SUNOL CITIZEN’S ADVISORY COUNCIL

Minutes
WEDNESDAY, October 21, 2015
SUNOL GLEN SCHOOL
CAFETERIA

1. CALL TO ORDER - The Chair, Rosemary Chang called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
Board members present: Rosemary Chang, Gerry Beemiller, Barry Kaminsky, Dimitris Kastriotis and Donn Lobdell.
Staff present: Supervisor Scott Haggerty, District 1 Chief of Staff, Shawn Wilson, Bonnie Terra, Deputy Brandon Dennington, Deputy Stuart Barnes and Stephanie Cabrera. There were approximately 20 people in attendance.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT/OPEN FORUM/PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS
   Rodrigo Orduña – Introduced himself and stated he would be the Acting Planning Department Code Enforcement Division official for the Sunol area
   Assembly Member Bill Quirk – Introduced himself
   Rosemary Chang – Explained new Public Comment procedures

3. REPORTS/UPDATES – Informational Items:
   Alameda County Sheriff’s Department – Nothing to report. Deputy Dennington stated that the Sunol stroll was a huge success and estimates that about 10,000 people participated in the event.
   Alameda County Fire Department – 49 calls for service which were mainly EMS. There were no monetary losses. Bonnie Terra reminded residents of “Fire Season” and that there is high fire risk warning signs in the hills until the moisture levels improve. Bonnie Terra had to leave to follow up on the response to a vegetation fire on Midway.

   PROGRESS REPORTS (AS NECESSARY) – Informational items:
   Citizen’s Traffic Committee – No report
   Kilkare Road Firesafe and Greenwaste Project Grant – No report
   Construction at the Train Depot – Report provided by Christ Miley and Presented by the Chair, Rosemary Chang – The construction being done by Niles Canyon Railway is prep work for repaving and restriping of the parking lot. A hard edge along the track will be installed to prevent damage to the asphalt and adding drainage to assist with pooling water. Prior to repaving, the depot will be connected to the water system and electrical conduits that were installed when the Depot was relocated. The electrical connections are for the platform and parking lighting and the water is for the planned green span that will separate the parking lot from the platform. Prior to this construction, Kinder Morgan was doing valve compound work on the lot.

4. ALTAMONT CORRIDOR EXPRESS FORWARD PROGRAM/WAYSIDE HORN UPDATE
   Supervisor Haggerty gave history on the project and why a new system is being installed, and introduced Bryan Pennino and Dan Leavitt from Pennino Management Group to present a slideshow showing the design and function of the proposed Wayside horn. Member Lobdell motioned to thank the presenters for the information provided and for answering the public’s questions. Seconded by Member Kastriotis, motion passed with 5 Ayes.
5. **COUNCIL DISCUSSION ON THE NILES CANYON TRAIL** –
The Council discussed what Caltrans plans were for the Niles Canyon trail. Member Kaminsky reminded everyone that any written suggestions or comments on the proposed trail need to be submitted to CalTrans by 10/30/15 to NilesCanyonProject@dot.ca.gov. CalTrans is proposing two traffic lights, one at the “four corners” and the other on Main Street. A member of the community suggested to CalTrans that a roundabout would be a better option for the neighborhood. The Council agreed that a roundabout would be best for the surrounding area and traffic. Assembly member Quirk stated that his District Director, Carolina Salazar would follow up with Caltrans.

6. **BEEMILLER, CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, PLN-2015-00145** – Application to modify an existing Conditional Use Permit, to allow for the replacement of a temporary structure with a permanent 7,000 square foot building to house events, in the “A” (Agricultural) District, located at 5005 Sheridan Road, south side, approximately 1 mile east of Interstate 680, Sunol area of unincorporated Alameda County, bearing Assessor’s Parcel Number: APN 096-0001-002-20.

   **Staff Planner: Damien Curry**

   **Notice of Intent PLN-2015-00145**

   Approved as recommended with Member Beemiller recusing himself from discussing/voting on the matter due to a conflict of interest because he is the owner of the property being discussed and left the room.

   Member Kastriotis moved to approve the recommendation made by staff, seconded by Member Kaminsky. Motion passed with 4 ayes and 1 excused (Member Beemiller).

7. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

   - **July 15, 2015 MINUTES** - Member Kastriotis moved to approve the 7/15/15 meeting minutes, seconded by Chairperson Chang. The Motion passed with 5 ayes with correction to last paragraph to show that it was not Member Kastriotis that resigned from the Septic Committee.

   - **August 19, 2015 MINUTES** - Member Lobdell moved to approve the 8/16/15 meeting minutes, seconded by Member Kaminsky. Motion passed with 5 ayes.

   - **September 16, 2015 MINUTES** – Member Kaminsky moved to approve the 9/19/15 meeting minutes, seconded by Member Kastriotis. Motion passed with 3 ayes 2 excused (Members: Beemiller and Lobdell).

8. **COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS** – None

9. **ADJOURNED at 7:36 p.m.**