

# **SUNOL CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL**

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2017**

**6:30 p.m.**

**SUNOL GLEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

## **MINUTES**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** - Council Member Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**Board Members present:** Gerry Beemiller, Jordan Franco, Nzingha Johnson, Rosemary Chang

**Staff present:** Bonnie Terra, Alameda County Fire Department; Gabriela Christy, Supervisor Valle's Office; Jessica Roque, Clerk, Board of Supervisors Office; Jonathan Hamm, Sherriff's Office; and Supervisor Richard Valle, Board of Supervisors

- 2. RECOGNITION OF PAST CHAIR**

Member Johnson and Supervisor Richard Valle recognized the Council's past Chair, Member Chang.

- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT/OPEN FORUM/PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Tom Harland, Chairperson for Friends of the Garden, announced that they have put together a proposal to add parkour equipment in the park. He will submit a formal proposal online as directed. He also voiced his concerns regarding traffic going through town. He would like blinking traffic signs installed to warn commuters to stay under the speed limit.

Community Member Dan requested that County roads be contacted to trim brush at the Northeast corner of Koopman Road. He also stated he would prefer speed bumps over blinking signs.

Community Member Sefo would like the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) containers at the park examined to see if more supplies are needed. Member Johnson will contact Lynn Kozma, who is in charge of the containers.

Member Johnson reported that the Quiet Zone is being delayed. District 1 Council Members will ask Supervisor Scott Haggerty for an update.

**4. REPORTS/UPDATES - Informational Items:**

**Alameda County Sherriff's Office** – Deputy Johnathan Hamm issued a reminder to be extra cautious as the Holiday season approaches. He would like Community Members to use their best judgement and remain vigilant. To report a non-emergency matter such as a suspicious person or vehicle, dial 510-667-7721. For any emergency, dial 911. Calling from a landline is the fastest way to get a response, using a cell phone will delay response.

**Alameda County Fire Department** – Bonnie Terra reported 18 calls for service, half being for emergency related services. 9 calls were for good intent. There were no fires reported. Bonnie requests Community Members prepare themselves for the challenges that the changing weather will bring, such as mudslides.

**PROGRESS REPORTS (AS NECESSARY) - Informational Items:**

**Sunol Septic Working Group** – The group did not meet this month.

**Sunol Fire Safe Coalition** – No update.

**5. SAN FRANCISCO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (SFPUC) UPDATE ON ACTIVITIES IN SUNOL**

Tim Ramirez provided an update on the former Sunol Valley Golf Course. Potential future uses for the land are as follows: staging areas (storage), mitigation land bank, native plant nursery, solar farm, agricultural projects, public trails, grazing, carbon sequestration study. He stated that the grounds will not be used as a golf course. The SFPUC welcomes questions and comments. Regarding the continued requests to clean up the grounds, Tim reported that due to limited resources, the grounds are being cleaned incrementally.

A 2-year budget for the Water Shed Center will be released in January at a SFPUC public meeting. This will be a good time for Community Members to share their comments.

**6. COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN SUPPORT LETTER – Action Item**

The Council voted to approve a Letter of Support for the Sunol Community Wildfire Protection Plan.

Motioned by Member Chang, Seconded by Member Beemiller, Approved – 4/0

**7. COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT FUND UPDATE**

Gabriela Christy spoke about the Community Improvement Fund, which is accessible to Sunol residents year-round for the purpose of improving Sunol. Gabriela provided a handout, which is available on Supervisor Valle's website, that explains what the Community Improvement Fund is, who residents can contact and includes an application. The current balance is \$127,000.

**8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Action Item:**

October 18, 2017- Motioned by Member Johnson, Seconded by Member Chang, Approved - 4/0

**9. COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS**

None

**10. ADJOURNED**

Motioned by Member Johnson, Seconded by Member Chang, Approved - 4/0