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**North Fair Oaks Community Council
 Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, September 22, 2016

7:00 p.m.

Fair Oaks Community Center Classroom 1, 2600 Middlefield Road, Redwood City

Issue	Discussion	Decision/ Next Step/Action
Roll Call	Present: Rafael Avendano, Mary Martinez, Dale Miller, Linda Lopez, Everardo Rodriguez and Beatriz Cerrillo Absent: Emily Cordova, Diane Zermeno, Laura Caplan, Esperanza Vasquez, and Emily Cordova	
Public Comment	None	
Presentation on Measure U: Redwood City School District's Parcel Tax Measure	Presentation by John Baker, Superintendent & Maria Slocum John explains to the council and public that, Measure U renewal parcel tax in Redwood City School district to 85 dollars per child tax designed to go directly to the schools. His intention of this presentation is to spread more knowledge as well as support about this measure, and that it will be on the November ballot. The money that will go directly to the schools which will be managed by group of people that will make sure it goes to the schools, as well as an oversight community to make sure that money is spent correctly. He conducted a survey for another Parcel tax, which came out very favorable, to go forward for \$85 in a period of 14 years. This one is very unique and very supported by the community. Some of the ways John is spreading knowledge of this measure is through:	

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Precinct Walking 2. Tagging door nobs (with info) 3. Phone banking <p>Maria restated a little bit of what John has said about the money going directly to schools rather than to the district.</p> <p>Maria said that its good because each side gets to decide how the money will be spent, and try to satisfy each school's/community needs. She is asking to spread the word because this measure will benefit the school district a lot. She thanked the community for their hard work and dedication to the Fair Oaks community.</p> <p>Councilmember Mary Martinez, how do they get the community involved?</p> <p>John stated that since the district cannot fund this campaign he has to leave the district office or be off the clock when talking about this measure.</p> <p>John states that this campaign will have to be privately funded since the district cannot be associated with it. He has received donations from other private organizations.</p> <p>John did state that he can put out info from the district office but none can be advocating for this measure.</p> <p>The Phone banking nights that will be held at Butler Construction, near Sequoia Station from 6-830 pm.</p> <p>Trying to get as many people involved with this measure is key due to low budget for this campaign.</p> <p>Maria also stated that they can add their name to the endorsement list, making sure people are registered to vote.</p> <p>Councilmember Linda Lopez, asked about senior citizens being eligible for an exception wanted to know why. John said that some seniors are concerned about their monthly income, even through most don't do it, they want to honor that. Linda also asked about the outreach, whether it will just be directed towards parents since there are a lot of people whom don't have kids involved with the schools. John said that the outreach is conducted towards all members of the community.</p> <p>Chair Rafael Avendano, wanted to know if there is a social media page for the campaign, and how it works for the non-profit organizations that are connected with the school districts. John said the change for this campaign is that people associated with the district itself have to be careful what they say.</p> <p>Public Comment</p> <p>None</p>	
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<p>Presentation of operational changes at 501 Oakside Ave by TE Connectivity</p>	<p>Presentation by John Stilger, Sr. Manager</p> <p>Some background on the company,</p> <p>TE is a global technology leader in the design and manufacture electronic connections and systems. They sell a lot to government, automotive, and military.</p> <p>Some potential concerns that the public might have,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety record and compliance • Resources devoted to safe operations and employee safety • Excellent record of safety at both the Menlo Park and RWC plants. <p>They sold the Menlo Park campus to Facebook, which they want to try and keep some of the jobs in the bay area.</p> <p>John stated that there is a new warehouse that opened up in Fremont but still needs more locations.</p> <p>Noise</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TE has invested to address noise concerns, the design consultant brought in to model the design. <p>John said they have been working toward lowering the noise as much as possible. They invested a lot of money and resources on trying to reduce that noise.</p> <p>The hours of operation won't change</p> <p>They will be bringing in new employees from the Menlo Park location, (75) having about 246 total employees.</p> <p>There won't be additional parking, the challenge will be during shift change. Staggering some of the shift change will be one of the solutions, so that everyone doesn't come at the same time.</p> <p>Traffic impact should be minimum based on the shift change times.</p> <p>Councilmember Linda Lopez suggest that TE talk to school about this location change. John stated that he has not been approached by the school, but is willing to provide any information to whoever is interested.</p>	
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	<p>Councilmember Mary Martinez asked about how the school will go about contacting you or the company. John said he will leave his contact info. She also said if he can contact or at least provide some of this information to the local residents about this operational change. John said sure.</p> <p>Public comment</p> <p>Employee: He says he has been working for the company for about 10 years, and that the noise issues have been reduced and has heard less complaints. He also stated that traffic should not be an issue.</p>	
<p>Presentation on the Free Parks Shuttle program to Edgewood Park and Wunderlich Park</p>	<p>Presentation by Sara Birkeland, assistant director of county parks and Carla Shoff</p> <p>This is a two year funded program, so that incase changes were needed to be made they were able to do so.</p> <p>They conducted a study and found out that 19 percent of people in these communities don't own a personal vehicle, making them very limited access to these parks.</p> <p>Help resident easily connect with parks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Those without cars • Those who don't drive • Those with some mobility limitations • Those who want to ride bikes to shuttle locations • Those who want to use alternation transportation. • Alleviate parking congestion at parks. <p>The shuttles will be running every Saturday and Sunday</p> <p>Service starts at 9 a.m.</p> <p>San Mateo County Parks and parks shuttle website which will provide the schedules of the shuttles.</p> <p>Trying to encourage people on going to these parks "A welcoming atmosphere"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bilingual staff at park that will greet people <p>English and Spanish language materials</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self-guided tour sheets 	

- Brochures

Park partners- visitor and education center programs

The information is on the website; they are doing community outreach as well as working with NFO Forward Team.

Community Outreach intern which has been spreading the word in East Palo Alto.

The San Mateo County Free Park Shuttle Launch will be on Saturday, September 24, 2016 all are welcome.

Councilmember Dale Miller, ask how big are the shuttles, Carla stated that they hold 20, 16 with wheelchair.

Councilmember Everardo Rodriguez, wanted to know about the partnerships with the libraries getting them involved so that they can organize fun events at these locations. Carla stated that through time, there will be those events and think it's a good idea. She feels that it is best to just get this program going first and spread the word, and then start working on getting events with those partnerships up and running.

Chair Rafael Avendano, wanted to know how will they know in a few years qualitative and quantitative, will be able to make this program work in for centuries. He's very excited about this program and wanted to make sure this works in the future. Carla stated they like to dream big on going to more parks in the future, but it will come down to number of riders. Whether or not it will work or not will come down to a evaluation two years down the road. Doing things like continuing to work with the NFO Forward team on spreading the word as well as other outreach programs.

Councilmember Linda Lopez, wanted to know about two shuttles, one that goes through Woderlich and one that to Edgewood. Carla said they start off in two different locations and she made a suggestion that those who live in East Palo Alto can use this shuttle to get to events in downtown Redwood City for free. This shuttle doesn't necessarily just help out the parks but it is designed to help communities as well.

Councilmember Linda Lopez, wanted to thank Marlene for getting this program going, and that she took control of this park issue, really happy that she got this going.

Councilmember Everardo Rodriguez, restated again about this program being great to create fun things for those partnerships to organize

	<p>some sort of fun event as well as helping those health clinics.</p> <p>Councilmember Linda Lopez also suggested to do a senior citizen event that would be a great idea to help them out. Carla agreed, that those are some great ideas for the near future.</p> <p>Public comment: None</p>	
<p>Presentation on Energica Motors</p>	<p>Carter Suite stepping in for Stewart Davis, from Energica Motors.</p> <p>Carter explains to the council and public that Energica Motors is the worlds first producer of electric motors. These motorcycles will compete with the top motorcycle brands out there right now.</p> <p>They are vey environmental safe, all electric that produce very little gases. He also stated that there will be two models Super sport, and High performance. There will be more as the time goes on.</p> <p>There will be more companies that are currently creating all electric motorcycles, but wont be done until 2020 or longer</p> <p>Carter states that these Energica will be available in 2016</p> <p>They are currently in the process of distribution.</p> <p>They chose Redwood City due to its central location in the Bay Area (peninsula).</p> <p>There are currently two employees in the U.S. since the manufacturing is done in Italy.</p> <p>The range of how fast these motorcycles go is between 80 to 120 mph.</p> <p>Councilmember Linda Lopez asked about where the office is located at in Redwood City. Carter said its located on Sweeney Ave.</p> <p>Councilmember Dale Miller asked if there was any manufacturing even some of the testing and diagnostic. Carter, all of that is done is done in Italy, and the Sweeny Ave location should be good enough space for service if needed. He also stated that there shouldn't be any issues with the motorcycles for at least 3 years and by then there should be a bigger location.</p> <p>Public Comment: None</p>	

<p>Supervisor's Report</p>	<p>Irving Torres, Legislative Aide, Office of Supervisor Warren Slocum</p> <p>The Chair asked for a report on the The Mental Health Association project Melisa Plate. They are currently applying for a 4% tax credit to close the funding gap. There will be a hearing on October 19th and expected that they will be awarded that credit. They are partnering with enterprise to close up the funding gap as well. They hope for groundbreaking in March of 2017.</p> <p>September is National Preparedness month, and it is good for the council to build an emergency kit at home. This emergency is kit is for declared emergency, and should be built to last for at least 12 hours. Visit the website www.ready.gov/kit to help with what items you should have.</p> <p>The Board this passed Tuesday adopted a physical budget for 2016-2017 after considering 113.8 million. Changes that includes specific measure A, replacement of property tax computer and 10.1 million in Revenue increase.</p> <p>June 2016, Part of the two-year budget cycle, the Board approved a recommendation budget of 2.6 billion, with 5,438 authorized positions.</p> <p>Councilmember Linda Lopez asked to confirm the date of the groundbreaking of the mental health building, which Irving confirmed February/March.</p>	
<p>NFOFoward Report</p>	<p>Jenifer Logia, Lead Outreach Coordinator</p> <p>Providing information on Parking, Middlefield project, and Public Art Work group.</p> <p>She talked the 4 existing parcels that will be used for parking on Middlefield road.</p> <p>They will be removing some of the buildings and all of the residents were notified of that.</p> <p>There will be a community meeting on October 13th, how the parking lot will be designed and used.</p> <p>Main goals</p> <p>To offset the parking loss during construction.</p> <p>The design process of Middlefield project will resume</p>	

	<p>Steering Committee Meeting: October 5</p> <p>Steering Committee Meeting: November 2</p> <p>North Fair Oaks Community Council (Recommendation) 2017</p> <p>Board of Supervisors 2017</p> <p>In July and August, the county held two meetings in the community about zoning changes on 5th avenue and El Camino Real.</p> <p>Both meetings had about 100 people attendance</p> <p>The zoning work group plans to meet with in early October, for more opportunities in community input.</p> <p>Public Art Work group. A mural will be done between Fair Oaks Ave & Hampshire Ave.</p> <p>Right next to Fair Oaks School. They are hoping it will enhance the neighborhood since there has been a lot of graffiti in that area.</p> <p>They want to celebrate the culture and history of North Fair Oaks.</p> <p>Call for Artist open from now until October 14th, 2016</p> <p>Councilmember Mary Martinez, wanted to know what will the mural be. Jenifer said at this point it will be based on what people submit, and that they will review the applications, which then they will review the applications. After that they will bring the recommendation to the council. Jenifer wanted to thank Victor Gaitan her colleague on his hard work on getting the word out.</p> <p>Councilmember Linda Lopez, wanted to know who is maintaining the sculpture entrances near 5th avenue by the bridge, and wanted to know if they can clear out those weeds. Jennifer agrees, but is not sure who is charge. Mike Callagy said he will contact public works on getting that taken care of.</p> <p>Councilmember Linda Lopez, had a few other comments, such as the October 5th steering meeting and wanted to know if there was an agenda out yet on that meeting and would like a copy. She wanted to think about for future discussions how we can use the Public Art Work group. Wanted to know if they can help come up with ideas, since that was the idea way back for this work group. She also commented on the Public Art Work group, about them painting the utility boxes, the beautiful sculptures. She would like to see them get that connection back, because once those projects are completed, we need to get reconnected back with the steering committee, the parking lot,</p>	
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	<p>landscaping, to public art which is a key component. She feels that they are doing good but still not connected.</p> <p>Jenifer in response to Linda comments, since they still have a long way to go in the design process, they will be doing their public outreach to the public art grouped as the parking lot situation.</p> <p>Chair Rafael Avendano, asked if the info was on social media sites, if so if this info can be posted in English and Spanish for their youth. Jenifer says there are websites about this info up now, as well as Facebook and twitter, they try to update them as much as possible. Rafael also stated that they are doing a good job on the website what they have done already, but would to see more if possible to make it more friendly for others to see.</p>	
<p>Councilmember Reports</p>	<p>Councilmember Linda Lopez talked about the Immigration Integration Summit, held yesterday at the Fox Theater. She thanked Irving for coordinating the event. It was good as well as the turnout. NFO Forward staff was there as well which was great. She like the speakers on how they were diverse but not just themselves but different perspective from founder CEO from Oracle to the non profits which she thought was great. She liked that experience because she left with new information. She also thanked the county for the event primarily Supervisor Warren Slocum’s office. She liked this second event a lot even though she did not attend the first one.</p> <p>Legislative Aide, Irving Torres, said this second event was focused on San Mateo County compared to the first one which was focused on the entire region of immigration. He acknowledged the office of Immigration support incoordination Jazmin, Edwin Chain, Andres Connelly from Casa Noestra, and Professor Tomás Jiménez from Stanford. He stated that this was a year long process on what info should be given out not only to the non-profit but to the elected officials. He said that an Intern Joel over the summer helped contact these culture associations about attending this event, which many were at the event.</p> <p>Chair Rafael Avendano, thanked Irving for his hard work and very please about the event</p> <p>Councilmember Linda Lopez, asked about how or when she would be able to get access to that presentation. Irving said that as soon as they get permission from Ayesha Lee, he will make sure they get access. He also acknowledged the San Mateo County residents that came from different backgrounds, and Carole Matsumoto from South city. She was the moderator Immigrant perspective speaker. We really wanted to</p>	

	<p>diversify the diverse range of immigrants, in San Mateo County.</p> <p>Councilmember Beartriz Cerrillo, went to a Healthy home event recently. Informational Saturday which she thought was great. Learning about new ways to do things, as far as cleaning, to maintain the home and spaces, as well being more resourceful with what you have at home. The classrooms and how it was all set up, was great. There were different presentations going on and you just went to each one which also had a raffle at the end. They were given a bag of the healthy products to keep at your house, which was great.</p> <p>Legislative Aide, Irving Torres, acknowledged and thanked the NFO Forward team, for that event, he has hard a lot of positive feedback from that event. A lot of the residents enjoyed it they were calling their friends and family towards the end of the event to come because it was some very insight/useful information. Due to its turnout this year, there will be an event next year going over the same information, because it is important to know this stuff.</p> <p>Chair Rafael Avendano, Thanked the NFO Forward team for going to the Sienna Center team action meeting, a week and a half ago, about the park shuttle. He also thanked the North Fair Oaks for being a part of us by attending these meetings. Also the Bulldogs riders bicycle community team, wanted the public works to know they need bike signs in the community since there isn't any. Irving said he will make he passes that information to them.</p>	
Adjournment	<p>Everardo Rodriguez made a motion to adjourn. Linda Lopez seconded the motion.</p> <p>Chair Rafael Avendano adjourned the meeting at 8:26 PM</p>	

Next Meeting

North Fair Oaks Community Council Study Session

Thursday, October 27, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

Fair Oaks Community Center Classroom 1