



**North Fair Oaks Community Council**  
*A Municipal Advisory Council to the  
San Mateo County Board of Supervisors*

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**June 24, 2021**

**7:00pm**

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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.

**Pursuant to the Shelter in Place Orders issued by the San Mateo County Health Officer and the Governor, the Governor’s Executive Order N-29-20, and the CDC’s social distancing guidelines which discourage large public gatherings, this meeting was held via videoconference. It began at 7:00 PM and was accessed online at <https://smcgov.zoom.us/j/91675218907> or by calling 1 (877) 568-4106 for Spanish.**

## **1. ROLL CALL**

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**Present:** Chair Brooks Esser, Vice Chair Juan Carlos Prado, Council Member Beatriz Cerrillo, Council Member Jennifer Ruiz, Council Member Blair Whitney, Council Member Everardo Rodriguez, Youth Council Member Xitlali Curincita, and Youth Council Member Gabriela Ake.

**Staff Present:** Justin Mates, Deputy County Manager; Deputy County Counsel Tim Fox; Office of Community Affairs: Emma Gonzalez and Jennifer Mora.

## **2. Public Comment**

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- **Rocsana Enriquez:** Introduced herself to NFOCC as the new commissioner for the Justice and Delinquency Commission. The Justice and Delinquency Commission is working on a truancy and diversion projects, working with elected officials, developing a new dashboard of data, outreach to underserved youth in NFO, peer court groups, and analyzing after-school programs in NFO and throughout the County. Born and raised in Redwood City and wanted to give back to her community- hence, joining the Justice and Delinquency Commission.

# AGENDA

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## 3. Report Out

**County Manager’s Report**, presented by Justin Mates, Deputy County Manager:

- No County Manager report this evening.

**Council Member’s Report**, presented by Brooks Esser, Chair Member; Juan Carlos Prado, Vice Chair; Ever Rodriguez, Council Member; Blair Whitney, Council Member.

- Esser: NFOCC members endorsed the updated firearms dealer ordinance in May’s meeting- which was approved in June’s Board of Supervisor’s meeting.
- Esser: Reminded NFO Council Members to regularly check NFOCC email to be updated with information.
- Prado: Congratulated Emma Gonzalez and Office of Community Affairs for their efforts in communicating with businesses on Middlefield Rd. about the Middlefield Rd. Improvement Project.
  - Suggested to have better communication with businesses about deliveries/routes.
- Cerrillo & Rodriguez: Attended the Supervisor Slocum’s OYE Conference on June 24, 2021.
- Rodriguez: Participated in Office of Sustainability’s Climate Ready event about emergency preparedness. A survey is being passed on to community members renovate the Multi-Jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- Ake: Only 48% of Latinx community 12 and over have received one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. There’s a Health Fair scheduled on Sunday, June 27 in Red Morton where anyone 12 and over can get vaccinated and receive resources, too.

## 4. Presentation: COVID-19 Vaccine Updates

<p>Presented by Justin Mates, Deputy County Manager</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 85.7% of those 12+ have received the COVID-19 vaccine in San Mateo County.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Hispanics are at 48.7% vaccinated, African Americans at 56.2%, Asian at 97.3%, and White at 78.5%.</li></ul></li><li>• 115,138 individuals have completed the vaccination series in SMC.</li><li>• CA Blueprint for a Safer Economy ended on June 15.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Vaccinated folks do not need to wear masks except when on public transit, indoors in schools/childcare settings, detention and correctional facilities, and homeless/emergency shelters.</li><li>○ Unvaccinated folks still need to wear masks in any indoor public settings and businesses.</li></ul></li></ul>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vaccines are available countywide- accessible appointments through pharmacies, county or community clinics, private healthcare providers, or targeted community vaccination events. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ San Mateo County vaccine clinic calendar: <a href="https://www.smchealth.org/vaccine-clinic-calendar">https://www.smchealth.org/vaccine-clinic-calendar</a></li> <li>○ Appointments: <a href="https://myturn.ca.gov/">https://myturn.ca.gov/</a></li> <li>○ To host a Pop-up Vaccine Clinic (min. 25 people): <a href="#">Vaccine Site Interest Form</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>• Free COVID-19 vaccine clinics from June 27-31 at Fair Oaks Health Center. Wednesdays 1:30-7:00pm &amp; Sundays 10:00am-2:00pm.</li> <li>• The County will continue on operating regional vaccine clinics through July 31<sup>st</sup>. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Will continue to strengthen outreach efforts, coordination, and study vaccination data to enhance micro-targeted efforts.</li> <li>○ A Vaccine Education Resources (w/taskforce) will be developed and implemented.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p style="background-color: yellow;"><b>Informational Presentation. No Council Motion Required.</b></p>
Council Member's Comment(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council Member Rodriguez.</li> </ul>
Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rocsana Enriquez</li> </ul>

**5. Update: Illegal Fireworks Ordinance in NFO**

Presented by Brian Kulich, Lead Deputy County Council & Lt. Mark Myers, San Mateo County Sheriff's Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amendment to the County's Fireworks Ordinance Code: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Strict liability to those who have the care or custody of a minor who violates the Fireworks Ordinance – same with social hosts if violation occurs on their property.</li> <li>○ Those with multiple violates in 1 year will be held responsible for the County responding to the violations.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• A social host: owner/occupant of the property where violation occurs any anyone who hosts, organizes, accepts, etc. responsibility for a gathering at the property.</li> <li>• Property owners are not liable if they rented/leased the property to another, violation was committed by a trespasser, owner was not present, or the owner has no prior knowledge that the violation was going to occur. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ There is no strict liability for violations occurring within common areas in multifamily properties.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• \$1,000 fine to those who violate the Fireworks Ordinance.</li> </ul>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Violation causing serious bodily injury or property damage in excess \$1,000: a misdemeanor separately punished by a \$1,000 fine or 6 months in jail.</li> <li>● To report fireworks, please report to Sherriff’s Office with the <i>exact</i> location of activity.</li> </ul> <p><b>Informational Presentation. No Council Motion Required.</b></p>
Council Member’s Comment(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Vice Chair Prado, Council Member Rodriguez, and Council Member Whitney.</li> </ul>
Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● None</li> </ul>

**6. Presentation: Multi-Jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (MJLHMP)**

Presented by Dan Belville, Director of Public Safety Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The Hazard Mitigation Plan assesses hazard vulnerabilities and identifies mitigation actions. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Reduces the level of injury, property damage, and community disruption.</li> <li>○ Adopting this plan will help the County and its Annex Partners to be eligible for various types of pre/post disaster community assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and State government.</li> <li>○ Fosters collaboration between local jurisdictions and residents.</li> <li>○ Encourages sustainable actions.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● All cities and unincorporated areas in San Mateo County are participating in the MJHMP.</li> <li>● Risks being assessed and mitigated in the 2021 Plan Update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Natural: climate change, dam failure, drought, earthquake, floor, landslide, severe weather, wildfires, tsunamis, pandemic.</li> <li>○ Human caused: terrorism, cyber threats, and communication failure.</li> <li>○ Technological hazards: hazardous materials release, pipeline and tank failure, and aircraft incidents.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Examples of mitigation strategies include: seismic retrofit of buildings and bridges, redundancy of water systems and fuel systems, tree planting, vegetation management, community centers with off-grid power, policies, incentives.</li> <li>● SMC Board of Supervisors to adopt the updated Mitigation Plan in December.</li> <li>● Steering committee had 50% CBOs and 50% Public Agencies.</li> <li>● Public Workshop #2 on the MJLHMP draft in August 12 at 4pm.</li> </ul>
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	<b>Informational Presentation. No Council Motion Required.</b>
Council Member's Comment(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council Member Rodriguez and Council Member Cerrillo,</li> </ul>
Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> </ul>

## 7. Presentation: Update on the Middlefield Road Improvement Project

<p>Presented by y Krzysztof Lisaj, Principal Civil Engineer, Department of Public Works, County of San Mateo</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Project limits are from Douglas Ave. to Sixth Ave.</li> <li>• General layout: 1 lane in each direction, widened sidewalks, new streetlights, bike lanes, high visibility crosswalks, rectangular rapid flash beacon, traffic signals, street trees, bike racks, trash receptables, underground utilities, sanitary sewer pipe replacement, green infrastructure.</li> <li>• Three new traffic signals on Hurlingame Ave., Clinic/Redwood Junction Driveway, Pacific Ave.</li> <li>• New railroad crossing equipment at Clinic/Redwood Junction Driveway.</li> <li>• Public parking will be available at Middlefield Rd/2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. and Berkshire Rd./Huntington Ave.</li> <li>• Anticipated completion of project: Winter 2022 (1.5 years)</li> <li>• Work is performed in phases on one side of Middlefield Road in two blocks at a time.</li> <li>• Access for delivery trucks and vehicle services to businesses will be maintained/controlled by flaggers at work zone entrances during construction hours.</li> <li>• SamTrans will operate during construction.</li> <li>• Typical construction hours are from 8:00am to 5:0pm Monday – Friday.</li> <li>• Two community meetings in June: June 24 (in-person) at 10:00am at the Middlefield/2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. parking lot; and June 30 (via Zoom) at 10:00am. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Presentation and additional information can be found on <a href="http://middlefieldroad.org/">http://middlefieldroad.org/</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>• Outreach to community and Middlefield Road business owners: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Pre-construction: bilingual postcards, notifications, and a billboard with information about the project and start date.</li> <li>○ Post-construction: bilingual invitation flyers to June's community meetings and an information packet for business owners containing project information, contact information, and additional resources.</li> <li>○ Bilingual website: <a href="http://middlefieldroad.org/">http://middlefieldroad.org/</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>• Who to contact:</li> </ul>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Construction questions to Department of Public Works: Call 650-363-4100 (Mon.-Fri. 8am-5pm). Email DPW_MiddlefieldProject@smcgov.org</li> <li>○ Other project-related questions to Office of Community Affairs: Call 650-363-1800 (Mon.-Fri. 8am-5pm). Email CommunityAffairs@smcgov.org</li> </ul> <p><b>Informational Presentation. No Council Motion Required.</b></p>
Council Member's Comment(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Vice Chair Prado, Council Member Cerrillo, Council Member Rodriguez, and Council Member Whitney.</li> </ul>
Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● None</li> </ul>

### 8. Presentation: Sequoia Adult School – Celebrating 100 Years of Service

Presented by Jonathan Fu, Director, Sequoia Adult School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Sequoia Adult School to celebrate their 100 years of service.</li> <li>● Most students are immigrants, English learners, or those who did not complete high school. Majority need computer training as well.</li> <li>● English learners first go to Sequoia Adult School and then go to Canada College to take college-level English classes.</li> <li>● Nearly 200 students transition to college and job training upon completion of the program and Sequoia Adult School every year.</li> <li>● Community partners in support: Canada College, JobTrain, Renaissance, Peninsula Food Service, SMC Libraries, Upward Scholars, and Vegan Outreach.</li> </ul> <p><b>Informational Presentation. No Council Motion Required.</b></p>
Council Member's Comment(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Council Member Rodriguez.</li> </ul>
Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● None</li> </ul>

The meeting adjourned at 9:20pm

**Next Council Meeting:**

Thursday, July 22, 2021; 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

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