### North Fair Oaks Community Council

**Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, November 19, 2015**

7:00 p.m.

**Fair Oaks Community Center Multi-Purpose Room, 2600 Middlefield Road, Redwood City**

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<th>Issue</th>
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<td>Roll Call</td>
<td>Present: Rafael Avendano, Beatriz Cerrillo, Emily Cordova, Mary Martinez, Dale Miller, Linda Lopez, Everardo Rodriguez, Esperanza Vasquez, Diane Zermeno</td>
<td>Absent: Laura Caplan</td>
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<td>Public Comment</td>
<td>Gabriela Valencia, NFO resident, stated that she is involved in the Middlefield Road Steering Committee and she had concerns that the Middlefield Road improvement project is going to cause gentrification. Gabriela also stated that she and other members from the Steering Committee have been looking for a forum to discuss these issues.</td>
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<td>Approval of Minutes</td>
<td>Minutes for the NFOCC meetings dated October 22, 2015. Councilmember Everardo Rodriguez made a motion to approve the October 22, 2015 minutes. Councilmember Beatriz Cerrillo seconded the motion. Councilmembers Beatriz Cerrillo, Linda Lopez, Everardo Rodriguez, and Esperanza Vasquez approved the minutes.</td>
<td>Abstain: Rafael Avendano, Dale Miller, Mary Martinez, Diane Zermeno</td>
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<td>Introduction to Wayne Hoss</td>
<td>Mike Callagy stated that the County receives a lot of complaints on illegal units, illegal dumping, graffiti, etc. In order to tackle these issues, the County has hired a code enforcement manager to help manage and leverage resources. Wayne Hoss will start on December 7th. Wayne will be working out of the Middlefield Road Sheriff Substation. Wayne Hoss stated that he worked as a police officer for more than 30 years with the San Mateo Police Department. He also stated that he was born and raised in Redwood City and that he looks forward to working with the North Fair Oaks Community.</td>
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<td>Update on Middlefield Road Re Design</td>
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<td>Siena Youth Center Bulldog Ride Proposal</td>
<td>Susanna Vasquez, Siena Youth Center volunteer, stated that today the Siena Youth Center will be discussing a program called the “Trips For Kids-Bulldog Riders Safe Routes To Green Spaces.” Susanna also mentioned that Siena Youth Center has a bulldog riders program that promotes biking and activities in the North Fair Oaks Community for all youth and adults. Susanna invited youths members to discuss about their experiences as participating in the programs. Eduardo, Bulldog rider youth member, stated that he has been going to the bike rodeo for the last two years. He likes the event because it teaches kids how to ride a bike and they give away helmets for free. Jorge and Moises, Bulldog rider youth members, stated that the skills classes offer by the program teaches kids how to mountain bike. Mario, Bulldog rider youth member, stated that the routes are not safe for kids to ride in North Fair Oaks. Moises stated that we need signs to signal safe routes to green space. Susanna Vasquez stated that kids worked on a design of a sign to be placed up at different locations in North Fair Oaks. Susanna provided the following recommendations to the Council: • The Council should consider putting up Safe Routes to Green Space Signage throughout the North Fair Oaks Community to promote green space usage and access in our wonderful and rich community.</td>
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- Support a bike pump track and promote park usage for all in the area.
- San Mateo County Parks is considering the making of a pump track bike park at Flood Park.

Councilmember Everardo Rodriguez asked where do the kids bike. A youth member stated that they bike around the Siena Youth Center and in the parking lot at Marshalls.

Chair Linda Lopez recommended that the recommendation be sent to Public Works to see if they can produce and install the safe routes signs in North Fair Oaks.

**Presentation by the Office of Emergency Services**

Jeff Norris, Sheriff's Office presented the following:

- According to the Winter Weather Update and the Area Precipitation Information, the rain trends are above average for this upcoming season.
- There have been two rain events producing measurable precipitation since September 1st.
- Efforts by Public Works to insure that storm drains are clear and running have worked and excess water has been carried away safely.
- In preparation for the weather, make sure to have sandbags and plastic sheeting available, stay informed, and make a kit of the items you would need in an emergency.

Councilmember Beatriz Cerillo asked where can residents pick up sandbags. Jeff stated that residents can pick up sandbags at the Grant Corporation Yard on Chestnut Street.

Councilmember Linda Lopez asked how the outreach is being done. Jeff stated all sandbags locations at the Office of Emergency Services. Mike Callagy, Deputy County Manager, stated that he asked all the departments to prepare a report to the Board of Supervisors on how they have prepared for the upcoming raining season.

**Supervisor Slocum's Report**

Irving Torres, Legislative Aide to Supervisor Slocum, reported the following:

- December 15th is the annual NFO Community Potluck which will be held at the Fair Oaks Community Center.
- This past Tuesday, November 17th, the Board of Supervisors passed an Interim Urgency Ordinance placing a moratorium
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<th>NFO Forward Report</th>
<th>Jenifer Logia, NFOForward Team member, provided the following information:</th>
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<td>Approve the recommendation from the North Fair Oaks Public Art Workgroup for mural design on the County-owned utility box located at the intersection of Fifth Ave and Waverly Ave.</td>
<td>- A second community design workshop was held on Wednesday, November 4, 2015, at Garfield Elementary School to gather input from members of the North Fair Oaks community regarding various aspects of the Middlefield Road Redesign. The attendees had the opportunity to discuss sidewalk bulb-outs, trees, and bicycle lanes. Comments from the community workshop will be further reviewed at the third steering committee meeting on Wednesday, December 2, 2015, at Garfield Elementary School.</td>
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<td>- Proposed zoning changes for Phase 1 were approved by the Board of Supervisors at their meeting on November 3, 2015. The Zoning workgroup began review of Phase 2A zoning changes along El Camino Real and Fifth Avenue in October 2015 and will continue meeting through the beginning of 2016 to prepare a final draft of proposed zoning changes. The next meeting will take place in January 2016 at the Fair Oaks Health Center (2710 Middlefield Road, Redwood City). Anyone interested in shaping the look, feel and function of parcels along this corridor are welcome to join the workgroup by contacting Ellie Dallman at (650) 363-4084.</td>
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Ellie Dallman, NFO Forward Team member, provided the following information:

A call for artists was released on September 28, 2015 inviting local San Mateo County artists to submit mural designs for the County owned utility box located at Fifth Ave and Waverly Ave.

Councilmember Dale Miller made a motion to approve the recommendation from the North Fair Oaks Public Art Workgroup for a mural design on the County-owned utility box located at the intersection of Fifth Ave and Waverly Ave. Councilmember Everardo Rodriguez seconded the motion.

Councilmembers Rafael Avendano, Beatriz Cerrillo, Linda Lopez, Mary Martinez, Dale Miller, Everardo Rodriguez, Esperanza Vasquez, and Diane Zermeno approved the minutes.
Councilmember Reports

Councilmember Rafael Avendano stated that he attended a meeting on gentrification with Supervisor Slocum. Rafael thought the meeting went well and that there was a lot of communication between the Supervisor and the residents.

Councilmember Everardo Rodriguez stated that he met with Derek Wolfram and was given a box of books that were discarded by the Redwood City Library. Ever mentioned that he will be giving some of the books to Mary and Beatriz Cerillo for the kids at Fair Oaks Elementary School.

Councilmember Mary Martinez stated that Facebook donated $33,000 to the Fair Oaks Elementary School. The funds will be going towards buying two iPad carts for their kindergarteners.

Adjournment

Chair Linda Lopez adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Next Meeting

North Fair Oaks Community Council Study Session
Thursday, January 28, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.
Location to be determined