

North Fair Oaks Community Council

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

2600 Middlefield Road, Redwood City, CA 650-363-1800 www.nfoforward.org Everardo Rodriguez, Chair Beatriz Cerrillo, Vice-Chair Rosario Gonzalez Linda López Rosaura López Jennifer Ruiz Blair Whitney Francis Santos, Youth Member Esmeralda Rosales, Alternate Youth Member

April 25, 2019

7:00pm

The North Fair Oaks Community Council provides recommendations on the issues of community health, safety, welfare, public works and planning for the North Fair Oaks geographic area. It holds regular monthly meetings to address the needs of the community, act as a forum, and serve as an advisory body to the Board of Supervisors.

The meeting began at 7:00 PM

1. ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Everardo Rodriguez, Vice Chair Beatriz Cerrillo, Council Member Rosario Gonzalez, Council Member Jennifer Ruiz, Council Member Blair Whitney, Youth Member Francis Santos, Alternate Youth Member Esmeralda Rosales.

Absent: Linda Lopez, Rosaura Lopez

Staff Present: Emma Gonzalez –Office of Community Affairs, Melissa Andrikopoulos – Deputy County Counsel, Irving Torres – Senior Legislative Aide to San Mateo County Supervisor Warren Slocum, Mitzy De La Peña Medina –Office of Community Affairs.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Speakers

Community member Mr. Mike Morris made a comment opposing the Dumbarton Rail Project.

Ms. Kate Bradshaw, City Hall Reporter for the Almanac announced the health reporting project she will be working on in the next few months will include coverage on health disparities in the North Fair Oaks community.

AGENDA

3. Multicultural Institute Update.

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Presentation by Mr. Grégoire Valadié.	 Program Overview from January 2019 to March 2019 saw no major trends. Summary of Direct Services and Referrals from January 2019 to March 2019 saw no significant changes. The domestic worker program had a total of fifteen people registered. Workshops were conducted in partnership with CARON in North Fair Oaks. Special thanks to Council Member Linda Lopez for her support raising donations at the Multicultural Institute anniversary dinner.
Questions from Council Members.	 Vice Chair Beatriz Cerrillo asked if the certification for mental health training on the report was provided by the County of San Mateo. Mr. Valadié answered that it was an 8-hour training course provided by San Mateo County. Council Member Blair Whitney asked what kind of housing is provided by the organization. Mr. Valadié answered that it is currently providing longterm housing. Chair Everardo Rodriguez asked if day laborers are referred to homeless shelters. Mr. Valadié answered that day laborers who ask for assistance, are referred to the community center.

	Council Member Jennifer Ruiz asked if workers are insured while working. Mr. Valadié answered that most workers do not have insurance. However, they ask those who employ day laborers to check if their home insurance offers coverage.
Public Comment.	No Public Comment.

4. California Highway Patrol Update.

Presentation by Art Montiel, CHP.	 Introduction and overview of the California Highway Patrol in the area. Announcement that a program called Start Smart is offered by CHP to teenagers from ages 15 to 18. Announcement of upcoming events. Report of no vehicle accidents in the CHP jurisdiction of North Fair Oaks for the last quarter. Announcement of job opportunities with California Highway Patrol.
Questions from Council Members.	 Chair Everardo Rodriguez asked if the Start Smart program is in collaboration with schools. Officer Montiel answered that only on occasion.
Public Comment.	No public comment made.

5. Presentation regarding Redwood City Transit Hub.

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Presentation by Linda Chan, Acting Planning Manager of City of Redwood City.	 Outreach, public meetings, and online surveys were conducted to understand how ridership use services and to understand what where their priorities. Community input was then used to create project goals that include aesthetics, connectivity, safety, and efficiency. The short-term phase includes new fencing, roadway, and pedestrian crossings. The Station Relocation has the objective of consolidating services for efficiency. Next steps are to present the study to Committees, Commissions, and Councils.
Questions from Council Members.	 Vice chair Beatriz Cerrillo asked if projects in other cities were used to generate ideas. Ms. Chan answered that the station is unique in terms of location and topography. However, when outreach was conducted, stakeholders asked if there was a station that appealed to them. These answers are being used to make changes in amenities but not in the redesign of the station. Council Member Rosaura Lopez asked if there will be more security. Ms. Chan answered that Redwood City would need to work with the joint powers authority to find sustainable security solutions.

Public Comment.	No public comment made.

6. Presentation regarding High Speed Rail.

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Presentation by Cici Vu, California High-Speed Rail Outreach team and James Tung, California High-Speed Rail Project Manager.	 The statewide update on the highspeed rail project anticipates completion by 2027. Barriers and grade crossing features will be installed to prevent accidents in dense urban areas. Outreach in San Mateo County included North Fair Oaks to determine how riders and stakeholders would use the service. Life Moves and Youth United are partners in these outreach efforts.
Questions from Council Members.	 Chair Everardo Rodriguez asked if the presentation is available online. Ms. Vu answered that the presentation can be found on the website. Chair Everardo Rodriguez asked what determines the location of stations. Mr. Tung answered that many factors determine location. However, scoping done in 2016 is the most recent determining factor. Chair Everardo Rodriguez asked if highspeed rail will impact traffic. Mr. Tung answered that Caltrain and Cities are responsible to implement grade crossings and traffic control features. Alternate Youth Member Esmeralda Rosales asked if there

	 will be security features built at crossings. Mr. Tung answered that there will be trespassing security features and physical barriers in accordance to Caltrain mandate. Vice Chair Beatriz Cerrillos asked what the cost of a ticket per person is. Mr. Tung answered that it is approximately 80% the cost of airfare adjusted for the year 2027.
Public Comment.	No public comment made.

7. Reports to the Council

A. SUPERVISOR'S REPORT.

Irving Torres –Senior Legislative Aide to San Mateo County Supervisor Warren Slocum	 The Mural on Middlefield Rd. is complete and an event on May 19, 2019 will be held to celebrate. Announcement for a cleanup event on June 1st
Questions from Council Members.	 Chair Everardo Rodriguez asked if resources for the community will be available at the Middlefield mural event. Mr. Torres answered that they will have approximately twelve resource tables.

B. COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT.

Emma Gonzalez on behalf of Deputy County Manager Iliana Rodriguez.	• PCRC has reported back on the facilitation outcomes for the council retreat.
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	 The Department of Public Works service city staff will include two full time dedicated staff to help with clean up and illegal dumping. The department of public works will have a community meeting about the proposed sewer rates scheduled on April 30th at 6:30 pm. Office of Community Affairs is working with the planning department who will have a community meeting regarding zoning on May 9th.
Questions from Council Members.	No questions from the Council.

C. COUNCIL REPORT.

Council Member Blair Whitney.	Announcement that North Fair
Council Member Rosario Gonzalez.	Oaks Community Council was
Chair Everardo Rodriguez.	represented at the recent ground-
	breaking event hosted by Palo
	Alto Housing Corporation.
	 Announcement that Mercy
	Housing hosted the first of
	several meetings on April 24 th .
	 Linda Lopez will be absent
	during the next few months due
	to illness.

D. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM

Next Council Meeting: Community Meeting

Thursday, May 23rd, 2019

7 p.m. to 9 p.m.