Development Management for the Department of Housing, stated that Waverly Place will be a benefit for the community by providing supportive housing. The housing element encourages affordable housing and act as provision to support the community. Melissa Platte, Executive Director of Mental Health Association of San Mateo County, stated that their organization have been providing direct services to their clients since 1970s. They will hire an onsite manager that will be invested in the community. Melissa mentioned that the people they serve are in need of housing otherwise they would be homeless. Maryanne, Dexter Ave Resident, stated that she is supportive of the project. She stated that taking the overpass is not usually the route that people would take to get to Waverly Place. She is the concern of parking when this project is built.	
	Nancy Zaro, NFO Resident, stated that no signs are on 5 th Ave that direct people to take the Glendale overpass to get to Waverly Place. Kent Manske, NFO Resident, stated that traffic has been an issued and that two people have been kill and to not approve the zoning. Jeremy Reid, NFO Resident, stated that he objects to the proposal. The neighborhood are plagued by crimes and the proposal is going to add more concerns to the community. Chair Linda Lopez stated that a complete traffic study has not been made. Linda Lopez also stated that a collaboration with the neighborhood needs to be made by setting up monthly meetings.	

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Consideration to amend the Planned Unit Development for the Siena Youth Center 2625 Marlborough Ave) to allow 20 parking spaces and raised community garden boxes instead of 37 parking spaces, to be located on the SFPUC's Hetch Hetchy Right of Way	Councilmember John Shott asked about the parking spot on Waverly Place. Tiare Pena mentioned that Waverly Place is currently a driveway but if the project were to be completed then it would add on another three to four parking spots. Councilmember Dale Miller made a motion to postpone their decision. Councilmember Rafael Avendano seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by the following councilmembers: Rafael Avendano, Beatriz Cerrillo, John Shott, Linda Lopez, and Dale Miller unanimously approved the minutes. The North Fair Oaks Community Council has continued the discussion of the Waverly Apartments to all allow for additional information to be presented. Councilmember Rafael Avendano recuse himself from this item stating that it would be a conflict of interest on this item. Tiare Pena, Planning and Building, provided the following summary: The applicant is proposing to amend the PUD-136 Zoning District, which was approved in 2011 and authorized the construction of the Siena Youth Center. The existing regulations call for a minimum of 37 off-street parking spaces to be provided. The proposed change will allow a minimum of 20 off-street parking spaces, plus a 10 raised box community garden area to be constructed on the nearby SFPUC right-of-way. The parking lot and garden area would be enclosed by a maximum six foot high chain-link fence, with security gates. Michael Pierce, Chair of the Board of Directors for the Siena Youth Center, stated that they would like to reduce the require parking. A big need for the community garden. The project will satisfy a need for green space in North Fair Oaks. Chair Linda asked who will maintain the community garden. Michael stated that the individual plots will be maintain by the families and the rest by the Saint Francis Center. Janet Davis, NFO landowner, stated that the parking situation is caused by the illegal units in the area. SFPUC parcels have been a dumping ground and placing a community garden will help to avert any future illegal dumpin	Step/Action
Supervisor's Report	Supervisor Slocum along with Assemblymember Kevin Mullin hosted Connect 14 located at Facebook HQ. Connect 14 is the second annual citizen engagement/social media conference designed to encourage the leaders of	

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	San Mateo County, to embrace technology and social media for the purpose of increasing public participation and involvement in government. The event was held yesterday.	
	The positions of the North Fair Oaks Community Council Youth member/Alternate were announced at the North Fair Oaks Youth Initiative meeting. The deadline to submit the application is October 1st follow by interviews the following week.	
	The new LGBTQ Commission is live. Please visit the website at lgbtq.smcgov.org. The commission is comprised of eleven voting members appointed by the Board of Supervisors to serve three-year terms.	
	The Poet Laureate has launched a Poetry Is campaign. Poems may be in any form, in any language or combination of languages, and up to 40 lines in length. Use the name of the city or town in which you live somehow in the title of your poem. Use lots of sensory images to show your readers what makes your place unique, defining your "place" however you'd like. A selection committee will invite several poets to participate in a celebration of "Poetry Is" on the evening of October 30, 2014 at the Belmont Library. All ages and styles will be considered.	
	Supervisor Slocum, along with several other departments, will host a conference called Si Se Puede. The conference will provide information and resources on domestic violence to families. The conference will take place on October 4th Familia Cristiana Verbo.	
Sheriff's Report	A presentation on the SAL Clean Team was presented. The program is sponsored by Sheriff Greg Munks and Supervisor Warren Slocum. The mission of the Clean Team is to keep their community and free of illegal dumping while inspiring youth to take initiative and get involved in the community.	
	The program was a six week program in which they clean up Middlefield Road, outreach to the community regarding clean ups and handed out educational material. A total of 36 trash bags filled up garbage over six weeks.	
	They will continue the program two Saturdays a month, which will include more clean ups and outreach until June 2015.	
California Highway Patrol	No report	
NFO Forward Report	The North Fair Oaks Forward team did the first ever PARK(ing) Day event on Middlefield Road last Friday (9/19). It's an annual international event where you transform a parking space into a park for the day.	
	North Fair Oaks Forward hosted a community meeting this past Tuesday to provide information on what the North Fair Oaks Community Council decided in terms of recommendation for Middlefield Road.	
Code Enforcement Report	Ana Santiago, Planning and Building, announced that a new code enforcement officer, Kate Foster, who has been hired who will be in charge of the NFO area.	

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Council Member Reports	Chair Linda Lopez stated that she was disappointed with the San Mate County Planning Commission's vote on the parking exception. Chair Linda Lopez suggested to write a letter to Supervisor Slocum asking him to deny the parking exception.	
Adjournment	Councilmember Rafael Avendano made a motion to adjourned the meeting. Councilmember John Shott seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.	

Next Meeting	
Date: North Fair Oaks Community Council Study Session 1	0/16/14
Time: 7:00 p.m.	
Location: Multi-Purpose Room	